

on a new path

Charleshill

Distance: 31/4 km=2 miles easy walking

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Refreshments: picnic, or later in Elstead

Map: Explorer 145 (Guildford) but the maps in this guide should be sufficient Problems, changes? We depend on your feedback: feedback@fancyfreewalks.org

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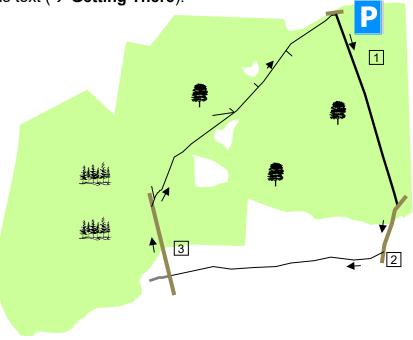
In Brief

This walk used to be *The Donkey at Charleshill* pub walk. The *Donkey* pub is now permanently closed but this is still a good short walk through interesting terrain. There is a chance this walk could be optionally extended in the future by continuing to Charleshill as intended, turning right, and returning on a wide loop (Feedback ideas welcome).

There are no nettles and no stiles on this walk. Any sensible clothing and shoes should be fine. It is perfect for your dog too.

The walk begins at the **Britty Wood car park**, Littleworth Road, Seale, near Farnham, Surrey, postcode **GU10 1JJ**, www.w3w.co/menu.twinkling.sourcing. The car park is unsigned and is near the Cuttmill Pond, opposite a double modern brick house, by an electricity transformer pylon. For more details,





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The Walk

- Take the main path at the back of the car park, going past a barrier, under wires. Soon you pass a waymarker and, on the right, *Britty Hill Cottage*, after which the path is a sandy track. You pass a water pumping station and the track becomes tarmac soon reaching a road. Turn **right** on the road.
- In 150m or so, turn **right** by the gate of Fullbrook Farm, taking a narrow path to the left of the gate. The path takes you past the farmhouse and runs between banks with overhanging maples, all kinds of trees and a coppice. On the left soon you have a view across fields to Thursley Common. Your path comes out to a road.
- Ignoring the footpath ahead through eagle-crested pillars, turn **right** on the road, soon passing on your right a house called *Speedwell*. In 300m, just after a very small layby, fork **right** on a footpath into the woods, by a post with a yellow arrow. Immediately take the main right fork, ignoring a path that forks left parallel to the road. This beautiful woodland path has a variety of trees, especially rowan with their red berries in late summer. Avoid all lesser paths branching off. Your path curves left and right under wires and joins a path coming from the left. The path is now wider and straighter. Follow it through pine and birch woods, passing several side paths. A distant house *Whitefield* is visible on the left. Finally a wooden barrier takes you to the Britty Wood car park where the walk began.

Getting there

By car: the Britty Wood car park is off the Littleworth Road, Seale, near Farnham. There are many ways of reaching it: (1) from the A3 or the Hog's Back and Puttenham village: turn left just after the church, follow the road for 2 miles or so until you go between two lakes, turn **right** at the crossroads; (2) from the A3 and Shackleford, at the junction in the village centre follow the quaint sign to *Cutmill.*, the car park is 600m on the left after a crossroads and the lake; (3) via the Hog's Back and Seale: follow various signs to *Elstead* or later *Cutmill*, the car park is just before the lakes on your right; (4) from Farnham, Runfold, The Sands: follow signs for *Cutmill*, passing the *Barley Mow* on your right, the car park is just before the lakes on your right.

By bus/train: Stagecoach bus 46 from Farnham or Godalming to Charleshill. Check the timetables.

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