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Country and village

Distance: 8 miles (12.9km) Ascent: 164m (538ft) Time: Allow 3h 15m to 5h 15m

Map: OS Explorer 1:25k (172) Chiltern Hills East

Start/Finish: OS Locate SU 975 910 what3words ///mock.moral.hiking

A lovely walk through pretty Buckinghamshire villages. Careful navigation is required in places. From the hostel turn left onto Welders Lane and left onto the footpath opposite Welders House. Follow the path, turn right at the next gate and continue to Jordans Lane. Turn right on the path (or road if path overgrown), turn left onto Seer Green Lane which becomes a footpath. Turn right onto School lane into Seer Green Village. Continue ahead onto Chalfont Road, turn left onto Rawlings Lane to the edge of Hodgemoor Woods. Follow signs through Hodgemoor Woods, cross Bottrells lane. Turn right to join the Chiltern Way, pass Hill Farm House and turn right into Chalfont St Giles. Turn right onto High St and take the archway on the left (next to a bus stop) to the churchyard. Head around the church vard and turn right before the stream to follow the Chiltern Heritage Trail (CHT) / South Bucks Way. After passing tennis courts, crossing a recreation ground and passing a football pitch and turn right by the allotments. Follow the path straight ahead (not left) in-between houses. Cross several roads and pass the leisure centre to emerge onto Tunmers End. Cross Grove Lane onto the footpath alongside the playing fields. At a footpath crossing turn right to head diagonally across a field and through trees to Welders Lane. Turn left back to the hostel.

Hazards

Caution on narrow roads and lanes without pavements.

Accessibility

There are stiles on the route and gates and paths less than one metre wide. There are no steps or kerbs on the route. The surface is mostly tarmac, smooth or crushed stone, with small sections of beaten earth, rough grass or stones up to 4cm in diameter. Unsuitable for wheelchairs, pushchairs and may be problematic for small children with seasonally overgrown vegetation encroaching on footpaths. Some paths may be overgrown with brambles, nettles, holly and low hanging branches.

Points of interest

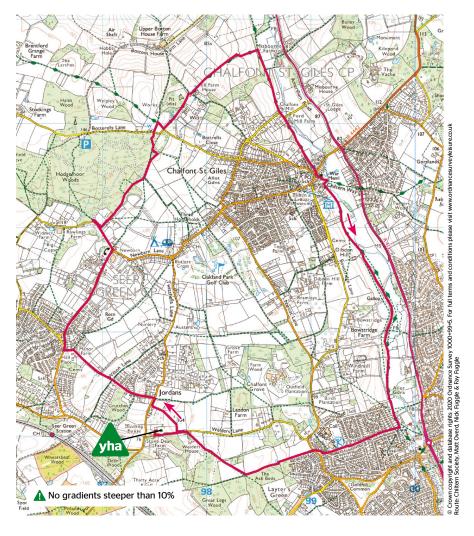
Pretty country villages. Recreation grounds at Jordans, Seer Green and Chalfont St Peter. Pretty churches at Seer Green and Chalfont St Giles. Lovely High Street in Chalfont St Giles and a larger high street a short detour away in Chalfont St Peter.

Facilities

Toilets in Chalfont St Giles High Street. Pubs in Seer Green and Chalfont St Giles. Food and drink available at the Jordans village store, Seer Green shop and cafés and shops in Chalfont St Giles. Toilets and a wider range of shops and places to eat a small detour away in Chalfont St Peter.

This route has been created by YHA to provide inspiration and to aid planning and preparation of your walk. It doesn't replace the need for an OS Map or the OS Maps App to navigate your walk safely. Digital maps are a guide and do not always reflect the conditions on the ground, ensure you are aware of your immediate surroundings.







Thank you for choosing to walk from our hostel. We hope you have a great time.

Walking in the national landscapes of England and Wales is part of YHA's heritage. With hostels on National Trails, in National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, YHA plays a unique role in the nation's walking community.

To make it easy for everyone to enjoy walking from YHA hostels, we have curated three walks — an easy, moderate, and more challenging option. They have all been graded — the higher the grade, the more challenging the route.

Before you go:

- Check the local weather forecast (metoffice.gov.uk).
- Check the tide times for coastal routes (tidetimes.org.uk).
- · Get the right clothing, footwear and kit for the route and weather.
- Ensure you have enough time to complete the route before dark.
- Download the OS Locate and what3words apps to your phone.
- Contact 999 by SMS text (must pre register by texting 'register' to 999) (relayuk.bt.com/emergencysms).
- Plan your walk by completing the YHA route notification card it helps Emergency Services if you get into difficulties or fail to return from your walk when anticipated (yha.org.uk/route-card).
- Ensure your entire group have the fitness and skills to complete the route.
- For further information on how to stay safe visit adventuresmart.uk

For more walks or information on route grading and timings go to yha.org.uk/walks

If you encounter problems with this route contact walking@yha.org.uk



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What to wear

- · Base layer and mid layer.
- Walking trousers.
- · Warm jacket(s).
- Take extra layer(s).
- Hat, gloves and neck gaiter.
- · Sun hat, sun cream and sunglasses.
- Waterproof jacket and trousers.
- · Cushioning walking socks.
- · Walking shoes or boots.

Kit

- Map, compass and GPS device or OS Map app on your phone.
- · Water, lunch and high energy snacks.
- Charged mobile phone and portable charger.
- First aid kit.
- Head torch, spare batteries.
- Watch.
- Whistle and survival bag.
- Rucksack, with waterproof cover or a dry bag or plastic bag inside.
- Medicines or toiletries you would usually use.

You might also want to take

- Spare socks, hat, gloves.
- Balaclava.
- Leg gaiters.
- Waterproof baseball cap (handy if you wear glasses).
- · Walking poles.

- Bivi bag or group shelter.
- Spare food and hot drink.
- Duct tape (handy for fixing things).
- Penknife or multitool.
- · Tissues and hand sanitiser.
- Plastic bags to take away your rubbish or dog poo.

In case of emergency

- Call 999 (or text 999 if pre-registered) and ask for the Police.
- Use OS Locate or what3words to provide a detailed description of your location.
- If you need to attract attention shout or give six blasts on a whistle at regular intervals. In low light flash your torch six times at regular intervals.
- If you can send someone for help, they need to know your location (grid reference), number of people in the group and the nature of the emergency.
- Help could be some time coming so whilst waiting make the casualty comfortable.
- Keep the casualty warm and dry using spare clothing. Use coats or rucksacks to insulate them from the ground.
- Remember the rest of the group could be getting cold whilst waiting.
 Use an emergency shelter or find a sheltered location.