





Discover Pewsey Vale Pewsey Vale Circular Way Walking Route

Walking route just over 77 miles Cycling & Ride route just over 72 milles

A self-guided route taking you on a circular walk with the Vale of Pewsey at its heart.

For online links and additional information, go to

www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk/discover-pewsey-vale

Important information before you start your walk or ride

Maps & Apps

It is imperative that you take a map or use an app with the gpx route downloaded. You will not be able to follow the route by relying on the waymarkers alone. This is because the next waymarker may not be visible or in your sightline or it may have been removed or damaged. There are some gaps at locations where we would like to put up waymarkers but have to ask permission first (see below).

If you are using a printed OS Map:

For the walking route, you should use an OS Explorer map on a scale of 1:25000 which means that 4cm on the map = 1km on the ground.

The Explorer maps that cover this area are:

- Explorer 157 Marlborough & Savernake Forest
- Explorer 131 Romsey, Andover & Test Valley
- Explorer 130 Salisbury & Stonehenge
- Explorer 158 Newbury & Hungerford

For the cycling route, you can use an OS Explorer (as above) or an OS Landranger map which is on a scale of 1:50000 which means that 2cm on the map = 1km on the ground.

- Landranger 173 Swindon & Devizes
- Landranger 174 Newbury & Wantage

You can also order a custom map from OS, but will require two of the 80cm x 80cm maps to cover the entire route.

Waymarking Issues

The Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership has, with the effort of local volunteers, waymarked the Pewsey Vale Circular Way for both the riding and walking routes. However, there are a few locations where we would have liked to install a waymarker but in order to do so, we have to ask the landowner's permission. This will take a bit of time to do, so in the meantime, we thought it best to highlight those tricky bits where a waymarker would be helpful but isn't there at the time of writing!







Stage 1	Ham to Great Bedwyn		
No way marking issues			
Stage 2	Great Bedwyn to Wootton Rivers		
No way ma	arking issues		
Stage 3	Wootton Rivers to Bishops Cannings		
Easton Farm		OS Grid Ref: SU 049 646	There are quite a few changes of direction, gates and stiles through this section.
Stage 4	Bishops Cannings to Upavon		
No way marking issues			
Stage 5	Upavon to Collingbourne Ducis		
No way marking issues			
Stage 6	Collingbourne Ducis to Oxenwood		
Junction at Herridge		OS Grid Ref: SU 269 545	If walking in a clockwise direction from Oxenwood to Collingbourne, it is easy to miss the turning to the left before you get to Herridge.
Scot's Poor (eastern end)		OS Grid Ref: SU 289 561	If walking in a clockwise direction from Oxenwood to Collingbourne, the right of way goes slightly to the right at the field gateway as you enter Scot's Poor wood. Do NOT go round the edge of the field as there is no exit at the top on to the lane. Once you have turned into the wood, you need to turn left and head up towards the lane, just opposite the field gateway.
Woodside		OS Grid Ref: SU 331 564	If walking in an anti-clockwise direction from Collingbourne to Oxenwood, the sign is difficult to see as it is on a post hidden by a hedge and the path goes up the side of the house.
Stage 7	Oxenwood to Ham		
Henley		OS Grid Ref: SU 320 590	Signpost knocked down so no way markers can be put up currently.







Your Preparation

Ensure you are appropriately dressed for a long distance route.

If you are doing the walking route, you will need walking boots as some of the stretches can be muddy, some are very steep and some are uneven.

Make sure you have planned your food and drink along the way. Our detailed guide will indicate if you should take a packed lunch on each stage or whether facilities exist for refreshment.

Anyone using the Pewsey Vale Circular Way does so at their own risk. The Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership is not responsible for any injuries or issues however caused whilst you are walking or riding this route. The Pewsey Vale Tourism Partnership has done its best efforts to waymark the route, however it is not responsible for any waymarkers that may have been removed, changed or broken.

Waymarkers

Make sure you know what to look out for on your route and what each waymarker means.

Cyclists and horse riders **must not** follow any orange only Walk waymarkers. This is because the orange only waymarkers will be following a footpath. Cyclists and riders are not allowed on footpaths, so at any point where the route deviates in this way, you will also find a pink only waymarker indicating the route that cyclists and riders **should** take which will use a byway, bridleway or country lane instead.

As a walker, you can of course follow either route as walkers are allowed on byways, bridleways and country lanes!

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