

Location Map



Location Symbols

-  Bus stop/Request stop
-  Railway Station
-  Walk Location

Essential Information

Distance:
Main Route 7 miles/11 kms, or shorter alternatives

Walk grade:
More difficult walking
4 including numerous hills, stiles and some muddy paths

Maps:
OS Explorer 124 & 136
OS Landranger 199

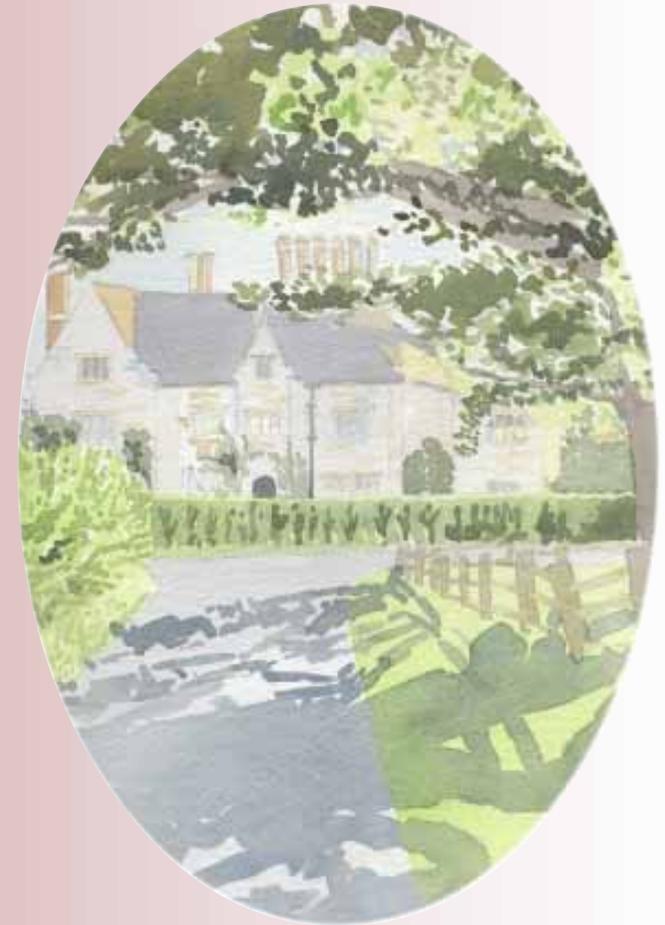
Start/Finish:
The Wheel Inn, Burwash Weald
TQ 650232

Public Transport:
Buses: A bus service operates Monday to Saturday between Uckfield and Etchingham with a stop in Burwash.
Trains: Etchingham station (approx. 3 miles from Burwash) is on the London to Hastings Line.

Parking:
Limited parking is available in Burwash Weald or at the public car park in Burwash



Burwash Walk



Paths to Prosperity

East Sussex is a welcome haven for walkers in the busy south-east of England, with over two thirds of the County covered by the High Weald and Sussex Downs Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

There is also a wealth of picturesque villages, country houses and parkland hidden within its rolling landscape, waiting to be discovered.

Please come and enjoy the unique splendours of our countryside, but please also support the local businesses that help make the countryside the vibrant place that it is today.

The Countryside Code

- Be Safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people

Tourist Information Centre

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The information contained in this leaflet was correct at the time of printing (December 2005)

Refreshments and Local Services

(see map for location)

- 1 The Wheel Inn**
Public House - 01435 882758
- 2 Woodlands Farm**
Bed & Breakfast Accommodation - 01435 882794
- 3 Burwash Newsagents & Post Office**
Post Office and Newsagents - 01435 882217
- 4 Chateau Briand Antiques**
Antique Shop - 01435 882535
- 5 Chateau Briand Bed & Breakfast**
Bed & Breakfast Accommodation - 01435 882535
- 6 Church House**
Bed & Breakfast Accommodation - 01435 883282
- 7 The Bear Inn & Burwash Motel**
Public House & accommodation - 01435 882540
- 8 Lime Tree Tea Rooms**
Restaurant - 01435 882221
- 9 Wealden Ironcrafts**
Blacksmiths - 01435 883422
- 10 FJ Jarvis & Sons**
Local Family Butcher - 01435 882213
- 11 Batemans**
National Trust Property - 01435 882302

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We hope that you enjoy the walk in this leaflet, which is one of a series produced by East Sussex County Council.

