IRLAM TO CADISHEAD
WALK 10 7M/11.5KM about 4 hours

The walk starts where Astley Road leaves Liverpool Road in Irlam, (about 400m east of Irlam station – the station cafe and museum is well worth a visit!). Walk down Astley Road, which soon leaves the built up area and opens onto the Moss. As the road bends to the right take the footpath on your left.

Walk 9 brings you to this point from Peel Green/Brookhouse and allows 9 and 10 to be combined without going into Irlam.

The path leads across fields then over a stile to gain access to Moss Road at Rosebank Farm. Turn right here and walk along Moss Road, soon passing over the M62 motorway. Walk straight on, past occasional houses and farms to reach a wooded area and then Little Wooldon Moss Nature Reserve. Peat was extracted here up to the beginning of this century. Turn right and then twice left around the edge of the reserve along a well made path, eventually reaching a small footbridge on your right. Cross this to reach a track and turn left, continuing alongside the drain. Soon turn right following the well signed path between sections of a ploughed field to reach a dirt road. *(There should be a waymark post here.)* Turn left and then right at the T junction to pass Moss Lodge, Red House and White Gate farms. Follow the track, now metalled, curving to the left passing another farm.

After 700m turn left onto the Glazebrook / Timberland Trail, passing farm buildings on your right and heading for a small wood.

After a straight section the path dips to the right through the wood, crosses a small ditch and reaches a large field. Keep right and head towards the Glaze Brook, turning left and walking alongside it for 800m. Towards the end it bends to the right and reaches a small wood. There are some farm buildings here. Go left past the buildings to reach a signpost. Keep right and go through (not around) the farmyard to reach a metalled road. After 50m fork left along a track towards Keeper's Cottage.

Here cross over a stile and go straight ahead across a field to reach fenced steps (only visible when you get there!) leading down to a small bridge and up to a field adjacent to a motorway. Cross the field, bearing left, to reach some steps. Go up these and turn right to cross the motorway bridge. The path leads through Great Woolden Hall. Continue straight ahead and walk through fields, eventually going under a railway bridge to emerge 100m from the terminus of the 67 bus.

This is the end of walk 10 of the Salford Trail, but there is a pleasant continuation of the Glazebrook Trail down to the A57 road. Follow the signs across the playing fields and behind the housing estate, then through woods and along narrow paths to reach the main road near to the stone bridge marking the boundary between Salford and Wigan.

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