# Test Valley Health Walks Stockbridge Walks

## Risk Assessments and Routes

Location	Walk	Distance	RA Date	Mapping Status
Stockbridge	Stockbridge Town. Beginner.	1	2014	full
Stockbridge	Stockbridge Town. Intermediate.	2.5	2014	full
Stockbridge	Stockbridge Town. Advanced.	3	2014	full
Stockbridge	Stockbridge Down	2.5	2014	full
Stockbridge	Danebury	2.5	2014	full
Stockbridge	Chilbolton – as above	2.5	2014	full

## Stockbridge Health Walk – Beginner / Intermediate 2.5 Miles

**Distance:** Approximately 2.5 miles

**Condition:** The route starts at the Town Hall and completes a circular walk which includes all of Stockbridge Marsh. The Marsh can be boggy.

Facilities: Public facilities just up from the Town Hall.

**Description:** A circular walk starting from the Town Hall.

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http://www.walk4life.info/walk/tv-health-walks-stockbridge-intermediate-2.5-miles

- Start at the Village Hall in the Centre of Stockbridge.
- Walk down the High Street on the right hand side until you reach Lillies Tea Room.
- Here, turn right through the kissing gates and follow the stream down to the entrance of the Marsh.

- When you enter the March take the trodden route around the edge of the marsh (this can be either clockwise or anti clockwise).
- When the circle is complete, exit the marsh back through the gate you entered it with and retrace your steps back to the Town Hall.
- o END.

Hazard	Who might be harmed	How is the risk controlled	What further action is necessary to control the risk
Traffic	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, and use the pavements	Repeat the warning before each walk
Kissing Gates	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start	Repeat the warning before each walk
Unfenced path by stream	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, walk this section in single file	Repeat the warning before each walk
Marsh Land ground can be boggy in winter seasons	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start that the marsh may be boggy	Repeat the warning before each walk

## Stockbridge Health Walk – Intermediate 2.5 miles

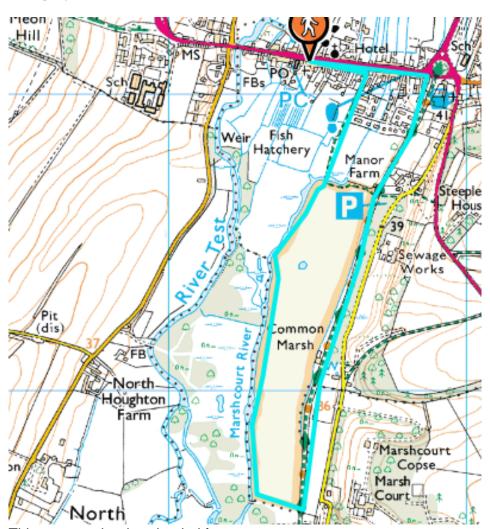
**Distance:** Approximately 2.5 miles.

**Condition:** The route starts at the Town Hall and completes a circular walk which includes part of Stockbridge Marsh (the marsh can be boggy).

Facilities: Public facilities just up from the Town Hall.

**Description:** An extended circular walk starting from the Town Hall, talking in a small piece of the Test Way and Stockbridge Marsh.

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- Start at the Village Hall in the centre of Stockbridge.
- Walk down the High Street on the right hand side, past Lillies tea room and continue until you reach Trafalgar Way.

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- Turn right down this road and continue straight to reach the entrance of the Test Way.
- o Continue down the Test Way (adjacent to the marsh) until you reach the bottom of the Marsh.
- Here there is an entrance onto the Marsh.
- Enter the Marsh and turn either left or right to follow the trodden paths up to the top entrance of the Marsh.
- Exit the Marsh through the kissing gate and follow the path along the river until you reach Lillies Tea Room.
- o From here turn left and continue straight up the high street until you reach the Town Hall.
- o END.

Hazard	Who might be harmed	How is the risk controlled	What further action is necessary to control the risk
Traffic	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, and use the pavements	Repeat the warning before each walk
Kissing Gates	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start	Repeat the warning before each walk
Unfenced path by stream	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, walk this section in single file	Repeat the warning before each walk
Marsh Land ground can be boggy in winter seasons	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start that the marsh may be boggy	Repeat the warning before each walk

## Stockbridge Health Walk – Advanced 3 miles

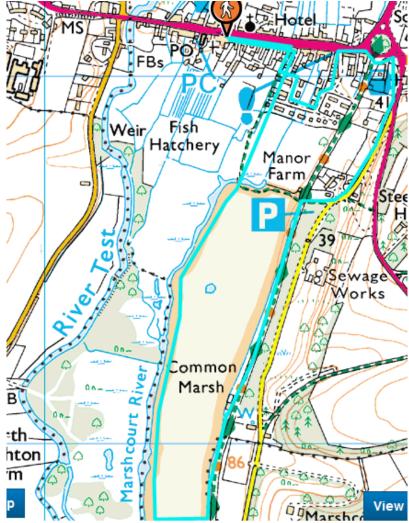
Distance: Approximately 3 miles.

