

Wadhurst Long Walk Directions

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These directions provide an alternate long route for the Wadhurst walk described in the book “Time Out Country Walks near London – Volume 2” (ISBN 0141018658). The directions are to be used in conjunction with the printed book.

For the long distance walker, the Wadhurst circular walk may be extended to a linear 34km (21.1 miles) walk by taking the Wadhurst short walk and linking it with these long walk directions. This route continues north of Wadhurst passing Bewl water and to the east of Etchingam and into Robertsbridge. Walking at a faster pace you should still allow 10 hours for the 34km route. (For the more ambitious you may extend the walk to a linear 43km (26.7 miles) by combining these long walk directions with the Wadhurst main walk.)

OS LandRanger Map Nos. 188 & 199 (for the last part of the long walk section). **OS Explorer Map** No. 136.

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Walk Notes: After leaving the standard Wadhurst walk, this longer walk heads up north of Wadhurst to go round the northern side of Bewl Water. The path around Bewl Water is popular with cyclists during the summer. Taking the recommended lunch stop at Cousley Wood cuts 1.5km from the otherwise 9km continuous Bewl Water walk section. Once off the Bewl Water walk section the walk continues on the peaceful Sussex Border Path before heading south via Burgh Hill to pick up the river Rother for the final 2km stretch into Robertsbridge.

By train Take a train from **Charing Cross** station to **Wadhurst**. Journey time is just over an hour. Trains back from Robertsbridge run once an hour. Buy a day return to Robertsbridge.

By car: Wadhurst station car park £2.00 weekdays and free at weekends.

Lunch: The Old Vine, Cousley Wood, East Sussex TN5 6ER (01892 782271), 12.5km from the start of the walk, which serves pub food from 12 to 2 pm daily. **The Look Out** restaurant, Visitor's Center, Bewl Water (01892 890171 / www.bewl.co.uk) 16 km from the start of the walk, which serves food from 10.30am to 5pm daily (April to October), Saturday and Sunday (November to March). An earlier suggested lunch place is **The Greyhound** St. James Square, Wadhurst, TN5 6BH (01892 783224), 7km from the start of the walk which serves food from 12 to 2.30pm daily.

Tea The suggested tea stop is The **Ostrich pub**, Robertsbridge (further details under Lunch and Tea Places in the Time Out Country Walks book – Volume 2)

34km Long walk

Use the Wadhurst Circular short walk directions for the short walk until just before [10], but do not “*cross over a stile immediately on your left to reach the corner of a field.*”

Instead *ignore the stile on your left to turn right onto a lane, where you turn left down the lane*, your initial direction 80 degrees. You now follow the Longer walk directions below.

43 km Long walk via Mayfield

Use the Wadhurst Circular walk directions for the main walk until just before [10], but do not “*Cross the lane and the stile immediately opposite you; ignoring two stiles to your left, to reach the corner of a field.*”

Instead *turn right down the lane*, your initial direction 80 degrees. You now follow the Longer walk directions below.

Longer walk directions

After 100 metres at a lane junction, continue straight ahead, ignoring the lane up to the left. In 30 metres the lane crosses a stream. After 40 metres as the lane comes to metal 2 metre high gates, *fork left off the lane to follow the yellow footpath arrow up the grass footpath*, with a 2 metre high wire mesh fence on your right.

In 120 metres go over a stile, to follow a yellow arrow up the left-hand side of a field, your direction 50 degrees. After 350 metres, ignore a stile on your left as you pass under some mini pylon cables, to continue up the left edge of the field, your direction 60 degrees.

In 100 metres go over a stile to the left of a metal fieldgate to continue along the left edge of the field. After 60 metres *at the top left hand corner of the field, cross a stile to the left of a metal fieldgate, to turn right to cross a stile in the corner of the next field, to go along a fenced in footpath between gardens*, your direction east. After 50 metres cross over a stile and in a further 50 metres cross a stile *to come out onto the main road.* [L1]

If wishing to take an early lunch stop here, turn left, for 400 metres to reach the Greyhound pub. Otherwise cross the road and *turn right* along the pavement, your direction 160 degrees. *After 100 metres turn left over a stile* indicated by a wooden footpath signpost, your initial direction east. In 40 metres you emerge from a light wooded area into the corner of a field to go diagonally across, your direction 70 degrees.

