

Cross Church Hill road and go slightly left and down Sandy Lane bridleway. When the path reaches the wood turn right and at a crossway of paths go right and immediately left before continuing straight on through a field and houses. On reaching the road go straight ahead down the path alongside Pyrford Place drive. Follow the path until you cross the canal. Turn right and for a route omitting Ockham Mill and Ripley follow the towpath via Walsham Lock to Newark Bridge. Note the views of Newark Priory. Cross to the other bank and proceed along it to Papercourt Lock.

Alternatively after crossing the canal turn right and take the first left away from the canal and over the River Wey footbridge. Proceed to Ockham Mill. Pass the Mill and just after the houses and the post box take the footpath to the right crossing Ripley Green. If refreshments are required proceed to the Half Moon on the High Street. Otherwise keep on the Green behind the houses until reaching Newark Lane. Turn right and after crossing a bridge take the footpath to the left, over a stile. Follow the footpath with the lake on your left. Cross the road to your right via two stiles. When you reach the road at Papercourt Farm go straight across to Papercourt Lock.

Cross the canal and turn left on the towpath and continue until reaching the next bridge, Tanyard Bridge. Turn right crossing the bridge over Broadmead Cut and go straight ahead across the meadow towards the River Wey. Woking Palace can be seen in the distance to your right. Keep left following the path to the road. Turn right to the High Street and the car park is straight ahead.

For more information on Woking Palace please visit the Friends of Woking Palace website www.woking-palace.org

By Car

For those travelling by car, park in the free long-stay car park (Beyond the smaller short stay one) off the mini-roundabout at the junction of the B382 (High Street) and the A247 (Broadmead Road), TQ018 569. Alternative car parking can sometimes be found in the small car park in Church Street although this is usually full with residents parking.

Public Transport

For those travelling by bus please check the timetables before travelling. Currently (Spring 2014) the Arriva Buses 462 and 463 service between Guildford and Woking via Send stops in the High Street near Manor Way. It is roughly an hourly service. There is also a very limited service run by Abellio Surrey, No. 40, from Ripley to Woking that stops along Old Woking Road by Palace Way and Carters Lane. No buses currently operate on either route on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

Amenities

Unfortunately there are no public toilets available on the route. There is a sandwich shop, restaurant and takeaway near to the start of the walk. The "Half Moon" pub is also on the route for drinks and food.



Woking Palace and its Park

Walk 4

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A circular walk to the ruins of the Tudor Mansion in the meadows to the east of Old Woking, then to Pyrford, and back down the River Wey Navigation via Walsham Lock or via Ockham Mill to Ripley and then to Old Woking through Broad Mead

Distance: About 9km (5.5 miles)
Alternative 10km (6 miles)
Time: Approximately 2.5/3 hours
Map: OS 1/25000 145 Guildford
Going: Flat but with stiles.

Please follow the Countryside Code at all times on this walk.

