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Forest of Discovery Out & About



Arley Arboretum and Gardens
 Arley Arboretum is one of the oldest Arboretums in Great Britain. Tucked away in the beautiful countryside of the Worcestershire and Shropshire borders near Bewdley, it boasts more than 300 species of tree in formal and informal plantings and gardens. 01299 861368 www.arley-arboretum.org.uk



Severn Valley Railway
 This 16 mile, full size steam railway line links Kidderminster in Worcestershire to Bridgnorth in Shropshire. Meandering along the route of the River Severn, visitors to this railway line experience a unique outlook of the Wyre landscape. Tel. 01299 403816 www.svr.co.uk



Bewdley
 Three miles west of Kidderminster lies Bewdley, a beautiful small Georgian town built on the banks of the River Severn. Bewdley is a popular tourist destination with something to offer everyone. For more detail on what's on in Bewdley, contact Bewdley Tourist Information Office 01299 404740.



The Upper Arley Circular Walk
 A 4 mile circular walk taking in tranquil riverside walking, cooling tracks through ancient woodland, with the opportunity to explore Britain's industrial heritage in the form of the Victoria Bridge and the Severn Valley Steam Railway. www.worcestershire.gov.uk/countryside

Public Transport Information



For information about the best public transport options for you please call:



Traveline Tel. 0871 200 22 33
NATIONAL RAIL ENQUIRIES
 Tel. 08457 484950

or visit: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/transport

The Countryside Code Safe Walking

- Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs.
- Leave gates and property as you find them.
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home.
- Keep dogs under close control.
- Consider other people.
- Keep children away from the water's edge.
- Always wear suitable clothing.
- Please ensure you park considerately.



Walking for Health

Just 30 minutes a day of brisk walking, on a regular basis, can have a positive effect on your health and quality of life.
 web: www.wfh.naturalengland.org.uk

Bewdley to Forest of Discovery Walk: Fact File

Start / Finish: Dog Lane car park, Bewdley G.R. SO785755 Or Wyre, Callow Hill car park. G.R. SO751740.

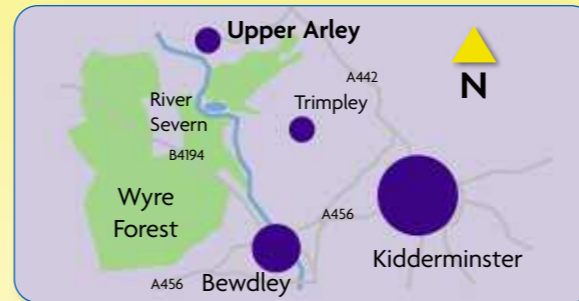
Length: 3 miles each way

Parking: Parking is available at Bewdley Dog Lane car park and Wyre, Callow Hill car park, (parking charges apply at each location) or use bus service 292. For local timetable information call traveline 0871 200 22 33. www.traveline.org.uk

Gates and stiles: 2 kissing gates, no stiles.

Terrain: Some urban walking, one steep section including steps, quiet lanes and woodland walking, and a short section of road walking.

Waymarking: Simply follow the 'Wyre butterfly' logo and directional arrows and you won't get lost.



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Bewdley to Forest of Discovery Walk



A 3 mile Linear Waymarked Walk

Forestry Commission



Welcome to

Bewdley to Forest of Discovery Walk

Wyre, Forest of Discovery is one of the largest ancient Oak woodlands in England and a haven for wildlife. This walk has been developed as a partnership between the Forestry Commission and Worcestershire County Council. Follow the 'Wyre butterfly' logo from the notice board at Dog Lane Car Park in Bewdley for a walk that will keep you off the beaten track.

