

Wadhurst to Wallcrouch
Approximately 7.45 miles 4 hours
Ordnance Survey Explorer Maps 136

Refreshments: None on route.

This walk has a lot of hills, crossing five valleys. The first part of this walk is across fields to the small hamlet of Birchett's Green. From here the walk climbs to Wallcrouch where there are good views across the High Weald. The return route is mainly across fields with short sections along Churchsettle Lane and Brinkers Lane.

Start Public car park behind The Greyhound Inn on the High Street Wadhurst.

OS Grid Ref. TQ 640 316. Nearby post code TN5 6AP

It can be difficult to park here when the school is open. If so, there is a car park and roadside parking in Washwell lane beside the White Hart Pub.

- 1) From the car park go back to the main road and then turn right. Follow the main road out of the village to a stile on your left. Cross the stile and follow the path into the field and then cross the field diagonally to the far right corner.
- 2) Exit the field and then cross the access road and go through the gap in the hedge. Continue forward with the woodland on the right to the field corner and then turn left and continue with the fence on your right to the bottom corner of the field.
- 3) Cross the bridge into the woodland and then keep left at the path junction. Continue to a stile on the right into a field. Cross the stile and then bear left to the top left corner of the field. Go through the kissing gate and up steps to the access road.
- 4) Turn left along the access road and continue until you pass a bungalow on your right and then turn right through a gate into a field. Continue forward to join a track heading downhill with woodland on the left to a bridge.
- 5) Cross the bridge and then follow a sunken track uphill with the hedge on your right. Turn right through an old gateway and continue following the sunken track uphill to a road. Turn right along the road to a junction and then turn left.
- 6) Continue along the lane to the bottom of the hill. Cross a stream and then look for a stile on your right. Cross the stile into a field and then continue up the hill with the hedge on your left to stile in the field corner.
- 7) Cross the stile and continue forward keeping to the left side of the field to a gate in the far left corner. Go through the gate and then turn left through the next gate. Keep forward with ponds on your left to a stile onto an enclosed path. Follow the path to the road.

- 8) Turn right along the main road. After passing the entrance to The Tethers (which is on your right) turn left over a stile into a field. Continue forward with the hedge on your right through three fields to a path into a woodland.
- 9) Follow the path through the woodland to a gate into a field and then continue across the field to a gate and stile just to the left of a telegraph pole.
- 10) Cross the stile and then continue forward with the hedge on your left through a footpath gate. Continue forward to a stile onto an enclosed path. Follow the enclosed path to the road.
- 11) Cross over the road to the driveway to Bardown Farm. Cross the stile in the wall next to the entrance gate and then continue forward following a roadway. Keep left and then follow the track right into a field.
- 12) Turn right and follow the field boundary to locate a path in the far top corner of the field leading to a stile in the small woodland (take care path can be difficult to see). Cross the stile and then follow the path through the woodland to a stile into a field.
- 13) Cross the stile and then continue forward across the field to a gateway. Go through the gateway and continue forward on a track heading towards a large oak tree. Pass between the farm and the oak tree and then bear left diagonally across the field to the far left corner.
- 14) In the field corner go through the footpath gate and then turn left along a track pass a house. Once pass the house turn right onto path. Keep the hedge on your right to a gateway in the field corner. Go through the gateway and continue following the path uphill to the far top corner.
- 15) In the field corner go through a footpath gate onto road and then turn left along the road. Continue along the road to a stile on your right opposite Churchsettle House. Cross the stile and then continue forward on a path through trees to start with, then across a field to a stile.
- 16) Cross the stile and then turn right to a gate. Go through the gate and then bear left diagonally across the field to a gate in the bottom left corner (not the one crossing the stream). Go through the gate and then continue forward to a footbridge. Cross over the footbridge and continue uphill with the hedge on your right to a gate in the top corner of the field.
- 17) Turn right through the gate and then continue forward across the field to a stile. Cross the stile and then continue with the hedge on you left to a gateway in the field corner. Continue forward through the gateway and head straight across the field to a gate.
- 18) Go through the gate and then follow an enclosed path through another gate into a field. Continue forward in the field with the fence on your left to a footpath gate. Turn left through the gate and then continue forward to a road.
- 19) Cross over the road and follow Brinkers Lane to the main road. Turn left along the main road back into Wadhurst and the car park.