

13.5km/8.5 miles

Malvern Hills

Edward Elgar was born at Broadheath, within sight of the Malvern Hills, which remained a source of inspiration. He later lived at North Malvern for a time, and then near Malvern Wells, and was never happier than when walking on the hills.

The walk

- 1 Take path to summit of Herefordshire Beacon, crossing British Camp then continuing south over Millennium Hill before descending a stepped path to a saddle. Choose path signed to Shady Bank Common. It runs along ridge top and is stony at first. When stones end, bear L on grassy path, skirting edge of woodland. Keep on in southerly direction when path forks, moving away from wood and gradually descending. Before long, Pink Cottage is visible below. R, at which point path swings eastwards, descending more steeply into woodland. Meet another path at T-junction, turn L and keep L at another junction. Descend to open common land to reach track which runs past farm (Dales Hall).
- 2 Turn L, beside hedge at first, then straight on when hedge moves away, following transmission lines for while. Pass Underhills Farm and Little Malvern Court to meet A4104. Cross, and turn R on footway, then turn R beside A449, soon passing St Wulstan's Church (Elgar's grave). Keep straight on at Upper Welland turn, then fork L on Holywell Road.

- 3 After passing Martell Mount take path on L which

moderate

DETAILS

Country Walking ID
2818
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Area Worcestershire
Length of walk
13.5km/8.5 miles
Time needed 4 hours
Difficulty Moderate

IS THIS WALK FOR YOU?

Terrain Moderately hilly with good paths and short turf

Stiles None

PLANNING
Parking British Camp Pass, below Herefordshire Beacon, where A449 cuts across hills, grid ref S0762403

Start grid ref
S0763404

Nearest town Great Malvern

Refreshments British Camp Pass and Wyche Cutting

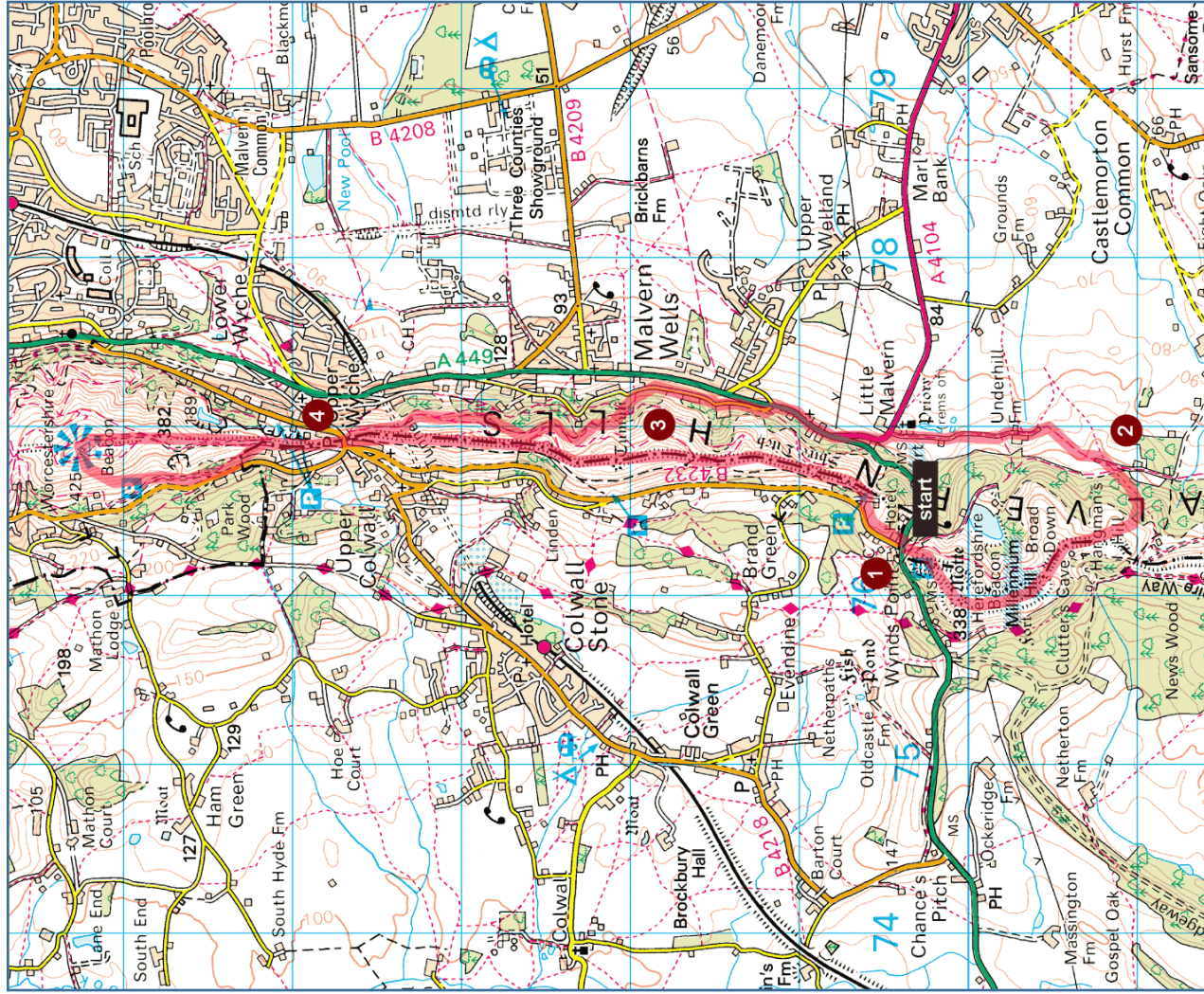
Public toilets None

Public transport
Newbury Coaches 675, Great Malvern to Ledbury via British Camp Pass. Mon-Sat

MAPS

Ordnance Survey Explorer 190; Landranger 150

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