

Route Information



Route Name Upton St Leonards Prinknash Buckholt Wood loop - Red Walk 5

A nice walk up from the village through the private land of Prinknask Abbey, to Buckholt Wood and back via a the meadow and woodland above the Abbey. With views across to The Malverns and May Hill and more.

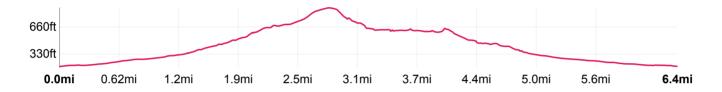
Route Summary

Total Distance 6.4mi (10.3km) Walk 2h 35min
Elevation 177ft at lowest point Run 56min

891ft at highest point Cycle 32min

Total Ascent 1035ft

Elevation Profile



Route Card

#	OS Grid Ref	Dist from start	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	SO 864 151 Start - Village Post Office - SO 8651 1511 Dist to next: 0.40 mi, Bearing to next: 141° , A	0.00mi Ascent to next: 34ft	51° 50' 5" N	2° 11' 50" W	177 ft
2	SO 868 146 Gate and bridge - SO 8687 1467 Dist to next: 0.15mi, Bearing to next: 100°, A	0.40 mi Ascent to next: 20 ft	51° 49' 50" N	2° 11' 30" W	206 ft
3	SO 871 146 Rooksmoor Bridlepath - SO 8711 1464 Dist to next: 0.30mi, Bearing to next: 159°, A	0.55mi Ascent to next: 39ft	51° 49' 48" N	2° 11' 18" W	226 ft
4	SO 872 142 Stone track - SO 8728 1420 Walk up the stone track Dist to next: 0.20mi, Bearing to next: 116°, A	0.85mi Ascent to next: 21ft	51° 49' 34" N	2° 11′ 9″ W	265 ft
5	SO 875 140 Take the right up the track - SO 8756 1406 Dist to next: 0.78mi, Bearing to next: 146°, A	1.05mi Ascent to next: 234ft	51° 49' 30" N	2° 10' 54" W	285 ft
6	SO 880 132	1.83 mi	51° 49' 5" N	2° 10′ 26″ W	491 ft

Leave the tarmac - SO 8809 1329

Walk off the road and up the track to the left.

Dist to next: 0.25mi, Bearing to next: 231°, Ascent to next: 142ft



7 **SO 878 131 2.08**mi 51° 48′ 59″ N 2° 10′ 38″ W **613**ft

Henry VIII Walk - SO 8786 1310

You need to turn left onto the walk for a short period where the route turn up the steps between the trees.

Dist to next: 0.14mi, Bearing to next: 122°, Ascent to next: 76ft

8 **SO 880 129 2.22**mi 51° 48′ 55″ N 2° 10′ 29″ W **683**ft

The Top - SO 8804 1299

At the top of the steps, turn left, along the wall line to the main road. Cross over the road and up the road, do not take the minor road to the right.

Dist to next: 0.17mi, Bearing to next: 73°, Ascent to next: 25ft

9 **SO 883 130 2.40**mi 51° 48′ 58″ N 2° 10′ 15″ W **689**ft

Cotswold Way - SO 8831 1307

Leave the road and keep on the Cotswold Way all the way to the top of Buckholt Wood.

Dist to next: 0.31mi, Bearing to next: 44°, Ascent to next: 177ft

10 **SO 886 134 2.71**mi 51° 49′ 9″ N 2° 9′ 57″ W **866**ft

Bluebells in spring - SO 8866 1343

Dist to next: 0.08mi, Bearing to next: 3°, Ascent to next: 25ft

11 **SO 886 135** 2.80mi 51° 49' 14" N 2° 9' 56" W 891ft

Down hill - SO 8867 1356

Follow the Cotswold Way arrows.

Dist to next: 0.13mi, Bearing to next: 332°, Ascent to next: 0ft

12 **SO 885 137 2.93**mi 51° 49′ 20″ N 2° 10′ 1″ W **802**ft

Leave the main path - SO 8857 1375

Just as the main steep path flattens out and bends to the right, you need to take the track on the left. Its next to a tree with vines growing around it. Walk down the track.

