## **Martham Broad**

9 miles (or 5.5 and 7.5 mile options) 4.5 hours Start: Beach car park (charges apply) / Winterton bus stops
Beach Car Park Grid Ref: TG498197 Postcode: NR29 4AJ
Terrain: Village roads, tracks, quiet lanes, grassy riverbank paths and footpaths through farmland. One stile (The Street).



Enjoy the stunning landscape and wildlife of the Broads, surprisingly nearby!

From the boat sheds at the far end of the car park, cut inland through the dunes, before skirting the edge of the village along Low Road, heading out into beautiful countryside.

Continue on through East Somerton, past the ruins of St Mary's church, then Burnley Hall. Head round to Honeypot and on to The Street, before taking a footpath between houses, and over a stile, through to West Somerton.

Take care walking alongside the B1159 round to Staithe Road, and follow this to join a footpath



down to the River Thurne. The stunning broadland landscape includes drainage mills, vast reedbeds and the open water of Martham Broad. The area is rich in wildlife; birdwatchers are in for a treat, with marsh harriers, warblers and reed buntings regularly seen.

After following the path round to Martham Boatyard, head down Ferry Road and then take a track to the left across farmland, before zigzagging past Moorgrove Farm. Skirt the edge of Martham village, with its pretty thatched buildings. Then head across farmland to Sandy Lane, shortly rejoining the circular route near Staithe Road, before retracing your walk back to Winterton.

## Walk variations:

Shorten the walk by taking the bus between Winterton-on-Sea and West Somerton. To link in with the circular walk, avoid walking along the busy B1159 using guieter Cottage Road to join the route at Sandy Lane.

5.5 miles / 2.5 hours: Bus to and from West Somerton



