Fancy Free Walks *point your feet on a new path*

Chanctonbury, Steyning, Sullington

Distance: 20 km=12½ miles — moderate walking

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Refreshments: Washington, Steyning

Maps: Explorer 121 (Arundel) & 122 (Steyning) *hopefully not needed*

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High hills, views, villages, country town, woodland, historic churches

In Brief

This walk takes you along a stretch of the South Downs with fine views all round and, after a visit to a lovely small country town, along a lower route full of interest and back over the Downs again. The going is easy over the chalk downs but you may encounter mud on the lower paths in the wetter seasons, when ankle boots are recommended. Your dog can certainly come along with you.

This is a **big zipper** walk which combines **two shorter walks** in this series. You need to browse, print or download the following two guides:

Chanctonbury, Steyning & the South Downs

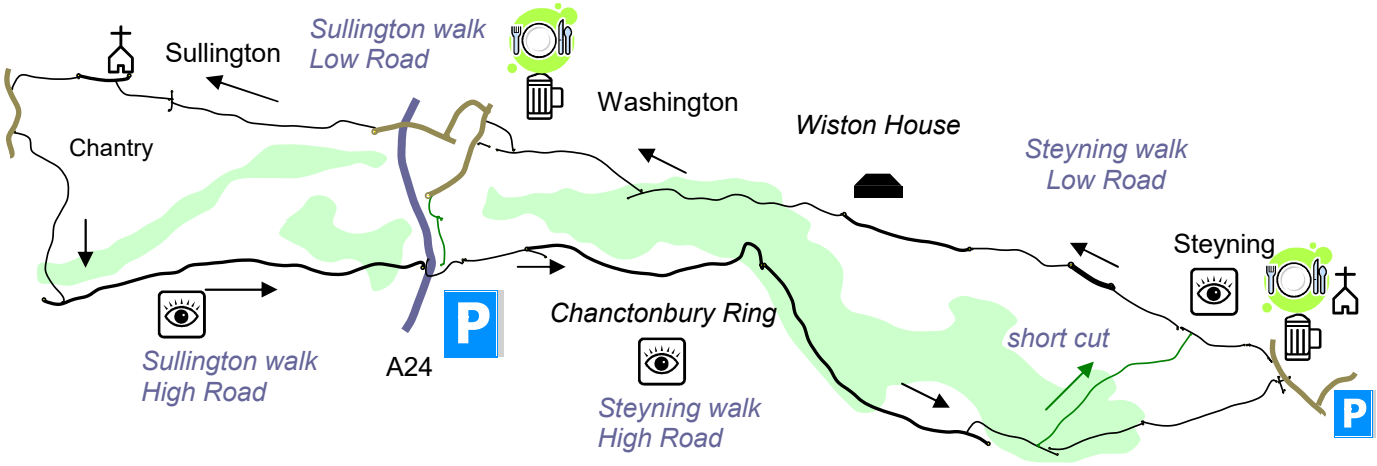
Sullington, Chantry and the South Downs

Zip points, where you switch to the other walk, are marked in the guides, using the "zipper" symbol.

This walk owes a debt to the *Adventurous Walks* books and follows a route mainly based on one of those walks.

The walk begins at the **Washington car park**, West Sussex. The nearest postcode is **RH20 4AZ**, w3w:replayed.sweeter.yummy, grid ref 119120. But careful ! It is best to ignore the satnav for the last mile as it might lead you to the wrong car park. For full details see at the end of this text (→ **Getting There**). An alternative start is **Steyning** (postcode **BN44 3YB**), where there is parking near the church.

The Walk



For more detailed maps, see the component guides.

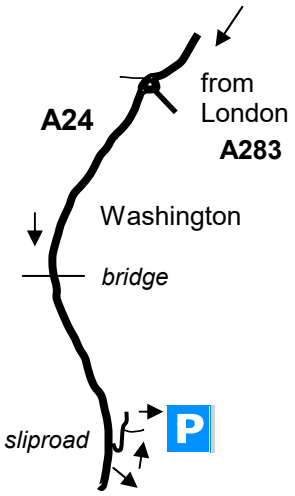
Part 1 is the **Chanctonbury, Steyning & the South Downs** walk, as far as the zip point, just after returning to Washington by the *Frankland Arms*.

Part 2 is the **Sullington, Chantry and the South Downs** walk, starting with the section called the **Low Road**.

The walk ends at the Washington car park.

Getting there

By car: the car park is just off the **A24** road. If coming from the north, about 10 miles=16 km from Worthing, you reach the **Washington roundabout**. Continue *straight ahead*, ignoring the left turn to Washington. 1 mile further, turn **left** on a sliproad, doubling back. The car park, which is unsigned, is immediately up a chalky track on the right.



By bus: No. 2A from Brighton station to Steyning. Bus 23 from Worthing or Horsham to Washington. Others available. Check the timetables.

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