


## MILDENHALL THE SKIES ABOVE

5½ miles (8.8km) 2hrs Ascent: Negligible 

**Paths:** Bridleway and riverside footpath, town streets, 2 stiles

**Suggested map:** aqua3 OS Explorer 226 Ely & Newmarket

**Grid reference:** TL 713745

**Parking:** Jubilee car park, Mildenhall



*American aircraft can be seen overhead on this peaceful walk in the Lark Valley.*

**1** Walk up King Street to Mildenhall Museum, an old flint-faced building on L. Turn L along Market Street to enter Market Place, with its parish pump and Market Cross. Cross High Street, turn L and immediately R along Church Walk to walk through churchyard and continue along narrow road.

**2** At end of road, turn L and follow bridleway signs to R past cricket ground. Path is shady and tree-lined at first, then passes behind cottage and continues across fields on track leading to Wamil Hall Farm. After passing farm buildings, keep ahead on concrete lane that bends L and R towards large house enclosed by brick wall. Views across river to Worlington church and Mildenhall airfield to your R.

**3** Keep ahead on grassy field-edge path and continue for ¾ mile to 1/2 mile until path turns sharply R

When road bends R, take 2nd L into Ferry Lane down to River Lark at Jude's Ferry pub.

**4** Walk past pub and take steps down to river to turn L on to riverside path beneath bridge to return to Mildenhall. The walk back is completely different even though you not far from your outward route and you are more likely to see herons than military planes. Keep to river bank, passing through kissing gates either side of garden and climbing to bridge behind Wamil Hall Farm. Eventually path turns away from river to briefly rejoin outward route.

**5** Turn R at cottage. When path divides after 300yds (274m), keep R by river, passing behind cricket ground. When river divides, cross bridge to reach island by small lock. Climb to road bridge and cross to south bank. Turn L on gravel drive that soon becomes riverside path. Cross river over pair of arched bridges and bear L at main fields to return to start

