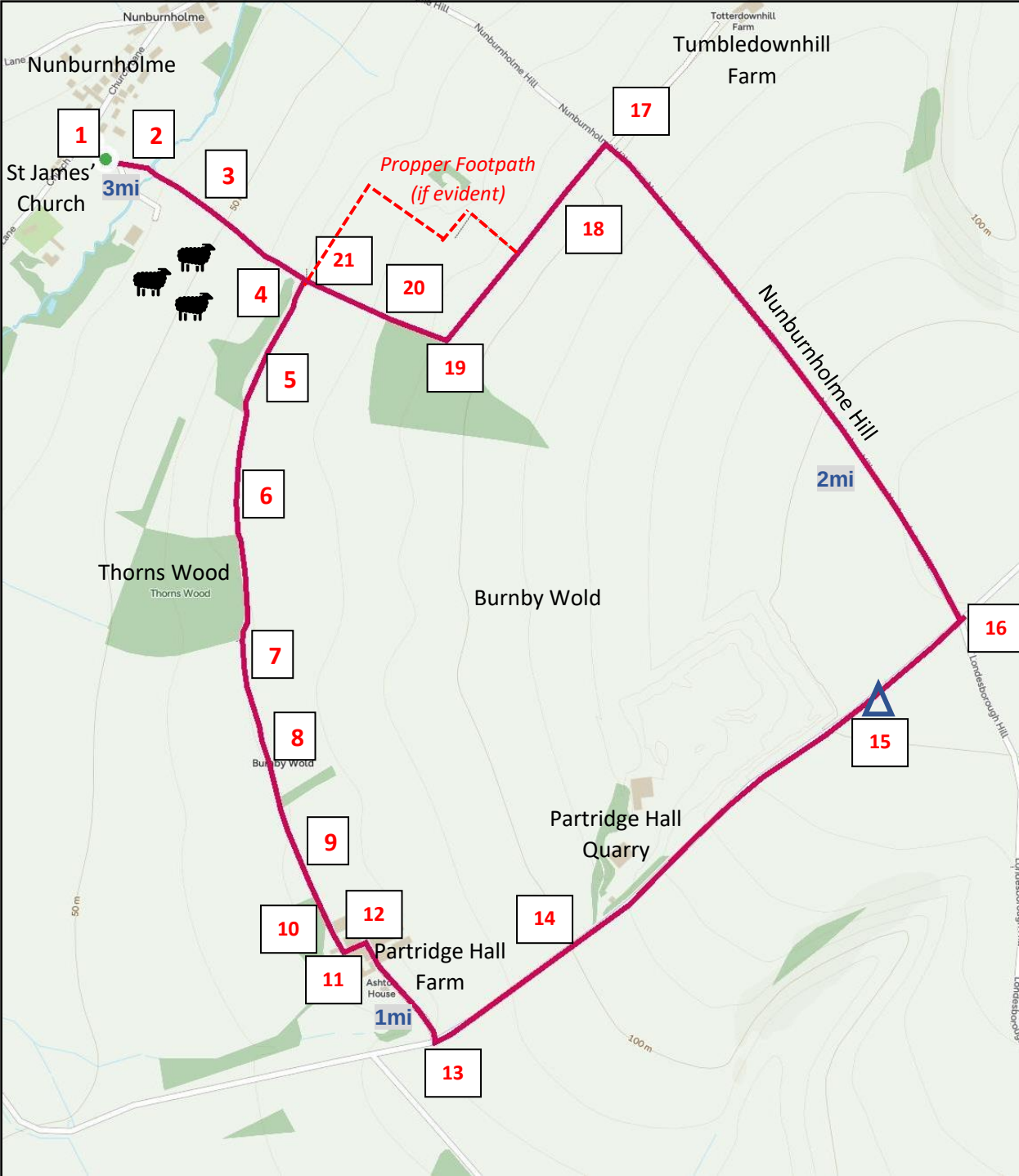


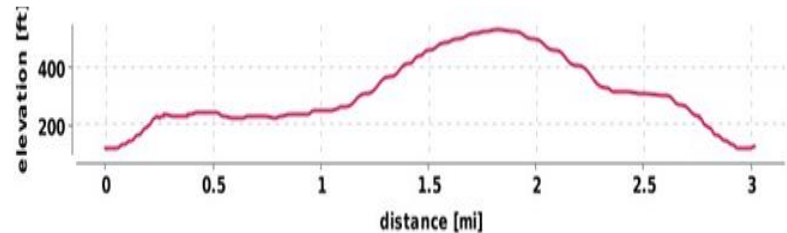


Route Information

Nunburnholme Trig Point Walk

Total Distance	3.02 mi (4.85 km)
Elevation	121 ft at lowest point
	531 ft at highest point
Total Ascent	434 ft

Elevation Profile



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A little history to get you started:

Nunburnholme dates from the Mesolithic and Neolithic periods. Bronze-age burial mounds and an Iron-age cemetery have also been found here. Foundations and artefacts from a Roman villa or farmstead were discovered near to the site of the nunnery which was founded in the 12th century as the Benedictine Priory of St Mary. The Priory was dissolved under the rule of Henry VIII in 1536 and the buildings fell into disrepair. You can still see the remains of the medieval fishponds and the site of the Priory is marked on maps near Manor Farm. This is all that remains of the original manor house, which was once owned by the 5th Duke of Devonshire and afterwards George Hudson (the 'Railway King'). After Hudson went bankrupt, the estate went into the hands of Albert Lord Denison the first Baron of Londesborough, and later it was bought by Charles Wilson, shipping magnate and MP. He renamed the manor house Warter Priory, had Nunburnholme Railway built and made many other improvements to the village. Succeeding him was Lady Nunburnholme, who effected the village in other ways, most notably she had the Devonshire Arms Pub closed down and often used to invite herself into homes of the estate workers to check on how they were living.

