

Walking Robertsbridge

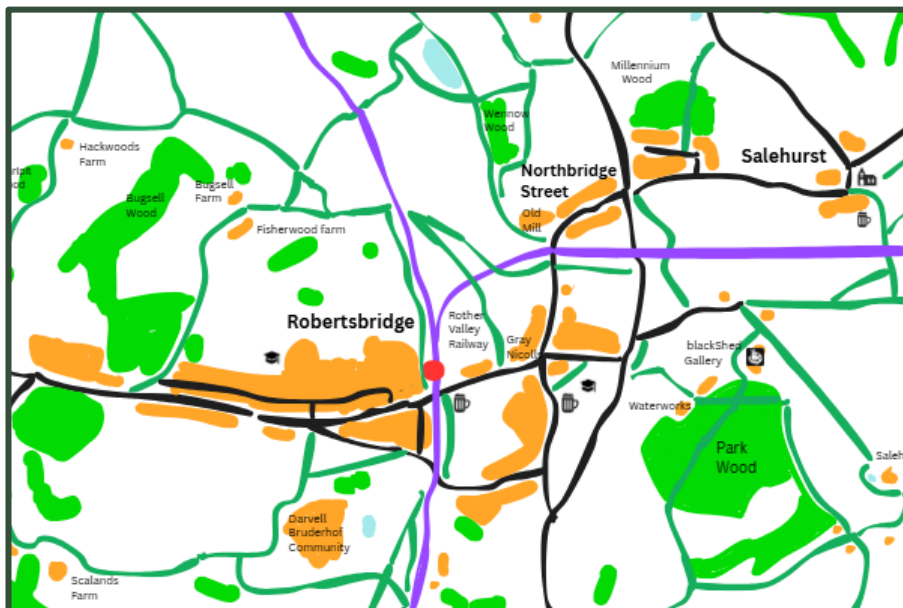
A new guide to the best walks in and around the community 



With its excellent rail, bus and road connections and abundance of scenic footpaths, Robertsbridge is one of the best places from which to explore the woods and rolling hills of the High Weald National Landscape.

This guide describes twenty of the best walking routes in and around Robertsbridge. Taking in breathtaking countryside views, quiet woodlands and ancient routeways, churches, farms and castles they capture the very best of the High Weald.

Whether you are a first-time visitor to the area, or have lived here all your life, this collection of routes has something to offer. It includes walks to suit occasional walkers, experienced hikers and dog walkers alike. In the guide you will also find information about where to eat, drink and stay, what to visit on your walk and how to get around the area.



About this guide

This guide has been created by the Robertsbridge Footpath Group, a volunteer group set up by Salehurst and Robertsbridge Parish Council.

It is based on a collection of walks put together by Sandra Walker, ably assisted by Lesley Smith. The guide has been edited by Bryan Jones. The Parish Council offers them its sincerest thanks.

We welcome feedback to clerk@salehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk



For more information about Salehurst and Robertsbridge please visit salehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk



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Walk Index

	Name	Route	Distance	Grade*
1	The Bruderhof Walk	Robertsbridge – Darvell Bruderhof - Robertsbridge	2.5kms / 1.5miles	Easy
2	The Millennium Walk	Robertsbridge – Redlands Lane – Church Lane – Millennium Wood – Northbridge St – Robertsbridge	3.5kms / 2miles	Easy
3	The Anemone Walk	Robertsbridge - Park Wood - Robertsbridge	3.5kms / 2miles	Easy
4	The Elder Walk	Robertsbridge - Wennow Wood - Bush Barn Farm Orchard - Mill Stream - Robertsbridge	4kms / 2.5miles	Easy
5	The Railway Walk	Robertsbridge – Squibs Farm - Etchingham	4kms / 2.5miles	Easy
6	The Abbey Walk	Robertsbridge – Redlands Lane – Robertsbridge Abbey – Salehurst Park Farm – Redlands Lane - Robertsbridge	4.5kms / 3miles	Easy
7	The Farm Walk	Robertsbridge – Bugsell Lane – Darvell Bruderhof - Robertsbridge	5kms / 3miles	Easy
8	The Valley Walk	Robertsbridge – Squibs Farm – Mill Stream - Robertsbridge	5.5kms / 3.5miles	Leisurely
9	The Moat Walk	Robertsbridge – Glottenham – Mountfield Lane - Robertsbridge	6kms / 4miles	Leisurely
10	The Marlpit Walk	Robertsbridge – Darvell Bruderhof – Hackwoods Farm - Robertsbridge	6.5kms / 4miles	Leisurely
11	The Lake Walk	Robertsbridge – Bugsell Lane - Mill Stream - Robertsbridge	6.5kms / 4miles	Leisurely
12	The Vineyard Walk	Robertsbridge – Park Wood – Johns Cross -Mountfield Court - Robertsbridge	7.5kms / 4.5miles	Leisurely
13	The Orchard Walk	Robertsbridge - Salehurst - Bourne Lane - Northbridge St - Robertsbridge	7.5kms / 4.5miles	Leisurely

