

9. To Ulting and Back (rev 5) about 4 miles

The walk starts at the lay-by near the Nounsley Play-Area, Ulting Road.

Take the path beside Windmill Lodge, walking between wire fences across two/three fields. (At the time of revision – May 2020 – alongside the second field by point X there a number of rabbit burrow holes in the path surface, so do take care.)

Past the lake turn right along field boundary then left to the Maldon Road at Letch's Corner. Turn right. Cross over the minor road and take the path on your right along the end of Moor Gardens (house) garden and continue with hedge on your right BUT about half-way along go through gap and continue with hedge on your left to top of field. Go through hedge (following way markers) and continue in same direction with hedge on your right. At end of hedge continue straight on across field to road. Turn right, then left at the hedge gap and finger post. Walk with hedge on your left, across a



footbridge and then with hedge on your right. At the finger post before the wood turn right then left, keeping the wood on your left, continue to another footbridge and then in the same direction with the hedge on your right to road (Langford Lane). Cross over, through trees, over stream and bear left

following overhead wires (keep the gravel lake on your right) to a gap in fencing beside the Chelmer and Blackwater Navigation.

Turn right and walk up-stream to Hoe Mills Bridge and lock. Turn right, walk on the road past the old gravel lakes. Just beyond Ulting Wick, where the road bends sharply left, continue straight on along track. Where a hedge marks the end of the field on your left, go through it and continue north but with the hedge on your right and the paddock on your left. Keeping the small spinney on your right, continue north along the edge of the field past the barn on your left. At the way marker, turn left and walk to the road.

Turn right up the hill. By the barns at Crouchmans, bear left and walk ahead inside the hedge, then left, skirting the old gravel workings. Follow the path round with the wood on your left, go through the gap so the hedge is on the right. Go through the kissing gate, keep the hedge on your left, and continue to Nounsley Road. Turn right and walk back to the start.

