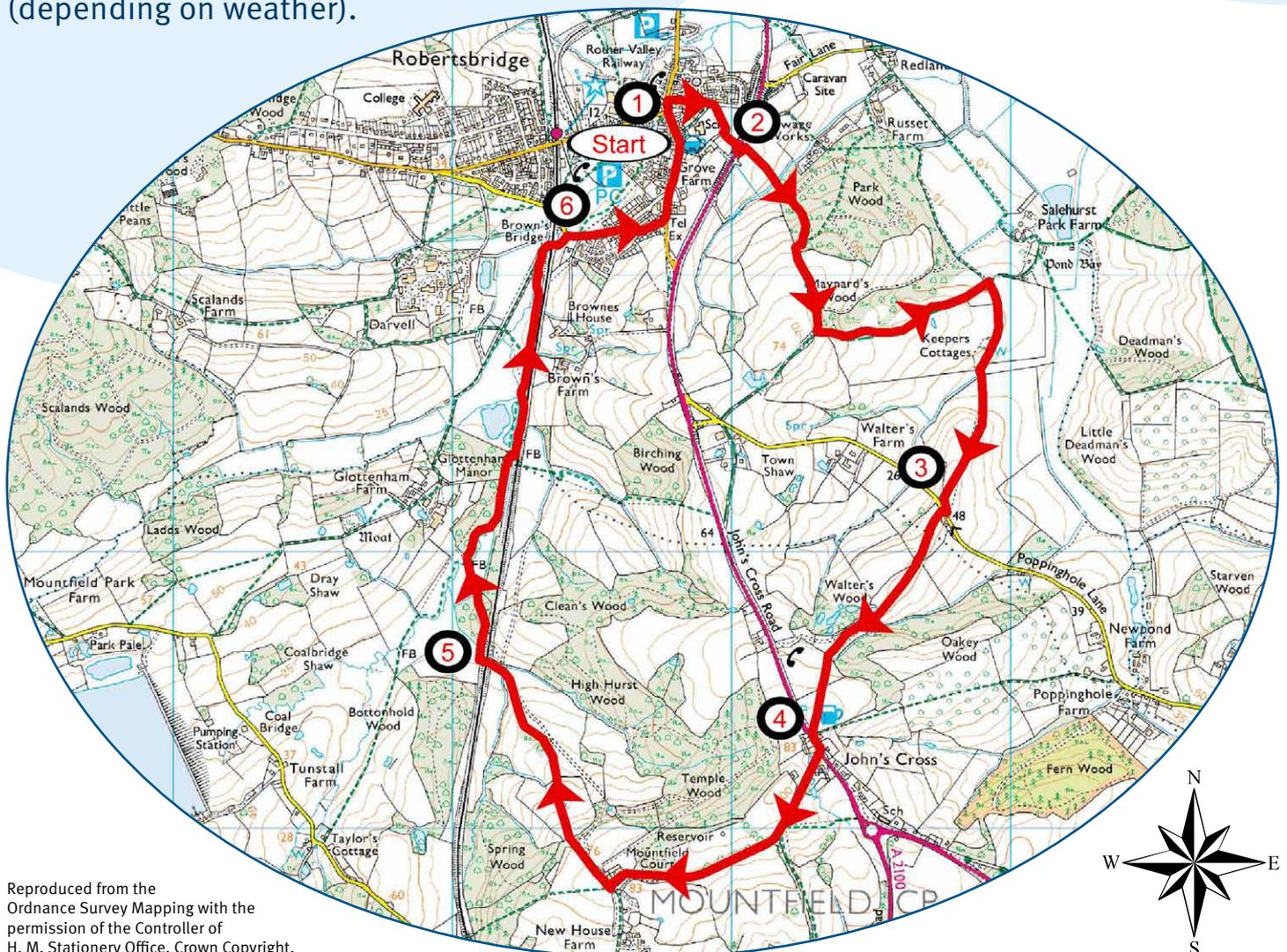




# Robertsbridge Walk

Typical country walk with some hills, stiles and muddy paths (depending on weather).



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## Local Information

The main focus for the village of Robertsbridge was as a resting point for people travelling between London and Hastings. The number of Wealden Hall Houses in the village, show that it was a wealthy place in the 14th and 15th centuries. By the 19th century the village had become renowned for the manufacture of cricket bats, which are still made in the village today.

## Essential Information

**Distance:** 5 miles/8km  
**Walk grade:** Average  
**Maps:** OS Explorer 124  
 OS Landranger 199  
**Start/Finish:** Public Car Park, Station Road  
 (Some spaces limited to 2 hrs)  
**Post Code:** TN32 5DA  
**Grid Ref:** TQ 737236

# Route Description

- 1) Starting from the public car park in Station Road, Robertsbridge village centre, turn right to head uphill towards the High Street. Turn left at the junction to follow the High Street for a short distance before turning right into Fair Lane, beside the Seven Stars public house. Follow the lane for a distance of approximately 160 metres (175 yds.) before turning right to follow the enclosed section of path around the school playing fields. Cross the stile at the end of the enclosed path, and cross the field to another stile, leading onto the main A21.
- 2) Cross the main road and continue along the signposted footpath crossing the next field in the direction indicated to reach the woodland. Follow the waymarked path through the wood until you reach a five-way junction. Take the right-hand signposted footpath, to leave the wood. Turn left over a stile, before turning right to follow the field edge path, keeping the hedge to your right. Continue to follow this path to reach a junction with a bridleway. Turn left and follow the bridleway downhill, through a gate and into woodland. On reaching the path junction at Stone Cottage, turn right and follow the footpath initially downhill, then over a hill to reach Poppinghole Lane.
- 3) Turn right to follow the road for a few metres, before turning left over a stile onto the signposted footpath. The route now crosses a number of fields, continue to follow the waymarked path, over the stiles, before reaching a kissing gate, leading to the main A21 at Johns Cross.
- 4) Turn left along the main road, crossing in front of the pub, and then continue on the footpath opposite, signposted along the lane. Follow the lane for approximately 950 metres (600 yds.) passing to the side of Mountfield Court. Turn right at the path junction to follow the track to the rear of Mountfield Court. After passing through two gates, continue to follow the waymarked path across the next field. After crossing the stile next to the field gate, continue to follow the route through the next field to reach a tunnel under the railway.
- 5) After going under the railway, turn right through the gate and follow for a short distance to the footbridge. Continue along the waymarked path, bearing left, through the small woodland to reach another footbridge. Continue across the next field to a further footbridge. Turn right at the signposted footpath junction, crossing a stile, and follow the watercourse keeping it to your right. Follow the route turning right across the footbridge, and then immediately left along the enclosed section between the stream and railway line. At the end of the enclosed path, turn right and cross a stile and follow the path beside the railway line, crossing a large footbridge and on to reach the path junction at the lane. Turn right onto the lane and follow under the railway bridge.
- 6) Turn right at the road junction and follow the road up hill. Turn left at the next road junction to follow George Hill back to Robertsbridge High Street and the end of the walk.

