

THE MONMOUTH ASH

○ = Assists

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MAP

1 From the pub, cross the road, turn right and continue along pavement. 300 yards on, bear left into Church Hill. After 150 yards, take right fork at mini roundabout and, 30 yards ahead, turn left on to tarmac path (see assist).

Follow for 100 yards and turn left along pavement heading gently downhill. After 230 yards, pass Bridle Ways and, 30 yards on, turn left on to track (see assist). Continue with houses to left and Dewlands Common to right. Follow for 250 yards and turn right keeping fence to right (see assist).

Walk past paddocks to left and cross over junction ahead at 11 o'clock into Doe's Lane. After 180 yards, bear left on to track as you pass Crane House to right. 30 yards on, walk up and over old railway embankment, under power cables and over the River Crane. Follow round on to Crane Valley Golf Course.

Follow marker post arrow and cross fairway aiming for small marker post 50

yards ahead (to right of telegraph pole). Continue over another fairway aiming towards stand of trees 70 yards ahead. Pass to right of green and left of trees then over gravel path (see assist). Continue ahead following direction on marker post.

Pass lake 10 yards to your right and cross 2 more fairways. Walk under power cables and over fairway aiming at marker post and gap in trees (see assist).

Follow holly lined path through trees for 80 yards then it opens out. Walk past field to right and stay on grass path for 180 yards down to lane junction. Bear left, walk along lane for 80 yards and turn left at marker post on to path.

Continue with paddock to right and after 200 yards, path heads gently downhill. Pass stile to right, walk ahead past stables to left and house to right. 30 yards on, bear left on to made up track and follow past fields to left and paddocks to right.

200 yards on, pass Oakfield Farm to right and bear left at junction 30 yards ahead. Follow for 200 yards, cross small river and pass farm.

After 100 yards, pass under old railway bridge and continue on track past Dewlands Common to left and paddocks to right. 500 yards on from rail bridge, track bends right. Continue for 400 yards and track becomes a road.

Pass school on the right and continue straight over mini roundabout into Howe Lane. Walk along pavement for 300 yards and turn left on to tarmac path 30 yards before mini roundabout.

Walk for 30 yards on to road and 80 yards ahead, it becomes a wide, made up road. Continue for 300 yards up to the road and over to the pub for some well deserved hospitality.

