

This is another walk that takes in part of the Downs Link Bridleway. It also passes some lovely old buildings in Slinfold village. If you enjoy walking through bluebells in the spring this is a good route to follow.



**1.** Start from the St Peter's Church on The Street. With your back to the church turn right. Follow the path round past the school until you reach a bend that goes round to the right, opposite Tannery Close. The traffic is a little difficult to see on the bend so cross the road with care. On the opposite side of the road carry on up a track called Spring Lane for about a quarter of a mile.

**2.** Just past the caravan site on your right the track is crossed by the Downs Link Bridleway. Turn right here in front of the white house (numbers 1 & 2 Spring Lane).

**3.** Follow this bridleway as it curves round to the right. It will take you under one bridge and lead you to a second. Just in front of this bridge take the footpath on the right up the short slope. At the top turn right onto the Bridleway. Follow this through the trees. At the three-way footpath signpost go straight ahead. When you reach the end of the wooded area cross over the footbridge and go through the kissing gate.

**4.** Turn right and walk along the right-hand edge of the field until you get to a gateway. Here is a good place to stop and enjoy the view over towards Random Hall on the old Roman road.

**5.** Turn left inside the field and again follow the path along the right-hand edge of the field. At the end of the field go through the gate and into the second wooded area. Follow this path straight ahead. After crossing the footbridge the path bears right. Head for the gate and footpath sign. Pass out in to the field.

**6.** Turn left and follow the footpath along the hedge into the left-hand corner of the field. This corner of the field can get very muddy and churned up by cattle.

**7.** Pass through the kissing gate and turn left. You are now back on to the Downs Link. Follow this for just over a mile (once you pass under the first bridge you are retracing your steps). After the bench follow the path around to the right back to Spring Lane. At the T-junction turn left back into Spring Lane.