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14	The Kipling Walk	Robertsbridge – Socknersh Manor - Fontridge Lane – Burwash - Batemans	8.5kms / 5.5miles	Moderate
15	The Bluebell Walk	Robertsbridge – Ludpit Lane – Furnace Wood – Fontridge Lane - Squibs Farm – Robertsbridge	9kms / 5.5miles	Moderate
16	The Furnace Walk	Robertsbridge – Glottenham – Mountfield Park Farm - Furnace Wood - Robertsbridge	9kms / 5.5miles	Moderate
17	The Manor Walk	Robertsbridge – Hackwoods Farm – Fontridge Lane – Socknersh Manor – Ludpit Lane - Robertsbridge	10kms / 6miles	Moderate
18	The 1066 Walk	Robertsbridge - Mountfield- Eatenden Lane – Ashes Wood – Beech Farm - Battle	11.5kms / 7miles	Moderate
19	The Castle Walk	Robertsbridge – Robertsbridge Abbey – Bodiam – Bourne Lane – Salehurst - Robertsbridge	12kms / 7.5miles	Moderate
20	The Follies Walk	Robertsbridge – Socknersh Manor – Hollingrove - Wood's Corner – Brightling – Mountfield Lane – Glottenham – Robertsbridge	19.5kms / 12miles	Moderate

*Our grading system is based on the six-level grading system used by the **Ramblers**: Easy Access; Easy; Leisurely; Moderate; Strenuous; Technical.*

Feedback

This is the first edition of the Robertsbridge community walks guide. We welcome feedback both on the format and content of the guide and on the state of the routes covered in the guide. Please email any comments to clerk@salehurstparishcouncil.gov.uk

Before setting off

Please note that everyone following the walks contained in this guide does so at their own risk. Salehurst and Robertsbridge Parish Council assumes no responsibility for anyone following a walk and will not be held responsible for any accident, injury, or loss occurring as a result of using this path or travelling to a walk start point, however caused. Routes have been checked so they follow established footpaths and legal rights of way over private land. Always follow signs and do not trespass on private land.

When you follow a walk you indicate that you accept these conditions and accept that no legal liability is accepted by Salehurst and Robertsbridge Parish Council in the event of accident, injury or loss, however caused.

You are reminded that outdoor activities frequently need specialist equipment (boots, waterproofs, etc) and you are responsible for providing these for yourself. You are responsible for assessing the risk and safety of yourself, people in your party and the suitability of any equipment used. Please note that during winter and early spring most of the 21 walks contain sections that are muddy underfoot.

Any people with medical conditions that may affect them during the walk are responsible for notifying other people and for carrying any medication they may need.

When using any of the walks in this guide, please comply with the [Countryside Code](#). In particular:

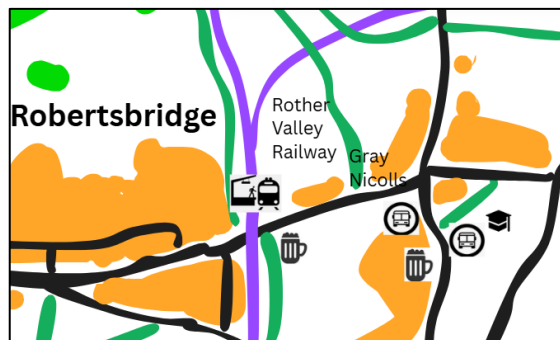
- Litter: Take litter home and leave no trace of your visit.
- Dogs: Dogs are usually allowed on walking routes but must be kept under strict control at all times and on leads where necessary, especially when passing livestock. Please take any dog poo home so the paths are not spoiled for other users. We have tried to indicate where walks pass through or near fields holding livestock, but cannot guarantee the accuracy of this information.
- Care for nature: Do not cause damage or disturbance and leave no trace of your visit.
- Livestock: Do not feed livestock, horses or wild animals as it can cause them harm.

Getting around the area

Robertsbridge is well served by public transport. If you are visiting the village from afar, please consider getting here by train or bus, rather than by car if possible.

For more detailed maps of each walk, we suggest using Ordnance Survey's Explorer 124 (Hastings and Bexhill) and 136 (High Weald) maps. Each walk has also been added to the Ordnance Survey app and website [explore.osmaps.com](https://www.explore.osmaps.com)

Public Transport



Regular direct **Southeastern Railway** services connect Robertsbridge with London, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells, Wadhurst, Battle and Hastings. In 2028 the **Kent & East Sussex Railway** will also connect Robertsbridge with Bodiam, Northiam and Tenderden.

The 1066 bus route operated by **Stagecoach** stops in Robertsbridge High Street. The service runs 7 days a week between Tunbridge Wells, Hawkhurst, Battle and Hastings.