In 220 metres at the far corner of the field, *go over a stile and cross a lane to take a footpath directly opposite*, marked by a wooden footpath post 5 metres beyond to enter the corner of a field. Go down the right hand edge of the field, your direction 120 degrees. In 180 metres *at the bottom right hand corner, follow the field edge round to the left* to continue down the bottom right hand edge of the field.

In 350 metres, turn right down an unmarked car wide earth track leading to a car wide bridge, your direction 140 degrees. In 40 metres *cross over the bridge* to go through a wooden fieldgate, to continue up the car wide earth track through a

wooded area, your initial direction east. *After 20 metres fork left* along an unmarked narrow path off the car wide track, your direction 40 degrees. *In 70 metres where the footpath forks, fork right to cross a stile after 10 metres*, to emerge from the light wooded area, to follow a yellow arrow up across a field, your direction 80 degrees.

In 140 metres having crossed the field, the path veers right to continue up the left-hand edge of the field, your direction 130 degrees.

After 200 metres *at the top left-hand corner of the field*, go through a metal kissing gate and up some stone steps, to *turn left down a concrete car wide track*, your direction 30 degrees. *In 400 metres turn right, immediately past a brick cottage* as indicated by a yellow public footpath arrow on a telegraph pole. Go through a wooden fieldgate to *follow the footpath round to the right and down towards the right hand corner of a fenced in clump of trees 100 metres distant* with an oak tree just to the right, your direction 140 degrees.

Just before the corner of the clump of trees, turn left down a car wide earth track, as marked by a yellow footpath arrow on the corner post. (With the clump of trees now on your right and a larger fenced in wooded area off to your left, your direction 80 degrees.)

In 160 metres cross a car wide bridge to go through a double wooden / metal fieldgate. Follow a yellow footpath arrow up the right hand side of the field, your direction 10 degrees. After 150 metres *where the field levels out, turn right to go through a car wide fieldgate entrance* to follow a footpath arrow up the left hand side of the field, your direction east.

In 240 metres *at the top left hand corner of the field*, go through a wooden fieldgate to *turn left onto a lane*, your direction 40 degrees. After 500 metres the lane enters a wooded area. In 100 metres *turn left down a car wide track (byway) to follow a signpost for the Bewl Water route*, your direction 310 degrees.

After 200 metres at a junction you pass a signpost (Round Bewl Water Walk) on your left,

to continue straight ahead. In 40 metres *turn left at a signpost to follow a bridleway arrow off to the left down a car wide fenced in earth track.*

In 250 metres the car wide earth track curves round and down to the right towards Bewl Water. In 100 metres go through a wooden gate and *turn left as indicated by a sign for "Bewl Water Walk" to go along an earth path with Bewl Water on your right, your direction 200 degrees.*

After 300 metres the path enters a wooded area as you continue along with a wooden fence on your left. After 50 metres you go over a bridge to head up and veer to the right (to emerge from the wooded area) with a wooden fence on your left and a field beyond.

In 500 metres you enter a wooded area. After 180 metres the path veers right, to cross a stream to head up, with a wooden fence on your left and a field beyond. (On the edge of a wooded area.)

After 180 metres you cross over a car wide bridge. In 70 metres the path curves to the right, and crosses a plank bridge, then straightens your direction 30 degrees.

In 200 metres *ignore a footpath over a stile off to the left with a large blue notice "Footpath to Wadhurst 1 mile", to reach a dip as you cross a stream after 40 metres. [L2]*

Now there are two alternatives. **(i)** Take the recommended diversion from Bewl water, to the recommended lunch stop, or **(ii)** Skip the recommended lunch stop and keep to the Sussex Border Path by Bewl Water.

(i) Diversion from Bewl water: *Fork left, your direction 290 degrees. After 40 metres cross a dilapidated stile to the left of a wooden gate with a large blue notice "Footpath to Cousley Wood ¾ mile".*

Go up the left-hand edge of a narrow field. After 350 metres at the top left-hand corner of the field you pass a footpath post on your left to cross over into the adjacent field to go diagonally across the field, your direction 310 degrees.

After 300 metres at the top corner of this field veer to the right to cross into the adjacent field to go down a car wide earth track along the left

hand edge of the field with a vista of Bewl Water off to the right, your direction 20 degrees.