Copies of the leaflets for other walks in the series are available from Tourist Information Centres and libraries or direct from East Sussex County Council, by contacting the Rights of Way Team:-

By phone on:-
01273 482250 / 482354 / 482324

By post at:-
Transport and Environment Department
County Hall
St. Anne's Crescent
Lewes BN7 1UE

By e-mail at:-
rightsofway@eastsussex.gov.uk

By downloading from the website at:-
www.eastsussex.gov.uk

If any problems are encountered on the walk please report them to the above contact points.

This can be completed as a whole route at a distance of approximately 7 miles/11 km, or as one of two shorter routes. A medium length walk of 5 miles/8 kms, can be undertaken, or a short walk of 3 miles/5 kms. The variations in route descriptions for the shorter walks are indicated in italic text with the main route description overleaf.

Burwash Walk



Burwash Village

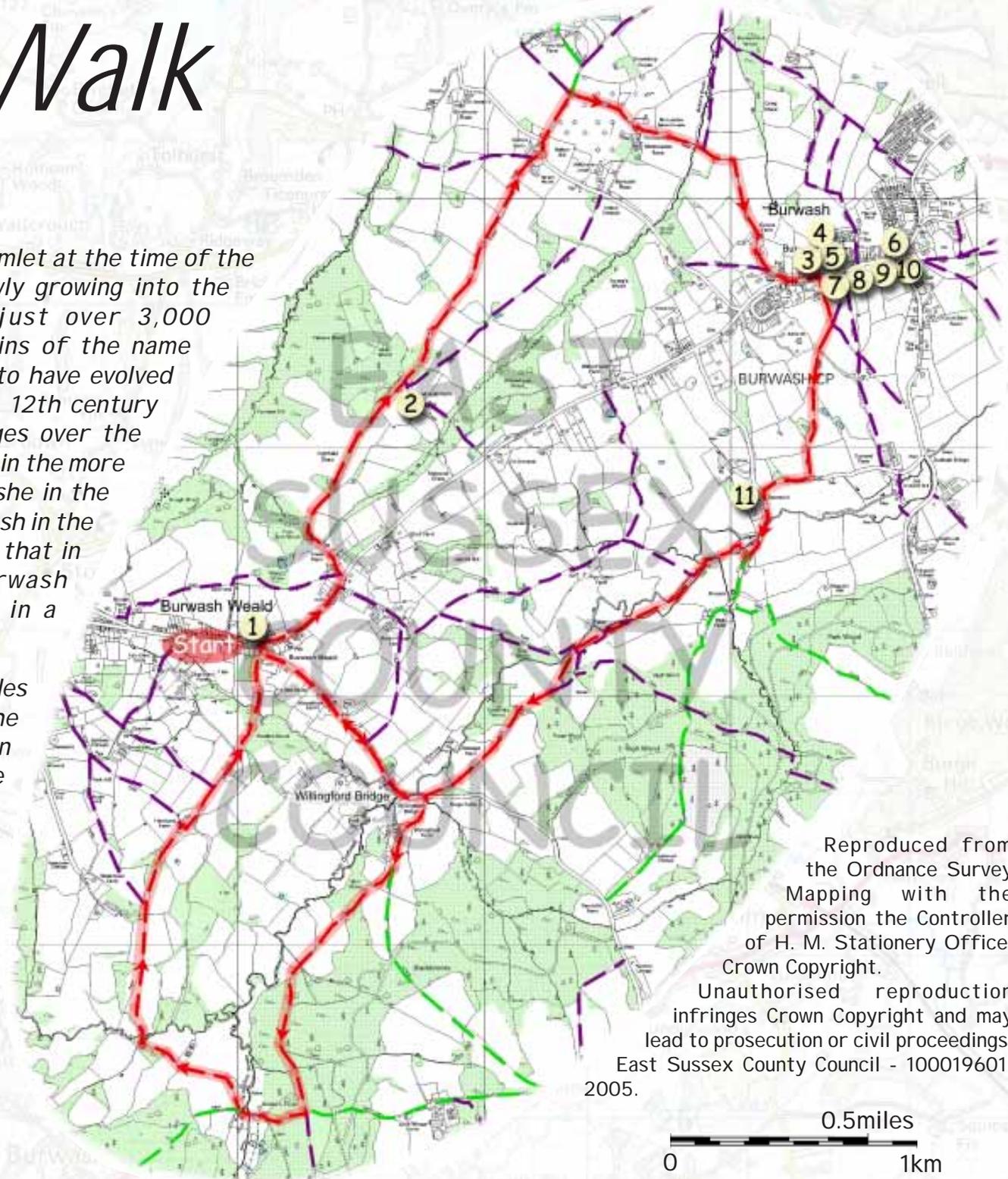
Burwash

Burwash was a small hamlet at the time of the Norman conquest slowly growing into the current village of just over 3,000 inhabitants. The origins of the name Burwash are believed to have evolved from Burhercse in the 12th century through various changes over the centuries until arriving in the more familiar form of Burrishe in the 16th century and Burwash in the 17th. It is understood that in ancient English Burwash means a "stronghold in a field".

