



Walk 7:

Crosswater, Kings Ridge, St Mary's School, Frensham Church, Spreakley, Batts Corner, Dockenfield, Frensham Mill, Frensham Pond Hotel, Lampard Lane.

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Summary: This walk has some excellent long views over countryside but from Spreakley to Dockenfield and Frensham Mill to the Frensham Pond Hotel the paths can be very muddy in wet weather. There are a number of stiles and some rough ground in the copses.

Distance: 7.6 miles / 12.2 km

Elevation gain: 150 m

Time: Approx. 2½ – 3 hours

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



Oast Houses



Sunset over Frensham Great Pond

Walk Detail

1. From Churt Crossways take the A287 towards Farnham and at the War Memorial turn right into Old Kiln Lane. At the end of the lane turn right on Jumps Road for approximately 150 metres and then left into Crosswater Lane which eventually becomes a sandy track. At the junction of 6 tracks take the fourth track counting from the left, marked with a fingerpost bridleway sign, which leads uphill onto the King's Ridge which affords views of the Great Pond left and Frensham Little Pond on the right.
2. Towards the far end of the Ridge where the main track forks, keep to the left side of the ridge and descend at the far end. At the bottom turn left, then after 10 m take the right fork and straight over a junction of paths leading up to the main road.
3. Cross the A287 to the Green keeping St Mary's School (building with clock) on your left, cross the green, then turn left on The Street and proceed to Frensham Church. St. Mary's Norman church is well worth a visit. At the church take the footpath to the right of the churchyard. This path passes between fields, over the River Wey and uphill.
4. At the top turn left along a lane to the junction in Spreakley (St. Austin's House is on the left). Cross straight over into the drive opposite (footpath sign may not be visible in summer). After a few metres (opposite Sandpipers) take the path on the right of the drive and over a broken stile into a field.
5. Turn left and keep to the left of the field and follow round. At the end cross a stile and take the path leading through a copse. Cross another stile at the far edge of the copse, emerging into a gap between two fields. Walk along the right edge of the field for 90 m and where the edge of the field curves to the left cross a stile on the right partly hidden in the hedge. This is the second stile on your right hand side.
6. Follow the path through a copse and at the end keep ahead along the top of a field keeping close to the fence on the left and on into the next field keeping along the top edge. Leaving the field pass into a Keeped copse (dogs to be kept on lead) and follow the track ahead. After a few metres take the right fork at a footpath sign, soon emerging on a track. The track narrows to become a path on the edge of a copse with a field on the left; cross a stile at the end of the copse and into a field, turn right and follow between fences. At the end of the field turn left on a track. On meeting a lane turn left and left again to the Blue Bell pub which welcomes walkers.

7. From the pub turn left and then take the left fork by the 'No through road' sign; ignore the footpath on the right keeping to the lane. Keep to the stony path on the left of a field which leads on to a lane. Where the lane forks, turn left on a grassy path which turns to hard packed past Orchard End. Dockenfield village lies to the right.
8. At the road turn left, and then after a few yards turn right at a signpost to Frensham, cross the bridge at the mill and immediately right through wrought-iron gates and pass through the gap to the left of a 5 barred gate. The path proceeds along the river bank. At the sluice turn right off the bridleway and left over a footbridge continuing round to the right of a pond. Pass round a 5 bar gate and out onto Bacon Lane at Frensham Pond Hotel.
9. Turn left and then right in front of the Hotel. Continue along Pond Lane past the Sailing Club and kennels and take the next turning on the right along a bridleway. After the fourth property on the right, (Coppice Cottage - unsigned) continue on the track ahead. Upon meeting a post double marked with bridleways on both right and left forks, take the bridleway on the left fork leading uphill. The track is badly eroded here and there is an alternative footpath to the left and uphill of it. At the top of the track you will join the path alongside Fallowfield. Keep straight ahead for about 300 m when you will join, Star Hill. Continue straight ahead and the road becomes Lampard Lane. You will soon meet the A287 main road in the village, turn right and proceed for about a further 250m back to Crossways.

