



FANTASTIC FAST DOWNHILLS, FAMILY FARMS & DALEKS IN RURAL HEREFORDSHIRE

Locator map

Map Key

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Ullingswick Yew Tree in the Church's grounds.

Main route	Route keypoints	Museum/gallery	Cafe	Picnic site
Bridleway	Public house	Information	Parking	Mansion
Footpath	Ascent/Descent	Landscape feature	Church	Take care!



- Directions

1 Park in Pencombe Village Hall's car park. TR out of the car park (consider a look in the village church as you pass it) and ride along and then veer left and downhill to another junction. Follow the road around to the right (signed Marden) and up past the Wheelwright's Arms pub. Continue straight uphill (the gradient is steep here in places).

2 Once you reach the top of the hill, continue along the ridge and bear left following the brown signed 'Shortwood Farm'. Continue along and slightly downhill past the farm's entrance (an excellent family venue).

3 You should now see the valley open up as the lane starts to go steeply downhill (please remember to take care if with children here).

4 The hill opens-out into flat, winding country lanes in the valley below. Follow

these until you reach the corner and junction on left with the (optional) green lane to Upper Town (this ground can be muddy after heavy rains). The main route continues to the A417, TR here (this road can be fast) and after a few minutes TR again to Upper Town.

5 Continue and follow the track as it winds along and then upwards past the art studios on left up to a 'T' junction.

6 TL here and follow signs to Little Cowarne and then up through the hamlet. Consider a well-earned cold drink as you pass the Three Horseshoes Pub. Continue along to a steep downhill, an 's' bend and steep uphill climb..

7 Continue uphill until you eventually pass Pencombe Rest Home and then on to the excellent downhill back to Pencombe and your start point.

Route Facts

One of Bromyard's more curious residents lives at the town's 'Time Machine Museum of Science Fiction'.

Pencombe, just 4 miles out of Bromyard and nestling in the Herefordshire countryside surrounded by hop and fruit farms, once had close links with the 19th Century inventor Thomas Arkwright's family who lived at Pencombe Hall, now a rest home.

Consider a small detour to see the giant Yew tree in Ullingswick's church yard. Yews have pre-Christian links to both the Druids and the Pagans. Some of our

churches were built deliberately on existing sites around or near these ancient trees.

Also consider visiting 'The Time Museum of Science Fiction' in Bromyard close to this route. Many of the old 60's and 70's TV sci-fi characters are on display here - from the Daleks to Joe Ninety.