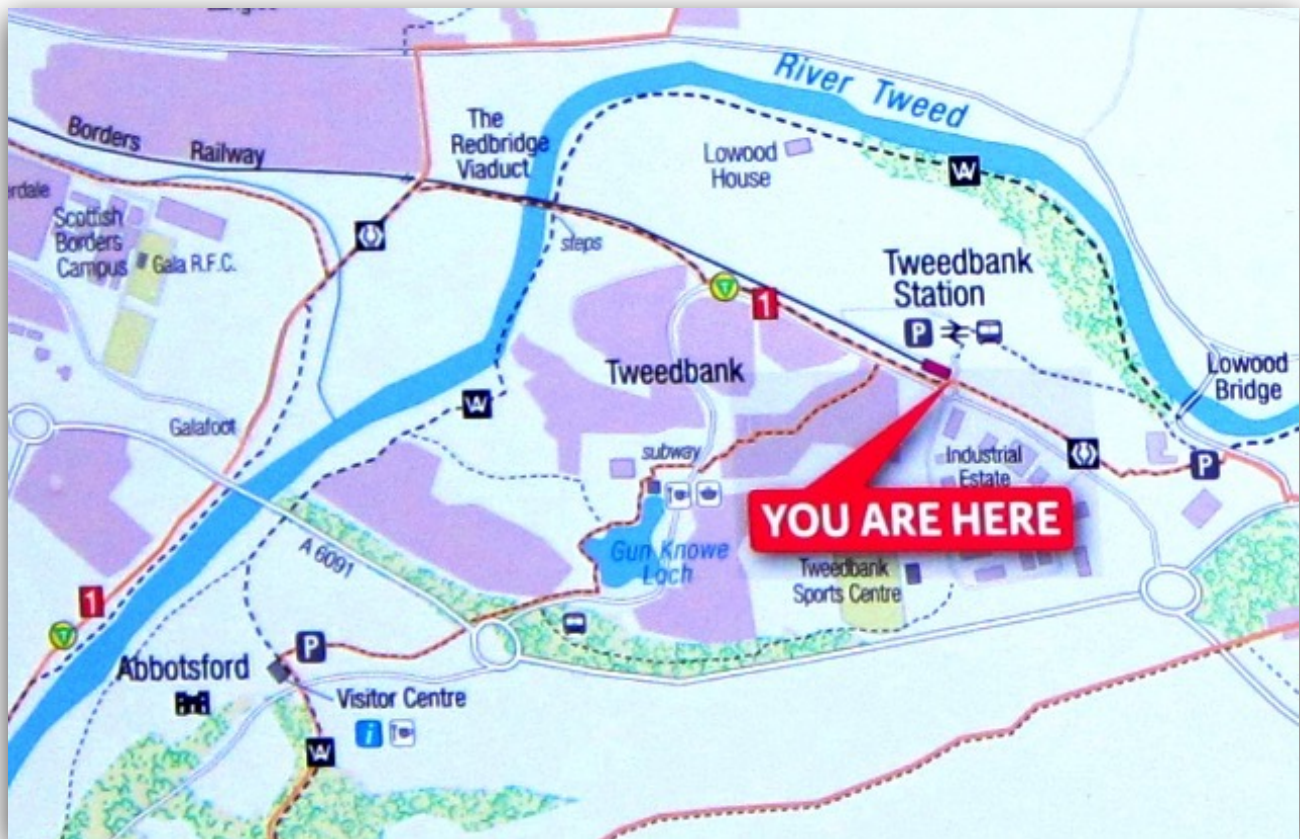




Walking from Tweedbank to Abbotsford House



Clipped from a photograph of a Tweedbank Station sign

To walk to Abbotsford from Tweedbank, the simplest method is to reverse the route of the train (north-west) for 500 m on the trackside path (the cycleway marked **1** above). Just before Redbridge viaduct, descend the steps ("Public path") and turn left (south) along the Borders Abbays Way, shown above as a blue pecked line.

This broadly follows the banks of the Tweed, veering inland briefly and dipping under the road bridge on steep steps. The path brings you to the Abbotsford House Visitor Centre (total distance 1.5 miles/2.4 km).

There is a shorter route – less scenic and harder to navigate – marked by small blue signs and shown above as an orange line that goes diagonally past Gun Knowe Loch. Refer also to the website www.scottsabbotsford.com both for walking routes and for bus arrangements, which vary with the season.

To walk from Abbotsford to Melrose is about 3.4 miles/5.4 km. Reverse either of the above routes and follow the Borders Abbays Way/Southern Uplands Way signage eastward as explained on page 29 of our guidebook.

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