PUTTENHAM COMMON AND CUTT MILL 10k CIRCULAR ROUTE 2-2½ HRS GU10 1.J.J.

Open heath and woodland glades, grassland and a fabulous lakeside path puts the Puttenham Common and Cutt Mill trail among the top rides in the Surrey Hills. With excellent going in stunningly beautiful English countryside, this trail has very little roadwork and if you do get lost on Puttenham Common, don't panic! Just remember there is a narrow lake all along the western edge and a road on the southern edge, where you will find two of the car parks!

Part of the trail goes alongside the route of an annual sponsored ride so you will see some optional jumps in places. Because of height restrictions on the two main car parks, you need to head instead for the car park at Britty Wood, off Littleworth Road, half a kilometre west of the junction with Suffield Lane. GU10 1JJ.



Park at the at Britty's Wood 1 car park off Littleworth Road which you can recognise by its power lines. Your route follows those telegraph poles through grassy health and woodland till you emerge on Suffield Lane. 2



Turn right up the lane for 20m and then take the wide bridle-way on your left. Keep your eyes open for a gate into the field on the left. Use the tall handle to open the latch and pull towards you. 3





Ride diagonally across this inviting grassy field towards a gate into the woods. This gate closes with a chain.

Follow the path through the trees until you come out on a lane called Lombard Street and turn right for 15m. The bridleway on your left has a finger post growing out of the top of a thick hedge!



Go up the drive past the house and the path carries straight on with Kingshott Cottage on your left, becoming a lovely inviting sandy track. Keep going for about 800m until you come to a junction of paths. 5



Turn left. (If you come to a crossroads with a red Byway marker you have gone too far.) and continue until you come to Rodsall Manor. Turn right 6 past the manor on your right.



Carry on past the converted barn on the left and Rose Cottage on your right and follow the path taking the left fork until you meet Suffield Lane again. Turn a quick left then right into Puttenham Heath Top Car Park.



Go up the drive into the huge car park where you can enjoy panoramic views across miles of undulating woods and heath.

There is plenty of space to stop and have a picnic as this is a half way point. 8



Ride over to the sign board and go past the little wooden stumps onto the common. You are now heading roughly north. 9



Follow the track into the woods and take the track on the left through two stumps. 10



Go straight on, under the overhead cables and follow the path between two oak trees. 11



Follow this wide curving path down the slope to the very bottom. 12



With a very steep hill right in front of you, turn left, following a woodland bridleway. Take the left fork at the markers on your right and ride straight for about 850m, ignoring paths crossing the track and following bridleway signs all the way. 13



Keep straight on this bridleway until it emerges in the lower Puttenham Common Car Park in Suffield Lane. Duck under the barrier and turn right along the road until you come to Cutt Mill Lane on your left, leading to Cutt Mill House. 14



Turn down the drive alongside the beautiful lake until you reach the house. The path then hugs the right of the mill house boundary and goes along the bank of Cut Mill Pond with fabulous views through the trees across the water. It's a magical spot. [15]



Past the pond you come to a three way split in the woods. Take the middle path. 16



This lovely track meanders through grassy woodland till it emerges back on Lombard Street. Turn left along the lane for 10m and then turn right, up a bridleway into the woods. You are now retracing your steps back to the car park. [17]



This track takes you through woodland back to the gate with the chain loop. [18]



Go through the gate and latch it and cross the big field back to the gate at the far side. Go through the gate and turn right onto the driveway until you reach the lane. 19



Turn right along the lane for 20m and then go left at the bridleway by the Britty Cottage sign. 20



This track leads into the telegraph pole path that takes you straight back to the car park.



