

# Walking and Cycling from Woodcote Park

Cycling Route 5

Box Hill off road

13 miles



- Leave Woodcote Park through the main entrance by the Motor House.
- Turn left onto Wilmerhatch Lane, continue all the way to the end of this road.
- Turn right onto Langley Vale Road. Follow a short section of busy road up to the junction, cross Farm Lane/Headley Road and continue straight along Shepherds Walk.
- At the bottom of this track on the left hand side is Thirty Acre Barn.
- Keep to the left, continuing straight up a small incline with gullies. Continue straight along Stain Street and over the M25.
- Go straight across Headley Road (take care, cars come round the corner very quickly here).
- The next section up to The Drive can be very muddy and often a track on the right hand side is easier.
- At The Drive continue straight across. Take care as the next section goes downhill quite steeply with undulating gullies.
- At the busy junction with Reigate Road go straight across.
- After a short steep climb the level section has Tyrrells Wood Golf club to the left and the Beaverbrook golf club to the right.
- Continue straight across the junction with another track and go downhill and up the other side.
- The path veers round to the left and a short downhill with a sharp right hand turn at the bottom. Don't go straight on - it is very easy to miss this turn.
- Continue straight ahead taking care on the chalk (very slippery when wet). The gullies here easily alter your direction as you go downhill.
- At the bottom you come out onto Headley Lane. Turn right. It is a very short distance to Old London Road where you turn left past Juniper Hall.
- Go up over brow of the hill and down to the next left turn onto Zig Zag Road. Immediately go right off-road and through a small gate. You are now on a flinty gravel path going gradually uphill. Stick in a low gear: it's a long climb!
- As you start the climb, to your left you will see Flint Cottage, the former home of George Meredith, poet and novelist. He was married in the local church in 1864.
- At the top of the hill turn right onto Zig Zag Road.
- When they are open National Trust facilities on your right are good for tea, cake and other refreshments.
- Ride along the road until you are level with the pedestrian crossing point. Turn left into the car park. Continue straight across the car park and onto the open green. To your right you have the viewpoint and wonderful views all the way to the South Downs.
- Carry straight on and back onto Zig Zag Road. Continue straight along and pass the Smith and Western restaurant.
- You are now on Box Hill Road. Continue straight along until you see the church on the right-hand side. Immediately after this turn left onto Headley Heath Approach

- Go down Headley Heath Approach over all the mini speed humps.
- Just after the Y fork with Ashhurst Drive you will see a rough gravel parking area and the gate on the right-hand side. Go through the gate and follow the track round and down to the right. Don't take the right-hand fork.
- Now stay on the main track. It veers left and right, just stay with the main track.
- Eventually you will come to a crossing of two wide open bridleways. Turn left and continue past the pond.
- Go through the gate at the end and out to Headley car park and cricket ground. Turn left onto Headley Common Road continuing straight into Church Lane.
- Go past the junction and down a small hill and on your right-hand side is a hedge.
- Just before the first house turn right onto the bridleway. If you get to Headley tea rooms you've gone too far - but a great place to stop for more refreshments when they are open.
- Go downhill and into the woods then under the M25.
- At the bottom of the next section the path turns sharp left. Stay left. The next small section can be muddy.
- Continue uphill with the Pony Club field on you left. At the top turn right onto Hurst Road.
- It is only a short distance to the junction. Turn left onto Ebbisham Lane.
- Continue downhill on this road past Wildwood riding stables. The road becomes more of a track and can be muddy at the bottom.
- Cross the all-weather riding track. Continue up Walton and Epsom Downs on the small tarmac track between the grass (it's a bit of a climb).
- Keep going straight on across another track and into the woods.
- Cross another all whether track. There are often rails either side along the next section.
- You will then see the grandstand straight across and slightly to your right, with a nice view of London if the weather is clear.
- Keep going straight down and up the dip.
- At the Rubbing House pub turn left just before the car park and continue along the access road.
- At Langley Vale Road turn left with the Holiday Inn on your right. Just after the hotel entrance turn right and through the gates into Woodcote Park.
- Enjoy the lovely downhill glide along the Captain's Drive and the great view of the clubhouse.