

# 087 YHA Ironbridge Coalport Broseley

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## River, countryside and town walk

**Distance:** 5.9 miles (9.5km) **Ascent:** 191m (627ft) **Time:** Allow 2h 45m to 4h 30m

**Map:** OS Explorer 1:25k (242) Telford, Ironbridge & The Wrekin

**Start/Finish:** OS Locate SJ 696 024 **what3words** ///delved.haystack.tamed

A lovely walk crossing the River Severn to Broseley and returning through a nature reserve. From the hostel turn right onto Coalport High Street, left onto Riverside Avenue and immediately left and uphill to reach the Silkin Way. Turn right, follow the path to cross Coalport Bridge. Turn left to follow the old railway line and after about a kilometre veer left, then turn right to go under the bridge. Follow the track towards Broseley, turn right onto Caughley Road, straight ahead onto Pound Lane, straight ahead onto Church Street, bear right onto High Street, turn right onto Dark Lane and then right onto the bridleway to Haycop Nature Reserve. At Ironbridge Road turn right, then left onto the no through road before the Broseley sign. Follow the track straight ahead to Ferry Road. Follow the road to the river and cross over the footbridge. Turn right and follow the canal to the hostel.

## Hazards

Caution required on the road sections, short section with no footpath.

## Accessibility

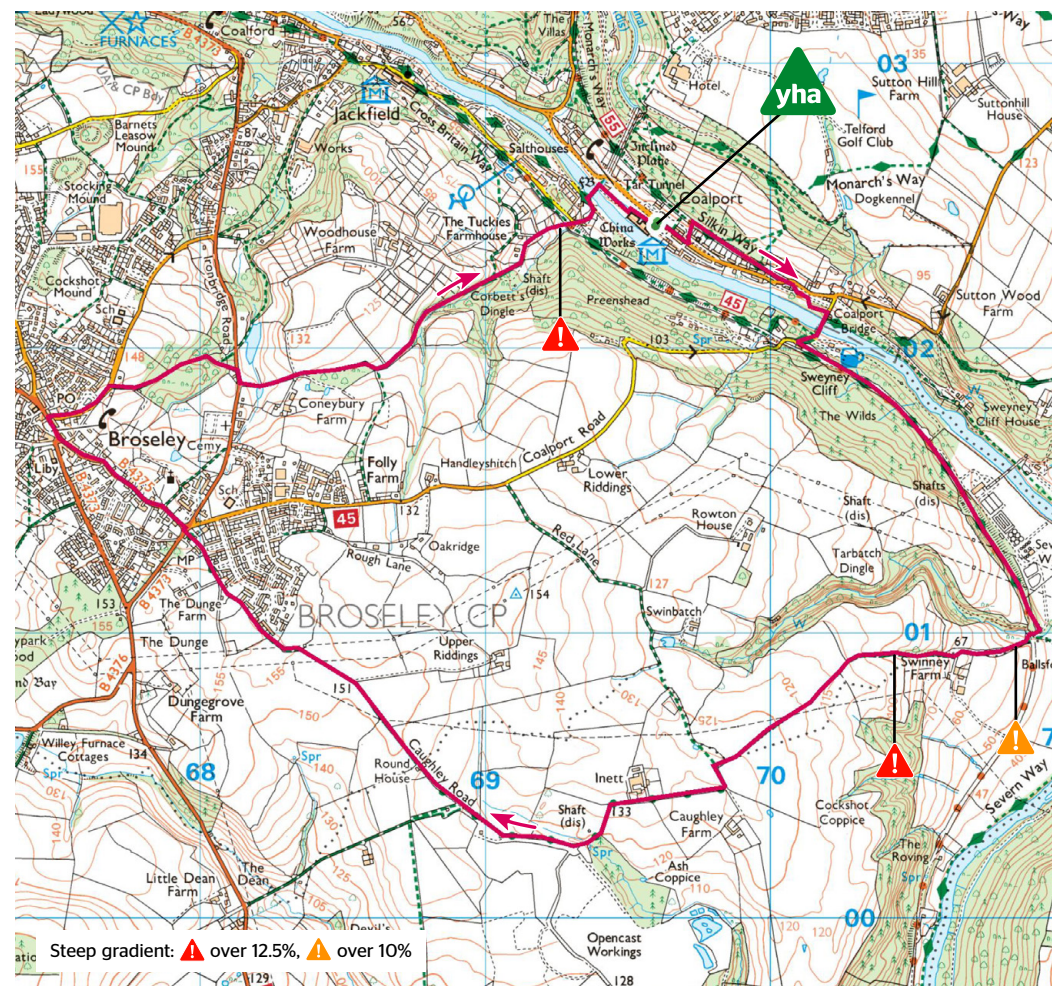
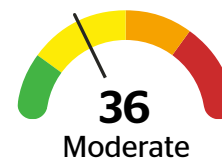
There are no stiles on the route. Gates are wider than one metre and there are paths less than one metre wide. Sections of rough ground with ruts or stones greater than 10cm.