The High Street includes a number of notable houses including Rampyndene on the southern side, a fine country house built in 1699 and on the northern side Chateaubriand which is thought to be the oldest house in the village built in around 1375.

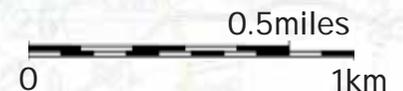
Map Legend

-  Refreshments & Local Services (see over for details)
-  Route
-  Other Public Footpaths
-  Other Public Bridleway



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Starting from the Wheel Inn Public House in Burwash Weald, turn left and follow the main road for a distance of approximately 450 metres (500 yds.) before turning left onto the signposted bridleway opposite Weald House. Follow the bridleway past Green Farm and turn right at the junction of tracks to follow the signposted bridleway for a total distance of approximately 2 km (1¼ miles). This long enclosed section of the route, passes to the rear of Woodlands Farm along Holton Lane. At the end of the bridleway, turn left on to Spring Lane and after a short distance, turn right onto the signposted footpath along the driveway. At the next signposted path junction, turn right to follow the footpath through the field gate. After a short distance follow the waymarked route to join the drive. Follow the drive passing the entrance to Mottynsden House, and continue ahead through the field gate as waymarked. Follow the field edge path to a footbridge, and then through the field gate. Continue along the edge of the next field, before turning right across a short footbridge. Follow the waymarked route, keeping the hedge to left. Cross the stile to the left of the house to join the driveway, and follow to the main road at Burwash.



Janina Holubecki/High Weald
AONB Unit

A typical High Weald view near the walk

Turn left, to follow the road into Burwash Village, and turn right into the main car park. Follow the route heading to the left of the Scout Hut in the corner of the car park. Follow the path past the garden and then downhill along the field edge. Turn right at the next footpath junction to cross the boardwalk. Continue along the path ahead, to the stile in the field corner. Follow the short enclosed path, and continue along the edge of the next field. From the next stile, cross the field diagonally to a pond. From the pond, follow the field edge to Batemans Lane.

Turn right and follow the lane to its junction in front of Batemans House. Turn left and then right immediately after Corner Cottage to follow the path around the mill pond. Follow the path beside the stream, and continue ahead, ignoring the path over the bridge on your right. Continue ahead through a kissing gate, and follow the hedge on your left to a gate. Continue along the signposted route to a further gate and across a field climbing the steep hill and into the woodland. Beyond the wood, follow the field edge path, crossing a number of stiles to reach Willingford Lane. *To complete the medium length walk, turn right and follow Willingford Lane back to the Wheel Inn.*

To start the short walk, from the Wheel Inn, cross the main road and follow Willingford Lane for a distance of 1 km (2/3 mile) to join the main walk just after Willingford Bridge.

To continue on the main walk, cross the lane, to follow the signposted bridleway to the left of Willingford Farm, and on to a field gate in the top right hand corner of the field. Continue through a wood to a field gate, then follow the waymarked path, crossing a number of fields to reach a hand gate



A view from the walk

leading onto the woodland path. Follow the well defined path through the woodland for a distance of 570 metres (625 yds.) to a path junction. Turn right to follow the bridleway towards Glaziers Forge. Turn right onto the drive and past the houses at Glaziers Forge, before turning right at the signposted junction, onto the footpath. Cross the field, keeping to the right of the farm buildings to a stile. Cross the next field to a gap in the fence, then bear right across the next field to reach a large footbridge. Follow the waymarked path up hill, from the bridge, crossing two fields, and then along the edge of the next field, continuing straight ahead at the path junction. Cross another stile, and follow the path through the wood, and on towards Henhurst Farm. Follow the signposted path to the right, around Henhurst Farm and then along the drive. After passing a barn, continue ahead along the signposted path rather than following the drive to the left. From the gate follow the field edge path steeply down hill to a stile, through the wood, and crossing a bridge, before following the well defined path leading back up hill to Willingford Lane. Turn left to return to the Wheel Inn and the end of the walk.