

Explore Whatcombe

3.5 Miles | 5.6 km

Moderate

START

1 At the Cheese & Grain, head north-west past the canoe club, under the railway bridge, passing the pump track and the children's play park.

2 When you reach Welshmill Lane, turn left over the bridge and immediately right following the footpath sign directing you along "Riverside path to Low Water". The River Frome is now on your right.

3 The tarmac path takes you through a meadow and houses. The path turns left and then right signposted to Spring Gardens. Go through the gate, and through Whatcombe Fields. When entering the third field, the footpath leaves the tarmac path, it goes straight on over the field. Head for the telegraph pole and kissing gate straight ahead. Go through the kissing gate. There is a view of Selwood Manor in the distance. Cross the field and go through the stone stile.

4 Follow the path straight ahead with trees and then a wall to your left. Whatcombe Farm is on your left. Go through the kissing gate, passing the Whatcombe Wall canal embankment on your left (part of the Dorset and Somerset Canal that was never completed). There are poplar trees on your right.

5 Go through a kissing gate. Stop look and listen and beware of trains before crossing the railway track. Go through another kissing gate. Cross the pasture, through another kissing gate onto Coalash Lane.

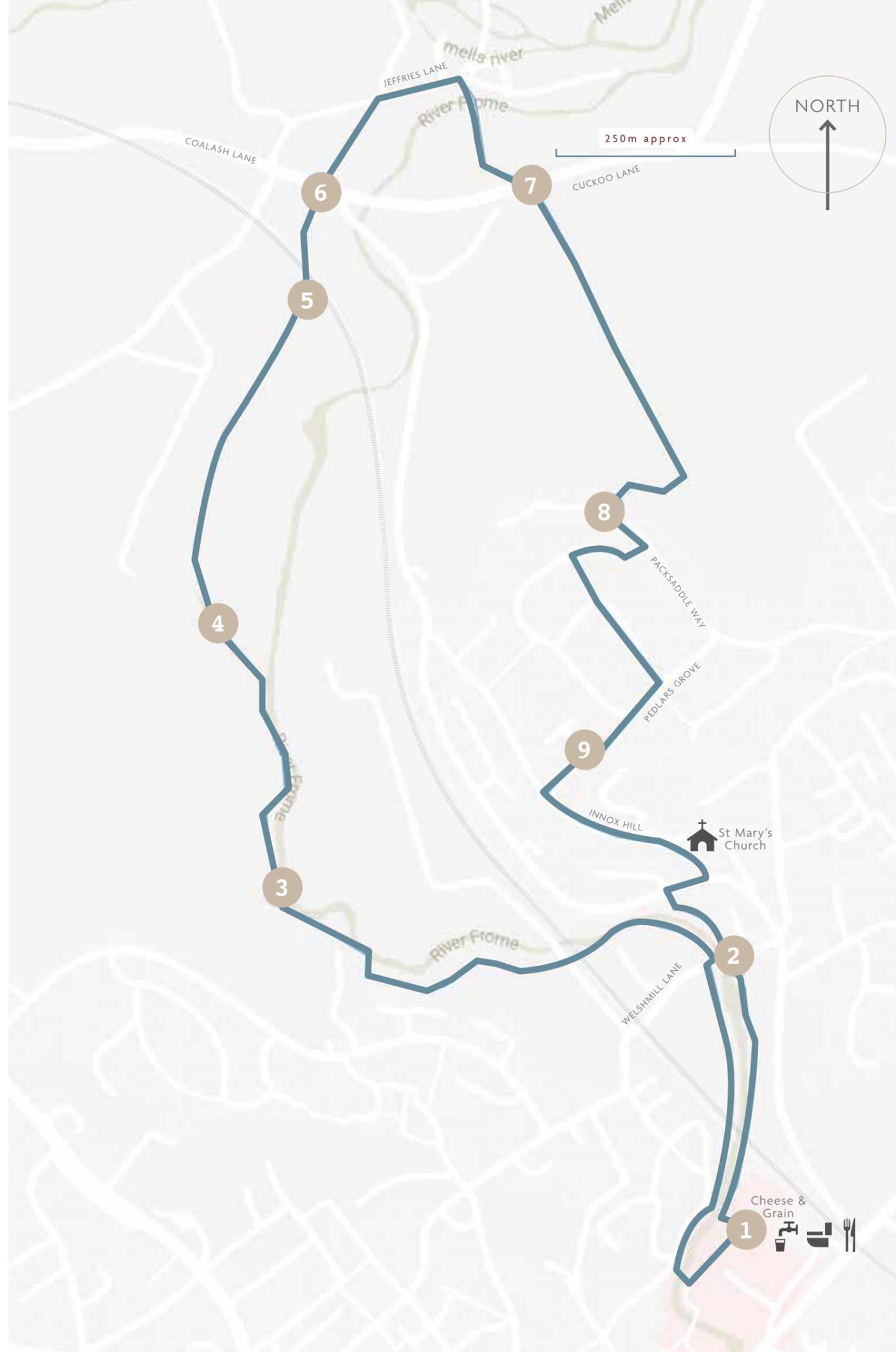
6 Cross the road and take the footpath straight ahead having crossed the stile. Then go over the next stile into Jeffries Lane. Turn right, passing Jeffries Mill on your left. When you reach a sign saying Private Road to the right take the public footpath to the right between two walls. Take the footbridge over the river. Go through the gate and straight across the field. Cross the drive to the house and take the footpath up the slope heading towards the left. Go through the gate.

7 Cross Cuckoo Lane again, through the kissing gate straight ahead. Keep going straight up the field to the hedge right at the top of the hill, past the cider apple trees. At the hedge at the top of the field turn around to see the view over to the Orchardleigh Estate, turn right, then go through the kissing gate into Packsaddle Way.

8 Turn left onto Packsaddle Way, after approx. 20 yards turn right along Pedlars Grove with a children's play park on your right. At the end of the play park take the footpath on your left which leads to Farmhouse Drive. At the end of the footpath turn left. At the end of Farmhouse Drive take the footpath which leads into Pedlars Grove. Turn right past the children's play area and after approx. 20 yards take the footpath between the houses going straight on down the steps into Over Innox Road.

9 Turn left down Innox Hill with views over Frome to your right, past St Mary's Church at the bottom. Turn right into Lower Innox, and after 20 yards at Mill Close cross Lower Innox and take the footpath alongside the river. Cross Welshmill Lane. Turn right over the bridge and immediately left. Take the footpath, keeping the River Frome on your left (along the other side) until you reach the Jenson Button Bridge over the river, into the Market Yard Car Park. The Cheese & Grain is on your left.

FINISH



Key

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|  Church |  Take Care |
|  Public Toilet |  27 Route Marker |
|  Water Refill |  Walking Route |
|  Refreshments |  Pub |



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Respect

Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors.

Leave gates and property as you find them.

Follow paths where crops are growing.
Use gates or stiles if possible.

Avoid climbing walls or fences. Don't disturb ruins or historic sites. Don't interfere with machinery or livestock.

Protect

Protect plants and animals and take your litter home. Be careful not to drop matches or smouldering cigarettes.

Keep your dog under effective control so that it does not disturb or scare farm animals or wildlife.

Always clean up after your dog and get rid of the mess responsibly.

Enjoy

Be safe, plan ahead and follow any signs.