

# Redesdale Arms

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A Trio  
of Walks

## Welcome to The Redesdale Arms Hotel

The award winning 34 bedroom Redesdale Arms Hotel sits at the gateway to the Cotswolds in the High Street of the historic town of Moreton-in-Marsh.

Steeped in history and dating back to around 1650, constructed of mellow Cotswold stone with a heavily oak beamed interior, the Hotel has been totally refurbished over recent years and has the benefit of 11 new boutique rooms completed in the Spring of 2012.

The Redesdale Arms Hotel is conveniently situated and within walking distance of a mainline railway station with direct links to London and only a short car ride to Stow-on-the-Wold, Broadway, Bourton-on-the-Water, Chipping Camden and many more local tourist attractions. The Hotel is also perfectly situated for those travellers with business in the Cotswold area. There is free wi-fi throughout the Hotel with hard wire connections within many of the rooms.

Parking is available within the Hotel with additional parking directly outside which is freely available the majority of the time.

Family rooms are available and a complete array of differently styled rooms to suit all our guests. The Hotel allows dogs in the bar area but not in the rooms and we are a complete no smoking Hotel within all rooms. We do, however, have an outdoor smoking area.



## Moreton-in-Marsh to Bourton-on-the-Hill

5.5 miles / 8.5km - Approx. 2 hours  
Easy/Moderate

1. Starting from the clock tower in the centre of Moreton head South along the A429 towards Stow. Pass the Swan Inn by the A44 roundabout and then Church Lane to turn right down Parkers Lane. Pass the ambulance station and at the end of the road bear left where signed 'Public Footpath' and after a short distance you will come to a stile into a camping ground (A).

2. Keep right across the campground and the following field till you come to a gap in the hedge at a Junction. Turn right and continue with the hedge to your right over the next two fields as directed by the way marks. At the stile cross the farm track and through the gate into the next field. Cross this field bearing gently left towards the gate and oak tree in the distance (not posted). Passing through that gate cross this field with the fence to your left towards the next gate, then cut straight across towards the woodlands meeting a tree stump mid-field (B).

3. Turn right and continue with the woodland on your left until you come to a gate. Through the gate cut right across the field aiming to the left of the black bam. At the two sets of gates pass through to join the farm track which turns to tarmac, follow the track for 1 km turning right of the track 100 metres after passing Keepers Cottage (C).

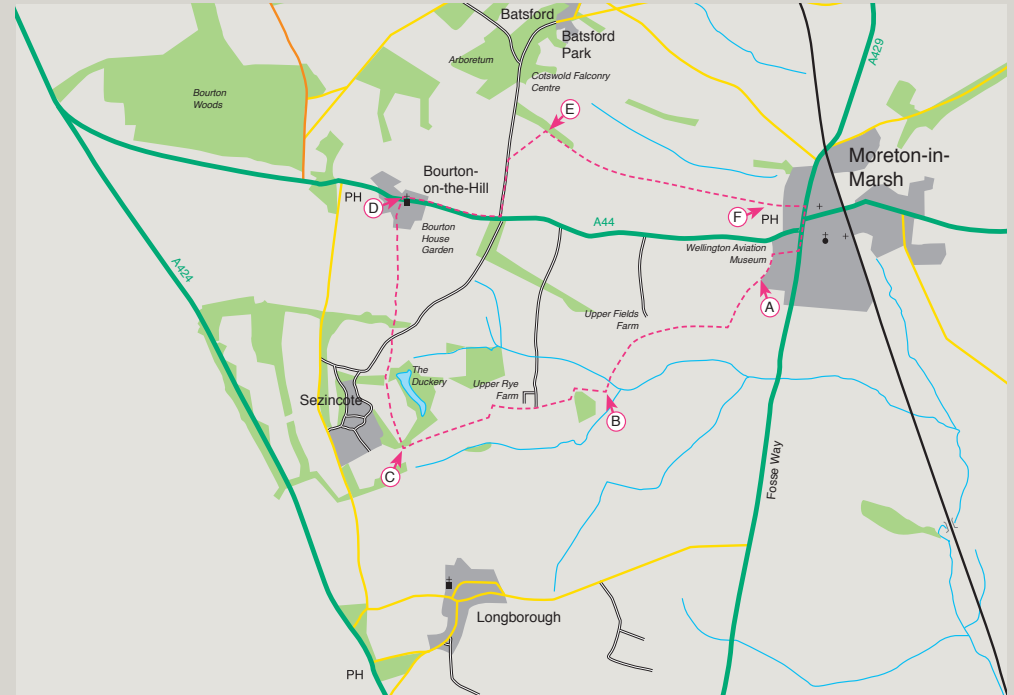
4. Pass through the kissing gate entering the field continue with the woodlands to your left towards the large oak trees. Bear right with the path as directed downslope towards the lake and a small wooden gate. Sezincote House should now come in to view. Continue towards the next gate into the woodlands, pass through then continue with the woods to your right. 5.

