

46. Oare and the Swale

Distance **8 miles/13km**

Ascent **120 metres**

Start/finish **Faversham Station, ME13 8EA**

From the station head north-west through Faversham to Oare using the following directions: Forbes Road west, R onto Roman Road, L on Stone Street, R on South Road, L on Napleton Road, R onto Tanners Street, fork L onto West Street which turns into Dark Hill, R on Priory road, L on a path past the ponds curving L to join Seager Road, then turn L onto The Street and follow this over the bridge and through Oare, taking to a footpath on the L (1.8 miles/2.9km). Follow the footpath to Luddenham Court. Turn R on the road then continue onto a footpath heading north-east across fields, crossing a road near Little Uplees and continuing on a byway to a jetty on the Swale estuary (4.2 miles/6.7km). Turn R and follow the coast path past the Harty Ferry visitor centre. Turn R at the headland following Oare Creek inland on the Saxon Shore Way. Turn L in Oare to return to Faversham via the outbound run to the start.

Miles	Km	Directions
0.0	0.0	Turn left out of the station following Forbes Road west. Turn right onto Roman Road and then left onto Stone Street.
0.3	0.5	Turn right on South Road then left on Napleton Road and right onto Tanners Street. Follow this to a fork.
0.5	0.8	Stay left onto West Street which turns into Dark Hill. Right on Priory Road and left onto a path.
0.8	1.3	Follow the path some ponds and curving left to join Seager Road. Follow this then turn left onto The Street and follow this over a bridge and through Oare to a footpath on the left at TR004630.
1.8	2.9	Turn left following the footpath across fields and across a lane to reach a road at Luddenham Court.
2.5	4.1	Turn right and follow the road onto a footpath heading north-east across fields, crossing a road near Little Uplees and continuing on a byway to a jetty on the Swale estuary.
4.2	6.7	Turn R and follow the coast path past the Harty Ferry visitor centre.
4.7	7.6	Continue along the coast path to the headland, turn right and follow the path inland along Oare Creek to the road in Oare.
6.6	10.6	Turn left and follow the outbound route back to the start.