

Keinton Mandeville



Distance: 2 or 2½ miles



Target Time: 40 or 55 minutes



Description: Mostly level throughout with one gentle ascent. Road and field paths. May be muddy after wet weather. Several stiles, including slab stiles. Only suitable for the moderately fit.



Start: Keinton Mandeville Village Hall (off Chistles Lane)

1. From the car park entrance (end of tarmac lane) and with the Village Hall behind, take the footpath around the edge of the field signposted to High Street.
2. Over stile and continue along path becoming track to meet main road. Cross road with care and turn left along road. Take the next turning on the right into Barton Road. After 350 yards (shortly after bungalow on right hand side), turn right along track signposted to Coombe Hill.
3. At end of track, over slab stile to right of field gate and over next stile into field. Straight ahead along edge of field keeping hedge on right hand side to cross stile in corner. Across field to telegraph pole and then towards post and rail fencing ahead to meet road.
4. Straight across road, over stile to right of gate and along enclosed track. Through gate in front of house, keep right and follow narrow path and shortly turn left over slab stile. Straight ahead along edge of field, keeping hedge on left hand side. Over stile and continue straight ahead, over slab stile and straight ahead to meet lane.

5. Turn right along lane to main road. Cross main road with care into Babcary Lane almost opposite. Where tarmac ends continue straight ahead along track and after 150 yards turn right along footpath signposted to Queen Street. Cross stile ahead and continue straight ahead along track to meet road.

Shorter route (along road):

Turn left along road and shortly turn right into Chistles Lane. Bear left shortly after school gently uphill to return to the Village Hall.

Longer route (road and across fields):

Turn left along road, and take the second turning on the right into Church Street. Shortly after the last house on right hand side, turn right over stile by double field gates signposted to Barton St David. Bear slightly right across field to headland (cutting the corner off on your right hand side). Then follow path around edge of field keeping hedge and fence on the right hand side. Just before corner of field, turn right through gap in hedge signposted to Chistles Lane to return to the Village Hall.