And now the walk!



1. Park on the road near the church (you can have a look round here once you get back) and take the Yorkshire Wolds Way footpath nearby (on the same side of the road as the church) through the wooden kissing gate as indicated by the sign post.
2. Follow the farm track as it curves left but then walk right across the grass when you see the wooden swing gate in the hedge.
3. Go through the gate and over the wooden bridge to take you to another wooden swing gate. Once you are through, head up the field with the hedge-line on your left. There may be sheep in this field so please keep dogs on leads. There is also an electric wire fence on your right, so please take care.

4. Walk up to the top of this stretch, passing through another wooden swing gate with a white Wolds Way acorn way-marker on it on the way up. At the top you will find a Yorkshire Wolds Way signpost pointing right and back down the hill where you have come from. Turn right.

5. Follow the flattish path along enjoying the views down to your right through the gaps in the trees.

6. At the end of this stretch you go through a metal kissing gate, that has quite wide access and there are signs about farm livestock as well as the Wolds Way acorn way-marker. Go through the gate but have dogs on leads.



7. Follow the path along the edge of the field, with the hedge on your right and an electric wire fence on your left. There are some lovely views over to your left. You will come up to Thorns Wood on your right and possibly also some cows at some point, which were a bit over friendly when we were there - there is a wire electric fence to keep them in, but Bill and I did not hang about and went through the metal kissing gate rather swiftly.
8. Once through, this was a fabulous stretch for Bill as there was a nice wide path and very long grass. Just walk all the way along, pausing on several occasions to have a roll if you are Bill.

9. At the end there is a metal 5-bar gate with a wooden kissing gate at the side. Go through the kissing gate and just carry on straight ahead with the hedge on your left and field on your right. And again, some lovely views.

10. You will then come to Partridge Hall Farm.

11. We met a lovely chap in the farm who showed us the way, but it is fairly easy to navigate through as it is all signed posted. But basically, walk straight ahead until you see a yellow sign on a brick building in front of you and turn left.



12. Walk in between the two farm buildings and then afterwards turn right to walk out of the farmyard along the farm road.

13. Where the farm road meets the main road turn left at the Wolds Way finger post (i.e. don't follow the Wolds Way from here).

14. Walk along the fairly quiet road (where there is some quarry traffic intermittently) and past the quarry. You can see where the lorries turn into the quarry as the road is no longer covered in white dust.

15 Just before the end of this road you will find the trig point in the hedge (after about 1/2 mile), but you have to look for it! Just look for where the road is met by two hedges on either side before you reach the crossroads. It is on your right - hope you find it!

16. After bagging the trig point and at the crossroads turn left down Nunburnholme Hill road.

17. The walk down the hill delivers some beautiful views in front of you and there is not much traffic, but it's best to keep dogs on leads. Then at the fabulously named 'Totterdown Hill Farm' sign on your right, you will see a public footpath sign on your left. Turn left here.



Note - on this next section we had to go a bit off path as the footpath had been blocked when we were there - so if you feel uneasy about following this part just continue down the road and you will come back into Nunburnholme and your start at the church.

18. Follow the farm path in between fields (Bill had a paddle in a very big puddle here, while I enjoyed the wind in the wheat!). We did then have to go a bit off route as the path that we should have taken off to the right where the path is met by hedges either side, did not exist and had electric fencing over it. If, however, it has been reinstated take the footpath here off to your right, it then turns left, right again and finally left to bring you back to a gate at the top of your first hill climb at the start (at point 4)



19. Instead of taking the footpath however, we continued to walk straight ahead and at the end we came across some stacks of hay which we just walked through to the end and turned right.

20. Follow this farm track, with trees on your left, and as the trees run out you come to a gap and an open wooden gate. The path we took sort of carries straight on downhill with the hedge on your right, bringing us back to the top of the first part of the walk at point 4.

21. There is a metal 5-bar gate here but luckily it was just tied with twine, so we went through and then just headed back down the hill to our starting point.



You can visit St James's Church when you get back or explore the village further, as it has some fascinating history:

The church was restored in the 1870's when parts of an Anglo-Saxon cross were found in the walls. The peal of six bells in the church is said to be the best in the East Riding. Interestingly one of the Rectors of Nunburnholme was Francis Orpen Morris, who in 1848 with the woodblock printer Benjamin Fawcett, produced the 'History of British Birds'. Morris is also known as an important figure in the founding of the RSPB. His son was also rector at St James's. Marmaduke CF Morris wrote and published his book 'Nunburnholme its Histories and Antiquities'. They are both buried in the churchyard close to the south porch.