## Wix

Distance: 4 miles Time: 2 hours



## A walk through farmland including St Mary's Churchyard and the site of Wix Abbey

This walk starts at the Wagon at Wix Public House at the village crossroads. Turn right onto Clacton Road for about 100m until you see a footpath sign on your right. Follow this path alongside some fields until close to a thatched cottage, it exits onto the Old Colchester Road.

Turn left onto the road until you see a sign for Wix Lodge on your left, follow this farm lane, taking care when crossing over the Harwich Road. Continue on the lane passing an orchard on the left and as you approach the farm yard turn right down the lane alongside a farm building. Continue on this lane, passing Dairy House Farm, a lovely old 19<sup>th</sup> Century building, turning right just after the farmhouse onto a farm track which takes you to Bradfield Road. Turn right onto the road and walk on the right hand side facing the traffic as there is no path or good verge for about a mile *(take very good care as this is a busy road)*. After about a mile, take the lane to the left, signposted to the church – the footpath goes through the church porch and bears left between the bell cage and two large trees. You then go through a gap in the fence and turn right alongside a field edge path (the site of Wix Abbey is on your right) until you reach Spinnels Lane. Turn right onto the lane and follow it to a T junction where you will rejoin the Bradfield Road. Turning left, you will eventually come back to the crossroads at The Wagon.