

Route Information



Route Name Upton St Leonards Prinknash, alternative Buckholt Wood loop - Red Walk 8

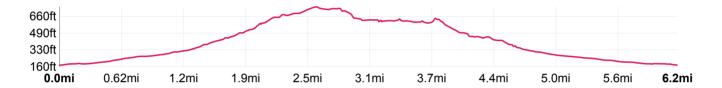
A nice walk up from the village through the private land of Prinknash Abbey, to the edge of Buckholt Wood and back via a the meadow and woodland above the Abbey. With views across to The Malverns and May Hill and more.

Route Summary

Total Distance 6.2mi (9.9km) Walk 2h 26min
Elevation 177ft at lowest point Run 53min
753ft at highest point Cycle 31min

Total Ascent 905ft

Elevation Profile



Route Card

#	OS Grid Ref	Dist from start	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
1	SO 864 151	0.00 mi	51° 50′ 5″ N	2° 11′ 50" W	177 ft
	Start - Village Post Office - SO 8651 1511 As this walk crosses the permissive field at at waypoint 16. Dist to next: 0.40 mi, Bearing to next: 141° ,	G	ot permitted on the	e field. Therefore take	the short cu
2	SO 868 146	0.40 mi	51° 49' 50" N	2° 11′ 30″ W	206 ft
	Gate and bridge - SO 8687 1467 Dist to next: 0.15 mi, Bearing to next: 100 °,	Ascent to next: 20 ft			
3	SO 871 146	0.55 mi	51° 49' 48" N	2° 11′ 18″ W	226 ft
	Rooksmoor Bridlepath - SO 8711 1464 Dist to next: 0.30 mi, Bearing to next: 159 °,	Ascent to next: 39 ft			
4	SO 872 142	0.85 mi	51° 49' 34" N	2° 11' 9" W	265 ft
	Stone track - SO 8728 1420 Walk up the stone track Dist to next: 0.20 mi, Bearing to next: 116 °,	Ascent to next: 21 ft			
5	SO 875 140	1.05 mi	51° 49' 30" N	2° 10' 54" W	285 ft

Take the right up the track - SO 8756 1406

Dist to next: 0.78mi, Bearing to next: 146°, Ascent to next: 234ft



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, from the wooden CW post walk approx 100 paces to the Buckholt Wood sign

Dist to next: 0.08mi, Bearing to next: 43°, Ascent to next: 38ft

10 **SO 884 131 2.48**mi 51° 49′ 1″ N 2° 10′ 10″ W **727**ft

Sign SO 8840 1317

From the sign walk approx 110 paces to where there is a track on the left.

Dist to next: 0.06mi, Bearing to next: 54°, Ascent to next: 22ft

11 **SO 884 132** 2.54mi 51° 49′ 3″ N 2° 10′ 6″ W 748ft

Left on bike track - SO 8848 1322

Turn left here up the mountain bike track, take care especially at weekends. Its approx 84 paces when you will turn left again off the track.

Dist to next: 0.05mi, Bearing to next: 3°, Ascent to next: 5ft

12 **SO 884 133 2.59**mi 51° 49′ 5″ N 2° 10′ 6″ W **733**ft

Turn left again - SO 8848 1331

You will see a track going left, take this and keep following it for about 5 minutes. Most of the way along this track you will hear and often see the A46 road on your left.

Dist to next: 0.12mi, Bearing to next: 18°, Ascent to next: 12ft

13 **SO 885 134** 2.72mi 51° 49' 12" N 2° 10' 3" W 735ft

The split - SO 8854 1349

Where the track splits, take the left track down.

Dist to next: 0.17mi, Bearing to next: 335°, Ascent to next: 17ft

14 **SO 884 137 2.89**mi 51° 49' 19" N 2° 10' 9" W **688**ft

The cross roads - SO 8843 1374

The track splits, but also has a bike track coming in from the right and the track down to the A46. (For those that have completed Red Walk 5 you will recall this path). Take the left track down to the A46.

Dist to next: 0.02mi, Bearing to next: 215°, Ascent to next: 0ft



15 **SO 884 137 2.91**mi 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

16 **SO 883 137** 3.01mi 51° 49′ 20″ N 2° 10′ 13″ W **615**ft

Stile - SO 8834 1377

If you have a dog on the walk please do not go into the field, but walk down the road to waypoint 20. 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

17 **SO 882 132** 3.40mi 51° 49′ 3″ N 2° 10′ 16″ W **617**ft

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

18 **SO 881 130** 3.61mi 51° 48' 58" N 2° 10' 26" W **611**ft

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

19 **SO 879 130** 3.74mi 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

20 **SO 880 136 4.27**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

21 **SO 872 141** 5.09mi 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

22 **SO 868 146** 5.73mi 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

23 **SO 864 151 6.15**mi 51° 50′ 5″ N 2° 11′ 50″ W **180**ft

Finish - SO 8648 1514