

LOCAL WALKS

Around Bramhall



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4 miles: Fairly easy

A surprisingly green walk to Bramall Hall, a splendid Tudor mansion in extensive parkland.

Allow 2 hours. No major difficulties. Paths surfaced throughout; suitable for buggies. Some suburban road walking at the end.

- 1 From the front of the pub, cross and turn right past Bramhall Methodist Church.
- 2 Beyond Centrepoint, turn left onto a surfaced footpath that runs past the end of a car park and emerges onto the A5149.
- 3 Turn right, past the end of Briarlands Close.
- 4 Turn right into Hillbrook Road and walk down the street and under the railway bridge.
- 5 On emerging into Robins Lane, cross and turn left and walk down to a mini-roundabout at the junction with Forbes Park.
- 6 Turn left then, before the railway arch, turn right through a gateway onto a cobbled track.
- 7 Bear right past a gate and follow the broad, tree-lined between the golf course (left) and a stream valley (right).
- 8 When you reach a road, cross at the lights and pass through a motorcycle barrier opposite.
- 9 Follow the path ahead to a car park.
- 10 Keep left, then take the road ahead at a junction to Bramall Hall.
- 11 Walk past the stables building on the left then, directly in front of the hall, turn left and follow the surfaced path above the ha-ha (half-sunken wall).

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- 12 Turn left at the playground, then right towards another car park by the West Lodge.
- 13 Keeping to the right of the car park, follow a descending path through trees down to the lakeside.
- 14 Turn left and walk road the westernmost lake.
- 15 At a footbridge take the right-hand path, with the water on your left and the slopes up to the Hall on your right.
- 16 Beyond the end of the lake, bear right then left over a bridge, with the main stream on your left. Keep to the streamside at a fork.
- 17 Follow the stream past a small weir to a driveway, which you cross to pass behind the East Lodge and exit the park onto a main road by a bus shelter.
- 18 Turn then cross at the zebra crossing.
- 19 Turn right and then keep left past the convenience store into Bridge Lane, passing Brookdale Club & Theatre.
- 20 At the next traffic lights, cross and take the footpath to the left of Valley Road, into Happy Valley Local Nature Reserve.
- 21 Follow the path along the valley for 500 metres, then, at a fork before an open space, turn right, away from the stream.
- 22 Follow the path uphill, alongside a sidestream, and pass the buildings of Bramhall High School on the left.
- 23 On reaching Seal Road, cross and turn left and immediately right into Dairyground Road.
- 24 Follow the road for 500 metres, passing a Co-op store partway along.
- 25 At the junction with Northcote Road, follow the road round to the right.
- 26 Turn right along Ladythorn Road, to the junction with the main road.
- 27 Turn left and pass under the railway bridge. There are a couple of old cottages on the right at the end of Benja Fold. Continue straight on back to the Crown and Conspirator.



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