

Walk 5:

Churt Crossways, Old Kiln, Jumps Road, Devil's Jumps, Rushmoor, Hankley Common, Kettlebury Hill, Pitch Place, Hyde Lane, Avalon, Green Lane

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Summary: From the centre of Churt, this walk takes you onto Churt Common with views of the Devil's Jumps and then onto Hankley Common, where again you enjoy good views. After passing Kettlebury Hill, take great care on the short stretch of Thursley Road (4 below) which you follow here before returning

to the village via Hyde Lane, orchards and Green Lane. **Distance:** 6.1 miles / 9.8 km **Elevation gain:** 182m

Time: Approx. 2 hrs 30 mins

Grid reference / postcode of start-point SU 855 382 / GU10 2JA

Parking, if required at Redhearn Green, accessed via

Old Kiln Lane - SU 853 385 / GU10 2NT **Map:** OS Explorer Series 133, Haslemere





Rushmoor Lakes and two of the Devil's Jumps

Walk Detail

- 1. From Churt Crossways, take Hale House Lane and after 45 metres turn left along a footpath into the Recreation Ground and make for the opposite side of the Rec to the right of the pavilion. Walk through Redhearne Fields and on meeting Old Kiln Lane turn right uphill and then down to Old Kiln, just past the bottom of the dip in the road.
- 2. Opposite Old Kiln Cottage turn right through a gate and along a footpath. At the 2nd gate cross the drive and follow the path opposite between a field and a house. On meeting a surfaced driveway, keep straight ahead and turn right when it meets Jumps Road. About 400 metres along Jumps Road turn left down a bridleway by a telegraph pole. Ignore all paths until the bottom of the hill where the main path turns right. Just before it takes a sharp turn left take the wide, sandy, right hand track up the hill. At the top of the hill there are good views of the Devil's Jumps and Churt Common. Keep straight head until you meet the Tilford Road by an electricity substation. Turn left keeping to the main road (locally called the Straight Mile) for about 90 metres and then turn right down a track left of the Rushmoor Lakes fishing site entrance and on to Hankley Common.
- 3. On meeting a T junction of tracks, turn right for 70 metres and then left taking the right-hand track of the two leading off at the same point for 90 metres and then turn right. The track is level for a short distance and then climbs and bears left. Having enjoyed the view at the top, proceed downhill and up the other side (as the track climbs it passes between firs and silver birch trees) and passes a house on the right. Continue uphill following the track with telegraph wires overhead to the top.
- 4. As you proceed downwards turn right at the 3rd telegraph pole from the top following the telegraph wires spurring to the right. (Before turning right here a detour can be made by climbing Kettlebury Hill to the left). On reaching the road, take great care because it is dangerous here. Turn left on the road for about 270 metres and where it bends sharp left, take the track on the right by Little Pitch which becomes a sheltered path sunk between high banks. Keep straight ahead as the path broadens and on reaching Hyde Lane (paved) turn right.
- 5. Proceed along this lane until the main Tilford Road is met and cross over, taking the footpath opposite (slightly left). Proceed along the track and up a slope, passing to the left of a 5 barred gate, keeping to the path. Keep to the path going through two metal stiles locking them as you go through. Proceed through the orchard in the next field keeping to the left of the wood cuttings. Cross straight over Old Barn Lane and through a gap in the hedge keeping straight ahead along a grassy path in the orchard.
- 6. Pass through a gate to meet Green Lane, turn right and at the next lane junction turn left. Pass Greenhanger and Green Lane Cottages housing estates and then after Parkhurst Fields take the next turning on the right (Old Lane) opposite Butts Farm and continue down into the village.

