

THE COWLICK OF HAWKHURST

Walk Overview

Distance: 2.5 miles (4.5km)

Time: 1 - 1.5 hours

Description: Enjoy this pleasant local walk, viewing the fields of the English Weald, the neighbourhood of the village of Hawkhurst and if you are lucky, even alpacas.



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1. The turning to the footpath



3. The bridge in the fields



5. The corner of the field



2. The footbridge in the valley



4. The bridleway



6. The public footpath

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Leave The Great House and turn left up the lane. You pass the sign 'Wellington Cottages' and come to a T-junction. Turn left and after (15m) turn right through the bushes. Follow the sign 'Public Footpath' - there are several steps from the road (Pic 1). Continue between fences and at the end turn left into the fields. Follow the edge of the bushes (bushes on the right, field on the left) and climb over 5 styles. You come to a stony rural road, turn right and follow the road down the hill. Continue straight through the bottom of the a valley (on right side you can see a pond and table with benches, but it is a private area), over the wooden footpath bridge (pic 2) and steeply up the hill. You find a style, climb over and you are in the field.

Follow the edge of the field, along the bushes on the left side. In the middle of the field go through a gate - follow the yellow arrows and continue straight along the bushes, this time bushes are on the right side. You meet the style, climb over and come to the rural road. Turn left and follow this road down for (50m). In the curve to the left, you bear to the right over a small footbridge.

Follow the footpath, along the bushes on the left side, through a 'mouse hole' and you find some steps. Go up the steps and follow the footpath in the bushes, later you see a field on the left side. Continue between bushes on the left side and field on the right side until the footpath becomes a track. Follow this road, still between field and bushes ten straight through field (meadow) and you find a small footbridge marked by yellow strip on the rail (Pic 3). Go straight through the field to the houses and you find a small footpath in between them. Follow the footpath to a small gate, go through and you are on Slip Mill Road.

Turn left and follow the road for about 0.3 miles until you meet a bridleway on the left side (it's marked by a green arrow) (Pic 4). Follow this stony bridleway for about 0.5 miles on the right is a farm with alpacas until you find a small footbridge you used before on the left side. Then follow the bridleway upwards for 50m and turn right over the style into the field. Go along the bushes (bushes on the right) through the gate and continue along the bushes (bushes on the right). In the corner of the field climb over the style (Pic 5) and go steeply down the trail to the wood footbridge.

Go over the bridge and continue straight to the stony rural road. Go up the road, through Trewint Farm until you come to a road. Turn right and after 20m turn left onto a footpath (public footpath sign) (Pic 6). Follow this footpath to The Great House

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