



# Fair views over the Fairways

Take a peaceful stroll round the edges of Worle Hill, through the beautiful grounds of Worlebury Golf Course to see stunning views of Clevedon, Sand Bay and across North Somerset.



## How to get there

**Start at map ref:**  
ST337629

**Car:**  
On-street parking on Monks Hill at the top of Milton Hill.

**Bus:**  
Service 83 runs between Bleadon, Weston-super-Mare and Worlebury, stopping outside Worlebury Golf Course (except Sundays)

**S**tart the walk outside Worlebury Golf Course on the corner of Monks Hill and Worlebury Hill Road. Head east along Worlebury Hill Road until you take a right just after Fairway Close to join the footpath. Follow the footpath sign to the left down the hill and walk through the five-bar gate at the bottom.

Pass through another five-bar gate and enjoy the tranquil hedge-lined footpath. To your left, an opening will appear with a field with very inquisitive horses in. Keep right and continue on the footpath until you come to a five-bar gate to enter a field. This field may contain livestock so keep dogs on leads and remember to shut the gate behind you.

Once in the field, stay right and make your way through the metal kissing gate in the bottom corner. Follow the peaceful footpath until another opening; at this point veer left up the hill.

Once at the top, follow the path right and shortly you will come to a wooden stile. Clear the stile and take a right

on the footpath. Various cuttings in the tree line ahead reveal great views of Worle and Hutton in the distance. Keep an eye out for birds of prey circling the woods below. In his Railway Handbook of 1863, George Bradshaw wrote, "Worle Hill is one of the pleasantest spots that a tourist could desire to meet with."

Continued along the footpath on the ridge of the hill until the footpath eventually turns left and continues north uphill.



With a house with large gates on your left, follow the road to the right and take another right immediately after. Walk along the old quiet road and continue past the houses on your right.

After a short while you will arrive at a T-junction. Turn left up the hill to enter the beautiful grounds of Worlebury Golf Course. Golfers will be teeing off to your immediate right so make sure it is clear before you pass! Once on the course you will get a glimpse of the spectacular Observatory straight



ahead of you. Follow the bridleway to the left to get a clearer view and reach a little plaque on a gate.

The Observatory, which was originally a windmill during the 18th century, was transformed into a look-out during the 19th century. It now stands proudly in pristine white within the confines of a private residence. So visitors should not enter these private grounds.

Turn back the way you came, again looking out for golfers and continue on the bridleway to the left. Following the bridleway with the quarry below to your right you will reach cuttings in the hedge with fantastic views of the coast towards Clevedon. See if you can spot Clevedon Pier.

Extensive mining took place on Worle Hill in the past. First for lead ore, then for calamine between the 16th and 19th centuries. An old mine shaft was found when a service trench was dug in the road near the Old King's Head.

As you continue on the bridleway, the path will turn left and re-enter the golf course. Continue straight on the bridleway until you reach a

wall with '13th tee' written on it. To the right of the wall there is a hedge-lined path with white wooden railings which runs directly alongside the 9th hole. Follow this path going straight on at a crossroads of footpaths until the path turns to a residential road.



Take a quick right down the hill to the 10th hole to get a stunning view of Sand Bay. On a clear day you can see all the way across to Wales and Cardiff. Go back up the hill and carry on the road with the houses on your right. Follow the road up to the left to re-join Worlebury Hill Road. Follow the road to the right and now it is a straight walk on the quiet road back to the entrance of the golf course and the end of the walk.

## Route information

**Distance:**

About 2 miles

**Difficulty:**

Easy with one stile but suitable footwear is required. Be aware of golf balls on the course.

**Duration:**

About 1 hour

**Map:**

Explorer 153

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