

Dominated by its magnificent church and historic castle, Framlingham is one of the most attractive small towns in Suffolk. The town is surrounded by quiet, rolling farmland, ancient woods, picturesque villages with halftimbered houses and lovely old churches.

Planning your walk

Time:

Allow about 3-4 hours

Suggested map:

Explorer map 212 Woodbridge and Saxmundham

Refreshment:

Dog and Duck pub near Wickham Market station; shop at Ash Row; café on A12 at Marlesford; ample choice at Framlingham and Saxmundham
Station House cafe at Wickham Market station

Useful info:

www.traveline.info 0871 200 22 33
Framlingham Castle (English Heritage)
www.english-heritage.org.uk
01728 724922
Framlingham Town Council
www.framlingham.com 01728 720183

- 1 From station entrance go left by Dog and Duck; then bear sharp right along the road signed to Woodbridge.
- 2 Path goes off right just after overhead cables. Head across field to footbridge mid-way between pair of pylons. Continue through small wood (ignore another footbridge off right) and keep direction along nearby track to minor road near Well Cottage. Go left along road.
- 3 Just beyond Kiln Cottage path goes off right, following electricity poles across field. Go through gap in rabbit fence and continue direction with a narrow belt of trees on your right.
- 4 Approaching A12 the path turns sharply left at field corner. Go along top of a bank then turn right down steps. Cross farmyard to a gap ahead to reach main road. Turn right towards café and farm shop.
- 5 Extreme caution! Cross A12 just beyond the café, to follow path across paddocks.
- 6 Continue along road past Marlesford church. Where road bends right go left through gate along Pound Lane, ignoring field gates on right.
- 7 Opposite a small hut turn right off lane. Path rises to follow wooded boundary of The Grove. Go left where path joins farm track. Where track bends left into fields, continue ahead along green lane.
- 8 Follow the path sharply right, then go diagonally left across a large arable field passing an isolated pond, eventually converging with a farm track. Go left at side of ditch towards farm buildings near Moat Hall.
- 9 Just before arch leading to Moat Hall branch right through gate; then go diagonally left across a small meadow to another gate from where path bears left at the side of huge moat.
- 10 Beyond Parham church keep direction along village street to road junction, then go right towards Mill Green. Soon turn left into Brick Lane at side of White House Farm. Where paths cross at the side of deep former railway cutting, branch right across field to join track at corner of Parham Wood.
- 11 Frequent waymarks show route of path skirting ancient Parham House.
- 12 Turn right along drive towards Edwards Farm. Just before farm go left along waymarked field paths to Coldhall Lane and Infirmary Lane.

