

Shropshire Way: linear walk using the local bus service

Bromfield to Ludlow

3 mile (5 km) linear walk through mixed farmland with stunning views of Ludlow Castle, Titterstone Clee and the River Teme.

Allow 1.5 hours Grade * (5 stiles) OS Map: Explorer sheet 203

You start this walk at the Bromfield bus stop

Buses:

435 Shrewsbury to Ludlow - Monday to Saturday

Key bus stops as follows:

- Shrewsbury Bus Station
- Church Stretton, Beaumont Road
- Craven Arms, opposite Tuffins supermarket
- Ludlow Assembly Rooms (around the corner from Ludlow Visitor Information Centre)

738 Ludlow to Knighton - Monday to Saturday

Key bus stops as follows:

- Knighton Bus Station
- Bucknell Rail Station
- Leintwardine opposite Lion Hotel
- Ludlow Assembly Rooms (around the corner from Ludlow Visitor Information Centre)

X11 Ludlow to Builth Wells - Monday and Thursday

To look up bus timetables for this walk and for further information visit www.travelinemidlands.co.uk or contact Traveline 0871 200 22 33

Dogs are allowed on the buses at the driver's discretion; please contact the bus companies direct for further information:

- 435 Shrewsbury to Ludlow – Minsterley Motors 01743 791208
- 738 Ludlow to Knighton – Arriva 08701201088
- X11 Ludlow to Builth Wells - Veolia Transport Wales 01443 215105

The Ludlow Food Centre, café and toilets is a short walk from the Bromfield bus stop and well worth a visit.

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Walk directions:

1. If you arrive from the Craven Arms direction then you will need to use the underpass to cross the A49 which is just to the left beyond the bus shelter. If you arrive from the Ludlow direction then walk ahead on the pavement over a bridge (River Onny) towards the road turning for Knighton. Turn left beforehand (the underpass emerges from the left) and follow the path as it curves left to a quiet lane which passes Bromfield Church.
2. The lane as it crosses the River Teme in a delightful setting. Here you have a view of one of the many old mills located on the river. Follow the Shropshire Way signage as the road rises through the estate. Keep ahead and ignore turns to the left or right. After about one mile it dips down through trees and rises again to pass by a lodge through a bridle gate.
3. As you catch sight of the farm at Priors Halton look for the Shropshire Way fingerpost signing you left through a gateway to enter a field. Head slightly right across it and through a 5-barred gate. You can see the fine tower of St Peters Church in Ludlow ahead of you and superb views of Titterstone Clee to your left. Head in a similar direction in the next field to the top right-hand corner and cross a stile and footbridge into the next field
4. Climb up to cross a stile ahead then walk to the hedge opposite. Go right and follow the hedge now with views of Ludlow Castle before you. Cross a stile and keep ahead but just to the left of the trees. Go over another stile in a dip in the field corner. Go over the footbridge and stile to climb up the bank and now follow the field hedge to a gate which leads onto a lane.
5. Go left here to pass by the Cliffe Hotel and left again to the Dinham Bridge which is also crossed. The Millennium Green is to your left. Rise up The Dinham into the Market Square in Ludlow.