Calderwell, Bodenham Lake and Bunhill

Wildfowl on the lake and views from Bunhill, one steady climb through the wood

3 miles (5 km.) or 4 miles (7 km.)

Start:- Car park at the Parish Hall, or England's Gate Inn (S) opposite

Map:- Explorer 202 or Pathfinder 994 GR 545 514

Leave the Parish Hall (R) and turn right along the A417 or turn left out of England's Gate Inn (S) car park and left again at the A417 for 100 metres. Take the stile on the left at Calderwell (R) and follow the hedge to another stile into Ketch Lane. Turn left and at the end of the lane right, cross the Bodenham Bridge (G) and later take a kissing gate on your left. Continue through two more gates, cross two fields and enter St Michael's churchyard (A). To view the River Lugg continue on round the church, keeping it on your left, through another gate to the footbridge (B).

Return and leave the churchyard by the lych gate and, ignoring the road on the right, continue on Church Walk to the car park (A) and turn left to reach the War Memorial where you turn left for 150 metres to reach the entrance to Bodenham Lake on your left (K).



Bodenham Village Green

Go through the gate and between the old quarry buildings. Keep straight on with Devereux Court (U) on your left and continue on the same line in the general direction of the Church, pass through a metal gate and turn right to walk alongside the lake on your right. After about 250 metres you will reach a seat which offers fine views of the lake and its wild life.

Retrace your steps to the road.

For the short walk turn right and walk along the road back to England's Gate (S), turn left and cross the A417 to the start.

For the longer walk turn left for 350 metres and take the footpath on the right by Bodenham Manor Restaurant (L) which takes you up through the wood. Look out for deer. Leave the wood by a stile and keep on the same line across the field until you come to a track leading to Henhouse Farm (I). Turn right down this bridleway. Do not cross the cattle grid but take the grassy track to the right. Follow this keeping right at Bunhill Villa (J) until you reach the road where you turn left and walk directly back to England's Gate Inn (S) or turn left and cross the road to the Parish Hall.