## Points of interest

A walk through lovely countryside with views of the River Severn. All Saint's Church in Broseley, Haycop Nature Reserve, flood height markers on the side of The Boat Inn in Jackfield, inclined plane, the canal, which originally extended past the hostel to the River Severn, and the China Museum.

## Facilities

Toilets on Dark Lane in Broseley. Pubs in Coalport, near the Coalport bridge, in Broseley and Jackfield. Food and drink options in Broseley.



This route has been created by YHA to provide inspiration and to aid planning and preparation of your walk. It doesn't replace the need for an OS Map or the OS Maps App to navigate your walk safely. Digital maps are a guide and do not always reflect the conditions on the ground, ensure you are aware of your immediate surroundings.



Thank you for choosing to walk from our hostel.  
We hope you have a great time.

Walking in the national landscapes of England and Wales is part of YHA's heritage. With hostels on National Trails, in National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, YHA plays a unique role in the nation's walking community.

To make it easy for everyone to enjoy walking from YHA hostels, we have curated three walks – an easy, moderate, and more challenging option. They have all been graded – the higher the grade, the more challenging the route.

### Before you go:

- Check the local weather forecast ([metoffice.gov.uk](http://metoffice.gov.uk)).
- Check the tide times for coastal routes ([tidetimes.org.uk](http://tidetimes.org.uk)).
- Get the right clothing, footwear and kit for the route and weather.
- Ensure you have enough time to complete the route before dark.
- Download the OS Locate and what3words apps to your phone.
- Contact 999 by SMS text (must pre register by texting 'register' to 999) ([relayuk.bt.com/emergencysms](http://relayuk.bt.com/emergencysms)).
- Plan your walk by completing the YHA route notification card it helps Emergency Services if you get into difficulties or fail to return from your walk when anticipated ([yha.org.uk/route-card](http://yha.org.uk/route-card)).
- Ensure your entire group have the fitness and skills to complete the route.
- For further information on how to stay safe visit [adventuresmart.uk](http://adventuresmart.uk)

For more walks or information on route grading and timings go to [yha.org.uk/walks](http://yha.org.uk/walks)

If you encounter problems with this route contact [walking@yha.org.uk](mailto:walking@yha.org.uk)



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## What to wear

- Base layer and mid layer.
- Walking trousers.
- Warm jacket(s).
- Take extra layer(s).
- Hat, gloves and neck gaiter.
- Sun hat, sun cream and sunglasses.
- Waterproof jacket and trousers.
- Cushioning walking socks.
- Walking shoes or boots.

## Kit

- Map, compass and GPS device or OS Map app on your phone.
- Water, lunch and high energy snacks.
- Charged mobile phone and portable charger.
- First aid kit.
- Head torch, spare batteries.
- Watch.
- Whistle and survival bag.
- Rucksack, with waterproof cover or a dry bag or plastic bag inside.
- Medicines or toiletries you would usually use.

## You might also want to take

- Spare socks, hat, gloves.
- Balaclava.
- Leg gaiters.
- Waterproof baseball cap (handy if you wear glasses).
- Walking poles.

- Bivi bag or group shelter.
- Spare food and hot drink.
- Duct tape (handy for fixing things).
- Penknife or multitool.
- Tissues and hand sanitiser.
- Plastic bags to take away your rubbish or dog poo.

## In case of emergency

- Call 999 (or text 999 if pre-registered) and ask for the Police.
- Use OS Locate or what3words to provide a detailed description of your location.
- If you need to attract attention shout or give six blasts on a whistle at regular intervals. In low light flash your torch six times at regular intervals.
- If you can send someone for help, they need to know your location (grid reference), number of people in the group and the nature of the emergency.
- Help could be some time coming so whilst waiting make the casualty comfortable.
- Keep the casualty warm and dry using spare clothing. Use coats or rucksacks to insulate them from the ground.
- Remember the rest of the group could be getting cold whilst waiting. Use an emergency shelter or find a sheltered location.