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moderate and very long walking

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Hindhead-Alfold Monster

Distance: 41 km=26 miles

Region: Surrey

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Refreshments: Hindhead, Chiddingfold

Maps: Explorer 133 (Haslemere) and 134 (Crawley) hopefully not needed

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Long woodland trails, hills, views, villages

In Brief



This is a monster figure-of-eight walk that combines two other walks in this series. You need to browse, print or download the following additional walks:

Hindhead and Chiddingfold

Chiddingfold, Alfold, Forests and Canal

The walk takes you on an amazing fairly straight journey west-to-east down from the west Surrey hills through forest and more forest to the Wealden village of Alfold. Although the return journey follows a roughly similar route, the terrain is very different with even deeper forest and views southwards.

You can also treat this walk as two linear walks, with transport back to the start, or an overnight stay. The **eastward** walk (to Alfold) is 18¹/₂ km=12 miles in total while the **westward** walk (to Hindhead) is 22¹/₂ km=14 miles.



Warning! This is a very long walk and you should not attempt it unless you are physically fit and have back-up support.



Boots are recommended because of the length of this walk. A walking pole is also recommended. This monster walk is not suitable for your pet. There are no nettles or briars to speak of.

The walk begins at the National Trust **Punch Bowl** car park at **Hindhead**, just off the A3, postcode GU26 6AB (small charge for non-NT members). You can also start in Alfold (postcode GU6 8ET), with a middle break in Hindhead. For more details, see Getting There at the end of the text of the first walk.

The Walk



This walk is in four treks.

<u>Trek 1</u> is the **eastward** part of the Hindhead and Chiddingfold walk, starting in Hindhead and ending in Chiddingfold.

<u>Trek 2</u> is the **eastward** part of the Chiddingfold, Alfold, Forests and Canal walk, starting in Chiddingfold and ending in Alfold.

There is a short cut in the Chiddingfold-Alfold walk reducing the length to $31\frac{1}{2}$ km=20 miles.

<u>Trek 3</u> is the **westward** part of the Chiddingfold, Alfold, Forests and Canal walk, starting in Alfold and ending in Chiddingfold.

There are two pubs and a café in Chiddingfold. 🛎 🛅 🏹

<u>Trek 4</u> is the **westward** part of the Hindhead and Chiddingfold walk, starting in Chiddingfold and ending in Hindhead.

There is a pub and a café in Hindhead.



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