

The Countryside Code - Respect Protect Enjoy

Respect other people

- Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors
- Leave gates and property as you find them and follow paths unless wider access is available

Protect the natural environment

- Leave no trace of your visit and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under effective control

Enjoy the outdoors

- Plan ahead and be prepared
- Follow advice and local signs

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Dalton Piercy Discovery

Dalton Piercy - Brierton - Stoffold Circular

Distance approximately 5.5 miles

This walk is all through farmland on paths, tracks and country road. There are several stiles to cross and moderate ascents and descents.

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Dalton Piercy - Brierton - Stotfold Circular

Distance approximately 5.5 miles

There is an interpretation board on the Green about the village's history. Starting from the Green in Dalton Piercy ①, take the road downhill, towards Hartlepool. Turn right at the public footpath sign before the bridge over Dalton Beck ② and follow along the beck side.

Go through a gate and over a concrete bridge, keep the hedge on your left and the stream on your right.

Follow the footpath into an open field and continue ahead until you reach a gap to your left ③. Walk through the gap and continue along an enclosed path to a gate, go through the gate and then another gate directly ahead into a field. Keep to the right along the headland path with the hedge to your right until you reach another gate ④ that takes you through into a pasture field.

Following the direction of the waymarker sign, cross the field and head under the power cables towards a track, bear left to a gate and go through it ⑤. Continue along the track heading uphill to Brierton Farm North. Keep the large barn to your right,

follow the track around the bend through the farmyard on a concrete road, pass a house on your left and exit through a gateway into a lane.

Turn right into the lane, and follow it as it first goes between a detached house and a large barn and then heads downhill. Keep on the main track as it bears right, at the bottom of the hill ⑥. Follow the concrete track over Dalton Beck and all the way to Dalton Back Lane ⑦.

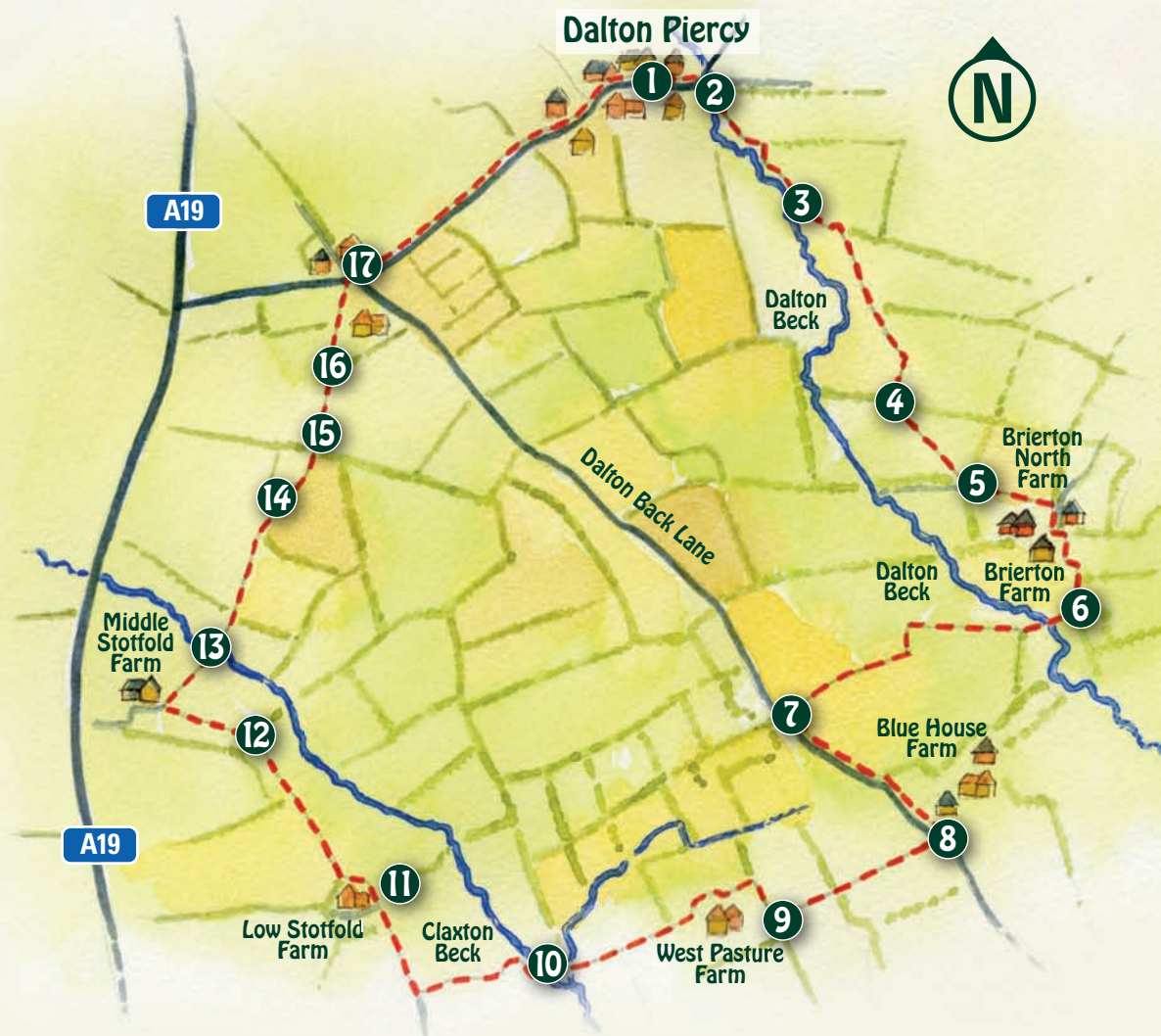
Turn left onto Dalton Back Lane and follow for ¼ mile to a public footpath, opposite the entrance to Blue House Farm, signposted on your right ⑧. Turn right onto the footpath and follow along the field edge with the hedge on your right, cross a stile and cross an arable field passing a way-marked telegraph pole and head towards another stile ⑨. Cross the stile and turn right onto the field edge path. Keep the hedge on your right and walk around the field towards West Pasture Farm.

Before the farm, go through a metal field gate on your right and skirt around the back of some farm buildings,

keeping them on your left. Head downhill to a stile in the left corner of the field, cross the stile and follow the field edge with an old hawthorn hedge on your left. Cross the stiles, at the footbridge ⑩ and continue to follow the field edge and fence line on the left around the pasture field. Cross another footbridge and continue along the field edge with a beck to your left.

When you reach a bridge to your left, take a right instead, towards Low Stotfold Farm. Cross the stile in the corner of the field ⑪ and skirt around the farm keeping it on your left, first across a field and then into a wide enclosed run. At the end of the run follow waymarker signs through the gate ahead, immediately turn right and continue along a field edge with the hedge on your right.

Head towards the bottom of the field, cross over a stile and walk straight ahead to a gateway ⑫. Go through the gateway and follow the track towards Middle Stotfold Farm.



After the first house, go through a gate and turn right. Go through a second gate with a double garage and gas tank on your left then go through another gate. Head across a pasture field to a small flat bridge over a stream ⑬, before continuing ahead towards a stile in the hedge. Cross the stile and

follow the field edge path with the hedge to your right. Half way up the field, go through a gate in the hedge ⑭ and cross the arable field, veering slightly right as you head uphill towards the hedge line to some steps and a stile ⑮.

Cross the stile and follow the field edge path, with an old hedge on your right, up to the top of the field. Enter the enclosed path ⑯ and go through the gate at the end by the side of the stables. When you reach the main road, turn ⑰ right to head back to Dalton Piercy.