





**HAMPSHIRE** 

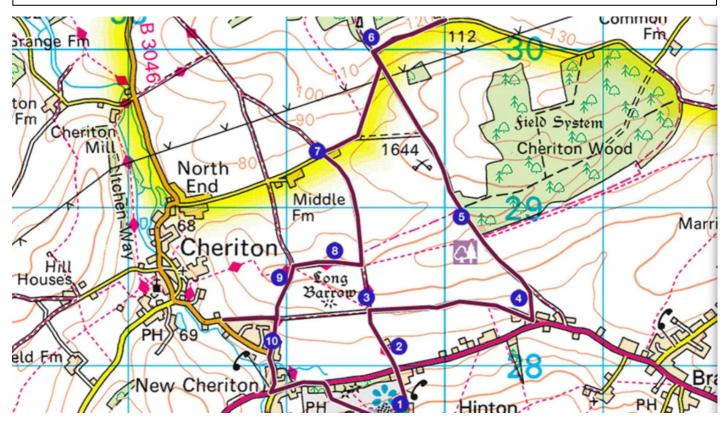
# Battle of Cheriton walk

The Battle of Cheriton was a major turning point in the English Civil War and resulted in an important Parliamentarian victory that helped shape the future of England. Starting at Hinton Ampner church, this trail follows in the footsteps of the men who fought on both sides of this important battle.



#### Beware of traffic

There is a section at the beginning and end of the trail where you will need to cross a busy A-road. Please be aware of fast-moving traffic.



### Information

Address: Hinton Ampner, Bramdean, SO24 0LA

OS map: Explorer 132 Activity: Walking

Challenging: Some of the pathways can be narrow so please consider other path users. For further details, please see section marked Terrain.

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome, but must be kept on leads at all times and under close control to avoid worrying wildlife and livestock.

Full trail: Miles: 5 (km: 8) Access: Challenging

Duration: 2 hours - 2 hours 30 mins

### Terrain

Mainly well-trodden footpaths and tracks, with many hilly and uneven sections. There are a number of small country lanes to cross - be aware of cars and farm vehicles. The route can be muddy in places after heavy rainfall

# Total steps: 10

Start point: Hinton Ampner church, Bramdean, SO24 OLA grid reference: SU597275

- 1. Start off at the church in the grounds at Hinton Ampner then walk down Hinton Hill towards the A272.
- 2. Cross the main road onto a farm track directly opposite (which then leads to a footpath).
- 3. After a short walk up the hill you will reach a crossroad of footpaths. Turn right and walk for about a mile.
- 4. Just before you reach the road, veer left following the margin of the field to the top right-hand corner, then walk through the gap in the hedge onto a farm track walking left up the hill.
- 5. Continue on for a mile and a half with Cheriton Wood to your right-hand side.
- 6. You should now be joining up with a road. Follow it round to the right, walking towards the site of a memorial commemorating the troops from both sides who lost their lives during the battle.
- 7. Retrace your steps on Badshear Road walking for a mile, then turn left off the road past some barns and back onto a farm track and footpaths.
- 8. At the top of the ridge (a half-mile walk from road) turn right, then follow the ridge along for half a mile before turning left down the footpath.
- 9. At the next footpath crossroad head straight down into Cheriton village.

10. When you reach the village road, turn left following the road to the main road (A272). Then turn left again at the main road, past The Hinton Arms pub and on to the entrance of the parkland.

End point: Hinton Ampner car park, SO24 0LA grid reference: SU592278