

Walk 5 - Bullocks Farm

Distance:

About 4½ miles (7.2km)
- allow 2¼ hours

MODERATE walk, to north and east of Lane End, across common land, open farmland and wooded valleys with stunning views over West Wycombe church and Dashwood mausoleum.

Start/Finish

Lane End Car Park
Alternative Start/Finish
- 'Chequers' pub at Wheeler End Common

- 1 From car park, walk straight down Handleton Common to Bullocks Farm Lane and cross. Turn left, cross over motorway and pass 'Chequers' pub.
- 2 Cross to 5mph sign, bear ½ right and take the 2nd downhill grassy track to 'X' path at valley bottom. Cross and walk straight up to Wheeler End Common. 'Brickmakers Arms' pub is visible almost straight ahead. Veering slightly right, cross common towards prominent white house and, at gravel track, turn right to tarmaced road.
- 3 Turn left to pass 'Denham Farm' and, just beyond last building, cross stile to the right and then a field to kissing gate (kg). Walk beside hedge on left crossing two fields and stile before descending to 6-bar gate.
- 4 Turn left and walk up broad path to hilltop. Just before open field, bear left to pass 'Bullocks Farm' and reach road beyond.

5 Turn right and, after 75m, right again onto footpath into woodland. At broad track, turn left and follow it downhill with views to West Wycombe church and Dashwood mausoleum.  Where main track bends left, turn right into woods and follow obvious path until reaching field. Cross and, passing radio mast to the left, meet another broad track.

6 Turn right downhill and, where track turns sharply left, take signed footpath to the right continuing over 'X' path. Follow white arrows along this meandering path, keeping parallel to valley below, finally rising to track. Turn right



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and almost immediately left to reach 6-bar gate previously encountered.

7 Continue downhill to path junction and bear right into Denham Wood (ablaze with bluebells in spring). Follow main path gently uphill to stile. Cross and continue straight uphill parallel to hedge on your left to next stile and thence to road passing between fence and garage.

8 At road, turn left, walk downhill for 45m before turning right by telegraph pole; continue to 'X' path. Turn left and walk steeply uphill to reach common near 5mph sign. Bear right along road to 'Chequers' and retrace steps to car park.