



Looking west from Iken marsh

# Snape Maltings & Iken Church

**Length:** 9 km  
**Duration:** 2 hours  
**Start:** Plough and Sail pub, Snape Maltings (Landranger TM392574)

Refreshments are available from the Granary Café and the Plough and Sail pub at Snape Maltings.

## Directions

1. From the pub, walk to the left of the big Maltings buildings, which include the Granary Café, through the car parks and along the roadway between the concert hall and the Antiques Centre down to the T-junction, where a sign points left to Iken Church. Follow it.
2. Stay on the footpath along the edge of the marshes past the picnic place and along the top of the cliff until it joins the road.
3. Turn left along the road and left at the T-junction towards the medieval Iken Church. It includes the remains of a Saxon cross. A replica of that cross stands nearby.
4. Retrace your steps from the church to the to the junction. As you walk along the church road, look at Yarn Hill to the left with its crown of trees. Saxons believed the hill to be haunted by a marsh devil like Grendel. Later Christians thought it was Satan and believed that he moved to Iken Hoo.
5. Turn right at the road junction and stay on the road past Iken Hall.
6. Take the track on the right back to the Iken Cliff picnic site and rejoin the waterside path back to the Maltings.

