



Description

Taking the cross country route to Nitten-by-the-Bing involves tracks through fields so this is potentially a muddy walk, especially in winter and after rain. Having said that, the views are amazing and walking along hedges is a sure way

of getting close to birdlife. The National Mining Museum is a great half way stop with cafe and toilet facilities. There are regular buses (29, 33 and 39) from Newtongrange to Gorebridge if you want to avoid the hill, or you can travel one stop on the train. There is a path linking the museum to the station, turn left as you pass round the large red gates.



Newtongrange Park

The Route

- 1 From the station turn right and walk uphill passing the shops, crossing Hunter Square and continuing past the Parish Church and Library. Turn right along Barleyknowe Lane (signed to Gorebridge Primary School). Cross the road and pass through the black metal gate into Auld Gala Park. Follow the winding path downhill to meet the road at Greenhall Crescent.
- 2 Turn right and walk to the junction with Barleyknowe Road, cross and

take the grassy path on the right by St Andrews School. Continue along this path, turning left at the end. After a few metres down the track, bear right onto the narrow path that runs along the edge of the field. Carry on this path as it crosses 2 fields, with the hedge on your left. Where the path meets a track, turn left and walk down to meet the road. Cross here and continue on the track to Lingerwood Farm. Go through the yellow gate and carry on downhill, looking out for the green sign to Bryans indicating the lane on your right.

Newtongrange Circular

continued

3 Walk along the length of this lane, known as The Liney Dyke from the days when coal was taken along by rail. (Short cut here, any of the roads on the left will take you to Main Street). At the end of the lane, turn left and walk to the end, turning left and crossing over to go through the park. Follow the paths downhill and slightly to the right, passing the War Memorial and leaving by the gate opposite the Dean Tavern. Turn left and walk to the end of the street, turning left at the traffic lights. The National Mining Museum is on the right.



The Liney Dyke

4 From the Museum, cross the road and retrace your steps downhill. Look out for the path signposted to Bryans on your right 50 yards before the lights. Climb the steps and walk along the grassy path to the end, turning left where it meets the tarmac path. Turn right where the path joins the road and right along the path opposite Lothian Terrace. Follow the path through to Monkwood Road, which meets the Stobhill Road just down from the recycling centre.

5 Turn left and walk uphill past the entrance to the centre and cross the road. Look for the gap in the stone wall on your right and walk through to the field. Follow the path diagonally right to the top of the field past the houses and turn right where it joins the busy road. Cross the road at the pedestrian crossing and walk to the end of Greenhall Road and Crescent.

6 Cross straight over and head down the lane past Laundry Cottages and Arniston Bowling Club. At the end of this road, cross straight over and continue till you reach the park.

7 Follow the path on the left as it makes its way past the football pitches to join Nancy Teuch Path. Turn left and walk uphill to join the road opposite the Parish Church. Turn right and walk back along Main Street to the station.

