

Circuit from Sandsend past Raithwaite Hall and through Mulgrave Woods

This is a 4 mile walk, can be very muddy in places with a bit of up and down. Take note that you can only do this walk on Wednesdays, Saturdays and

Sundays and NOT during May; these are the only times that Mulgrave Woods are open to walkers (and joggers, strollers, buggy pushers as well)



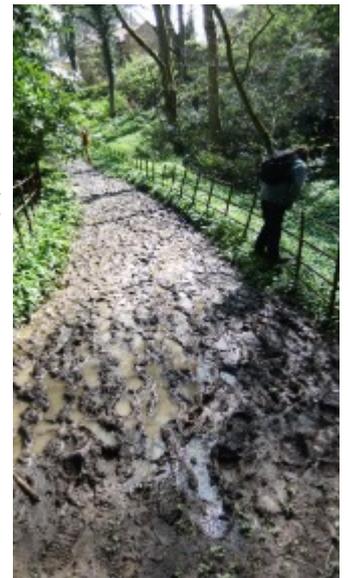
Park at Sandsend wherever you can. Going out of Sandsend towards Whitby, you turn right by

the White House and the 40 limit signs.



200m approximately up the hill and turn left at what used to be a farm but is now Sandsend Bay Cottages, look very welcoming. The footpath is marked and you go through the gate into the field, squelch along the fields and then into the woods going down into the valley. On the left towards the bottom look out for some iron work and brick work; not sure what was once here. It can get very

muddy down here: there are different techniques for coping with this.



Meander your way through the outbuildings of Raithwaite Hall, following signs (if you spot them) for Newholme - really just keep going forward. Raithwaite Hall has been much extended

recently and made into a hotel/restaurant. Continue straight on past the lake following the path at the end up through the woods





and out into the field - when we were here a crop of oil seed rape was looking very healthy. At the end of the first field the path becomes a bridle way and there is a bit of a cross roads. Go straight on and then turn right

towards

Dunsley. The signpost had fallen down and was languishing by the side of the hedge! ~~If~~  you miss this turn and go straight on then



you'll soon meet the road cross and follow the footpaths via Heulah

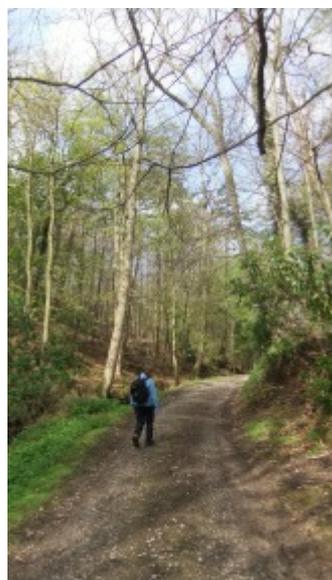
farm which come out just by the entrance to Mulgrave Woods need (use the OS map!) Not too bad a detour really.

Our path is well marked along the hedge and then down into the valley, up the other side, across the field towards

the house and out onto the road. Turn right and then follow round left at the Dunsley Hall Hotel - we haven't checked it out for comestibles but it

looks ok. You are on a quiet country road, meander along it until you reach the East Lodge of the Mulgrave estate; unmissable

because of the lions guarding the entry.



The well made path leads down through the woods and when you reach the bridge take time out to look for spawning salmon on their way up stream (!!!!).





Over the bridge, turn right and follow the path by the stream - which soon joins up with the Ugthorpe to Whitby walk in this series.

