

62. Winchcombe and Belas Knap

Distance **7 miles (11km)**

Ascent **281 metres**

Start/finish **Winchcombe, GL54 5PZ**

Turn R out of the library car park and then R onto Cowl Lane, L on High Street then R onto Castle Street. Follow this to a R turn off the road onto a footpath heading south-east across parkland and joining the waymarked Windrush Way. Follow this past Sudeley Castle and south roughly following the Beesmoor Brook to a junction with a byway at SP 034258 (1.9 miles/3.1km). Turn R on the byway to Newmeadow Farm then L onto a track, turn R at the junction then L by Humblebee Cottages to reach a road. Turn R on the road and follow it to a L onto the Cotswold Way. Follow this through woodland then uphill across a field to Belas Knap (4 miles/6.4km). Follow the path R then turn R at the junction with a track, leave the Cotswold Way and follow the track north past Hill Barn Farm joining a road to a T junction at SP 019262 (5.2 miles/8.3km). Turn L at the junction onto the Cotswold Way and head north across fields to Winchcombe and the start.

Miles	Km	Directions
0.0	0.0	Turn right out of the library car park and then right onto Cowl Lane, left on High Street then right onto Castle Street. Follow this to a right turn onto a footpath.
0.4	0.6	Follow the footpath which is the Windrush Way south-east across parkland past Sudeley Castle and south roughly following the Beesmoor Brook to a junction with a byway at SP034258.
1.9	3.1	Turn right on the byway to Newmeadow Farm then left onto a track. Turn right at the next junction then left by Humblebee Cottages to reach a road.
3	4.9	Turn right and follow the road to a left turn onto the Cotswold Way.
3.4	5.4	Follow this through woodland then uphill across a field to Belas Knap.
4	6.4	Continue on the Cotswold Way south-west to a track junction.
4.4	7.1	Turn right, leaving the Cotswold Way and following the track north-east to Hill Barn Farm. Join the road running in the same direction and follow it to a fork where you can leave the road and re-join the Cotswold Way heading north.
5.2	8.3	Follow the Cotswold Way north joining Corndean Lane and then turning right off the road and across fields to the road on the southern edge of Winchcombe.
6.4	10.3	Turn left and follow the road north into the town, turn right onto the B4632 and then left onto the outbound route to return to the start.