

Walk 3 of the 50/50 series

5.5 Miles

This guide should be read in conjunction Ordnance Survey Explorer Map 148.

Meopham Green to Luddesdown and Great Buckland	Map reference for OS sheet TQ
<p>From the War Memorial on Meopham Green take the footpath to the right of the Oast House. Continue through the kissing gate passing an old barn on the left. Pass through the next kissing gate and keeping the hedge on your left to another kissing gate on the left, go through the gate and continue to the road. (1) Cross the road to the kissing gate and continue straight on through two fields to the road, (2) turn right and take the footpath up the drive opposite, cross the garden diagonally to the woodland and to a gate onto the byway, turn left. Follow the track to a junction of paths with a kissing gate to the left. (3)</p>	<p>1 6461 6531 2 6552 6579 3 6604 6559</p>
<p>Go through the kissing gate and take the right hand path to a stile and Dean Road. Turn left on the road for a short distance and take the next footpath to the right keeping the hedge first on the left and presently on the right. At the bottom of the field the path goes first left and then right and on then to a stile, down steps to the road. (4) Turn right passing the church on the right and through the gates to Court Lodge this is where the route joins the Wealdway.</p>	<p>4 6698 6627</p>
<p>Follow the estate road round to the right as the drive slopes down to barns take the gate on the left. Go through the gate; follow the path down the hill to a kissing gate and then up to the top of the facing hill keeping the hedge on your left. When you reach first stile on the left at the top of the hill bear slightly right for about 50 metres to a second stile. Cross the stile and continue on the path keeping the hedge on the right.</p>	
<p>Follow the hedge crossing one stile then continue to where the hedge bears right by a waymarker post, continue ahead across the field to a stile in the hedge, cross the stile turning slightly left to a stile in the left hand hedge a short distance away. Over the stile and the path heads diagonally left across the valley crossing two stiles and then onto the road at Great Buckland, (5) turn right and follow the road taking the right hand lane to Lockyers Hill, climb the hill passing the junction with Luxon Road, at this point the road turns to the right follow the road to a stile on the left cross the stile into an enclosed path. (6)</p>	<p>5 6704 6441 6 6639 6418</p>
<p>Continue along the path first turning right and then left to a stile at a road, cross the road and continue on the path dropping steeply down to the next road. (7) Cross the road and climb the metalled road ahead and turn right onto the byway follow the track to the road ignoring the path off to the right. At the road (8) turn left and then right following the road past Waares Meadow Farm to the next road junction, turn right down the hill to a footpath up steps on the left.</p>	<p>7 6550 6443 8 6514 6452</p>
<p>From the kissing gate bear slightly right, uphill and then down into the valley through another kissing gate in the hedge and on up diagonally right. On reaching the top (9) we rejoin our outward route and retrace our steps back to Meopham Green.</p>	<p>9 6440 6521</p>

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