

3. Finish at Rudgwick (GR087333).

To extend the distance either return to Run Common or continue on Route A3 to Southwater (GR161259).

### Beginners Route A3

7½ miles (12.10 km)

#### Rudgwick/Slinfold/Christ's Hospital/Southwater

3. Start at Rudgwick (GR087333). Follow the A281 Horsham to Guildford Road to Bucks Green then take the B2128 to Rudgwick. Take the first turn left after the bridge into Station Road. Weekends only - park in Heath Centre car park.

4. Finish at Southwater Country Park car park (GR16159).

To extend the distance either return to Rudgwick or continue on route A4 to Henfield (GR206162).

### Beginners Route A4

7½ miles (12.10 km)

#### Southwater/West Grinstead/Partridge Green/Henfield

4. Start at Southwater Country Park car park (GR161259). From Horsham follow A24 Worthing Road and the signs for Southwater Country Park. There is parking by the Visitor Centre in Cripplegate Lane where you join The Downs Link.

5. Finish at Henfield (GR206162).

To extend the distance either return to Southwater or continue on route A5 to Bramber (GR185105)

### Beginners Route A5

9½ miles (15.20 km)

#### Henfield/Bramber

5. Start at Henfield (GR206162). From Horsham follow the A281 to Henfield. At The White Hart turn right into Church Street, leading to Upper Station Road. Park next to The Railway Tavern.

6. Finish at Bramber (GR185105).

To extend the distance either return to Henfield or continue on route A6 to Shoreham-by-Sea.

### Beginners Route A6

8½ miles (13.63 km)

#### Bramber/Botolphs/Shoreham-by-Sea

6. Start at Bramber car park (GR185105). From Horsham follow the A281 to Henfield, then A2037 and A283 to Steyning and Bramber. Turn right into Bramber. Park opposite The Castle Hotel. There is some parking at Bramber Castle. Go back to the roundabout and follow The Downs Link signs.

7. Finish at Shoreham-by-Sea at the Old Shoreham wooden toll bridge. Park beside road to Shoreham airfield (GR205058).

To extend the distance return to Bramber (GR205058).

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### Intermediate Routes A1 & A2

28 miles (45.06 km)

#### St Martha's Hill/Run Common/Cranleigh/Rudgwick

- Start and finish at St Martha's Hill.

### Intermediate Routes A3 & A4

30 miles (48.27 km)

#### Rudgwick/Southwater/Partridge Green/Henfield

- Start and finish at Rudgwick.

### Intermediate Routes A5 & A6

36 miles (57.93 km)

#### Henfield/Bramber/Shoreham-by-Sea

- Start and finish at Henfield.

### Experienced Routes A1 to A6

47 miles (75.63 km)

#### St Martha's Hill/Run Common/Rugwick/Southwater/Henfield/Bramber/Shoreham-by-Sea

- Start at St Martha's Hill Finish at Shoreham-by-Sea

### Experienced Routes A1 to A3

43 miles (69.19 km)

#### Southwater/St Martha's Hill

- Start and finish at Southwater

### Experienced Routes A4 to A6

51 miles (82.07 km)

#### Southwater/Henfield/Shoreham-by-Sea

- Start and finish at Southwater



## The Downs Link: Guildford to Shoreham-by-Sea



Off Road

47 miles (75.63 km)

Routes A1 A2 A3 A4 A5 A6

A1 & A2: A3 & A4: A5 & A6

A1 to A6: A1 A2 & A3: A4 A5 & A6

Maps: Explorer 122 Brighton & Hove, 134 Crawley & Horsham, 145 Guildford & Farnham

Beginners

Intermediate

Experienced

1 to 1½ hours

2 to 3¼ hours

4 to 5 hours

For a detailed Downs Link Route Guide contact 01483 523394 or [www.waverley.gov.uk/countryside/leaflets.asp](http://www.waverley.gov.uk/countryside/leaflets.asp)

The Downs Link, established in 1984 as a link between the North and South Downs, is a scenic, flat bridleway between Guildford in the North and Shoreham-by-Sea in the South. The section between Bramber and Shoreham-by-Sea is sometimes known as the Coastal Link. It is an excellent cycle way which, for much of its length, follows two disused railway lines closed in 1966 and 1981. The Link is suitable for riders of all abilities and there are a number of access points from which routes can be planned.

Beginners may wish to start/finish at the same point. Intermediates can combine more than one section and the experienced can ride the whole 47 miles (75.63 km) in one length or two sections.

There are a variety of route options with some suggestions as follows:

### Beginners Route A1

#### St Martha's Hill/Bramley/Run Common 7 miles (11.30 km)

1. Start at St Martha's Hill at car park (GR035484). From Guildford or Horsham follow the A248. Then 1.5 km after Chilworth Railway Station, turn left into the narrow Guildford Lane. There is a car park about 1.2 km along the lane. Many paths cross here. Follow Downs Link signs.

2. Finish at Run Common (GR031420).

To extend the distance either return to St Martha's Hill or continue on Route A2 to Rudgwick (GR087333).

### Beginners Route A2

#### Run Common/Cranleigh/Baynards/Rudgwick

2. Start at Run Common (GR031420). From Guildford or Horsham take the A281 to the turn-off between Grafham and Birtley Green to Rowly and Cranleigh. After 1.2 km park in the lay-by just after the bridge over The Downs Link.

7 miles (11.30 km)



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