# INSPIRING VIEWS

#### Denbies to Polesden Lacey Circular Walk

7 miles scenic walk around a popular area on the North Downs Way

If you have a day to spare to explore more of the Surrey Hills, enjoy this beautiful hilly walk along the North Downs to the National Trust's historic Polesden Lacey house and extensive grounds.

Entry fee for non-National Trust members.

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### THREE HOUR WALK FROM DENBIES ESTATE

## NORTH DOWNS WAY

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#### Route

- From Denbies car park, go left of main building and then right onto cement road up hillside. As paved path veers right, turn right in between vines and tree line until you come to corner of vineyard, go through wooden kissing gate and continue ahead until you reach a staggered crossroads.
- Cross surfaced path and continue on footpath, which turns into a drive. Take footpath sign to right when path veers right. Keep straight on and go through metal kissing gate. Follow footpath through field following telegraph pole line. Go through kissing gate at end and continue along footpath. **CAUTION this path is narrow, uneven and has a barbed wire fence along its length.** Go through metal kissing gate and follow footpath through field (Chapel Farm Fields) as it curves right. Go through metal kissing gate to reach a road. **CAUTION be aware of cyclists.**
- Turn right to reach Ranmore Common Rd. Turn left and then look for gate almost opposite that runs parallel with road. Go through and follow hedgerow at bottom of field (safer route than staying on road). Go through large wooden gate at end of field and turn right up road. Before road bends right, cross over and go through footpath gate at Bagden Cottage. Keep straight along wide footpath.
- You are now in National Trust (NT) Polesden Lacey Estate. This footpath takes you slightly uphill and then turns right, passing the Estate's charcoal burning area. Follow footpath as it turns left across the Italianate bridge. Ahead is entrance gate to NT Polesden Lacey, free to members (with NT card) but payable to non-members. Members need to scan their cards at Visitor Reception in courtyard at route point 6 below.

Alternative route If you don't want to visit the house or gardens of Polesden Lacey. Just before NT entrance gate, on your right is gate 9 taking you into uphill field. Walk diagonally across it on footpath, go through gate 4 (Butterfly walk), then gate 3. Walk across field and through next gate (Butterfly Walk).

This walk follows public footpaths and bridleways which cross private and public land. Please respect people's privacy, keep dogs under control and remember the Countryside Code. Keep left, with views to London on your right, towards metal kissing gate which takes you on to tarmac access road. Turn left here, rejoin walk directions at **point 6 by coffee shop/toilets of Polesden Lacey.** 

- 5 Go through entrance gate, continue up footpath, views to left and passing folly of columns on left. Continue on main track, with views to Polesden house ahead. Turn right up track towards exit gate from grounds, go through gate.
- 5 Turn left passing coffee shop, toilet facilities and visitor reception. Follow path running through car park and go through gate at far end. Turn left along paved path going downhill and passing under beautiful thatched bridge. At crossroads, go straight ahead along path between yew trees. Climb uneven track to top.
- 7 Turn right continuing uphill, pass Yew Tree Farm on your left and continue for just over one mile along surfaced track, ignoring all side paths, to Ranmore Common Road.
- 8 Turn left to walk along wide verge with road running parallel to your right. Keep going past NT car park for Denbies Hillside on other side of road, until you reach road signposted to church.
- Turn left and follow verge straight ahead past St Barnabas church, Ranmore on your right. Continue on verge beside road. You will pass entrance to Denbies House on right. Keep straight ahead along cement drive. Follow North Downs Way waymark signposting to your right. At next junction you rejoin cement Denbies 'Land Train' road again. Turn left here. This path will take you back to Denbies car park. Take time to visit new sculptural seat called 'Radius' along this last section, beautifully positioned to sit and enjoy views across vineyard and Box Hill.

To find out more, download a GPX map or accessible format leaflet visit <u>www.surreyhills.org</u> or scan this QR code.



## **Denbies to Polesden Lacey Circular Walk**

Duration of walk

Distance of walk

7 miles (11.3kms)

Starting point

Grid reference

TQ165 512

RH5 6AA

What3words

Transport Links Easy walk from Dorking Main or Deepdene

**Railway Stations** 

Public Toilets

Polesden Lacey

Food and Drink

dog mess.

At Denbies pop upstairs to see the latest art exhibition, take a wine tour

At Polesden Lacey explore the

Edwardian house, Royal gardens

**Points of interest** 

or visit the Gift shop.

and 1400 acre estate.

Denbies and Polesden Lacev

café available for indoor and

outdoor refreshments

Dogs on leads welcome

At Denbies and Polesden

Lacey. Please clear up any

Inside Denbies and

Parking

FREE

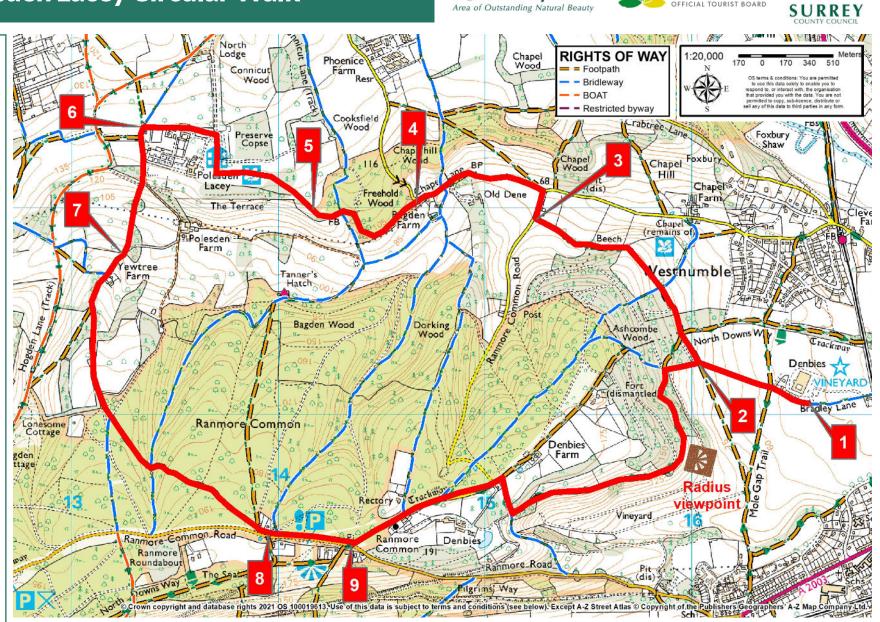
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3 hours (not including stops)

**Denbies Vineyard Car Park** 

Postcode for Sat Nav

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Surrey Hills

#### **VISIT RADIUS, a new Inspiring View**

At Denbies Vineyard Estate. Made from locally sourced Oak by artist James Tunnard this sculptural seat reflects the shapes of the surrounding hills and valleys.

### Link to <u>Ordnance Survey Map</u>

Accessible format leaflet in large print available for download at <u>www.surreyhills.org</u>

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