

## THE GREAT MASSINGHAM STROLLERS' GUIDE

### Sandy Lane - Massingham Heath - Peddars Way



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**Distance:** 6 miles **Duration:** 2 ½ hours **Terrain:** Grassy tracks and sandy/flint road with some possibly overgrown stretches. Good open views over Massingham.

**Numbers on map:** Direction points. **Letters on map:** Points of interest.

### Directions:

1. From the Well head south down School Road onto Weasentham Road.
2. Fork right onto Sandy Lane past Rectory Row. Follow this track until it meets the B1145.
3. Cross over the B1145 and continue up the hill for another mile.
4. At the T junction turn right and come to the Castle Acre/Massingham road.
5. Cross the road and continue straight on for about ½ a mile. Then turn right onto a track opposite the junction to West Acre.
6. Follow this track and then go down the hill and join Peddars Way at the bottom.
7. Cross over the B1145 and follow Peddars Way for 1½ miles crossing Drunken Drive and the Grimston/Massingham road until you meet the back road to Little Massingham having past the footpath sign to Massingham village.
8. Turn right and after about 100 yards fork right into Mad Dog Lane. This will lead you back to the village.
9. Turn right when you reach the pond into Abbey Road and back to the Well.

### Points of interest

- A. Great Massingham.**  
For information about places of interest see Guide 1.
- B. Massingham Heath.** Before the Second World War much of the land between Massingham and Gayton was a common and heathland.
- C. Good views** to Massingham from here and keep a lookout for Common Buzzards soaring, the occasional Red Kite and, in the winter, Rough-legged Buzzards.
- D. Peddars Way.** A national trail dating back to the Romans and even, possibly, stone-age times. It runs from Knettishall Heath to Holme-next-the-sea.
- E. Radio masts.** Once used for RAF Massingham and now used by a local radio station, KLFM.
- F. Uncultivated field.** Site of WW2 RAF camp and the 14th century abbey.



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