**Condition:** The route starts at the Town Hall and completes a circular walk which includes part of the Town, Test Way and Stockbridge Marsh (the marsh can be boggy).

Facilities: Public facilities just up from the Town Hall.

**Description:** An extended circular walk starting from the Town Hall, talking in a piece of the Test Way and Stockbridge Marsh.

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- Start at the Village Hall in the centre of Stockbridge.
- Turn right just before Lillies tea room and go through the kissing gate onto the path.
- Half way down this path, turn left over a small bridge into Nelson Close.

- o Follow the road to Trafalgar Way and turn left up New Street to return back to the High Street.
- When you reach the High Street turn right and follow the path to the White Horse pub, go through the front car park and through the Church to arrive on Marsh Court Lane.
- Walk along this road a little until you reach the first access point to the Test Way and Marsh (by a few houses).
- Walk past the houses, over the Test Way and into the Marsh.
- o Turn left and make a loop of the Marsh until you return to the top entrance just over the bridge.
- o Go through this gate and follow the stream up to Lillies Tea Rooms.
- Here pass through the kissing gate and turn left along the High Street to return to the Town Hall.
- o END.

Hazard	Who might be harmed	How is the risk controlled	What further action is necessary to control the risk
Traffic	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, and use the pavements	Repeat the warning before each walk
Kissing Gates	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start	Repeat the warning before each walk
Unfenced path by stream	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, walk this section in single file	Repeat the warning before each walk
Marsh Land ground can be boggy in winter seasons	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start that the marsh may be boggy	Repeat the warning before each walk
Marsh Court Lane has no pavement	All walkers	Tell walkers to be aware of traffic on this road.	Repeat warning before the walk and shout if a car is coming,

## Stockbridge Health Walk – The Downs 2.5 miles

Distance: Approximately 2.5 miles.

**Condition:** The route starts at the Stockbridge Down Car Park, The Downs can be seasonally boggy and valuables should not be left in the cars.

Facilities: Public facilities just up from the Town Hall to be used before going to The Downs.

**Description:** An circular walk of the undulating Stockbridge Downs.



This map can be downloaded from:

http://www.walk4life.info/walk/tv-health-walk-stockbridge-down-beginner-intermidiate-2.5-miles

- Meet at Stockbridge Town Hall and use the facilities if required, then travel up to the car park opposite Stockbridge Down.
- o Remove all valuables from the vehicles before setting off.
- o From the car park, cross the road and enter the downs through the gate.
- Walk around the outer boundary of the downs in either direction until you return to the entrance point.
- Cross the road and return to the car park.
- o END

Hazard	Who might be harmed	How is the risk controlled	What further action is necessary to control the risk
Traffic when crossing the road	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, and cross with caution	Repeat the warning before each walk
Dog's and dog mess	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start that dogs are not restricted to leads on the downs.	Repeat the warning before each walk
Thieves	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, to remove valuables from their cars	Repeat the warning before each walk
Down's land ground is uneven and can be boggy in winter seasons	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start about the terrain.	Repeat the warning before each walk
Hilly Terrain	All walkers	Pace yourselves up hill	Repeat warning before the walk and

## Stockbridge Health Walk – Danebury 2 miles

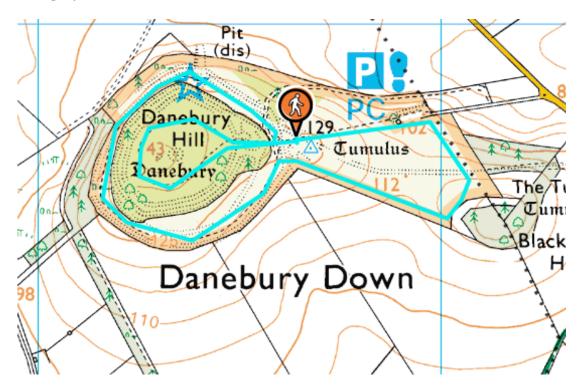
**Distance:** Approximately 2 miles 2.5 with extensions.

