

The 1066 Walk



Robertsbridge community walk 18

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This rewarding walk to the south of Robertsbridge passes through peaceful woods, ancient churches and undulating fields with sweeping views over the High Weald.

It finishes at **Battle Abbey**, the site of the famous **Battle of Hastings** in 1066.



Walk Guide

Distance: 11.5km/
7miles

Grade: Moderate

Stiles: 8

Livestock: Cows &
Sheep

Link to [Ordnance Survey Map](#)

Start coordinates

Grid reference

TQ 733235

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1 From Robertsbridge Railway Station turn right over the level crossing and walk through Mill Rise on the left. Cross Bishop's Lane into Bishops Meadow and follow the path to the left to Glottenham Lane.

2 Turn right and after a few metres cross the stile on the left. Follow the path to the side of the railway line for 700m, before crossing the stile on the right into sheep fields around Glottenham Manor. Turn left and walk through the fields, keeping to the line of trees to the left.

3 After 400m, go over the bridge on the left, and walk through the next field and some woodland back to the railway line.

4 Cross under the line, and walk uphill across the large sheep field, pausing at the top of slope to admire the view back towards Robertsbridge. Go over the stile and walk straight ahead past Mountfield Court, built in 1715 for the High Sheriff of Sussex, and now home to **Mountfield Winery**.





5 Continue south along the drive and turn right at Church Road. Walk past the historic twelfth century **All Saints Church**, turn left at Mountfield Village Hall and follow the path downhill along the right edge of the field. Go over a stile on the right and continue along the path high above the entrance to Mountfield railway tunnel.

6 Now turn left and after 50m look for an aquamarine-coloured shed and follow the path to the right of it. Cross the goods railway and the road to the gypsum works and take the path straight ahead through Crowhurst Wood. After 1km the path enters fields around Crowhurst Farm. Follow the path along the right of the first field, before cutting across the middle of the second field and crossing the stile at the far end.

7 Next, bear left, go over another stile and follow the path along the right edge of the field as far as Eatenden Lane. Turn right, walk up to the Old Rectory and head left along the lane to Netherfield Road.

8 Head left along Netherfield Road for 400m before turning left along the path right through Ashes Wood, which is managed by Forestry England. Look out for the historic milestone on the left of the path 800m into the wood.

9 After 1.2km, bear left and follow the path past Pond Bay to Beech Mill. Take the path on the left and after 20m head right along the track to Beech Farm. Just before the Farm look for a path on the left and follow it as it skirts the farm buildings.

10 Now walk downhill through a small field and head between two cottages to a farm lane. Take the path straight ahead and follow it downhill to a bridge before walking uphill through a cow field.

11 At the top of the hill, cross the stile and follow the path to Chain Lane. At the left end of Chain Lane, turn right into London Road and then left at the roundabout into Battle High Street.

12 Finally, walk along the High Street, passing **Battle Museum of Local History** and **Battle Abbey** on the way, and continue along Upper Lake and Lower Lake as far as Battle Railway Station on the left for trains back to Robertsbridge.