In 200 metres at the left hand field corner you *come out onto a lane with a three armed footpath signpost on your left. Continue up the lane to reach a T-junction with the main B road after 150 metres. Turn left for **The Old Vine pub.***

After lunch *retrace your steps to the three-armed footpath signpost, to then follow the lane round to left passing a telegraph pole on right with notice "Green private Farm and private road"*

After 600 metres where the lane curves to the right continue down the lane as indicated by a yellow footpath arrow on a three-armed footpath post to your right. In 180 metres *just before the lane curves sharply to the right in front of the entrance to Bewl Water Oast, turn left to go through a wooden gate stile to go down a footpath with a wooden fence on your right, your direction 60 degrees.*

After 80 metres (just before a stile in the fence on your right) turn left as marked by a yellow footpath arrow, and cross a plank bridge to go down the right hand edge of the field with woods on your right. After 150 metres at the bottom corner of the field cross over a stile and turn left, your direction west. Rejoin the route at the asterisk [] below.*

(ii) Skip the recommended lunch stop:

Continue straight on following the path round to the right to emerge from the wood into a clearing. After 350 metres you enter a light wooded area and after 100 metres pass a woodland trust footpath through an opening in the wooden fence on your left. In 400 metres you emerge from the wooded area, and pass a stile on your left.

After 140 metres you enter a light wooded area to emerge from it after 60 metres. In 50 metres you enter another light wooded area. In 120 metres ignore a footpath leading off to the left. After 100 metres you pass another woodland trust footpath through an opening in the wooden fence on your left.

In 70 metres the path leads down to a path junction with Bewl Water directly in front of

you, turn left to follow the main path, your direction west. After 250 metres you emerge from the light wooded area as you meet with a footpath on your left.

[*] *You now follow the path around Bewl Water for 2km to reach the Visitors Centre [L3] which for the most part is straightforward and clearly signposted.*

In more detail: Continue straight ahead, your direction west, with a field up to your left and a light wooded area on your right. After 140 metres cross a car wide earth bridge as you enter a wooded area. In 40 metres ignore a stile on your left, as you emerge from the wooded area, your direction 110 degrees. After 600 metres you enter a lightly wooded area.

[!] In 500 metres you reach a path T-junction, turn left as indicated by white bridleway sign on the fence in front with SBP on it, to go up a part tarmac lane, your direction 20 degrees. After 15 metres you pass through a wooden gate to the left of a wooden fieldgate.

[!] After 150 metres as the car wide track curves round to the left, turn right to go through gateposts to follow a yellow footpath arrow down some steps into a more densely wooded area, your initial direction 140 degrees. In 100 metres you emerge from the wood into an open area by a two-armed footpath signpost to reach the periphery of a yacht club.

Turn right to follow the Bewl Water footpath arm down a tarmac lane towards the Bewl Bridge rowing club creosote clapboard building. After 70 metres pass the rowing club building on your right and after 20 metres by a three-armed footpath signpost, turn left to follow the Bewl Water footpath arm up the lane. In 20 metres fork right onto a shingle footpath which swings to the right to enter a lightly wooded area, your direction 60 degrees. In 250 metres you emerge from the woods to cross a car wide tarmac track.

In 15 metres pass by a double pylon pole on your right with a transformer box mounted on it, to then enter a wooded area as you immediately pass a brick utility building on your right. After 70 metres you emerge from the wooded area to reach open parkland area.

[L3] *If you do not wish to visit the Visitors Centre 80 metres ahead, turn half right after 20 metres down across parkland towards a jetty, your direction 110 degrees. After 150 metres you come out onto a sand shingle track. Turn left up the shingle track and after 100 metres you turn right down some steps, which lead down to the path along the dam.*

You now follow the path around Bewl Water for 4km to reach a T-junction with a road [L4], which for the most part is straightforward and clearly signposted.

In more detail: You now follow the footpath along the dam for 1 km to go through a wooden gate to the right of a wooden fieldgate. Continue along a car wide initially shingle track as you enter a lightly wooded area, your direction 200 degrees.

After 1.1 km you emerge from the lightly wooded area, to then enter another lightly wooded area after 80 metres. In 100 metres you emerge from this lightly wooded area.

After 200 metres you enter a lightly wooded area. After 500 metres the path curves round to right with a large black on yellow warning triangle – “Flow in creek increases rapidly without notice” in front as you cross a car wide bridge over the creek, to continue up the car wide track.

In 120 metres you emerge from the woods, with the creek from Bewl Water on your right. After 600 metres you enter a lightly wooded area, which you emerge from after 60 metres.

