

## Rodborough and Kingscourt

3.7 miles 6.0km

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### Start . . . Stroud Subscription Rooms

*This walk gives the visitor a good insight into the Stroud area, taking in as it does some of the small villages, open hill tops with their views and industrial heritage by way of the canal and River Frome with its associated mills.*

From the Subscription Rooms proceed left along London Road until reaching Superstore on right. Here the path runs down through the store's car park onto the Newton's Way Bypass. Cross the Bypass and follow the tarred path straight ahead following under the viaduct and directly over the River Frome by wooden foot bridge. Turn right at path junction over stile and ascend field to top right hand corner. Cross wooden stile through spinney over cement stile, turn left and follow around football pitch to group of cement posts at road. Cross and pass through white gate, up path between walls, through another gate and across busy road. Proceed down Tabernacle walk to Tabernacle, through kissing gate on left, descend field to stile and road. Turn left along road and turn left almost immediately through metal squeeze stile to field. Crossing two new stiles climb to stile at left of cottage, turn right along path and follow metalled road to cross roads. Continue straight ahead up metal road, at bend of road straight ahead ascending to common passing seat marked 'Sheila Smith' on right. Look for waymark on stone trough to guide you to the path through houses.

Cross stone stile, follow path between houses, straight ahead along estate road to electrical sub-station, along footpath on left hand side, over stile and again on to common. Proceeding half right cross two busy roads in the direction of low concrete building (Ice Cream factory and shop). Passing in front of shop turn left down bridleway, through gate, cross lane and railway track to canal. Double back under the canal bridge which has just been crossed and follow the towpath back to Stroud, crossing the road at Bowbridge Lock and retracing the beginning of the walk when the viaduct is reached.

- **Points of interest -**

1. Rodborough Fort
2. Rodborough Common and Views
3. Thames & Severn Canal

- **Places to eat -**

The Bear Inn, Rodborough Common. Stroud offers a good selection of public houses, cafes and take-away food outlets.

- There are long and short stay car parks in and around Stroud Town.

*Follow arrows with yellow dot. Sometimes plastic arrows with black centre dot may be used.*

*We advise that the relevant OS Pathfinder Map be used in conjunction with this leaflet*

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