



Public House Walks

The Martyrs Inn TOLPUDDLE



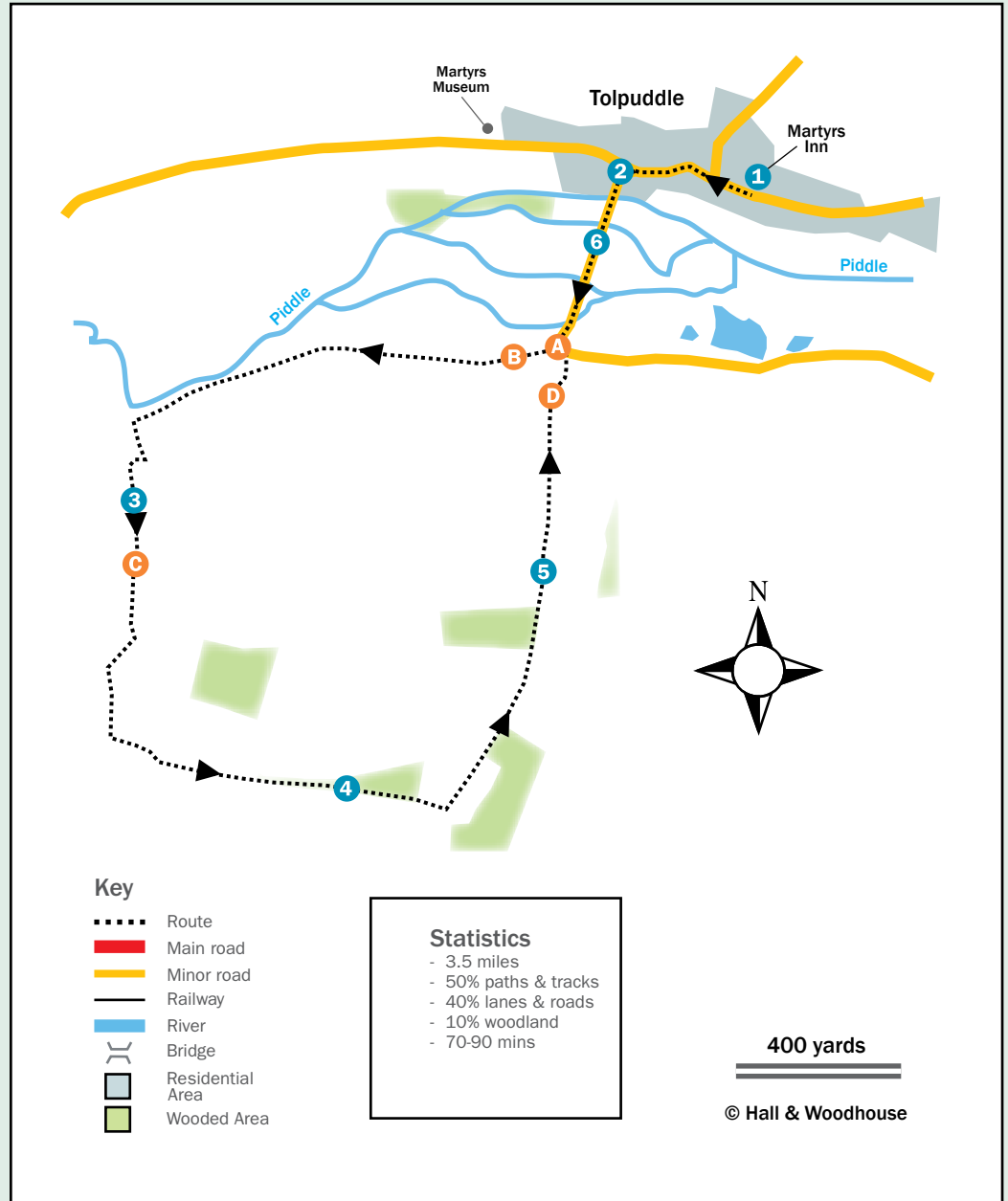
"A lovely ramble exploring historic Tolpuddle, the delightful Piddle valley and water meadows. There are also open fields and Dorset chalkland tracks to enjoy together with abundant birdlife."

3.5 miles

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1 From the pub, turn right and head along the pavement. 230 yards on, bear left into The Green at road sign to Southover and Affpuddle.

Follow land round past thatched benches to right and over the river Piddle. Follow lane for 400 yards, crossing bridges over small streams. As lane bends to left, continue ahead on to gravel track for 20 yards then turn right through wood gate (see assist).

Follow grass path past paddocks for 40 yards and pass through wood gate (see assist). Aim diagonally across small field for 80 yards and pass through metal gate.

Bear on to lane and walk ahead past farm and stables to left. Continue on lane with open fields to left and hedge/ water meadows to right.

500 yards ahead, hedge is replaced by trees on the right. 250 yards on, a stream appears 20 yards to the right.

With Park Farm ahead, turn left, cross stile to left of metal gate and head gently uphill on track. 80 yards ahead, track bends right then left.

C After 80 more yards, bear left on to grass track (see assist) and continue uphill between hedges. 250 yards on, track curves steadily to right then, after 80 yards, bends left.

Continue uphill for 150 yards and, with open field ahead, track bends sharply left. Follow **3** between hedges for 150 yards and pass through metal gate. Walk ahead along left edge of field.

4 After 400 yards, pass tall conifers to left and track heads downhill. At bottom of the slope, cross stile to left of metal gate and turn left on to track. Follow and, 400 yards on, pass hazel trees to left.

5 Continue between high banked hedges for 200 yards when track may be soft underfoot for about 80 yards.

D Pass yard to right then thatched house to left and bear right (see assist). 70 yards ahead, turn left at T junction and follow lane round to right.

6 Retrace your steps along the lane for 400 yards, cross back over the Piddle bridge and bear right on to the road ahead.

It's just a few hundred yards along the pavement and back to The Martyrs Inn for some much deserved refreshment!

