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Ebrington Circular Walks: 6.5 Mile Route Description (OS Explorer 205)

Starting from Vegetable Matters car park, walk to the road. On reaching road (May Lane), turn left and proceed towards the village. On reaching the village, with Ebrington Arms on right, go straight ahead and when the road turns left, continue straight on. Shortly, you will come to Top Farm on your right and as you pass it, turn right along a footpath over a stone stile and then a wooden stile.

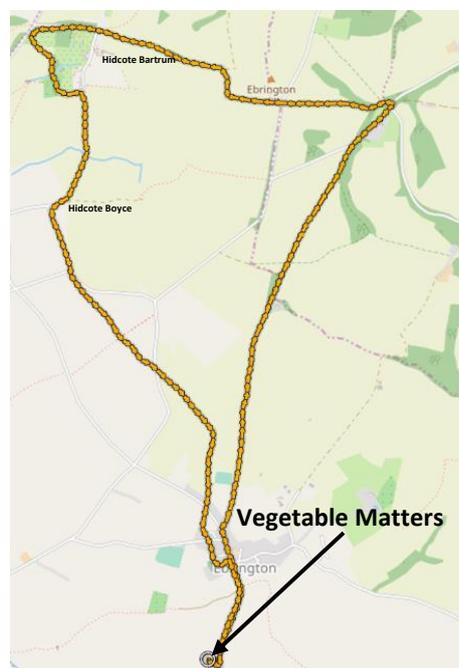
At this point there are two paths. Take the left-hand one over another stile along right-hand edge of field. On reaching field corner, cross stile into next field (ignore sleeper bridge into playing fields) and continue along field edge with hedge on left to reach a squeeze stile and bridge into another field. Continue with hedge on left until reaching the field corner, then turn right for short distance to a stile on your left. Cross the stile into the next field and head slightly right of straight on to reach yet another stile. Continue half right across the next field, over another stile and then half left towards a 5-bar wooden gate on the other side of the field.

On reaching the gate, take the path to its right and continue down this path with hedge on left to reach gate into a small wood. Follow path through wood to reach a farm track at which point turn left. As the track turns left, leave it along a footpath on your right to a field and continue along field edge with hedge on right until you reach a corner (where the field broadens out to right). At this point, continue straight on across the field to go through a gap in the hedge to next field, to continue until reaching gate in the far left field corner, then turning right to walk along road.

Continue along road and a short distance after passing the West Gate Entrance to the Foxcote Estate on your right, cross the road to go through a metal gate to a field and follow the bridleway along the right-hand edge of the field. Ignore the first gate on your right and continue to the next gate in the field corner. Go through the gate and continue to the top of the rise at which point follow the path as it turns right and continue until reaching another gate and road. Cross road and continue straight on along stoned track with satellite dishes on your right.

Stay on the track until reaching Hidcote Manor car parks. At this point go straight on between the two car parks to reach the road. Continue straight on for about 25 metres and go through a footpath gate on your left to continue along an enclosed footpath that runs parallel to the road. Follow this path until reaching a kissing gate into a field. Cross the field gradually moving away (slightly) from the right-hand hedge to reach a gate to the road and footpath signs.

DO NOT pass through the gate but turn approximately 90° left / anti-clockwise to follow a footpath diagonally across the field to reach the right-hand end of a wooden fence to pass through a wooden kissing gate and to cross a bridge. Now continue straight on between trees to reach a further kissing gate in the field corner.



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After going through the kissing gate, turn left to keep house and gardens on your left until reaching the corner at which point the path goes left and right. Take the right-hand path heading across the field towards and the passing a large lone tree. On reaching the other side of the field go left for about 20 metres to pass over a wooden bridge and through a hedge and gate into another field. Cross this field heading towards a gate in the left-hand corner to reach the village of Hidcote Boyce. Pass through the gate and head straight on down the road for about 100 metres to turn left along another road passing Crab Tree Cottage on your left and Bank Cottage on your right.

On reaching junction with right turn towards Ebrington and Hidcote Bartrum, turn right and immediately left to cross stile into field. Head across the field, initially staying close to the left-hand hedge and then cut across the field to a green metal kissing gate. Continue straight on across the next two fields, through two more green metal kissing gates. Now head half right across the field to a stile and the road.

At the road, turn right and almost immediately left to cross another stile into a further field. Head half-right across the field to cross a further stile to continue on the same heading across the next field to a bridge. After crossing the bridge, continue along the field edge with a hedge on your left to reach an enclosed track. Follow the track to where it ends at a road. Now turn left and walk about 50 metres and cross the road to take a footpath starting at a gap in the hedge (shortly before Village Hall entrance) to walk diagonally across a small field to reach the left-hand end of some houses. Continue past the houses and, on reaching the main road, turn right and almost immediately left to take a path towards the church. Follow this around the church, through the churchyard gate, continuing along the path to junction at which point, turn right. Continue along path and then road to pass Ebrington Arms on your left as you enter May Lane. Continue down May Lane and back to Vegetable Matters and its café for some well-earned refreshment.