

# Discover Wickwar



### KEY

	<b>Featured Spaces</b>		Bike parking
	Grassland		Car park
	Woodland		School
	Allotments		Place of worship
	Paved route (off-road)		Playground
	Unpaved route (off-road)		Community Centre
	Railway line		Post office
	Bus stop		Restaurant / eating / drinking

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## 1 OLD ELECTRIC OAK TREE

A short walk north of Wickwar, you can find this ancient oak tree – one of the largest in the UK, measuring 10.5m in girth. It is protected by a Tree Preservation Order due to its historical and ecological importance.

## 2 WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE

30 mins cycle / 11 mins drive

Take a stroll through the historic centre of this vibrant town and discover independent shops, art galleries, cafes and restaurants.

## 3 WICKWAR PLAYING FIELDS

Get your pulse racing along the 1km trim trail at this big green space. Don't miss The Wickwar Games in July and fruit picking days throughout autumn at the community orchard. Plans are progressing for a village pump track. Want to take it slower? Steal a tranquil moment at the Remembrance bench, stroll around the newt pond, and wander amongst the buzzing hives.

## 4 KING GEORGE'S FIELD

Stretch your legs or have a kick around at these playing fields, surrounded by beautiful countryside. Let the kids loose at the play area and see if you can spot one of the airshafts that vent the railway tunnel that runs underneath the village. Car parking is available next to the pavilion.

## 5 TOWN HALL

The Town Hall has the oldest working clock of its kind in the country, visits can be arranged by appointment. The blue and gold clock was restored as a tribute to the Queen as part of the village's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Visit: [wickwarparishcouncil.gov.uk](https://www.wickwarparishcouncil.gov.uk)

## 6 LOWER WOODS NATURE RESERVE

15 mins walk or from Wickwar centre:  
15 mins cycle along road / 8 mins drive

Sitting on Wickwar's doorstep is one of the largest ancient woodlands in the south-west. Lose yourself in 700 acres of beautiful nature reserve that have remained largely unchanged for centuries. Journey through dappled woodlands and spot butterflies, birds and carpets of wildflowers, including bluebells and purple orchids. Ideal for families and dog-walkers, the meandering path along the river will lead you to waterfalls and bridges – perfect for paddling and pooh sticks.

## 7 YATE

25 mins cycle / 10 mins drive / 15 mins bus

Explore acres of parkland, play spaces and wildlife havens at this nearby town.

### WALKING ROUTES

**Short Nature & Remembrance Trail** Leading away from the high street, this shorter route takes you past part of an old WW2 lookout post, a newt pond, community orchard and Remembrance bench before looping back round to the village centre.

**Long Nature & Remembrance Trail** This extended route takes in extra points of interest, including one of the railway tunnel airshafts and loops around The Bathers Quarry before leading you toward Holy Trinity church.

**Easy Access Trail** Covering mainly flat ground across unpaved routes, expect to walk through fields that contain livestock and note that paths will be muddy following wet weather.





When visiting the parks, playgrounds and green spaces, remember to respect the area. Please put any litter in bins and clean up after your dog.

**oneyou.southglos.gov.uk/move-more/walking**

We've marked out pathways on the map, but you might like to search for recommended walking routes at

green spaces are wheelchair accessible.

open to the public at all times, except for allotments. Some of the All the outdoor spaces highlighted on the map are free to enter and

## ACCESSING THE GREEN SPACES

Wickwar and the surrounding area are bursting with places for you to explore. Unfold to discover the best places to walk, cycle, view nature, learn about local history, or just get from A to B.

# GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD WITH THIS OUTDOOR GUIDE TO WICKWAR

## PLAN YOUR JOURNEY

Use the WEST (Travelwest) Journey Planner to plan your journey, where you can find the best routes for different modes of transport, and view real-time information about buses, cycling, park & ride and trains. This travel tool was designed specifically for the South West and contains comprehensive, regularly updated information relating to your area that you will not find in any other online map. Visit **journeyplanner.travelwest.info** to get your journey started.

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## GET INVOLVED

### WICKWAR PARISH COUNCIL

Visit the Council website to share information, catch up on

the latest local news, and find out how to get involved in and around Wickwar. Visit: **wickwarparishcouncil.gov.uk**

### WICKWAR ALLOTMENTS

Grow your own fruit and vegetables with other green-fingered locals. Contact: Sally Trickey (Wickwar Allotments Secretary)

Tel: **01454 299287**

### WICKWAR SOCIAL CLUB

This welcoming social club is at the heart of the village. They offer pool, darts, Sky and TNT Sports, weekly bingo, monthly quizzes,

and other events. Plus, there's a well stocked bar.

Visit: **wickwar.social** [f wickwarsocialclub](#)

### WICKWAR COMMUNITY CENTRE

Available to hire, the centre is the perfect setting for children's groups, keep-fit classes, photography and art sessions, birthdays, celebrations and quiz nights. Contact the Community Centre Bookings Secretary at **wcrbookings2020@gmail.com**



## GET IN TOUCH



### WICKWAR VILLAGE HALL

Used for many community groups and events throughout the week. [f wickwarvillagehall](#) Tel: **01454 294419**

### WICKWAR YOUTH CENTRE

Join in with weekly evening sessions: Mon (Year 6), Tue (Years 7 & 8) and Wed (Year 9+). Contact: Rusty [ransell1@btinternet.com](#) / **07523 830624**

Discover more at **travelwest.info/aroundyourway**

## ESCAPE OUTSIDE & EXPLORE THE GREAT OUTDOORS IN WICKWAR

Lose yourself in ancient woodland and explore spectacular natural havens on your doorstep. Pick a walking route and spend an afternoon spotting wildlife or admiring the countryside that makes this part of the world so special. Take the kids to the playing fields, or have a family outing at bustling Wotton-under-Edge or nearby Yate.

This guide is your starting point for getting to know the neighbourhood in and around Wickwar – its outdoor spaces, transport links, walking routes and community.



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We are also able to post printed copies of the latest bus timetable information and additional copies of this guide.

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