

## Three Crowns, Somerford Common, Tanglin Farm and Brinkworth Golf Course

**No 12 in a series of picturesque walks round Brinkworth, starting and finishing at the 3 Crowns.**

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- A moderate walk for novices and families with many stiles, muddy paths and good views.
- OS Maps Explorer 169 or Landranger 173. 6 miles, 3 hours approximately with breaks.
- Respect other people and property, keep to the paths/bridleways and leave gates as you find them
- Leave no trace and keep dogs under control – especially where there are cattle, sheep and horses.

We hope that you enjoy this walk. We welcome comments and feedback (both positive and negative) at [brinkworthfootpathgroup@gmail.com](mailto:brinkworthfootpathgroup@gmail.com)

From the Three Crowns, cross the road and turn right. Just past the bike shop turn left through a gate, walk 50m and take the gate on the right (Barnes Green). Follow this down and round and turn left along a wide bridleway. At the first field gate on the right go through and up the path leading diagonally to the top left corner. Go through the gap in the hedge and continue ahead, heading for a gate in the far right corner of the field. Go through the gate and turn right along a wide grassy track and continue through two field gates. Turn left opposite a red brick house and follow this grassy track which turns right and comes out at Stoppers Hill.

Turn left and follow the road down and up until you reach Somerford Common where the road turns right. Go straight ahead and follow this bridleway through the wood until you reach a tarmac lane. Turn left here and continue for 800m until you see the drive to Tanglin Farm. Turn left and proceed all the way down to the track/green lane (which can be soggy in parts) to another lane at Sundays Hill Farm. Turn right and go along the lane to the next junction – turn left and continue for about 350m to a bend – on the left there is a footpath sign which leads you to Brinkworth Golf Course. Taking due care of golfers practicing their skills, keep to the right of the brook and walk to the wooden footbridge and remain on the right side of the brook. Pass a small bridge over the ditch on your left and you will see a gap in the hedge through which the path leads. Head round left to cross to the right of the green and continue ahead with the chalet houses on your right. Nearby is the Clubhouse where you will be welcome if you chose to stop for refreshment.

Leave the Clubhouse and walk NE/E along a tarmac road to some houses come 200m distant, the last of which is a farm-house with machinery on your left. Turn right onto a path and within 10m turn left down a small slope onto the golf course. Look across the golf course diagonally to the right towards the wood. The path you need now takes you through this wood to a wooden bridge (taking due care again of golfers and walking to the right around the fairway and mown grass if necessary).

After crossing the bridge you will cross a small grassy area on your diagonal right. Do not use the stile nearby – follow the path until it emerges onto a track, turn right for 50m and then left down a broad track.

Follow the track until you reach Barnes Green then turn right to retrace your steps to the metal gate at the end of the cul-de-sac on the right. Turn left through another gate onto the mail road and turn right to return to the Three Crowns.

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