

Little Bedwyn and Burridge Heath



Distance: approx 7.6 km (4¾ miles)  
Map: OS Explorer 157

This circular walk begins at the wharf car park in Great Bedwyn and goes alongside the Kennet & Avon Canal to Little Bedwyn. It then sets off through woodland and across fields before returning to the car park.

Moderate walking conditions, some road walking. An uphill stretch, no stiles.

The Stores

19 High Street, Great Bedwyn. Tel: 01672 871026

Convenience Store Licensed

Open every day

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No10 B&B

www.bedwynbnb.co.uk

www.airbnb.co.uk/h/bedwynbnb

email: bedwynbnb@gmail.com

Tel: 01672 870587 Mob: 07710 503661

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The Three Tuns

A freehouse village pub

Dine in - Take out - Outdoor seating

1 High Street, Great Bedwyn SN8 3NU

tel: 01672 870280

email: bedwyn3tuns@gmail.com



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The Post Office, Shop and Bakery

Cards, gifts, stationery, groceries

90 Church Street, Great Bedwyn. Tel: 01672 870673

Open daily

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Recreation ground, off Farm Lane  
Great Bedwyn SN8 3LU

Tel: 07901 668302

email: wendyscafeandjuicebar@gmail.com

www.wendyscafeandjuicebar.co.uk

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The Swan

Wilton SN8 3SS

Takeaways available

A traditional pub. Excellent food

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For more walks, go to  
www.bedwynfootpathsgroup.org.uk



New members always welcome  
Contact: Judy at  
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Getting there:

Buses to Marlborough and Hungerford: bus stops are in the village centre and by the railway station. www.swindonbus.co.uk

Trains to Hungerford, Kintbury, Newbury, Reading and Paddington. www.thetrainline.com

Cycle routes. Go to sustrans.org.uk

Places to visit in the area:

St Mary's church, Great Bedwyn: this church houses the tomb of Sir John Seymour, father of Jane, third wife of Henry VIII: www.savernaketeam.org.uk/church/st-marys-great-bedwyn/

Crofton Beam Engines: the oldest working steam engines in the world. See website for opening times and steaming dates: www.croftonbeamengines.org

Wilton windmill: the only operating windmill in Wessex. See website for seasonal opening of mill and refreshments: www.wiltonwindmill.co.uk

St Martin's chapel: this pretty thatched 13th century chapel is under the care of English Heritage. Visit english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/chisbury-chapel/

Savernake Forest: 4,500 acres of privately-owned ancient forest with many lovely walks. Managed by Forestry England: www.forestryengland.uk/savernake-forest

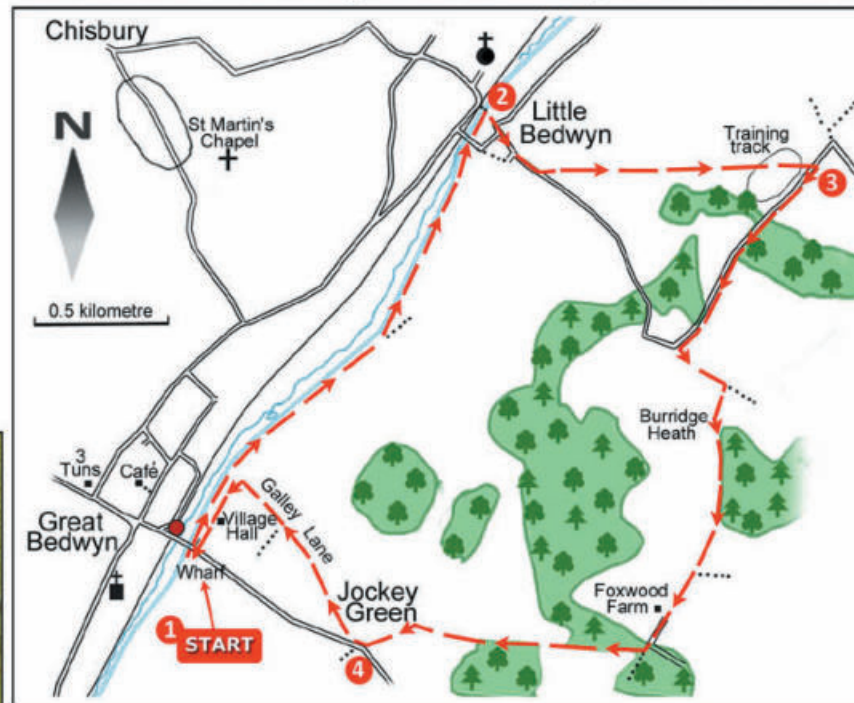
More suggestions at www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk or visit www.pewsey-heritage-centre.org.uk



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- 1 From Great Bedwyn wharf (Grid Ref SU 280 644) and facing the canal, turn right along the towpath and go under the bridge. Continue along the towpath for 2 km. As you arrive in Little Bedwyn, you go under a metal road bridge and pass a lock. You then leave the towpath, to the right, just before a tall concrete footbridge that goes over the railway.
- 2 Walk between buildings to reach a road junction. Your route is straight ahead, so cross the road (with care on this blind bend) and continue ahead along the road (High Street), signed to Bagshot. After about 200 metres, take the footpath on the left through a kissing gate, and cross the field diagonally, going through two kissing gates. In the far corner, go through yet another kissing gate, cross the grassy track, and go through the metal farm gate. Cross the field diagonally half right, go over a training track for horses and arrive at a road. Turn right.
- 3 Walk along the road for 850 metres as it climbs gently then, as it bends right, turn left onto a bridleway signed to Burridge Heath. (This is marked as a private road but is a public bridleway.) After 300 metres, ignore a track straight ahead, stay on the tarmac and continue for about 1 km. Where the road bends left, take the bridleway which bends round to the right. Continue until you arrive at a road.
- 4 This is Jockey Green. Turn to the right, before the road, and walk across the green through the trees and crossing driveways. Head along the wide bridleway which is Galley Lane. At the junction (with Frog Lane), turn left and continue to the road. Cross the road, with care, back to the Wharf car park.



Ensure that you are suitably equipped for walking. Note that these maps are intended as a guide only. Please respect the countryside, wildlife and livestock. Be aware that ticks are prevalent in the area.



*Looking towards Chisbury hill fort and 13th century chapel*



*Galby Lane*