

**ESSEX WAY STAGE 9 - BRADFIELD TO RAMSEY (5.7 miles)**

**START - BRADFIELD COMMUNITY CENTRE (Map Ref: TM 144307)**

**Key**

**L = left; R = right; TL = turn left; TR = turn right; X = cross over;  
CONT = continue; THRU = through; ST = stile; WM = waymark;  
FPS = footpath (or bridleway) sign; FB = footbridge (normally wood);  
TK = track; RD = road; KG = kissing gate; SA = straight ahead  
All distances are approximate**

- 1** Follow pavement 150M past church to **war memorial** (on your R).  
**TR, X RD**, and follow pavement until it runs out.  
CONT **with care** round **R** hand bend to **FPS** at end of wooden fence (on your L).  
**TL** 30M on narrow dirt **TK & THRU KG**.  
CONT 600M **SA** aiming for **railway bridge**.  
Pass under railway bridge and turn **HALF R** to **X** next field 350M diagonally to **WM**  
on **river bank**.
- 2** **TR** (hedge/bank on your R) for 500M on boggy grass **TK** past farm on R to start of  
**trees**. CONT 40M to **WM**.  
**TR** and after 25M **TL** onto tarmac **TK**.  
With hedge on L follow **TK** 200M to **tarmac TK Xing**.  
CONT ahead, passing **WM** on R to **WM** on L.  
CONT 30M around RH bend to **Essex Way badged WM**.
- 3** **TL** 40M down 2 flights of steps to **WMs**.  
**TL** on **2<sup>nd</sup> TK** for 40M through gate posts on gravelly **TK** to **FB**.  
**X FB** and CONT 30M to **climb steps** to seawall.  
**TR** and follow seawall 150M to **FPS** (on your R).
- 4** **TR** down steps and immediately **TL** at **FPS** through wooden barrier.  
Follow enclosed grass **TK** 800M (eventually uphill) to pass house and reach **WM** (just  
before **power pole**). **TR** 20M and **X ST** to **FPS** at **RD**. **(2.2 miles)**
- 5** **TL** and follow **RD** 200M uphill past houses to Wrabness Church.  
CONT 100M on **RD** to **FPS** (on **L**) by '**STONE LANE CARAVAN SITE**' sign.  
**TL** 500M down gravel lane eventually passing caravan site (on L) to **WM** at end of  
lane (before metal gate). **TR** and follow field edge 150M (wooden buildings/hedge on  
L).  
Just before the metal gate bear **L** on obvious **TK** up to seawall.  
**TR & CONT** 500M on seawall **TK**, and then field edge to **FB**.

- 6** X FB and **immediately** TL to follow TK 130M (woods on R) to WM as you exit woods. CONT SA 250M to WM (near house).  
Through metal gate, X FB. Ahead 40M on dirt TK; Through metal gate & X FB.  
CONT ahead 700M (woods parallel on R) to X FB to RSPB reserve. (4 miles)
- 7** Up steps and SA 25M to TK fork.  
Bear L & CONT 200M to X FB.  
Bear R uphill 200M to wooden gate (30m after bench).  
Pass through wooden barrier & X railway bridge.  
CONT ahead 350M on wide grass/dirt TK (ignore side turnings) to pass metal field gate to main RD. **TAKE GREAT CARE NOW**
- 8** TL following RD to just before overhead wires (do not X RD before blind corner).  
X RD (VERY CAREFULLY) and on to FPS by power pole.  
TR and follow TK 275M to pass under power lines.  
50M on CONT ahead (**Do not TL to ruined farmhouse/communications tower**).  
CONT 130M (pond on L) to WM by L end of facing hedge. (5.1 miles)
- 9** CONT SA 150M on TK over field to X ST in hedge.  
TL and CONT 75M (hedge on L) to X ST.  
CONT 60M and X ST. CONT 100M towards windmill & X ST into paddock.  
(You may encounter 4 legged friends)  
X paddock diagonally and X ST in opposite corner.  
CONT 50M towards WM by windmill.
- 10** TL and CONT 100M along field edge (hedge on R) and then TR (wooden fence on L) down to RD at RAMSEY. TL 150M along RD to \*‘THE CASTLE’ pub.

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