

Upham Inns
IDYLLIC PUBS WITH ROOMS



The George Inn

Situated on the banks of the River Wylde, in the charming village of Longbridge Deverill, south of Warminster in Wiltshire, within easy reach of Bath and Salisbury. Our historic coaching Inn, which dates back to the 14th century, is set within an acre of grassland, in the summer time the external bar and gardens provide a great place to while away the hours.



Longbridge Deverill

A stroll round our lovely village.
Allow 1½ hours. A couple of busy road crossings, plus
a flight of steps and one stile.



steps

River Wylve

A350

village hall

LONGBRIDGE
DEVERILL

watercress
beds

Church of St Peter and St Paul

A marble memorial to Elizabeth,
Marchioness of Bath

The River Wylve below the almshouses



1 From the car park entrance, turn left and left again (signposted Maiden Bradley). 2 Follow the road past Church Farm (right) and Homefields (left) and out of the village. 3 After 250m, turn right onto a track signposted 'Restricted Byway Shute Farm A350'. 4 Climb the hill and continue to a junction by another signposted byway to the right. 5 Carry straight on, signposted as a Permissive Restrictive Byway to Shute Farm and A350/Fox Holes. 6 When you reach another track at a T-junction, turn right through a gate (signposted 'A350'). 7 This hedged byway winds pleasantly down to the main road. When you reach the A350, turn left along the pavement. 8 Just after the end of the central reservation, but before the Crockerton sign, cross with care to a footpath sign on the opposite side of the road. 9 Walk down the obliquely laid concrete steps and climb a stile into a field. 10 Turn right and walk down the field towards the church. 11 Go through a gap in the wall and then a kissing gate into the churchyard. 12 Walk to the left of the church building and exit via a gate into the lane beyond.

13 Walk past the village hall to the main road. 14 For a shortcut you can continue along the main road to the George, but to continue the walk, turn left in front of Sir James Thynne House (an almshouse founded in 1665 by Sir James Thynne of Longleat House). 15 Cross the River Wylde via a footbridge and turn right over a further footbridge. 16 Bear right to a gate into a field and cross diagonally to a kissing gate. 17 Follow the lane beyond, uphill. 18 At the top of the hill, turn right past a metal gate onto a footpath with views to Longbridge Deverill House, now an old people's home. 19 Follow the narrow path downhill to emerge between houses into Sand Street. 20 Again, for a shortcut you can turn right here and cross the Wylde to return to the George. But to continue the walk, follow the footpath opposite between gardens. 21 Exit via a kissing gate into fields and continue along the left-hand side of a field. 22 Go through another kissing gate at the far end and pass to the left of a thatched cottage.

23 Turn right to a junction by another thatched cottage. 24 Turn right and follow the lane back to the A350. 25 Turn right onto a path and cross the Wylde via a footbridge. 26 Follow the path parallel to the main road back to the George.

What to Bring for Your Walk?

We recommend wearing comfortable walking shoes or lightweight waterproof boots, especially if the ground is damp. Dress in weather-appropriate layers, opting for breathable clothing in warmer months and a light waterproof jacket if rain is expected.

Enjoy a Packed Lunch from Our Pub!

To make the most of your walk, why not take a delicious packed lunch prepared by our pub? We offer a selection of fresh sandwiches, snacks, and drinks to keep you fuelled on your journey. Simply place your order in advance, and we'll have it ready for you before you set off!

Brixton Deverill

Visit our neighbouring village and its historic church.
Allow 2 hours. A couple of moderate climbs; field paths may be muddy.
Several stiles.



The descent to Brixton Deverill



The Church



The interior of the church



From the front of the pub, cross the A350 into Sand Street. 2 Walk down the road and cross the River Wylde. 3 By a thatched cottage on the left, turn right onto a narrow public footpath between gardens. 4 Exit via a kissing gate into fields and continue along the left-hand side of a field. 5 Go through another kissing gate at the far end and pass to the left of a thatched cottage. 6 Turn right to a junction by another thatched cottage. 7 Turn left past Sturgess Farmhouse and Manor Farm and follow the lane to the main road. 8 Cross with care and cross the stile opposite into a field. 9 Cross to another stile. 10 Walk round the left-hand side of the field, with views of Hill Deverill Manor. 11 Descend to a path crossing and turn left, crossing a field towards some barns. 12 Turn right in front of the first barn and follow the track as it winds uphill. 13 When the path levels off and then swings left, carry on straight ahead across a field. 14 Descend to a double-stile in the hedge. 15 Cross the next field, descending towards the village of Brixton Deverill.