After 200 metres you go through a wooden gate to right of a wooden fieldgate to come out onto a tarmac driveway to continue straight ahead as you pass a red brick house on your right, your direction 80 degrees. In 130 metres you reach a T-junction with a lane. [L4]

Turn right onto the lane, your direction 200 degrees. In 200 metres having crossed the east dam to Bewl Water, turn left to cross a stile to go along the left hand edge of a 20 metre wide strip of land, your direction 70 degrees.

After 100 metres the footpath is now a field boundary with a hedgerow to your left and a wooden fence to your right. In 300 metres cross

over a 4 plank footbridge and go past a redundant stile. After 50 metres you enter a wooded area, your direction 160 degrees. In 25 metres you cross a footbridge and go over a stile as the path ascends gently, with a wire fence on your right.

After 130 metres the path veers to the right and is joined by a path merging from the left, your direction 150 degrees. In 150 metres at the corner of the wire fence on your right continue straight over a path crosspaths, your initial direction 140 degrees, as you head up through a pine trees.

After 50 metres you pass a metal fieldgate on your right with a wire fence now on your right. In 300 metres you cross a stile to the left of a white metal fieldgate to join an (initially) tarmac lane and emerge from the wooded area, your direction 170 degrees.

In 200 metres you reach a T-junction with a B road. Turn left and after 10 metres turn right to go down a shingle lane, marked by a wooden footpath post, your direction south.

After 160 metres you go over a lane crossroads with double wooden fieldgate entrances Dale Hill golf club on both sides, to continue more steeply down. After 300 metres you pass the entrance to Little Quedley on your right, to then after a few metres pass through an open metal fieldgate.

In 30 metres you pass an oast house on your right and veer to the left to leave the shingle track and go down a grass track towards a white flag pole 40 metres distant. Follow the path round to the left (passing by the flagpole on your left-hand side), now with a wire fence on your right, your direction 130 degrees.

After 60 metres you pass a footpath post on your left to veer right and follow the yellow footpath arrow with a wire fence on your right and a small open area to your left.

In 70 metres the footpath gently descends and is now "fenced in", by hedgerows, your direction south. After 80 metres you cross a stile, to go along the left-hand edge of a golf course. After 130 metres you come out onto a small tarmac service road for golf carts. In 60 metres you reach a 3-way service road junction, with a two-

armed footpath signpost to your left.

Fork right aiming for a gap in the wood, (25 metres to the left of a large oak tree on the far side), 130 metres distant, your direction 200 degrees.

On reaching the SBP entrance into the wood, you pass a two-armed footpath post on your left to go down through a wood, your direction 220 degrees. After 300 metres you cross an earth bridge over a stream to continue up through the wood. In 130 metres you cross a stile to emerge from the wood by a signpost. Turn left to go down the left-hand edge of the field, your initial direction 60 degrees. After 180 metres at the bottom left hand corner of the field cross a stile to enter a wood to immediately cross a footbridge to then go over a stile after a few metres to come out into the bottom left hand corner of a field.

Go up the left-hand edge of the field, your direction 80 degrees. After 100 metres at the top left-hand corner, continue in the same direction along the left-hand edge of a light wooded area. After 70 metres the footpath starts to level out, as you emerge from the light wooded area, to continue between a wooded boundary on your left and a 2-metre high mesh wire fence on the right.

After 80 metres go over a stile (minus step) to turn right up a car wide grass track. In 35 metres the path narrows (with a wood on your left and 2 metres high fence on your right). In a further 70 metres you join a car wide shingle track going slightly downhill through the wood.

After 100 metres the car wide track reaches a dip to then ascend and in 60 metres, you emerge from the wood. After 150 metres you reach a double wooden fieldgate on the left and right. Turn right as marked by a footpath signpost to go through the double wooden fieldgate to go down the left hand side of a field, your direction 170 degrees.

In 40 metres turn left to cross a stile to go through a wooden gate to go along a "footpath corridor" along the left hand edge of a garden with a wooden fence on your left and tall evergreens on your right, your direction 80 degrees.

After 60 metres go through a wooden gate, now with a 3-metre high brick wall on your left. In 15 metres you come out onto a driveway to then after a few metres *reach the A21*.

Take care crossing this road to then turn right along the pavement. After 80 metres turn left to go through a metal fieldgate and veer right across a field heading towards a car wide exit just to the right of a small clump of trees on the far side of the field, your direction east.