The path leads across the parkland to a drive, crossing it continue to the gate and a stand of trees into the next field. Continue across the next three fields along the well beaten path. The town of Bourton-on-the-Hill Church should act as a landmark. Entering the horse paddock keep the wall to your left leaving by the gate then take the path emerging onto the tarmac lane turn right. Bear left after 30 metres emerging onto the A44 after 100 metres (turn left after 50 metres if you would like to visit the church of St Lawrence) (D).

6. Heading downhill on the A44, after 600 metres you will come to the entrance of Batsford Arboretum on the left, follow their driveway for 400 metres. Turn right of the driveway across the ridge and furrow field aiming for the corner of a dry stone wall and footpath junction. Turn right and walk with the hedge to your left and you will meet a kissing gate (E).

7. Passing through the kissing gate cross two fields keeping the shelter-bell to your left and leaving the second via another kissing gate. Now cut straight across the next field between two oak trees mid-field and the spire of Moreton church can be used as a way mark in the distance. Leaving via another kissing gate cut across the forth, fifth and sixth fields via the well beaten footpath emerging into a narrow strip of field.

8. Pass through the hedge and kissing gate (F) turn right and continue with the fence to your right for 100 metres. Now bear left across the field towards the houses in the distance. Leave the field here taking the footpath behind the allotments emerging on to Hospital Road, cross and continue down Corders Lane which will bring you back to the High Street of Moreton-in Marsh.



## Moreton-in-Marsh to Longbrough

7 miles / 11.3km - Approx. 3 hours

Easy/Moderate

1. Set off (N) from the 1660 dated Redesdale Arms Hotel and Redesdale Hall, into the wide street towards Holford and then turn immediately left (W) into Carder's Lane in 50 metres. Continue straight ahead across Hospital Road in 100 metres, into the alleyway beside Oak Way House, along the Monarch's Way (named for the escape of King Charles II from the Battle of Worcester in 1651. Go under the power lines to the other side of the field in 350 metres. Also continue straight ahead across the middle of the next three fields and cross the stream to the left of a small wood in 750 metres.

2. Bear right (NW) and keep shallow scrub and trees to your right for 600 metres. Then turn left (SW), diagonally across the third field, to join the drive from Balsford Park, in 500 metres. This is the Heart of England Way. Turn left (S) along the oak avenue, away from the park, for 400 metres. These fields, now under grass, are undulating with the strips of medieval arable land.

3. Turn right (W) on reaching the A44 in 400 metres. Walk uphill, along the pavement into Bourton-on-the-Hill. Pass the Tithe Barn and Bourton House.

4. Turn left (S), in 600 metres, before reaching the St Lawrence's church and the Horse and Groom. Bear right (W) round the corner in 75 metres. Turn left (S) in 50 metres, up a double-walled trackway after Smithy Cottage. The public path passes along the side of the

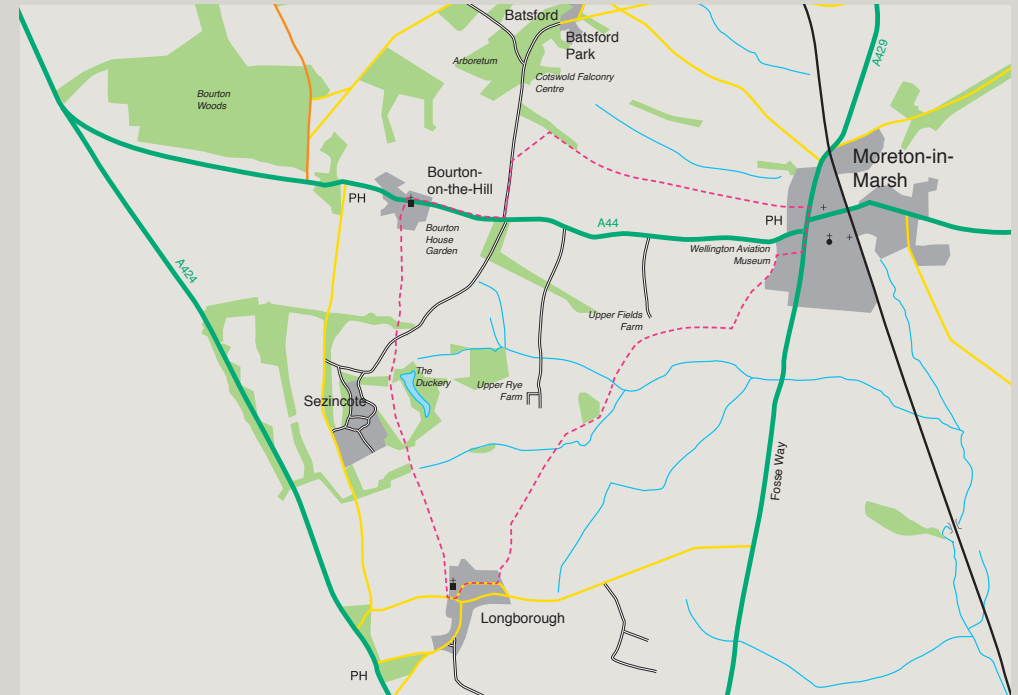
hill, towards Diamond House down the left, and Hill Top House up to the right. Continue Straight ahead through the shelter belt after the fourth field in 900 metres and enter Sezincote Park. Proceed straight ahead and pass between the ponds to the right of the Warren lake in 500 metres.