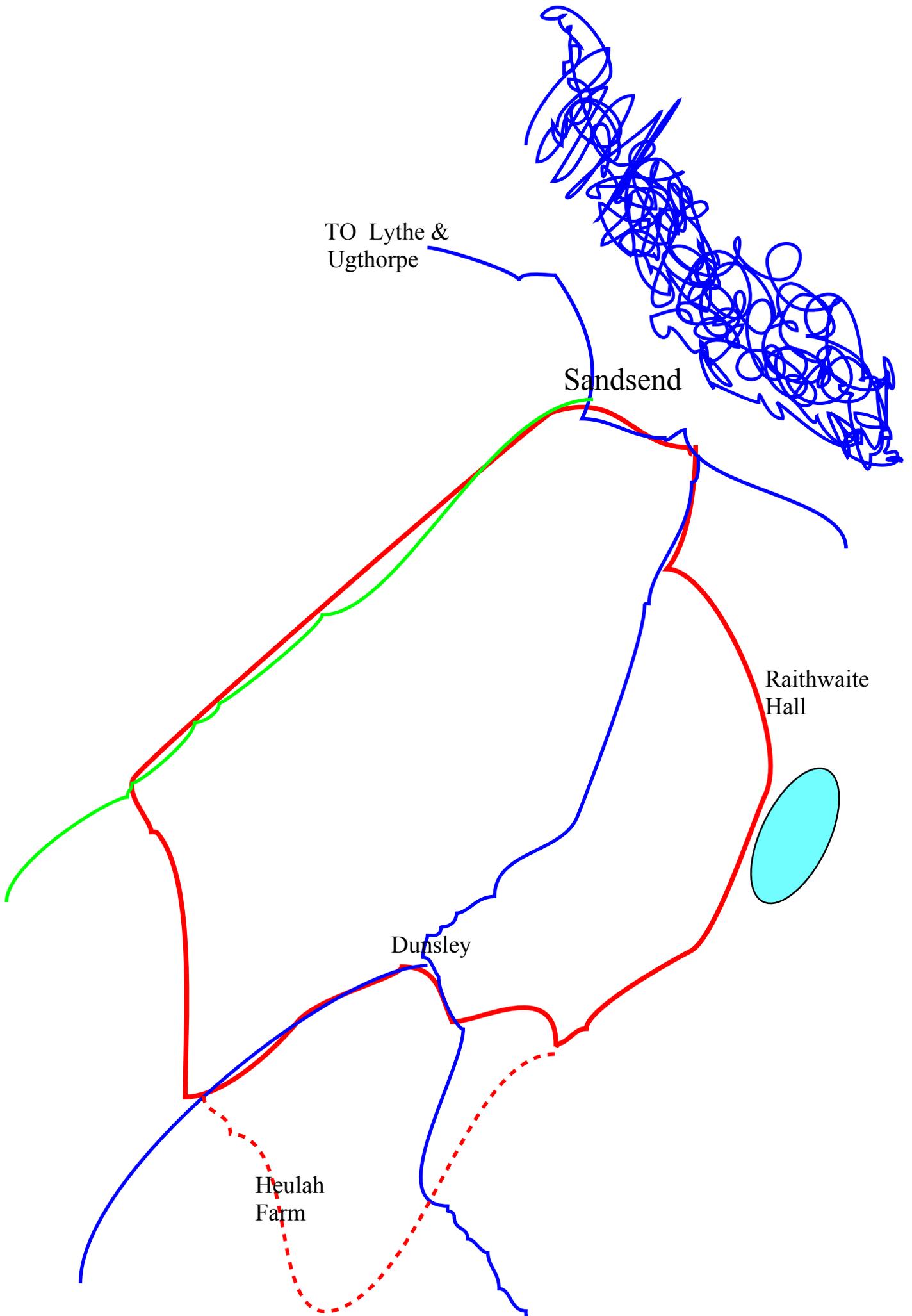


If you are doing the walk in April be sure to enjoy the primroses along the way



before you exit through the woodyard and out into Sandsend by some very pleasant fooderies.

All in all it's been a very enjoyable 4 mile walk. (slightly more if you missed the turn to Dunsley in the fields earlier on and went via Heulah Farm)



TO Lythe &
Ugthorpe

Sandsend

Raithwaite
Hall

Dunsley

Heulah
Farm