In 170 metres having crossed the field go *through the field exit to continue straight ahead aiming for the left hand corner of a field jutting onto this field, your direction 70 degrees*. In 120 metres at the corner of the adjacent field on your right hand side, continue down in the same direction with the field fence on your right. In 300 metres at the bottom right hand corner of the field cross over a stile, to continue along the left hand edge of a narrow field, your direction east. After 160 metres at the bottom left hand corner of the field continue along a car wide track passing a yellow arrow on a post, to enter a lightly wooded area to reach a dip to now continue up, your direction 120 degrees.

After 40 metres you *emerge from the light wooded area*. [!] *In 30 metres turn left to cross a (broken) stile to then veer right across a field heading towards a gap in the trees, your direction 60 degrees.*

In 120 metres go *through the car wide gap into the next field and turn right, along the right hand side of this field, your initial direction 130 degrees*. After 150 metres *at the right-hand field corner continue straight ahead towards a red brick house (Brookgate Farm) ahead. In 60 metres follow the track round to the right.*

[!] *After 20 metres turn left through a double wooden fieldgate (as indicated by a yellow footpath arrow on the right hand corner of the building (converted stables) on your left), to go along a driveway, your direction 100 degrees. After 25 metres veer to the right and then to the left to continue along a grass track passing the house on your left behind a hedge. After 80 metres, turn right along a car wide track leading towards a bridge. [!] Immediately after this right turn and before the car wide bridge, fork left to*

cross a wooden footbridge, your direction 100 degrees, to then after 20 metres cross a stile to come out into the bottom corner of a field. Go diagonally up across the field, your direction 70 degrees. In 60 metres you reach the brow of the field. After 70 metres the path merges with the right hand edge of the field to continue along the bottom right hand edge, your direction 70 degrees.

After 120 metres at the bottom right hand corner of the field you cross over a stile to immediately cross a plank footbridge to go up the right hand side of a field, in the same direction. After 200 metres at the right hand field corner go over a stile to go up a footpath through a wooded area with a wire fence to your left. *In 70 metres the path merges with a car wide track up from the right, as you pass a yellow footpath arrow on a post on your left, to continue on the car wide earth track, your direction 50 degrees.*

[!] *In 40 metres turn right onto an easily missed footpath at the corner post of a garden beyond, to immediately cross a plank footbridge, your direction south. After 10 metres the path curves to the left up the left hand fenced in field edge, your direction east. In 130 metres at the top left hand corner go through a gap in the hedgerow to continue in the same direction up the right hand edge of the next field.*

In 150 metres at the right hand field corner *turn right onto a car wide earth track, your direction 160 degrees*. After 450 metres the track becomes tarmac as you pass a red brick house on your left. In 280 metres you *pass a pond on your left-hand side to reach a T-junction. Turn left up a lane, your direction east.*

After 100 metres *where the lane curves to the left, turn right down a footpath (to the right of a wooden fieldgate) through a wood. In 60 metres you cross over a wooden footbridge to follow a footpath (which can get overgrown in summer) up. In 50 metres you come out onto a car wide earth track. Turn left and in 30 metres go through a metal fieldgate.*

After 100 metres go over a stile to the left of a metal fieldgate and continue in the same direction (initially wooded edge) along the right hand edge of a field, your direction 230 degrees. In 200 metres at the right hand corner of the

field, cross a stile to go down the right hand edge of the next field. After 120 metres cross over a (broken) stile to the left of a metal fieldgate to continue along the right hand edge of a wooded area. In 150 metres the footpath curves left and down as you pass a redundant stile on your right, your direction 190 degrees.

In 80 metres go thru a wooden gate (to left of a wooden fieldgate) and in a further 40 metres you emerge from the wooded area to go down the right hand side of a narrow field.

[!]In 30 metres turn right to cross over into the next field to go diagonally down across the field, aiming for the far lower corner, your direction west. In 250 metres at the lower left hand corner cross over a stile and continue along the bottom left hand edge of the next field, which leads to a footbridge in the bottom left hand corner. After 100 metres enter Pook's Wood to cross over the footbridge and turn left up the footpath (which can become overgrown in summer).

In 120 metres cross over a stile to emerge from the wood and continue up the left-hand side of a field, your direction 230 degrees. After 120 metres at the top left-hand field corner cross over into the next field (through a metal fieldgate) to continue up its right hand edge.

In 80 metres at the top right hand field corner go through a metal fieldgate to go up the right hand side of a garden.