16 Go through a gateway onto a farm track and bear right past a thatched cottage to the manor house and church. 17 Follow the road right, past another thatched cottage to the B3095. 18 Turn right over the River Wylde. 19 By another thatched house (Riversdale Cottage), turn left. An "important and well-preserved" Roman villa with a high-quality mosaic was discovered in a paddock to your left during cable-laying in 2015. 20 Walk between two houses then, before the buildings of Woodcombe Farm, turn right onto a bridleway. 21 Follow the hedged track as it climbs a shoulder of the hill. 22 When the lane swings left at the end of a wood, take the bridleway on the right through a gate into the trees. 23 Follow a path down the side of the wood and then between hedges. 24 At a crossroads of tracks turn right, along a signposted Restricted Byway. 25 After a memorial bench on the right, the track climbs a low hill to a double gateway. 26 Between the two gates, leave the track for a public footpath that leads down the left-hand side of the field to your left.

27 Climb a stile into the road. 28 Turn left and follow the road past the watercress beds on the right back into Longbridge Deverill village. 29 Beyond Mill Close, go through a gate on your left and cross the village green to a bridge over the stream back to the George Inn car park.

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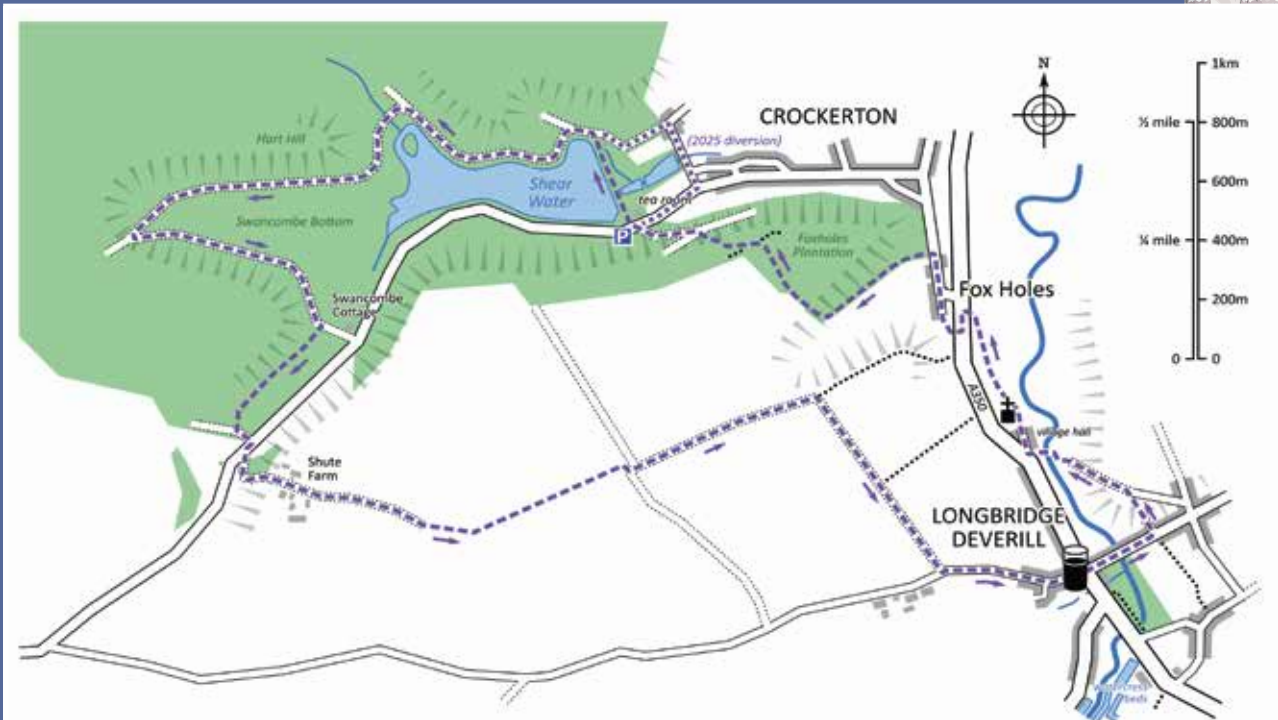
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Shear Water

