

## About the route

Easy level walking using field paths, lanes and the river flood bank. It can get muddy and wet in places.

### Walk Checklist

#### Start point/parking

Bridge Inn, Dunham. Please park responsibly in Dunham.

#### Distance

Approximately 5 miles (8 kms).

#### Duration

1.5 - 2 hours + stops.

#### Refreshments

The White Swan or the Bridge Inn at Dunham.

#### Public Transport

Bus services run through Dunham, for details, visit: [http://www.stapleford-notts.co.uk/bus\\_timetables\\_ollerton\\_edwinstowe\\_tuxford\\_sutton\\_on\\_trent.htm](http://www.stapleford-notts.co.uk/bus_timetables_ollerton_edwinstowe_tuxford_sutton_on_trent.htm)

#### OS Grid Reference

Walk starts at **SK813744**.



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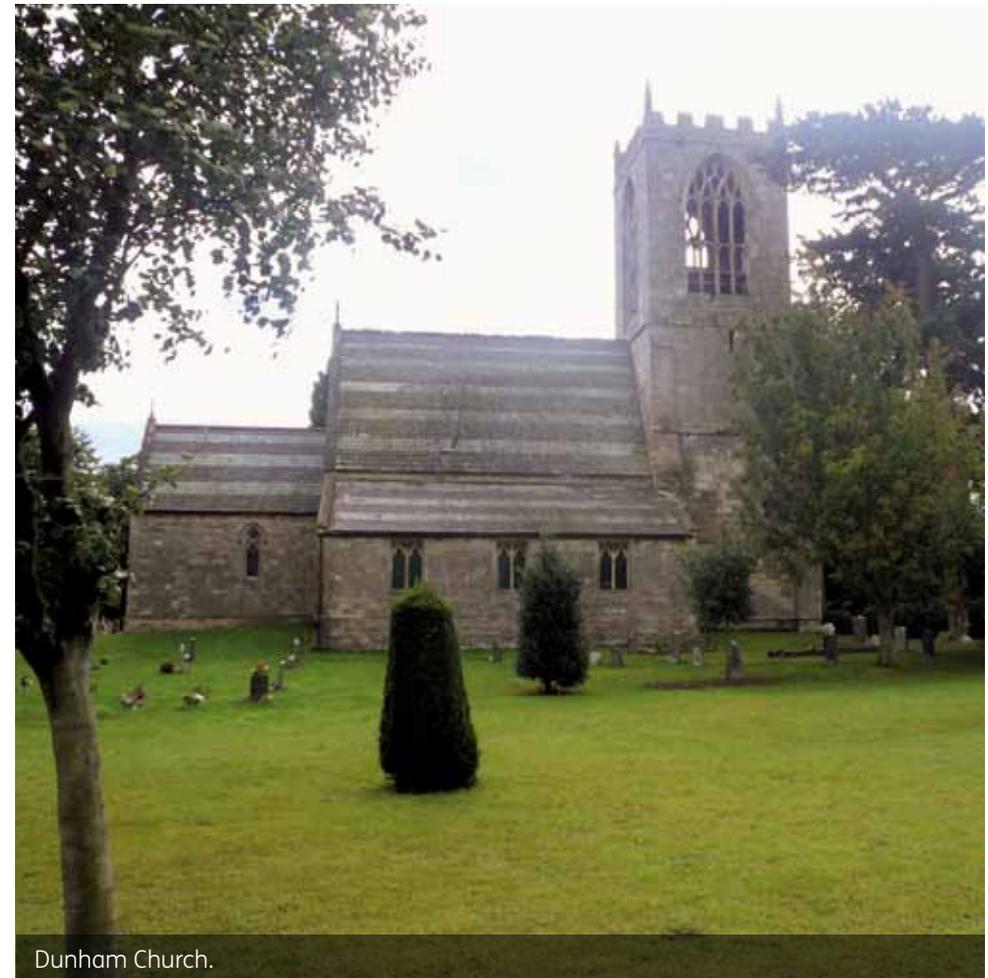
Trent Vale



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Walk Route

## Dunham Circular



Dunham Church.

**Start Point:** Bridge Inn, Dunham on Trent

**Route Length:** Approximately 5 miles (8 kms)

**Route Duration:** 1.5 - 2 hours + stops

**Route Type:** A gentle walk along field paths



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# Dunham Circular

**1 Start:** Walk towards the toll bridge passing St. Giles' Church. Take the footpath on the left before the toll bridge and follow the floodbank path. You are walking along Dunham Rack. You follow a clear path for 2.6 kms to the next village, Church Laneham.

 Dunham on Trent stands on the Nottinghamshire side of the River Trent, and on the opposite bank of the Trent is Lincolnshire, the two counties being linked by a toll bridge. The original bridge was a cast iron structure built in 1832 to replace a ferry crossing. The toll bridge you see here was built, in 1976, on top of the piers and abutments from the 19th Century.

 To the south of the bridge is the local wildlife site, known as Dunham Lakes, home to overwintering wildfowl such as teal and widgeon, waders like the common sandpiper and, in the summer months, breeding reed warblers and kingfishers. You may see oystercatchers, usually found in coastal estuaries, they have distinctive black and white plumage and red beaks.

**2** On reaching Manor Farm, take the path to the right of the farm, past the orchard to reach the stile in the corner, going into the churchyard of St Peter's. Follow the path along the churchyard (hedge on right) to go over the stile, dropping down over the paddock and past the row of chalets to reach the road opposite the Ferry Boat Inn.



Bend in the river



St Peter's church, Church Laneham

 The lane to the right drops down to the Trent and was the site of the ferry to cross the Trent into Lincolnshire.

**3** Walk past the churchyard and pub passing a small caravan site on one side and public toilets on the other. Follow the road to a sign on the left and follow the track along Laneham Beck to reach a road. Turn left and cross over the bridge, turning right to walk along the floodbank beside a stream. On reaching the stile turn left along the field edge, crossing over a bridge and continue along another field edge path joining a farm track to Manor Farm, Dunham.

**4** The lane swings right as you reach the farm buildings, then go slightly left to cross a fence and follow an edge of a field. On reaching the gateway, aim in a straight line across a farm track then follow a hedge and go left at the corner. It is easier to turn left at the track, go over the stile and footbridge.

**5 End:** Go over two further fields, with the hedge on the left, then over an arable field to reach an alley. Turn right to leave a small estate, and then turn left along the path, then right to pass an old garden wall. On reaching the A17 you turn left to reach our starting point.