Dist to next: 0.03mi, Bearing to next: 314°, Ascent to next: 0ft

13 **SO 885 137 2.96**mi 51° 49' 21" N 2° 10' 3" W **775**ft

Gap in wall - SO 8854 1377

Walk down the track, though the Cotswold stone wall which has fallen down. You will go underneath a Fir tree. Turn

Dist to next: 0.05mi, Bearing to next: 319°, Ascent to next: 18ft

14 **SO 885 138** 3.01mi 51° 49' 21" N 2° 10' 4" W **752**ft

Bluebells and Wild Garlic - SO 8851 1380

Dist to next: 0.02mi, Bearing to next: 290°, Ascent to next: 0ft

15 **SO 884 138** 3.03mi 51° 49' 22" N 2° 10' 6" W **726**ft

The wall and Fire Tree -SO 8848 1381

The wall will now be on the right. Keep on this track until the track crosses the wall again. But DON'T go through the wall, turn left.

Dist to next: 0.04mi, Bearing to next: 304°, Ascent to next: 2ft

16 **SO 884 138** 3.07mi 51° 49′ 23″ N 2° 10′ 7″ W **715**ft

The Wall 2 - SO 8845 1384

Do not go through the gap, turn left. Walk down the track, you will soon hear and see the A46 road.

Dist to next: 0.06mi, Bearing to next: 190°, Ascent to next: 2ft



17 **SO 884 137** 3.13mi 51° 49′ 19″ N 2° 10′ 8″ W **694**ft

The adjoining track - SO 8844 1374

As you get to this point you need to walk over the adjoining track ie straight over and right... Walk down to the road. Dist to next: 0.03mi, Bearing to next: 223°, Ascent to next: 0ft

18 **SO 884 137** 3.16mi 51° 49′ 19″ N 2° 10′ 10″ W **675**ft

A46 - SO 8841 1371

Cross the A46 road and walk down the entrance road to the Abbey, at the 10mph sign (opposite a house) you will find the stile

Dist to next: 0.10mi, Bearing to next: 309°, Ascent to next: 5ft

19 **SO 883 137** 3.26mi 51° 49′ 20″ N 2° 10′ 13″ W **615**ft

Stile - SO 8834 1377

Over the stile - walk up the field keeping slightly down from the fence line. You will soon see a house on the left, head towards it. But keep high, do not drop down the field. You're heading for the row of horse chestnut tress on the left with a group of smaller trees on the right. You should soon pick up the track. As you walk along the track the group of trees on the right stop and the field opens up. Keep close to the trees on the left. You will soon get to the ornate gate and stile.

Dist to next: 0.39mi, Bearing to next: 185°, Ascent to next: 67ft

20 **SO 882 132** 3.65mi 51° 49' 3" N 2° 10' 16" W 617ft

Ornate gate and stile - SO 8829 1322

At the ornate gate and stile, walk straight on along the tree line past the massive horse chestnut tree. To your right and down you can see in the distance the New Abbey and Walled Garden. The track passes trees with wooden protection barriers. A stunning Copper Beech tree on the left. You pass between 2 Fir trees and then a number of fallen trees along the track. Head towards the marker post.

Dist to next: 0.21mi, Bearing to next: 236°, Ascent to next: 25ft

21 **SO 881 130** 3.86mi 51° 48′ 58" N 2° 10′ 26" W 611ft

Marker post - SO 8810 1309

The walk continues onwards, although you could take the track right across the field to the stile in the metal fencing. Going straight on you will pass some stunning trees. You will soon get back to Henry VIII walk.

Dist to next: 0.13mi, Bearing to next: 256°, Ascent to next: 56ft

22 **SO 879 130** 3.99mi 51° 48′ 57″ N 2° 10′ 35″ W 647ft

Back to Henry VIII Walk - SO 8792 1304

You are back to where you walked earlier. So follow your way back down past the Cemetery, past the old Bird Park, down the lane etc.

Dist to next: 0.53mi, Bearing to next: 13°, Ascent to next: 41ft

23 **SO 880 136 4.52**mi 51° 49′ 15″ N 2° 10′ 29″ W **465**ft

The Abbey Cafe - SO 8806 1353

Why not stop for a drink in the cafe.

Dist to next: 0.82mi, Bearing to next: 306°, Ascent to next: 17ft

24 **SO 872 141** 5.34mi 51° 49' 34" N 2° 11' 10" W **264**ft

Choices - SO 8726 1419

You could walk back the way you came along the bridle path, or you could walk across the fields via Portway Dist to next: **0.63**mi, Bearing to next: **320°**, Ascent to next: **1**ft



25 **SO 868 146** 5.98mi 51° 49' 50" N 2° 11' 31" W **205**ft

Kissing gate - SO 8685 1468

Through the gate, cross the field to the road, straight over and back to the Post Office

Dist to next: 0.43mi, Bearing to next: 322°, Ascent to next: 9ft

26 **SO 864 151** 6.40mi 51° 50′ 5″ N 2° 11′ 50″ W **180**ft

Finish - SO 8648 1514