

22 Corfe Castle

Distance 6 miles/9km

Ascent 219 metres

Start/finish Corfe Castle, BH20 5EZ

Turn R out of the car park onto the A351 north briefly then turn L onto the Purbeck Way heading west, go around a sharp R then L onto a bridleway. Stay on the Purbeck Way, turning R at the first junction and straight across at the next junction, trending L to join a road and the Hardy Way (2.4 miles/3.9km). Turn L onto the road and follow it south until you can turn L onto a footpath at SY 931822 straight onto Knowle Hill. Climb uphill then L up the ridge to the summit. Take the ridge path east then drop down to the southern edge of the hill just before the trig point. Run along the track east towards the castle and around the eastern end of the hill back to the Purbeck Way and the outbound route. Turn R and return to the start.

Miles	Km	Directions
0.0	0.0	Turn right onto the A351 outside the car park and cross then turn left onto the Purbeck Way heading west. Follow this along the northern edge of the ridge around a sharp right bend and then left at the path junction at SY944828.
1.1	1.8	Follow the Purbeck Way as it heads north and then around to the left going west to reach the road and the Hardy Way north of Blue Pool.
2.4	3.9	Turn left onto the road and Hardy Way follow this south staying on the path when the road bends off to the right and then re-joining the road further south. Continue straight on at the next junction following the road around a right-hand curve to a footpath on the left.
3.2	5.1	Turn right onto the steep footpath to reach the road again on the ridge. Turn left onto the path that runs along the spine of the ridge in a easterly direction over Knowle Hill and then dropping down to the right below West Hill. Follow the path around the eastern end of West Hill and north to the Purbeck Way and the outbound route. Turn right to return to the start.