



The grid squares are 1km

A From the station turn right over the level crossing and right again onto the Riverside Railway Walk which is now part of the Shipwright's Way. Follow this for 1.75 km until a road is reached.

There is a separate information sheet on the Riverside Railway Walk nature reserve and its military railway history. The Shipwrights Way is a new long-distance route which will eventually link Alice Holt Forest near Farnham to the sea at Portsmouth..

B Cross the road into the car park and take the path through a gate on the left which is parallel to the road. Cross over stile to re-join the road turning right until a signed bridleway is reached on the right. Take this bridleway and continue along it to a bridge over the A3. Cross over the bridge and turn right continuing on the bridleway until a road is reached. Turn left and at the next road junction turn right and immediately left into Todmore (opposite the Greatham Inn). Between Nos 4 & 5 take the signed footpath on the left. Continue along the signed path. At path junction turn left over stile and continue on path up hill. When Benhams Farm is reached take the path on the left which is clearly visible crossing fields.

Views of lake on your left which is fed by spring water.

C At a fork in the path after 400 metres take the left path to a narrow woodland. Continue straight through the copse where on the far side the path crosses the field and then follows the edge of an orchard. Cross over a track taking the path 10 metres to the right up through the woodland and then along the edge of a field to a road at Bradshott Hall.

Blackmoor Estate is one of only three remaining commercial apple growers in Hampshire.

D Turn left along the road for 200 metres, then take a path on the right next to an orchard and then down through woodland and continue to bottom of valley. Follow the path which passes by a small lake. Continue over stile and across a field to a path junction. Continue up the shallow grassy valley aiming for a large fallen tree and follow the path alongside a wood, through a field to the road.

Blackmoor Orchards grow apples, pears and plums for many of the supermarkets on 250 acres of orchards.



E Turn left along road for 200 metres to a large barn conversion, where the track on the right is taken alongside the orchards (note this can be particularly muddy). Turn right when the road is reached then left on a road to Priory Farm. At the end of the road continue on the byway beside the Old Dairy, crossing over a stream, and continue for a further 100 metres to a path junction. Take the path on the left.

F Walk through the fields and woods, passing between the dammed ponds reaching the edge of the woodland.

G Follow the path (Hangers Way) along the side of the slope with the stream in the valley to the left and beech wood to the right. At the end of the woodland there is a steep grassy slope, take the right hand fork path up to the church.



Selborne

The village has the Gilbert White & Captain Oates Museum, an art gallery and pottery. The church and churchyard are also worth a visit. The 25 “zig-zags” that extend up to Selborne Common give good views over Selborne if you have the energy after suitable refreshment.

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There are excellent views of Noar Hill to the left .

At the road junction there are views of RAF Oakhanger with its 3 white spheres.

On the right behind Priory Farm is the site of Selborne Priory.

You are now approaching National Trust land known as the Long & Short Lythes. These are of great ecological value and have high protection.

The churchyard contains the grave of Gilbert White who wrote “The Natural History of Selborne”, published in 1789 one the first set of detailed observations of nature.

2. LISS TO SELBORNE VIA GREATHAM



About the walk:-

START / Grid Reference: SU 777278. Begin the walk at Liss Railway Station.

DISTANCE: 11.8 km (7.3 miles) allow 3 ½ hrs.

TERRAIN: Several small ups and downs giving rise to 400 metres of ascent. Some tracks very muddy in winter.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT: South West Trains (Portsmouth - Waterloo line with trains every hour). South West Trains also run a service between Waterloo and Alton should you wish to use this alternative route.

Finish - bus # Stagecoach 38 bus travels between Alton and Petersfield, via Selborne and Liss.
Buses run Monday to Saturday only, excluding evenings and public holidays. Check timetables before starting.

FACILITIES: The village of Selborne offers two pubs and a shop. Liss village centre has a wide range of cafes and a pub. At Greatham there is the Greatham Inn PH.

PLEASE NOTE: *You are asked to keep dogs under control at all times to avoid disturbance to animals. Leave gates and property as you find them and follow the Countryside Code.*

