34 Bath Skyline

Distance 6 miles/9km

Ascent 276 metres

Start/finish Bathwick Hill, BA2 6JZ

From the route's crossing point on Bathwick Hill, bear south between houses and out onto the fields trending L and uphill to the road at Widcombe Hill. Turn L up to the bend where you cross and follow a track uphill. Turn R at the junction and bear south again before turning L onto the path parallel with Claverton Down Road. Turn L in Larch Wood and run north-east, crossing Claverton Down Road and joining The Avenue by the Bath Cats and Dogs Home (2.8 miles/4.5km). Turn R then L onto a path leading north across a large field and trending L above Hengrove Wood. Continue on the waymarked Skyline path which skirts the edge of the woodland around the golf course on Bathampton Down. Pass the communication masts at ST 768655 and continue south-west through woodland, detouring up to Sham Castle. Descend steeply to North Road, turn R then L onto a footpath down to Cleveland Walk, turn L on this to return to the start.

This route is waymarked as a National Trust walking route.

Miles	Km	Directions
0.0	0.0	From the route's crossing point on Bathwick Hill, bear south between houses and out onto the fields trending L and uphill to the road at
		Widcombe Hill.
0.6	1	Turn left up to the bend where you cross and follow a track uphill. Turn
		right at the junction and bear south again before turning left onto the
		path parallel with Claverton Down Road. Follow this to a path junction in
		Larch Wood where you turn left.
2.1	3.3	Follow this path generally north-east, crossing Claverton Down Road and
		joining The Avenue by the Bath Cats and Dogs Home.
2.8	4.5	Turn right onto the road then left onto a path leading north across a
		large field and trending left above Hengrove Wood. Continue on the
		waymarked Skyline path which skirts the edge of the woodland around
		the golf course on Bathampton Down to the communication masts at
		ST768655.
4.4	7.1	Continue on the Skyline path south-west through woodland to a path
		junction on the golf club driveway where you can detour left to visit
		Sham Castle. Turn right and follow the path downhill to North Road.
5.2	8.3	Turn right onto North Road then left down a footpath to Cleveland Walk,
		turn left on this to return to the start.