

The Bear to Pooh Bridge on foot.



- 1 Cross Road from the Bear. Cross a stile in the field corner and continue over the next stile to the Forest Way. Turn left and follow the old trackbed until you reach a gate on the left. Cross the pasture to a gate and follow the woodland bridleway. Emerging from the trees, continue to Culvers Farm.
- 2 Make for the road. When you reach it turn left and walk along to the first right-hand footpath, sign-posted 'Pooh Bridge'. Cross the stile here and follow the clear track ahead to three further stiles before crossing a field. Follow the waymarks and make for a stile in the corner. Cross a drive to another stile and head diagonally down the field to a stile in the corner. Continue on the path and head for the next stile. Follow the lane south.
- 3 When it sweeps left towards Cotchford Farm, go straight on along the public bridleway to Pooh Bridge, then follow the track as it climbs gradually alongside woodland and paddocks. Turn left at the road and when it bends around to the right, go straight ahead into the trees. Follow the footpath through the wood, back to the Pooh car park.
- 4 Follow the path signposted 'Pooh Bridge', take the third turning on the right and go down to a stile. Cross a tree-ringed field to a stile near the corner, follow the woodland path to another stile and head diagonally right across the field to a fourth stile by a gate. Cross the drive to a fifth stile and gate, then aim right to another gate. Go forward to a stile and the road.
- 5 Turn left, then bear right opposite The Paddocks and follow the path through Five Hundred Acre Wood to reach the Wealdway. Continue ahead, passing Kovacs Lodge. Climb quite steeply and make a wide sweep to the left. Follow the track round to the right to a fork, veer left and approach a private drive sign.
- 6 Take the right-hand path and skirt a farm. Rejoin the drive and keep right, following the Wealdway as it cuts across undulating farmland. Pass a turning to Buckhurst and then bear left over a stile to follow the High Weald Landscape Trail. Cross the field to a gate and stile and cut through the wood to a brick bridge.
- 7 Turn right here and follow the fence, passing some paddocks. Veer right through the gateway in the field corner and make for the next field ahead. Head diagonally left across farmland to a stile. Keep to the right edge of the field to a stile, then cross a footbridge and continue by the field edge. Turn left at a stile and enter Hartfield.