

Hambledon 5.6 miles via Hole Farm, Anthill Common, Wayfarer's Way Ascent 600'

A walk from Hambledon past Hole Farm, through Madam's Copse to Anthill Common, then back to Hambledon on the Wayfarer's Way. Some short hills. The route uses 3 kissing gates and a bridge installed by SE Hants group volunteers and HCC Rangers in 2021.



The walk starts from the centre of Hambledon below the church. (SU645151), or the village hall CP.

Follow the road past the pub to the junction with the main road, cross the road to a path uphill between houses. Go R through a gate at the top of the path then L along a track to a lane. Turn R and continue to a path on the L by a house. Follow this downhill to Hole Farm.

The owner has installed gates to take you in a semicircle around the farm – use these. Then cross the track to the farm and go uphill to a gate. Go L past a horse exercise paddock to a stile, then another stile across the corner of the field. Follow the path along the edge of the wood, turning R after time to go over a stile onto a track.

Turn L until you get to a path on the R near Glebelands Farm. Follow this path through Madam's Copse, keeping ahead when you leave the wood through gates to steps onto a lane. Go straight across the lane through three kissing gates and over a bridge ('our' gates +bridge) and continue uphill to the Hambledon Road.

Do not join the road – turn R through some trees and across a field. When you go through hedge follow the path to the L along the field edge, until it bends R to a footbridge that leads you past houses onto a road (Uplands Road). Turn L to the main road, then R along the pavement.

Cross the road by the Garden Centre to a path that leads through High Wood. Follow this to a T junction, then turn L along the Wayfarer's Way. At the lane turn L then almost immediately R to a kissing gate to a path across a field. Turn L immediately after going through a hedge and continue to Rushmere Lane. Turn R, then L after a short distance on to a path – follow this to another lane. Go straight ahead to reach the steep hill down into Hambledon.