



Birch woodland on Black Heath Estate

# The Sailors Path from Snape

**Length:** 8 km  
**Duration:** 2 hours  
**Start:** Snape Warren Car Park, Priory Road, Snape (Landranger TM401583)

Refreshments are available at the Golden Key on Priory Road immediately west of the car park. The Crown Inn in Snape village also serves food.

## Directions

1. From Snape Warren car park turn right along the broad track.
2. The path takes you across pasture lands often grazed by Manx loghtan sheep. In the summer these fields are filled with skylarks and woodlarks. Artist Jonathan Keep installed his sculpture across the path here.
3. The path enters birch woodland and open heath to the right gives a view across the river to Iken church. An Ebb and Flow listening post stands here beside the path.
4. Continue through the gate into the woods of Black Heath estate where you may see tall ceramic figures stand among the trees.
5. After skirting an iron-fenced park the path enters the wetlands of Ham Creek. A boardwalk keeps feet dry. (It passes through the place where Jonathan Keep placed withies in the shape of the Snape boat.)
6. Broadleaved woods then give way to scrublands as the path leads to the car park on Saxmundham Road, Aldeburgh.
7. Return along the same route.

