What to look out for on your route....

- 1. Church of All Saints The beautiful grade II listed 13th-century church is located next to Mallory Meadows. If the church is open and you have time for a visit, look out for the Jacobean choir stalls and the wrought iron communion rail, dated to 1615. The addition of a new chamber to the north houses the organ, and the redesigned west arch and window took place in 1888.
- 2. Ada Lovelace Memorial In the southern corner of the churchyard is a grade II listed memorial to Ada Lovelace, the pioneering mathematician and programmer. Her mother, Lady Anne Isabelle Noel Byron, erected the elaborate memorial after Ada's death. This memorial is accessed from the churchyard but falls within the Mallory Meadows boundary, as apparently, the church refused permission for the memorial to be built within their grounds, possibly due to her father, Lord Byron's reputation.
- 3. Mallory Park Racetrack is located on the former grounds of Kirkby Hall and was used as a temporary military base during WWII. RAF Kirkby Mallory was used as a relief landing ground, with grass runways used to disperse aircraft when air raids were imminent at RAF Desford. The grounds of Kirkby Hall were transformed into a pony trotting circuit and in 1955 the estate was bought by a local building company that created the circuit and landscape that can be seen today.
- **4. Ada Lovelace blue plaque** The blue plaque was unveiled on the 10th Oct 2017 on the corner of the grade II listed coach house at Mallory Park Racing circuit; The former site of Kirkby Hall her childhood home.

- 5. North Lodge This picturesque half-timbered cottage was built around 1830 and is grade II listed, it's located on Stapleton Lane, which was always known as 'Dark lane' due to the overhanging trees. It's not as dark now as it was back then but take a visit and see for yourself.
- **6. HOLLY TREES -** A beautiful grade II listed cottage, built in the late 18th Century in a gothic ornée (rustic and picturesque design)style.
- **7. Forge Cottage** Was once the village blacksmith with a partially thatched roof, it has now been split in two, modernised and extended. In 1903 it was opened as the village Post and Telegraph Office.
- **8.** The White House/Roe Buck Inn This tall white building used to be the village Inn. It was built in the late 18th century and is grade II listed. The cottage next door 'Atlasta' was reputed to have been a coaching house.
- **9. Kirkby House Farm** Kirkby House was built in 1790 and was originally a large farmhouse. Kirkby House Farm provided much of the food for Kirkby Hall, the stately home once sited in the village.
- **10. Old School Rooms** Originally this was the 'Church of England' village school and was built in 1863 on a site provided by lady Byron. By 1900 there were 90 children on the school roll. It was presented to the parish during the 1921 sale of the village. The school finally closed in 1968 and is now used as the Village Hall.

More information about our village can be found on our blog or www.kirkbymalloryhistory.uk



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Approx. distance 2.5 Km Approx. Time 30 Mins

Enjoy a stroll around our quaint village. Take in our historic 13th Century church, Grade II listed cottages, iconic racetrack and more...

