

## 21 Cutt Mill, Seale and Puttenham Common

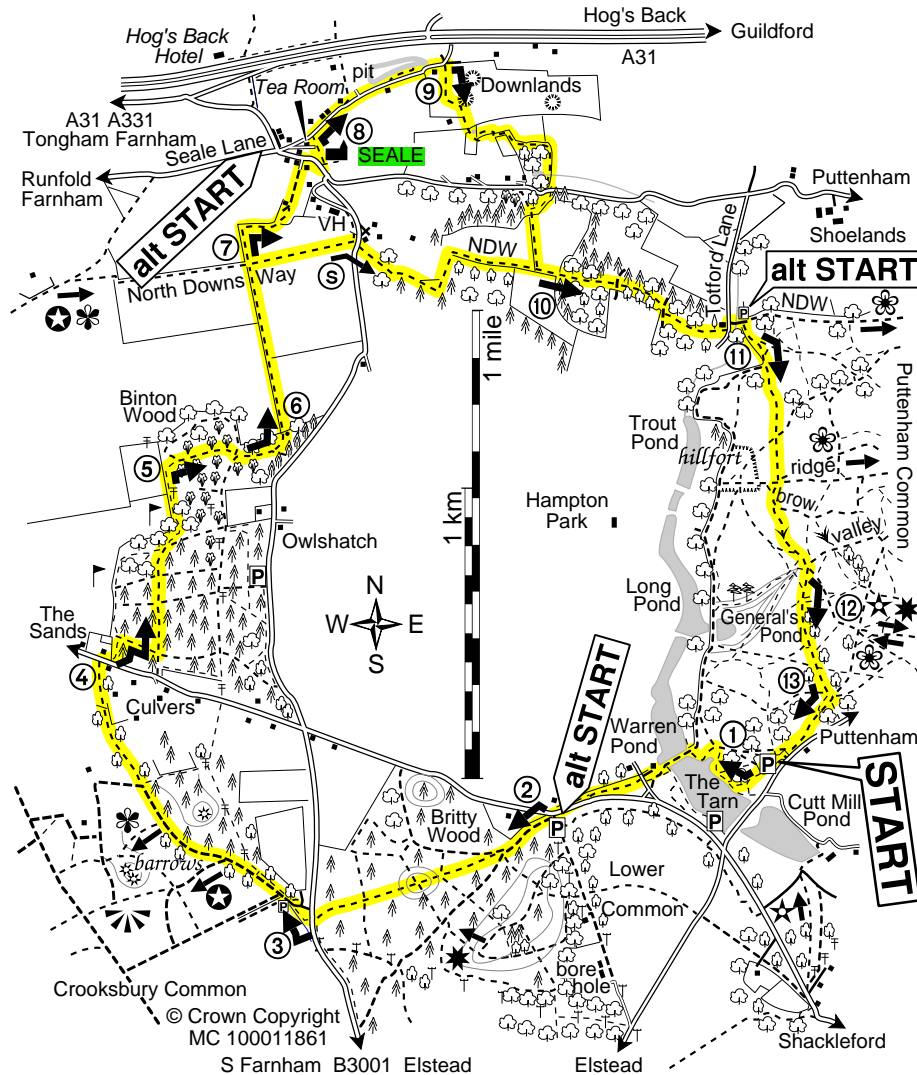
About 9¾ km/6 miles, with a short cut of 1 km/¾ mile missing Seale. A Lower Greensand walk, good in winter; snowdrops in mid-February; undulating heath, woods and farmland; shady. The Puttenham Common paths are confusing. OS maps 1:25000 145 Guildford, 1:50000 186 Aldershot.

Start from Puttenham Common MIDDLE car park, SU 912 458, Britty Wood car park, SU 904 456, Totford car park, SU 910 473, or in Seale Lane, SU 894 478.

Linking walks 20\* 22\* 23\* 26\* 1 13\*

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- ① At the bottom L corner of Middle car park near the road find a path through the trees down to The Tarn (80m). Follow the water's edge R and into the marshy creek (200m). Go back to the pond on the other side of the creek (100m) and cross the dam between ponds (100m). Go round the corner L (20m) then R up the footpath near Warren Cottage (100m). Cross the tarmac drive and go up the path near the R fence to a house R. Cross the road to Britty Wood car park (350m).
- ② From the car park entrance at the road, take the track into Britty Wood until level with the hill path L (200m). Fork R but soon (50m) diverge L onto the lesser path. Carry on over the hill (250m) and down to the next road (300m).
- ③ Cross into the trees opposite and curve R to the track (80m). Turn L up to Crooksbury Common (50m). \* Keep on up the R boundary track (600m). When the track bends ½L, stay ahead on the lesser path to the road (400m).
- ④ Cross to the corner of the wood R (25m). Follow the path into the trees to the path from the garden fence (100m). Turn R to the next cross track (150m). Go L over the hill and down (350m). When the track bends R, take the lesser path L from it, soon bending L to the edge of the wood. Watch out for a corner of the golf course L (200m).
- ⑤ Soon after it (100m), turn away from the edge on the path across Binton Wood up to the top end near a field corner (250m). Turn R (10m) and L to continue in the same direction (150m). Fork L down to the field (50m).
- ⑥ Go straight down through the fields beside the hedge to the cross path, the North Downs Way (600m).
- ⑦ Short cut of 600m: Go R on the NDW (400m), over the road into the trees (300m), round L & R bends and on beside fields (450m). \* ⑩
- ⑦ Cross the NDW and go on up the cart track (100m), round R & L bends and down past barns to the road in Seale (350m).
- ⑧ Turn R (70m), L into the churchyard and L immediately past Manor Farm craft centre (with Tea Room) to Wood Lane (70m). Go up the lane past Seale chalkpit (250m) to the track junction at the top (200m).
- ⑨ Turn R down the path outside the field (120m) then zigzag outside fields into a field (150m), along the edge (50m) then down to the wood. Skirt round the L edge of the wood down to the road (400m). Cross and go up through the trees, round R to the path from the road (100m). Turn L into the field (20m) and go straight up to the NDW footpath inside the top edge (200m). Turn L.
- ⑩ Stay on the NDW to the drive and lodge (700m) then L (20m) and R to Totford car park (50m). \*
- ⑪ At the parking place turn R up into Puttenham Common (100m). Fork R but avoid the next R turn (100m). Go on up, over the ridge track (400m), ahead to the brow of the hill (100m) and over the edge down to the dip with side paths L & R (250m). \* \*
- ⑫ Take the ½R bridleway over a slight rise. Keep on past an oblique cross path (300m) to a larger cross path in a little dip (120m).
- ⑬ Turn R on this cross path (near the road) to the car park (300m).