

BATTLE—A BRIEF TOUR

Here are some ideas as to how to make the most of your time in Battle once you have visited the Museum (all timings are as from the Museum, at average walking pace). There are also many cafes, a bookshop, several giftshops and more down the High Street.

See the sculpture by renowned Kent-based sculptor, Guy Portelli, which was installed to commemorate the 950th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings. It shows a Norman on horseback being attacked by a Saxon. We do an explanatory leaflet as well.

Turn left out of the Museum—1 minute



Next is the impressive Battle Abbey Gatehouse, dating from 1338, built to help defend the Abbey from French raids.

English Heritage members can get a brief idea of the Abbey and battlefield on a 30-minute walk round the site at no charge but you really need at least 2-3 hours to get the most out of a visit

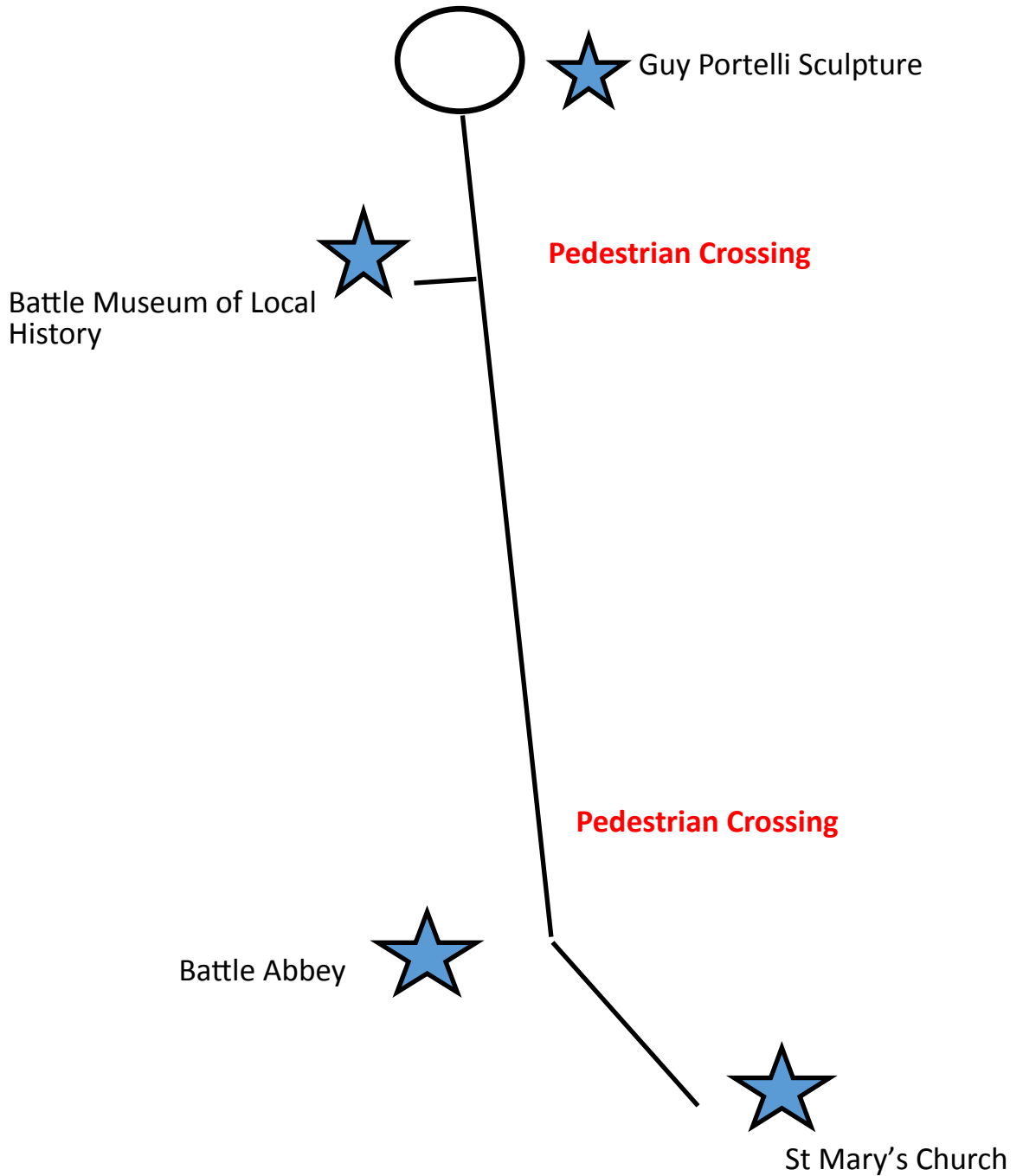
Turn right out of the Museum—6 minutes walk

St Mary's Church has been the Parish Church for around 900 years. You can see medieval wallpaintings and the tomb of Sir Anthony Browne, to whom the Abbey was given at the Dissolution of the Monasteries. The Church is also home to the Battle Tapestry, which commemorates the founding of the town in the style of the Bayeux Tapestry

Cross the road outside the Museum and turn right: you will see the Abbey Gatehouse across the road and the Church is just round the corner—8 minutes walk



BATTLE HIGH STREET



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