Car parking and public toilets

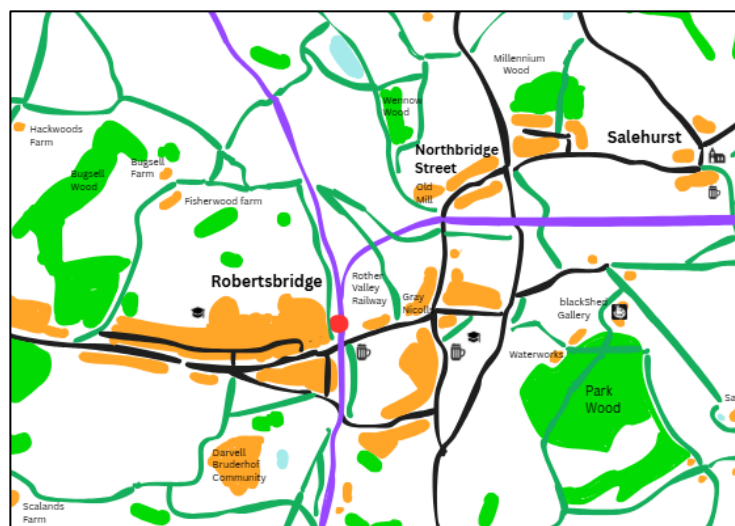


Free parking is available at the two **Parish Council run car parks** at 8 Station Road, just off Robertsbridge High Street, and Clappers Recreation Ground in Northbridge Street. Public toilets are located in both car parks.

Parking charges apply at the car park at Robertsbridge Rail Station managed by **APCOA**.

A limited amount of kerbside parking is also available in the village.

Map Legend



Road	
Footpath or Bridleway	
Railway Line	
Railway Station	
Built up area	
Woodland	
Reservoir or Lake	
Pub	
Church	
Castle	
Abbey	
Museum	
Gallery	
Historic ruin	

Food, accommodation and attractions

Pubs, cafes, shops and accommodation



An eighteenth-century inn in Robertsbridge High Street

Web thegeorgerobertsbridge.co.uk

Phone 01580 880315



A Victorian pub and hotel opposite Robertsbridge rail station

Web ostrichhotel.co.uk

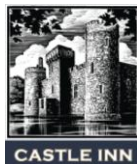
Phone 01580 881737



A community led, country pub in the heart of Salehurst

Web salehursthalt.co.uk

Phone 01580 880620



A traditional pub located opposite Bodiam Castle

Web castleinnbodiam.co.uk

Phone 01580 830 330



A pub with medieval roots located in Woods Corner

Web swaninnndallington.co.uk

Phone 01424 838 242



Judges Bakery is a café in Robertsbridge High Street

Phone 01580 880434



Robertsbridge Village Stores and Post Office is located in Station Road

Phone 01580 880540



Roots to the Moon Farm Shop in Brightling Road sells local organic and biodynamic produce

Web rootstothemoon.co.uk/shop

Email hello@rootstothemoon.co.uk

Farms and wineries



Organic farm near Robertsbridge selling elderflowers, berries and cordials.

Web bushbarnfarm.co.uk

Phone [07483 846 192](tel:07483846192)



Producer of sparkling wines with a tasting room at Mountfield Court

Web mountfieldwinery.com

Email info@mountfieldwinery.com



A farm offering afternoon teas with their alpacas and pygmy goats. By appointment only – no walk ins.

Web fisherwoodfarm.co.uk

Email info@fisherwoodfarm.co.uk

Phone [07966 561313](tel:07966561313)



Oastbrook Estate
Vineyard

A winery and vineyard near Junction Road

Web oastbrook.com

Phone [07496 727014](tel:07496727014)

Galleries

the blackShed gallery

Contemporary art space near Robertsbridge with a shop and a picture framing service

Web theblackshedgallery.org.uk

Phone [01580 881247](tel:01580881247)

Historic attractions



Heritage railway project to restore **Kent & East Sussex Railway** between Robertsbridge and Bodiam. Opening Easter 2028.

Web rvr.org.uk

Email reception@rvr.org.uk



Bodiam Castle is a medieval moated castle with a ruined interior run by the National Trust

Web nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/sussex/bodiam-castle

Phone **01580830196**



Batemans is a Jacobean manor near Burwash that was once home to Rudyard Kipling run by the National Trust

Web nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/sussex/batemans

Phone **01435882302**



Battle Abbey, which lies on the site of the battle of Hastings, is run by English Heritage

Web english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/1066-battle-of-hastings-abbey-and-battlefield



Battle Museum of Local History covers a period of 125 million years from the dinosaur age to world war two.

Web battlelocalhistory.com/battle-museum.html

Phone **01424 277100**

Camping, sport and leisure



Caravan and camp site off Junction Road in Bodiam

Web parkfarmcamping.co.uk

Phone **01580 831982**



The Hub includes a café and shop and offers camping, glamping, paddle boarding and kayaking

Web thehubquarryfarm.co.uk

Phone **01580 830932**