



the rotary club of exmouth

# "THE WALK!"

## Routes Starting from BICTON ARENA EAST BUDLEIGH OS Grid Ref: SY061857



- Yellow:** Circa 4.9 miles: Includes Bicton Arboretum, River Otter & Bicton Gardens  
**Red:** Circa 8.3 miles: As yellow route plus including Heritage Coast & Bicton Gardens  
**Blue:** Circa 12.3 miles: As blue route plus including the Woodbury Commons

### YELLOW WALK :

1. Leave Bicton Arena via the top [North] gate into Bicton College grounds turning immediately **left** after the gatekeeper's cottage into the College arboretum [dogs to be kept on a lead on College property].
2. Follow the main path through the arboretum for about ½ mile, exiting through the marked gate onto the College back drive. Turn **left** along the drive, leaving Bicton College grounds through the gap alongside the locked gate.
3. Turn **right** onto the minor public road and continue on this road for about ½ mile, taking the second turn on the **right**.
4. Cross the main B3178 at Colaton Raleigh and pass through the kissing gate directly opposite onto the public footpath. [CHECK POINT ]
5. Turn **right** at end of this path and walk along the road through Colaton Raleigh village to the cattle grid at Otter Farm.
6. Pass through the kissing gate alongside the cattle grid and follow the path to the River Otter turning **right** onto the riverside path to Otterton.
7. Turn **right** on reaching the main road at Otterton and take the narrow path on the **right** beyond the SECOND bridge span.
8. In about ¼ mile cross the farm track [stiles on either side] and continue on the path, turning **right** over the wooden pedestrian bridge [about 20 yards before the main road], to the entrance of Bicton Home Farm.
9. Cross the main B3180 road and pass through the main entrance to Bicton Gardens.
10. Approximately 50 yards along the drive, enter the gardens through the gate by the **CHECK POINT** and proceed along the path toward the small Church.
11. Turn **right** at the Church, then **left** and follow around the Italian garden pond and fountain, keeping this to your **RIGHT**.
12. Go **left** by the children's indoor play area and, continuing on the tarmac path, cross the rail track and follow the path around to the left, past the outdoor play ground.
13. In ¼ mile, exit through the gateway into Bicton Arena

### RED WALK :

1. Leave Bicton Arena via the top [North] gate into Bicton College grounds turning immediately **left** after the gatekeeper's cottage into the College arboretum [dogs to be kept on a lead on College property].
2. Follow the main path through the arboretum for about ½ mile, exiting through the marked gate onto the College back drive. Turn **left** along the drive, leaving Bicton College grounds through the gap alongside the locked gate.
3. Turn **right** onto the minor public road and continue on this road for about ½ mile, taking the second turn on the **right**.
4. Cross the main B3178 at Colaton Raleigh and pass through a kissing gate directly opposite onto the public footpath. [CHECK POINT ]

5. At end of this path turn **right** and walk along the road through Colaton Raleigh village to the cattle grid at Otter Farm.
6. Pass through the kissing gate alongside the cattle grid and follow the path to the River Otter turning **right** onto the riverside path towards Otterton.
7. In about 1-mile, cross the river foot bridge and turn **left** over the stile and **right** into Rydon Lane.
8. At the end of Rydon Lane, turn **right** onto the paved road then immediately **left** along an unmade track which after ¼ mile bends to the right. After a further ¼ mile, the track “T”s” onto a paved road.
9. Turn left for 50 yards before leaving the road by taking the unpaved track [Bars Lane] to the **left** of Sea View Farm.
10. Follows Bars Lane for ¾ mile where a finger post sign to the **right** will direct you through a kissing gate towards the coast path and “Ladram Bay”.
11. Follow the coast path to Ladram Bay and pass through a further kissing gate into the holiday complex.
12. Keep the cliff edge fence on your left and cross the beach access road by a thatched cottage [Desperate? There are toilets about 50 yards up this road!].
13. Continue on the cliff path towards Budleigh Salterton turning **right** on the path for Otterton just before the second kissing gate.
14. Keep to the left of the field, passing over the stile, and follow the footpath and paved lane to the road junction. Turn **right** down the hill into Otterton village centre.
15. Walk through the village, alongside the stream, and cross the river bridge by Otterton Mill taking the narrow path on the **right** beyond the SECOND bridge span (**not** the first path onto the river bank).
16. In about ¼ mile cross the farm track [stiles on either side] and continue on the path, turning **right** over the wooden pedestrian bridge [about 20 yards before the main road], to the entrance of Bicton Home Farm.
17. Cross the main B3180 road and pass through the main entrance to Bicton Gardens.
18. Approximately 50 yards along the drive, enter the gardens through the gate by the **CHECK POINT** and proceed along the path toward the small Church.
19. Turn **right** at the Church, then **left** and follow around the Italian garden pond and fountain, keeping this to your **RIGHT**.
20. Go **left** by the children’s indoor play area and, continuing on the **tarmac** path, cross the rail track and follow the path around to the left, past the outdoor play ground.
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### **BLUE WALK :**

