

## **TWO GREAT WALKS**

**In our Welcome Pack, at the Cottage, we've provided details of things to do in the area, including walks.**

**The maps below aren't at the cottage, so we recommend you print them off before you come to stay.**

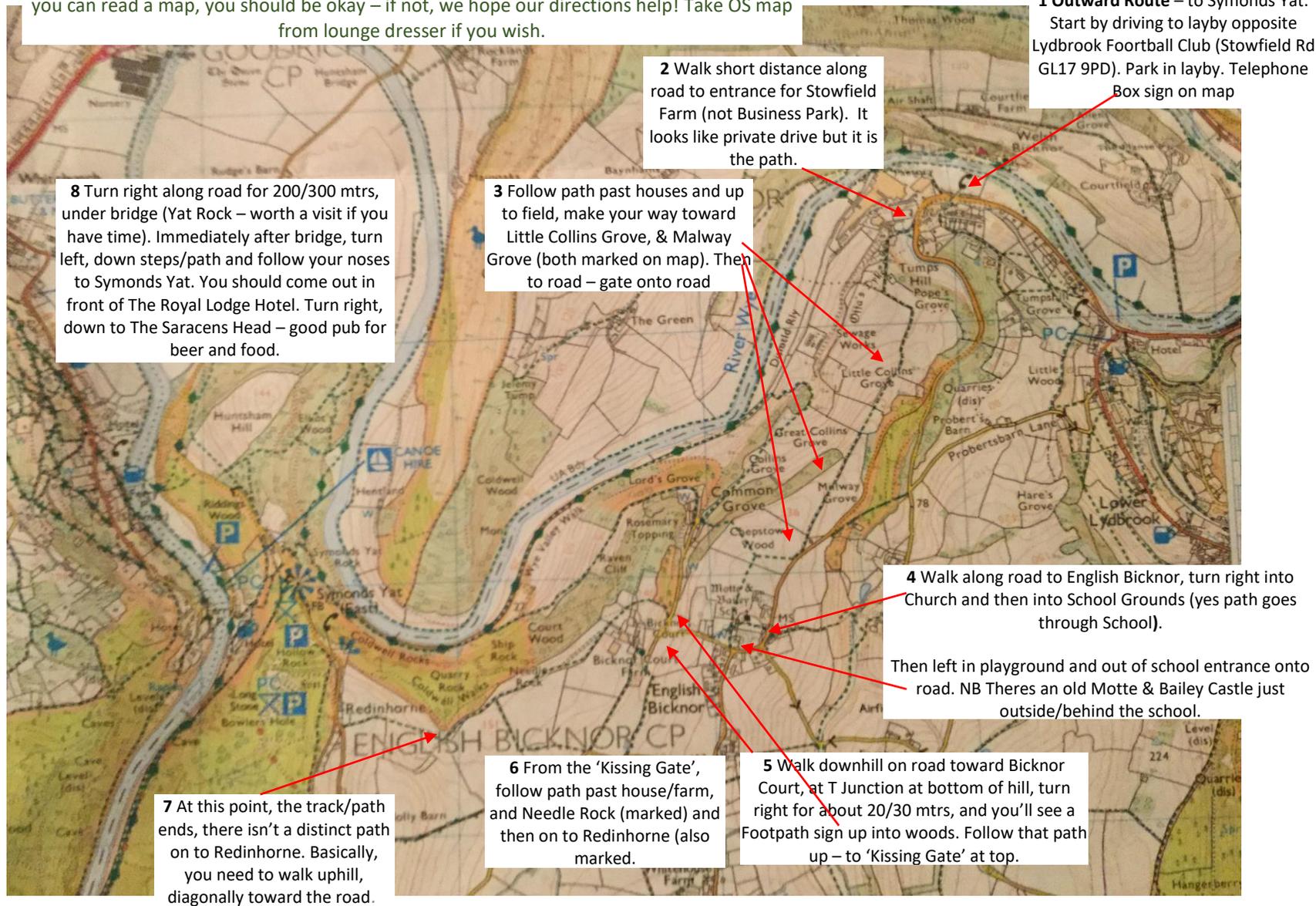
**They're two walks we really enjoy, between 3 – 5 hours, both including a Pub stop!**

**We've tried to provide as much detail as we can so you can find your way; if you use the maps and have any feedback for improving them, please let us know.**

**Enjoy!**



**Round Trip to Symonds Yat and back – 4 or 5 Hours.** A couple of fairly steep climbs but mainly easy walking. At Symonds Yat, there are plenty of places to eat + a good pub. On a good day, you could take a dip in the River! The Outward Route is a bit complicated, but if you can read a map, you should be okay – if not, we hope our directions help! Take OS map from lounge dresser if you wish.



**8** Turn right along road for 200/300 mtrs, under bridge (Yat Rock – worth a visit if you have time). Immediately after bridge, turn left, down steps/path and follow your noses to Symonds Yat. You should come out in front of The Royal Lodge Hotel. Turn right, down to The Saracens Head – good pub for beer and food.

**2** Walk short distance along road to entrance for Stowfield Farm (not Business Park). It looks like private drive but it is the path.

**3** Follow path past houses and up to field, make your way toward Little Collins Grove, & Malway Grove (both marked on map). Then to road – gate onto road

**1 Outward Route** – to Symonds Yat. Start by driving to layby opposite Lydbrook Football Club (Stowfield Rd GL17 9PD). Park in layby. Telephone Box sign on map

**4** Walk along road to English Bicknor, turn right into Church and then into School Grounds (yes path goes through School).

Then left in playground and out of school entrance onto road. NB There's an old Motte & Bailey Castle just outside/behind the school.

**6** From the 'Kissing Gate', follow path past house/farm, and Needle Rock (marked) and then on to Redinhorne (also marked).

**5** Walk downhill on road toward Bicknor Court, at T Junction at bottom of hill, turn right for about 20/30 mtrs, and you'll see a Footpath sign up into woods. Follow that path up – to 'Kissing Gate' at top.

**7** At this point, the track/path ends, there isn't a distinct path on to Redinhorne. Basically, you need to walk uphill, diagonally toward the road.

**9 Return Route** – Retrace your route back up hill, past The Royal Lodge Hotel. But rather than turning right to the bridge, keep straight on to top of road – where you should see some old Kilns and a house – walk across the road between the kilns and the house – and down hill through the woods

**10** The route/path through the woods is fairly well marked but not brilliant – just keep heading down until you come to a well defined path/you should see the River – and turn right along the path. Basically, you're heading for this path back along the river (Wye Valley Way)

**11** It's an easy walk from here, follow the River bank/path for an hour or 1 ½ hours – up river back toward the starting point.

**12** Eventually, you'll see a disused Industrial Site on the right, follow the path past the site, through the Football Ground up to the road where you should find your car!!