After 100 metres turn right along the pavement of the A21. (Note: Turn left here to reach after 50 metres a BP garage with a shop selling food and drink.) In 150 metres with the Orchard Farm shop on your right hand side, turn left to cross with care the A21 to then go over a stile to the left of a metal fieldgate.

Head down an (initially) shingle fenced in car wide track, your initial direction 210 degrees. In 400 metres you go through a small wooded area between fences with a pond to your left.

After 30 metres you emerge from the small wooded area and continue down with a fence on your left and a wood to your right. In 150 metres at the corner of the field follow a footpath arrow on a post to immediately cross a two plank footbridge to come out into an adjacent field and

continue downhill.

In 130 metres the footpath curves round to the left as you follow the right hand edge of the field round with the wood on your right. After 230 metres you reach the bottom corner of the field to continue down into the wood, and after 10 metres cross over a stile to enter a wood and in 50 metres you cross a footbridge to now go up through the wood.

After 40 metres veer right to reach a path T-junction after 20 metres. Turn right to go uphill, your initial direction 190 degrees. In 60 metres at another path T-junction, turn left to continue uphill, your direction 110 degrees. After 130 metres a path merges from your left-hand side, as you veer up to the right, your direction 190 degrees.

After 200 metres (having ignored a path up to the left) turn right at a path T-junction, your direction 230 degrees, to continue on the level. In 30 metres you emerge into an open space to join a car wide earth track. Continue along this car wide earth track which gradually descends. After 220 metres where the car wide track reaches a metal fieldgate, pass round to the right of the fieldgate to go down the fenced in earth car wide track between gardens.

In 60 metres at a T-junction with a lane, turn right along the lane, your direction 240 degrees. After 140 metres you pass the double fieldgate entrance to The White House on your left. [!]In 40 metres turn left at an easily missed footpath (marked by a yellow arrow on a footpath post to the left of the footpath entrance), your direction 160 degrees. [L5] If you intend to cut the walk short refer to the directions (Cutting it short to Etchingam) at the end of this text.

In 150 metres go over a stile into the corner of a field. Continue down the right hand side of this field. After 200 metres at the right hand corner of the field, either (i) Follow the path through to some steps to reach the A265. Cross this road with care and turn left for 30 metres to then turn right down a lane, your initial direction 190 degrees. (ii) (In summer route (i) can become quite overgrown), in which case continue straight ahead to come out onto the road, to cross over and go down the lane opposite, your direction 190 degrees.

Follow this lane *for 1km until you reach the bottom with a converted oast house ahead.*

Follow the car wide track round to the right and down, passing the converted oast house on your left. After 80 metres go over a stile to the right of a fieldgate, your direction 210 degrees, to continue along a car wide shingle track. After 40 metres where the shingle track ends, turn half left to follow a not too clearly defined footpath, heading towards a wooded area, your direction south. In 40 metres you reach the wooded area to go through a metal fieldgate, and after a few metres cross over a stream. After a further few metres turn left, marked by a two armed footpath signpost, to go along a narrow strip of land (which may be thick with nettles in the summer) below mini pylon cables parallel to a railway embankment 15 metres to the right, your direction 130 degrees.

In 220 metres you pass a stile on your right with an adjacent three armed signpost. After 180 metres at the end of this narrow strip of land, cross over a stile and continue along the left-hand side of a field bordering a stream.

In 200 metres, at the end of the field, *at a brick bridge off to the left, continue along the riverside footpath with the river on your left, your initial direction 110 degrees. Having crossed over various stiles, after 1.4km you cross over a footbridge and then a car wide bridge to continue straight-ahead passing the semi derelict red bricked Mill on your left, to join a concrete car wide track.*

In 160 metres at a T-junction with a road, turn right along the pavement to cross a bridge. In 400 metres you pass the Seven Stars pub on your left.

In 50 metres *turn right along Station Road to reach after 330 metres **The Ostrich** pub on your left and 25 metres further, on your right **Robertsbridge station** and car park.*

Cutting it short to Etchingham

Ignore the footpath off to the left to continue straight on down the lane. After 250 metres you ignore a lane turn off to the right to continue downhill. In 400 metres you pass a primary

school on your right as the lane descends more steeply. After 180 metres the lane comes out to a T- junction with the A265, turn right as indicated by the road sign Etchingham ¼ mile. After 400 metres you reach **Etchingham station** on your right.