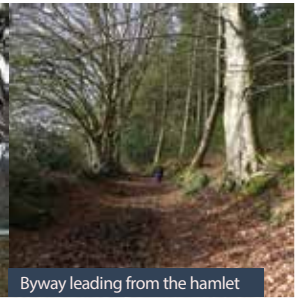
A varied walk to a woodland lake.
Allow 3 hours. Moderate climbs, and some paths
and tracks may be muddy.



Attractive Byway



Shear Water



Byway leading from the hamlet



1 From the front of the pub, cross the A350 into Sand Street. 2 Walk down the road and cross the River Wylye. 3 By a thatched cottage on the left, turn left into a driveway and beyond a house on the left follow a narrow public footpath uphill. 4 When you meet a narrow lane, turn left and follow it downhill to a kissing gate. 5 Cross a field to another gate, then cross two footbridges over the River Wylye. 6 Walk up to the main road by Sir James Thynne House, then turn right along the lane past the village hall to the church. 7 Walk to the right of the church building to find a public footpath that leads through a kissing gate into a field. 8 Go through a gap in a stone wall and walk up the field below the A350. 9 Climb a stile in the left-hand fence and then a flight of oblique concrete steps to the main road. 10 Walk about 50m left then, just before the central reservation begins, cross the road with care. 11 Turn right along the pavement on the other side and, just before a 50mph sign, follow the path left, away from the road. 12 This path joins a road that runs past a couple of houses to a junction on a bend. 13 Turn left, away from the main road, and follow the road round to the right. 14 Beyond Easter Cottage (left) and Foxholes House (right) turn left into a Restricted Byway signposted to 'Shearwater'. 15 Follow the path beyond a waymark post uphill along the edge of the wood, with a dry valley to your left. 16 Follow the path round to the right at the end of the wood and then through trees until you meet another track. 17 Turn left past another waymark post. 18 Keep to the main track (right) at a fork and then cross another path, following the signposted Permissive Bridleway. 19 Follow the track as it bears left and descends to the car park by the Shear Water dam. 20 Follow the permissive path opposite the car park along the dam (as of spring 2025 the dam was closed for maintenance; if this closure is still in place, follow the signposted diversion to the east – see map).

At the far side of the dam, pass the sailing club hut and turn left. 22 Ignoring a track off to the right, stay on the lakeside route. 23 Pass the small lakeside building and continue to the end of the lake. 24 Continue along the lake beyond the barrier. 25 At a junction marked by a rock reading 'Nockatt car park', turn left. 26 Follow the undulating, winding track for a little over half a mile with the brackeny valley of Swancombe Bottom to your left. 27 When you meet another track at a hairpin bend (with a waymark post on the right), turn sharp left. 28 The track continues along the other side of Swancombe Bottom. 29 The track bends left on the approach to Swancombe Cottage; turn right along an unsurfaced path parallel to the road. 30 Pass a hunting tower and follow the path downhill to the left and past a barrier to the road. 31 Turn right then immediately left onto the ascending driveway to Shute Farm (signposted 'Restricted Byway'). 32 Follow the drive around a bend and past the farm buildings onto a farm track. 33 Follow this track through a series of fields to a gate, beyond which it narrows to a path. 34 When you meet a crossing path, turn right (signposted Longbridge Deverill) then immediately left and right again to resume travelling in the same direction as before, now along a rutted farm track lined with gappy hedges and intermittent trees. 35 Continue past an animal pen and down and up through a shallow dip. 36 At a gate, turn right onto the signposted Permissive Restricted Byway to Church Farm. 37 At a junction with another byway, continue straight ahead until you reach the road. 38 Turn left and walk back into Longbridge Deverill, passing Homefields (right) and Church Farm (left).

