

GARSTON WOOD - STONEDOWN WOOD

5.4m. Park at Pribdean Wood Nature Reserve CP, SU 0037 1947.

Turn left out of the car park and walk on the road for 100m to a FP left. Walk W on the edge of the wood for .3 m to SU 9980 1947 * where turn left through a gate to walk NE to reach Middle Chase Farm. Turn right and left to reach a cross track at SU 0040 2076. Turn left to walk just N of W to a wood at SU 000 208. Continue NW then NNW skirting the edge of the wood to leave wood at SU 9963 2140 (Dark Wood Corner). Continue NW to reach the road (the Ox Drove) at SU 994 216. Turn left to the point where the road veers right (SU 991 216) and continue W to a FP on left at SU 985 216. Walk SSE for 250m to SU 9860 2134, then SSW into a steep sided valley to take coffee at SU 982 208.

Continue SSW to a junction at SU 979 202, then SSE into a wood to emerge at SU 9835 1985. Continue SE to Shermel Gate at SU 989 192. Take a steep FP to the right of a bridleway to climb NE then NE to reach the point * (SU 9980 1947) where you turned NE earlier. Then retrace your steps ENE to the road at SU 0035 1954. Turn right for 100m to reach the car park.

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