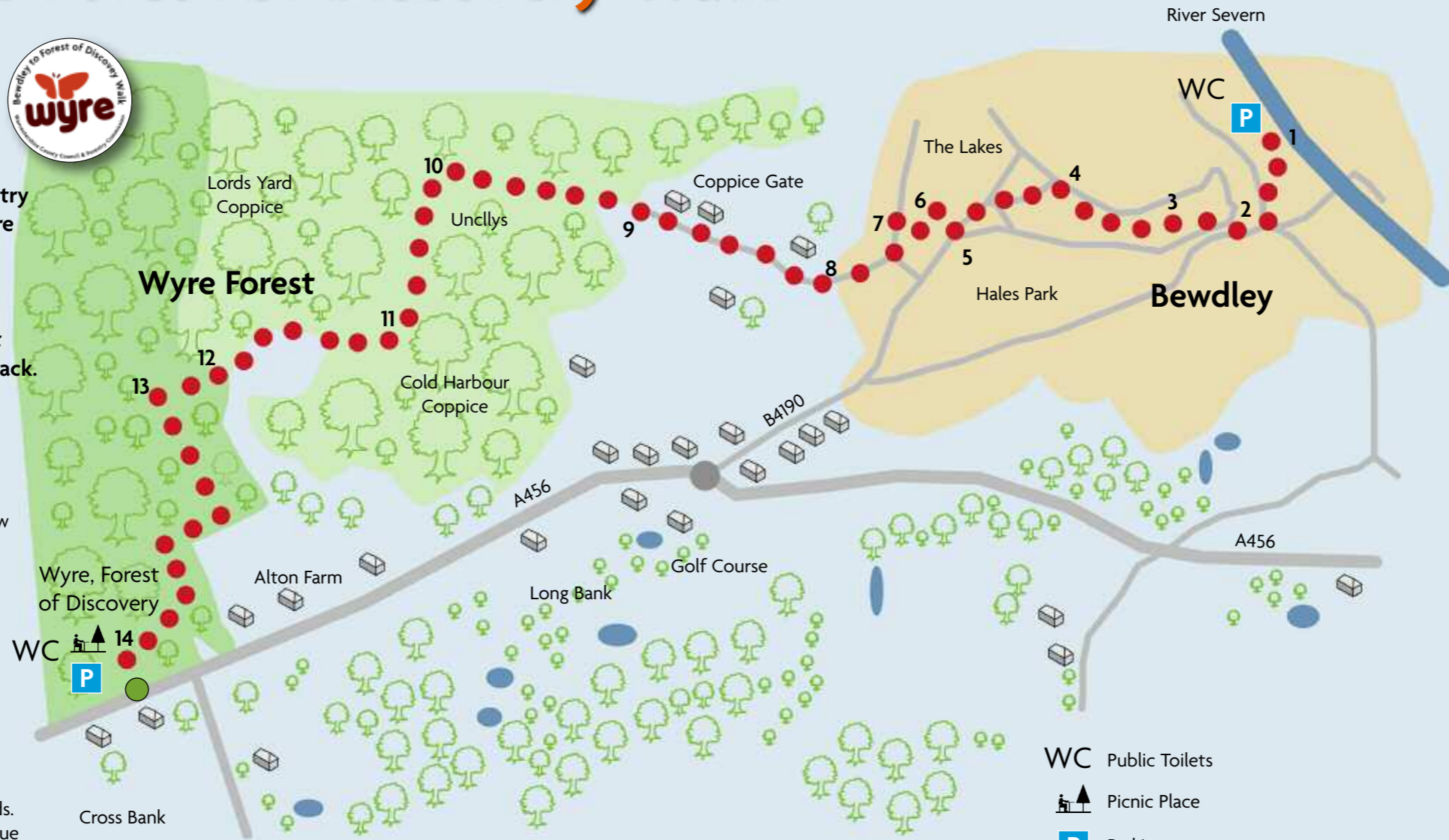
1. Follow the waymarks out of the car park and over Dowles Road using the pedestrian crossing.

2. Turning left, take care on the narrow footpath and head up Welch Gate, continue on this road until you come to a slope and steps on your right hand side.

3. Continue up this enclosed track known as 'Racks Alley' for approximately 550m, until you come out on Yew Tree Lane.

4. Turn left and head along Yew Tree Lane until you come to the cross roads. Taking care, cross the road and continue on Yew Tree Lane.

5. After 130m, look out for the public footpath on the right hand side of the road, follow this to Coniston Way.



Natural England land



Forestry Commission land



WC Public Toilets

Picnic Place

Parking

Bewdley to Forest of Discovery Walk

Bus Stop

6. Turn left on Coniston Way and then follow the road around to the right. Look out for the waymark post on the grass verge.

7. Go through the bollards on your left and enter Hop Pole Lane. Turn left and then after 100m turn right onto Tanners Hill.

8. Follow Tanners Hill for 700m until you reach a cattle grid and gate.

9. Go through the gate and follow the public right of way for 800m.

10. Take care to follow the Wyre butterfly logo at this location. The track now heads south along a section that the landowner, The Guild of St George, has granted permissive access.

11. Follow the waymarked track along the edge of the wood. After 500m, the track turns right, again follow the waymarkers until you come to a wooden gate.

12. Follow the permissive waymarkers onto land owned by the Forestry Commission, follow the Wyre Butterfly logo for 150m until you come to another track.

13. Turn left, walking uphill for 400m and then turn right. Follow the waymarkers through the forest until you come to the 'Wyre, Forest of Discovery' buildings, and the end of your walk.

14. If you choose to walk back to Bewdley, simply retrace your steps or use the 292 bus service. For local timetable information call: [traveline 0871 200 22 33](tel:08712002233). www.traveline.org.uk The bus stop is on the A456 outside the Wyre, Callow Hill car park.