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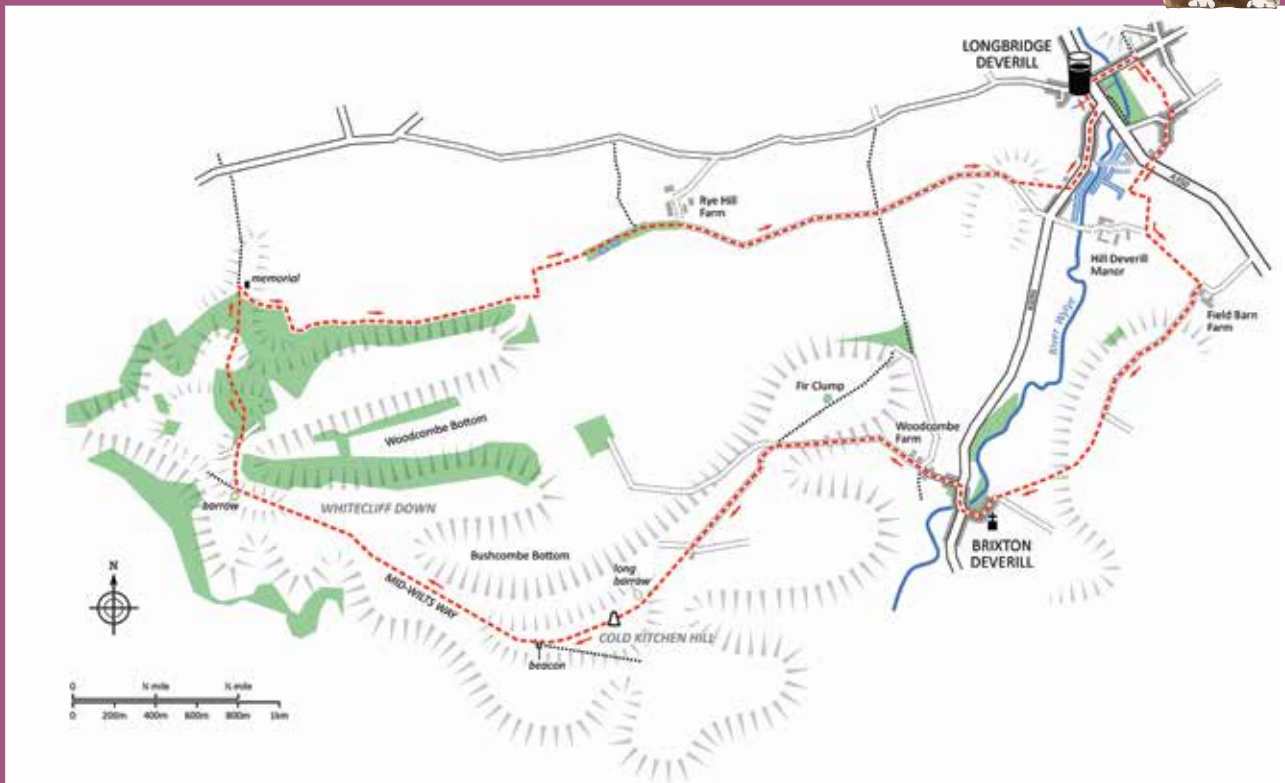
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Brixton Deverill & Cold Kitchen Hill

A hearty downland walk with wide views over the Wiltshire countryside.
Allow 4–5 hours. Significant climbing, and some paths may be muddy after rain.
Follow steps 1–18 of the Brixton Deverill walk.



St Mary's Church



Longbridge Deverill



Thatched Cottage



A Chalky Byway



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34 Turn right at the bottom and follow the track between overgrown hedges and then past some farm ponds. 35 Beyond the entrance to Rye Hill Farm, the byway continues ahead along a narrower path, stony and uneven in places. 36 Continue along the byway as it bends left and becomes a hedged green lane. 37 Beyond a crossing bridleway, continue ahead, again with overgrown hedges to either side. 38 After a memorial bench on the right, the track climbs a low hill to a double gateway. 39 Between the two gates, leave the track for a public footpath that heads down the left-hand side of the field on your left. 40 Climb a stile into the road. 41 Turn left and follow the road past the watercress beds on the right back into Longbridge Deverill village. 42 Beyond Mill Close, go through a gate on your left and cross the village green to a bridge over the stream back to the George Inn car park.

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