

Ralphs Rambles BROADWAY TOWER ADVENTURE

The beautiful village of Broadway can be found just a few miles down the road from Stow-on-the-Wold. The village, known as the 'Jewel of the Cotswolds', is home to the famous Broadway Tower, which offers some of the best views in the area. Plus, there's over 50 acres of parkland for energetic dogs to run around in!

It's easy to drive to Broadway from Stow, and it's just 15–20 minutes down the road. If your owners are using a sat-nav, they can use the postcode WR12 7AH, which will lead them to the main High Street car park.



WALK DISTANCE
6.5km/4 miles



WALK TIME
Allow 2–3 hours



1 Start at the war memorial at the bottom of Broadway High Street and walk eastwards past all of the shops. You'll soon reach a sign pointing right that said 'activity park & picnic area'.

2 Follow this path between the trees, keeping the playground on your left, and pass through the kissing gate at the end – you might want to avert your gaze if your owners decide to stop for a quick kiss! Continue straight across the field, through the kissing gate on the other side, before passing over a small footbridge. Go through the gate into another field – this one can get a bit muddy if it's been raining, so check whether your owner has their wellies with them before you set off!

Follow the direction arrows through two more kissing gates (there may be more kissing – be warned) and fields until you reach the road. Carefully watch for traffic, then turn left and continue up Snowhill Road until you reach St Eadburgha's Church.

3 Turn left just after the church and walk through the gateway into Coneygree Lane. Follow the track uphill for just over half a mile.

4 At the top of the track, turn right and continue

through a 2-in-1 gate, and follow the path through the field to the house at the top. Follow the track around the right of the house until you reach two field gates.

5 When you get to the farm gate with two stone gate posts, turn left through the gate and up the track until you reach Rookery Farm. Keep the farm buildings on your left and walk straight up the metalled track until you see a kissing gate on the left. Go through the gate into the grounds of the Rookery Barn Café. Pass through the tall kissing gate by the main entrance and head on up towards the tower.

6 You've now reached Broadway Tower, so have a look around! The Morris & Brown Café serves fresh, locally sourced food throughout the day for your owners, and they have lots of doggy treats that you can enjoy too. There's plenty of room for a game of fetch, and if it's a sunny day, the Tower makes an ideal spot for a picnic.

When you're ready to move on, head past the tower and go through a second kissing gate. This will lead you onto the Cotswold Way. Turn left down towards a stile and follow the Cotswold Way signs all the way down the hill. Towards the bottom, the path will start to level out a bit –

continue to follow the signs through two metal kissing gates and over a stream (lots of fun!), heading for the houses at the far side of the last field. Go through two more gates and follow the alley down towards the road.

7 Turn left and you'll find yourself back in the High Street. Your owners might want to pay a visit to the quirky Cotswold Trading Company gift shop, pop into Tisanes for a delicious cream tea, or buy some delicious homemade chocolates from Hamilton's in the shopping arcade.

If your owners aren't as confident at following their nose home like you or me, they can put the postcode GL54 1AF into their sat-navs and you'll be back at The Old Stocks Inn in no time.

I hope that you and your owners enjoy your walk – if your owners take some photos along the way, get them to post them on Instagram with the tag #oldstocksin so I can see how you get on!

Happy walkies,



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