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Chiddingfold-Northchapel-Petworth-Henley-**Fernhurst-Haslemere Super Monster**

Distance: 34 miles=54 km

Region: Surrey, Sussex

moderate but very long walking Date written: 19-mar-2018

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Refreshments: Chiddingfold, Northchapel, Henley, Fernhurst

Maps: Explorer 133 (Haslemere) but the maps in the guides should be sufficient

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Quiet villages, woodland, hills, views, parkland, peace, pubs, heath

In Brief



This is a Super Monster walk through outstanding little-known Sussex countryside which combines *five* other walks in this series. You need to browse, print or download the following additional walks:

Chiddingfold and Northchapel

Ebernoe, Pugs Bottom, Lurgashall

Petworth Park, Lodsworth, Bexleyhill

Woolbeding Common & Temple of the Winds

Hindhead and Blackdown



Warning! This is an *extremely long* walk, requiring two days or all daylight hours at midsummer. It should not be attempted unless you are physically fit and have back-up support.

Note that the routes described in the guides are not always straightforward and you need to allow more time than usual to navigate the paths.



Boots are recommended because of the length of this walk. A hiking pole ? is also recommended. This monster walk is not suitable for a dog. Shorts are ok for most of the walk although in high summer a change to long trousers may be advisable.



The walk begins in **Chiddingfold**, Surrey (postcode **GU8 4TX**). Park beside the green. For arrival by rail, begin at **Haslemere**, with a short walk on the main road into town to begin at Trek 6. For more details, see Getting There at the end of the text of the first walk.

The Walk



(1) Trek 1: Chiddingfold to Northchapel. 81/2 km= 51/2 miles

Beginning at Chiddingfold, walk from the start of the *Chiddingfold-Northchapel* walk, ending in the village of Northchapel. (Look for the Monster symbol.)

(2) Trek 2: Northchapel to Petworth Park. 11 km=61/2 miles

At Northchapel, take up the *Ebernoe, Pugs Bottom, Lurgashall* walk from the beginning by walking down the main street as in the guide notes. Leave the walk at the A283, London Road near Petworth. (Look for the Monster symbol.) Turn **left** instead of right on the road and, in 250m, turn **right** over a deer grid through a gate in the stone wall into Petworth Park car park. (3) Trek 3: Petworth Park to Easebourne. 91/2 km=6 miles

In Petworth Park, begin the *Petworth Park, Lodsworth, Bexleyhill* walk. This trek ends in the village of Easebourne for a break.



Easebourne has at least one pub/restaurant. Overnight accommodation is available in nearby Midhurst (1½ km distant) and at the *Halfway Bridge* Inn just outside Lodsworth.

(4) Trek 4: Easebourne to Fernhurst. 81/2 km=51/2 miles



Part 1: Continue the *Petworth Park, Lodsworth, Bexleyhill* walk from where you left off. This part ends just before the village of Henley. If you would like to visit the picturesque village of Henley, possibly taking refreshment at the iconic pub, the *Duke of Cumberland*, continue to follow directions in the guide, reaching Henley in 1 km. Otherwise ... Ignore the sharp right turn at the fingerpost and continue straight on, reaching the main road in 100m. Turn **left** along the main road for only 50m. Immediately after the driveway of *The Forge*, turn **right** at a small signpost into woods. The path runs within earshot of the main road on your left and, in 150m, meets a path coming from the right at a 3-way junction (the point where you re-join the walk if you visited Henley). Keep straight on.

Part 2: Now pick up the *Woolbeding Common & Temple of the Winds* walk and follow the *Green Meadows Route* which is at the end of the text. (You can instead take the route in the main text, over Woolbeding Common, making this walk even longer.) After this section, continue to follow directions, resuming the main walk where indicated, to arrive in the village of Fernhurst at the green in the village centre.

(5) Trek 5: Fernhurst over Black Down to Haslemere. 91/2 km=6 miles

Part 1: In the village of Fernhurst, resume the *Woolbeding Common & Temple of the Winds* walk from the start (Leg 1). This part ends at the top of Black Down (the highest hill in Sussex). From the Temple of the Winds (seat and toposcope) at the southern tip of the hill you have great views over the Sussex Weald to the South Downs.

Part 2: From the top of Black Down, walk part of the *Hindhead and Blackdown* walk, ending in the town of Haslemere (or just before the town: see the guide notes).

(6) Trek 6: Haslemere to Chiddingfold. 7 km=41/2 miles

Part 1: From the town of Haslemere, use the *Hindhead and Blackdown* walk, *The Holdfast Cut* Eastwards (look for the Monster symbol) which ends near **Imbhams Farm**.

Part 2: From Imbhams Farm, pick up the *Chiddingfold-Northchapel* walk from Leg 4 Section 3. This trek ends in Chiddingfold where the walk began.

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