5. Keep the buildings of Sezincote House and Home Farm 10 your right, in the trees, for 500 metres. The architecture is a unique mix of Cotswold Mogul and Moorish. Cross the drive to a cottage. In 150 metres we pass outlying parkland clumps and woods with Gold Borrows up to the right and Rodmore Coppice down to the left - Across the stream and follow the wall- keeping it to your left - along the hillside (SSE) to Manor Farm in 1,000 metres.

6. Turn left (SE) at the road and then immediately left (NE), beside the war memorial in 50 metres, opposite the Coach and Horses Inn. Proceed down into Longborough which is a cluster of seventeenth century cottages and farmhouses. Pass St James's church and The Folly. Proceed to Bean Hill, at the edge of the village, in 350 metres. Turn left (N), beside and in front of the houses, and bear right (NE) across the field in 100 metres. The Monarch's Way follows the left hand boundary for the length of the next field in 200 metres. In a further 300 metres continue straight ahead across two fields. Cross a stream in 600 metres.

7. Bear right in this field and pass to the right of Thickleather Coppice in 150 metres. In 100 metres we begin to cross open fields, passing to the right of stream-side trees in 150 metres, and follow the path to the light of Upper Fields Farm in 500 metres. From here the path follows the walls (E) and goes under the Pylon line in a further 500 metres.

8. Continue under the cables for 75 metres and then turn left (E) along what becomes a track beside and behind the nearest houses in Moreton-In-Marsh in 500 metres. Keep the houses to your right for 300 metres. Then turn right (E), along Porker's Lane, to the Inn on- the-Marsh in 200 metres. Turn left (N) to the White Hart Royal Hotel - where Charles I slept on 2 July 1644 - and sixteenth century Curlew Tower at the town centre in 300 metres.





## Moreton-in-Marsh around Batsford

5 miles / 8km - Approx. 3 hours

Easy/Moderate

From the **Redesdale Hall**, in the centre of **Moreton-in-Marsh**, walk along **Corders Lane**. At the end of the lane cross the road and take the enclosed footpath directly ahead, then go through a kissing gate into the field behind the houses.

Go forward and slightly to the left, to come to a kissing gate in the left hand boundary and go through this into the adjoining field. Turn right and go through another kissing gate, then follow the footpath through the centre of 4 fields and then through a fenced gap to the right hand corner of the fifth field to a kissing gate.

Turn right along the field boundary to cross a bridge into the next field and then follow the right hand hedge through two more fields to a kissing gate & bridge by a dead tree.

Enter a third field and bear right to the gate and signpost by the wall on the right. Here turn right through the gate and go over the bridge into a field. Continue in the same direction through three fields along the left hand boundary. (Enjoy views of Batsford House and deer park on the left.) At the gate & stile, continue across a fourth field and to another gate and stile to walk beside the left hand boundary of the fifth field. At the corner of this field, bear left and follow the footpath down to an enclosed path which comes out at a gate at the road.

Turn left along the road. Go over 2 crossroads and climb up a steep hill, passing a house on the right. At the top of the hill, where the road turns left, keep forward to go through a metal gate into a field.

Go diagonally left to the opposite corner of the field and go through the gate. Keep forward towards the end of the next field and at the corner go through the left hand gate onto an enclosed path.

Continue along this path for 900 yards, going round the metal gate and ignoring the footpath on the left to the farm. (Stop awhile and rest on the bench to enjoy views over Blockley village.) Just before the wooden gate across the footpath, turn left and go through a gap into a field. (This is the Monarch's Way.) Continue forward beside the right hand hedge and follow through two fields and then a gate to come to the road.

Cross this to a gate and stile opposite, and follow the track beside a wall. Follow downhill, and at the end of the track bear left on a single track and continue downhill. Just before a house, where the track turns left, keep forward along a way marked footpath, over a stile, across a paddock and through a gate onto a metalled drive. (This is the driveway to Batsford Garden Centre and Cafe where refreshments can be obtained.)

Cross the drive, go through the gate opposite and continue through the field to the kissing gate in the hedge ahead (by a large dead tree).

Continue parallel to the left hand hedge and go through a kissing gate into the next field and then follow beside the hedge bridge. Cross this and immediately turn left and go through another kissing gate.

Follow the footpath across 5 fields to a kissing gate that leads into a small field. Cross this to a kissing gate in the left hand boundary.

Turn right and aim for the spire to the left of **Redesdale Hall**. Pass through the final gate, beside the allotments, to come into Hospital Road. Cross this and return up Corders Lane to the town centre,







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