



Nettlebed: Long Route

DIFFICULTY RATING: **HIGH:** A variety of uneven terrain and very hilly in places.

START POINT: Recreation Ground, Nettlebed, RG9 5AR

ROUTE

1. From the starting point head diagonally to the opposite side of the Recreation Ground and take the central footpath into Nettlebed Common Wood. Continue on the footpath to the first fork. Take the left fork and shortly afterwards branch right onto a track.
2. You will come to a small kissing gate which takes you into a field which rises ahead of you. Go over the rise and head left, passing through a gate on the left hand edge of the field, into woodland. Continue following the path. As you exit the woodland, keep right.
2. After a mile, you will reach a lane which is Russell's Water. Cross over and take the path to your right (which looks like a private driveway) and then left along a grassy strip by a fence. Continue on the path and shortly it will come onto a gravel track, go left and immediately right following 1 Kiln Cottages sign.
3. Follow the footpath keeping a gravel track to your right (or use the land if very muddy) which takes you round the edge of a field. At the end of the field follow the footpath through Upper Nuttalls Farm. Continue to follow the path for about a mile until you reach a right hand turn with a lane to your left. Turn right.
4. Follow this until you reach a lane. Cross the lane and continue to follow the footpath directly in front of you. Remain on this footpath until you reach a lane to your right with a beautiful view from the house on your left. Turn right here and instead of going into the Warburg Nature Reserve through a gate ahead of you, take the left hand path heading downwards which is outside the reserve. Continue on this footpath until you reach a lane at the bottom (which is just over 5 miles from your starting point at the recreation ground). Turn left, passing the St James Church ruins on your right and continue on taking the next footpath on your right after the Chiltern Way sign.
5. Stay on the central path and this will lead you into Catslip. Take the footpath which branches off to your left and this will take you across Nettlebed Common. Turn left onto The Green, follow it for a short distance (see the Old Brick Kiln to your right) and then when you reach the main road turn right and right again to return to the Recreation Ground car park.

MAP



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