**Condition:** The route starts at the Danebury Hill fort Car Park, Danebury can be seasonally boggy and valuables should not be left in the cars.

Facilities: Public facilities just up from the Town Hall to be used before going to Danebury.

**Description:** An circular walk of the undulating Danebury Hill Fort.

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- o Meet at Stockbridge Town Hall and use the facilities if required, then travel up to the car park at Danebury.
- o Remove all valuables from the vehicles before setting off.
- From the car park, enter the field to the left of the main pathway by going up the stairs in the car park.
- Walk clockwise around the field until you reach the gate at the top of the hill.
- o Go through this gate and continue up the hill towards the monument.

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- At the monument bear left and follow the path around until you come back to the monument again.
- At this point, bear right and walk up the wooden steps to reach the top of the fort. Follow this loop around and exit down the stairs at the other end.
- Proceed back to the monument.

## Shorter Option

- Walk straight down the hill to the car park.
- o END

## Longer Option

- O At monument walk to enter the field again through the gate.
- o Walk anti clock wise around this field until you reach the steps to the car park.
- o Go down the steps to return to the start point.
- o END

Hazard	Who might be harmed	How is the risk controlled	What further action is necessary to control the risk
Traffic when crossing the road	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, and cross with caution	Repeat the warning before each walk
Dog's and dog mess	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start that dogs are not restricted to leads at Danebury	Repeat the warning before each walk
Thieves	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start, to remove valuables from their cars	Repeat the warning before each walk
Danebury land ground is uneven and can be boggy in winter seasons	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start about the terrain.	Repeat the warning before each walk
Hilly Terrain	All walkers	Pace yourselves up hill	Repeat warning before the walk and

## Chilbolton OOT walk 2 Intermediate

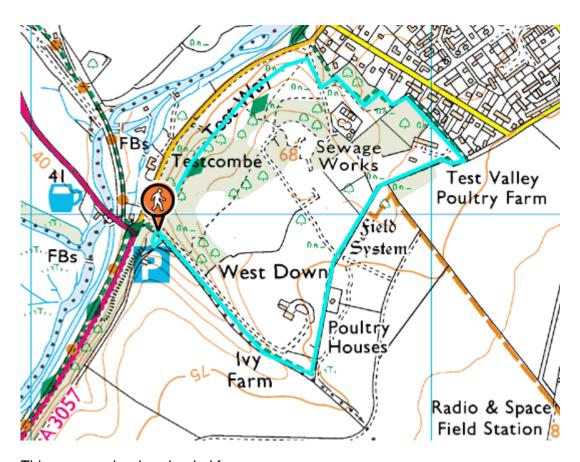
Distance: Approximately 2 miles.

**Condition:** The route starts at car park and the turn off from the A3057 (close to the May Fly Pub) and continues on good footpaths, through wooded areas and close to Chilbolton Observatory.

**Facilities:** No facilities at car park.

**Description:** A circular walk starting from the car park.

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http://www.walk4life.info/walk/test-valley-heath-walks-chilbolton-oot-2-miles

- Start at the car park. Descend on the footpath paralleling the road to IVY farm.
- The path follows a gentle ascent for approximately 200 yards and then bears left. The route is obvious and follows the path follows the boundary of IVY Farm, with the Farmhouse on the left and Chilbolton Radio Telescope clearly visible on the right.
- After approximately 200 yards the walk enters West Down, follow the upper boundary of West Down for approximately 2/3 of a mile, where a concrete track will be met.

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- o Cross this track (there are two houses here), and follow the signed footpath into the woodland.
- The path has a few houses on the right here but after some 200 yards it bears left and enters woodland. It now descends gently through the woodland. After some 300 yards bare left, follow the path for some 200 yards until you meet a concrete track.
- o Go straight across and follow the path which meanders through the West Down.
- o After some 500 yards you will return to the car park.
- o END.

Hazard	Who might be harmed	How is the risk controlled	What further action is necessary to control the risk
Much of the walk is on grass paths, in inclement weather there will be mud on the path.	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start	Repeat the warning before each walk
Short stretches of path has over hanging branches	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start	Repeat the warning before each walk
Short stretches of path has tree roots	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start	Repeat the warning before each walk
Short stretches of path has a fence with barbed wire	All walkers	Warn walkers at the start	Repeat the warning before each walk