

## Hambleden: Long Route



DIFFICULTY RATING: HIGH: Varying, uneven terrain and very challenging in places.

START POINT: Recreation ground, Coombe Terrace, Hambleden, RG9 6RP

## ROUTE

1. From the Recreation ground, go back out onto the road. Turn left and then take the first lane on your right. Follow until you meet a junction; here take the footpath out to the meadows on your left.

2. Follow this straight (past Colstrope Farm on your right) and onto the lane. Continue forwards and then take the next footpath slightly branching left.

3. Continue along the valley for about 1 mile until you meet Shogmore Lane. (Red arrow) Turn right onto the lane and then take the first footpath on your left after the farm entrance.

4. At the next path junction turn right and follow the central path as it bends up and into Mousells Wood. Keep left and this path will then take you down into Fingest.

5. When you reach Fingest Lane, turn left and take the first footpath on your right after the churchyard. Keep left, cross the Oxford Road and continue to follow the path in front of you.
6.At the next path junction, turn left. You are now entering Turville. Keeping the church on your right, head up School Lane to the left of the church (this is the cottage where the Vicar of Dibley lived!)

7. Continue straight for about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile until you meet Dolesden Lane. Cross the lane and continue to follow the footpath directly in front of you.

8. Follow this uphill and then take the first footpath on the left after Southend Farm. Follow this footpath and keep left. Continue to follow over Dudley Lane and then take the first footpath on your left after the lane.

9. Keep on the central woodland path for about two miles. This will take you downhill, bending left and back to Hambleden village.

