

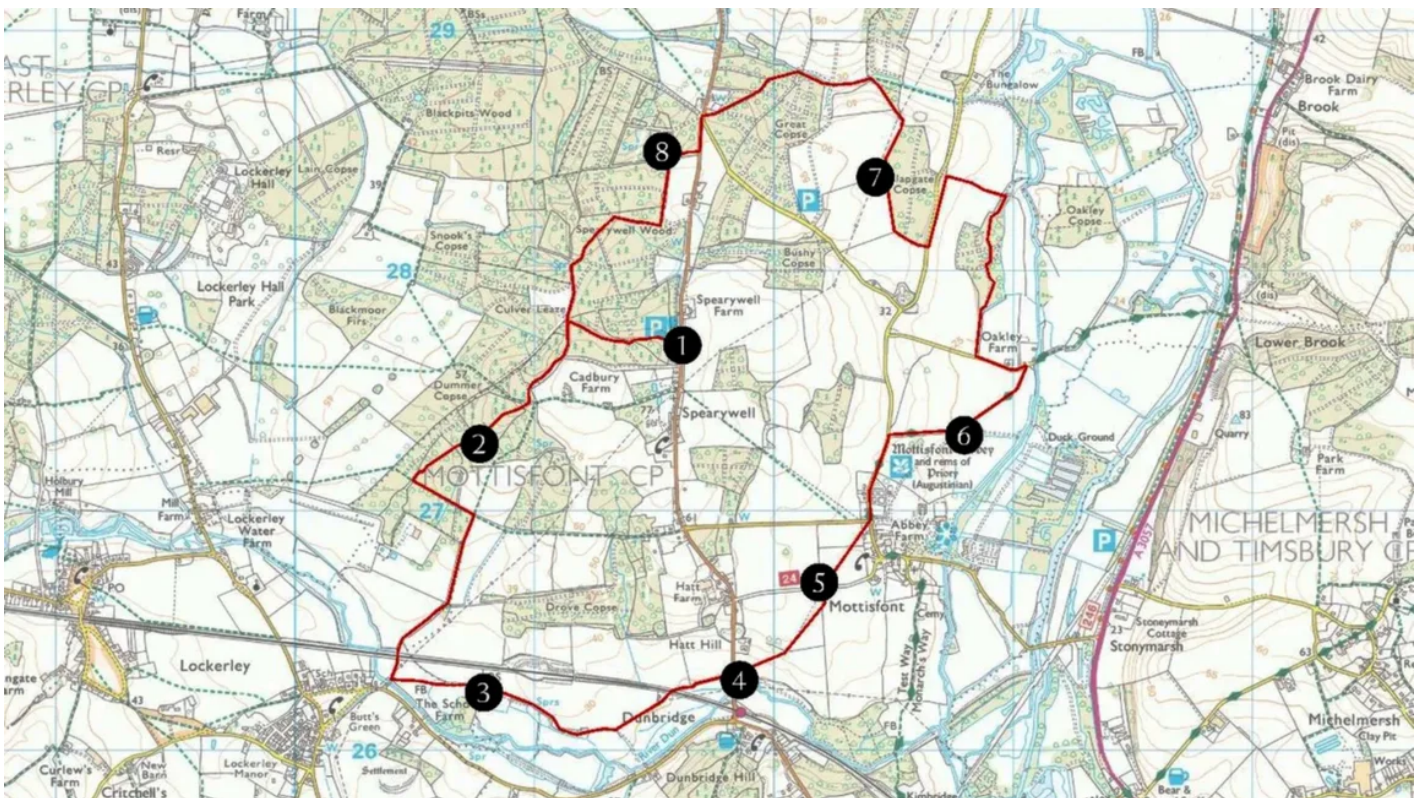
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Mottisfont estate walk

Discover the diverse Mottisfont estate on a varied walk through ancient woodlands, historic farmland and along the crystal-clear River Test. This walk takes in part of the Test Way and showcases some of the best of Hampshire countryside. The route is best walked anti-clockwise. Look out for the stone markers with the bear crest on them, as some of these have numbers which relate to points on this walking trail – but please note that we are currently revising the route.

! Limited parking

This walk can experience high visitor numbers, and parking is limited. Please park responsibly, and if the area is too busy on your arrival please come back another time.



Information

Address: Spearywell car park, Spearywell, Hampshire SO51 0LS. Grid ref: SU316275

OS map: Landranger 185

Activity: Walking

Moderate: Route follows established paths with some uneven terrain and some quiet country roads. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly

Full trail: 6 miles (9.6 km)

Duration: 2 hours - 4 hours

Terrain

The route follows grass paths, woodland tracks, rough terrain across fields and some country road walking. Wet conditions can affect parts of the walk; please ensure you are prepared with suitable footwear.

Total steps: 7

Start point: Spearywell car park, grid ref: SU316275

1. Starting from Spearywell car park, take the gravel path to the left of the sign. This part of the walk takes in much of the woodland. Follow the bear stone markers until you exit the woods and emerge by farmland.
2. Turn left at a T-junction, following the path and signs down through the wood. Here you'll pass under a railway bridge.
3. Continue on the same path once you've passed under the railway bridge, turning left through a kissing gate and across the wet meadows of Dunbridge springs.
4. Cross over the level crossing. When you reach the road, cross over onto the footpath, following the signs. Be aware that at certain times of year, this field may have grazing cattle.
5. Walk along Oakley Road, tracing the west boundary of Mottisfont's grounds. Turn right off the road by the marker, and follow the field across the parkland. Go through the gate at the far side and turn left onto Oakley Lane.
6. Turn right off the road at the marker. Follow the track through Queensmeadow Copse and along the field boundary. Cross the road at the marker point and follow the track along the boundary to Clapgate Copse, and across fields to Great Copse.

7. Walk through Great Copse and come out onto Spearywell Road. Turn left and walk up the road for a short way, turning right along the field boundary and into Spearywell Wood. Follow the pathway back through the woodland to the car park start point.

End point: Spearywell car park, grid ref: SU316275