1. Leave Bicton Arena via the top [North] gate into Bicton College grounds turning immediately **left** after the gatekeeper’s cottage into the College arboretum [dogs to be kept on a lead on College property].
2. Follow the main path through the arboretum for about ½ mile, exiting through the marked gate onto the College back drive. Turn **left** along the drive, leaving Bicton College grounds through the gap alongside the locked gate.
3. Turn **left** along minor road and in half mile turn **right** at Stowford Cross.
4. Leave the paved road where it curves to the right [by two thatched cottages], keeping straight ahead along the “Public Bridleway” and through a ford (there is a bridge!) onto Colaton Raleigh Common.
5. Continue ahead over the steel barrier (disregarding the similar path and barrier to your left) and climb steadily into open heath land.
6. Shortly after passing the Marines grenade practise area, take the **left** fork by a flagpole and, staying with the main path, keep **right** at the second fork 50 yards later.
7. Continue with the main path to a distant clump of fir trees where ‘The Warren’ **CHECK POINT** is located.
8. Go **right** at the Check Point and in about half a mile pass **through** a lightly wooded area and turn **right** by a way maker post showing both pink and blue arrows.
9. After a while the path narrows and drops down a slope towards a farm gate - turn **right** [before reaching the gate] and continue along the narrow path [there are two forks along this path, take either - they rejoin later].
10. When reaching the public bridle path, turn **left** - this path soon widens as a farm access track.
11. On reaching the paved road, cross straight over the cross road [keeping the farmhouse on your right].

12. After a few hundred yards [where the road bends to the left] turn **right** along an unmade track and cross a ford.
13. In 50 yards turn **left** onto the unmade road, known as 'Back Lane' and in about ¼ mile cross over the paved road and keep straight ahead.
14. Cross the main B3178 at Colaton Raleigh and pass through kissing gate directly opposite onto the public footpath. **[CHECK POINT ]**
15. At end of this path turn **right** onto the road and walk through Colaton Raleigh village to the cattle grid at Otter Farm.
16. Pass through the kissing gate alongside the cattle grid and follow the path to the River Otter turning **right** onto the riverside path towards Otterton.
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30. Go **left** by the children's indoor play area and, continuing on the **tar mac** path, cross the rail track and around to the **left**, past the outdoor play ground.
31. In ¼ mile, exit through the 'Rotary' signed gate into Bicton Arena.

### **PALMERS WHITTON & LAING**

Established in 1884, Whitton & Laing specialised in managing the agricultural estates of the South West. In 1986, the firm became one of the founder members of Westcountry **team**. In 1998, the acquisition of Palmers, now Palmers Whitton & Laing, in Budleigh Salterton, enabled the business to expand into the heart of East Devon. A new branch along the coast in Exmouth completed the trio of offices in 2002.

Agricultural management evolved into residential lettings, and now the trio offers a diverse range of services. In addition to its dedicated property management department, the company excels in the sale of residential property and boasts a professional department covering surveying and financial matters, along with three local auction rooms handling antique furniture, fine art and general household goods.

Today, the highly regarded firm is proud of its traditional roots, and has an enviable reputation for integrity and professionalism. With all three branches boasting prominent high street locations, the trio recognise that above all, personal service and individual attention are paramount when connected with the sale or purchase of a home. Combining a unique blend of knowledge, experience and the modern skills required to meet the needs of a changing marketplace, the branches work closely together, and with other team agents in the area to deliver the best possible service to landlords, tenants, buyers and sellers of property.

Wesley Woltman - Associate at the Exmouth office say's "The firm has grown from strength to strength, through a dedicated, professional approach to property services and a passion for supporting the local community. We enjoy what we do and the people we meet and are proud to be sponsors of 'The Walk' which is so well organised and of course - fun."

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