

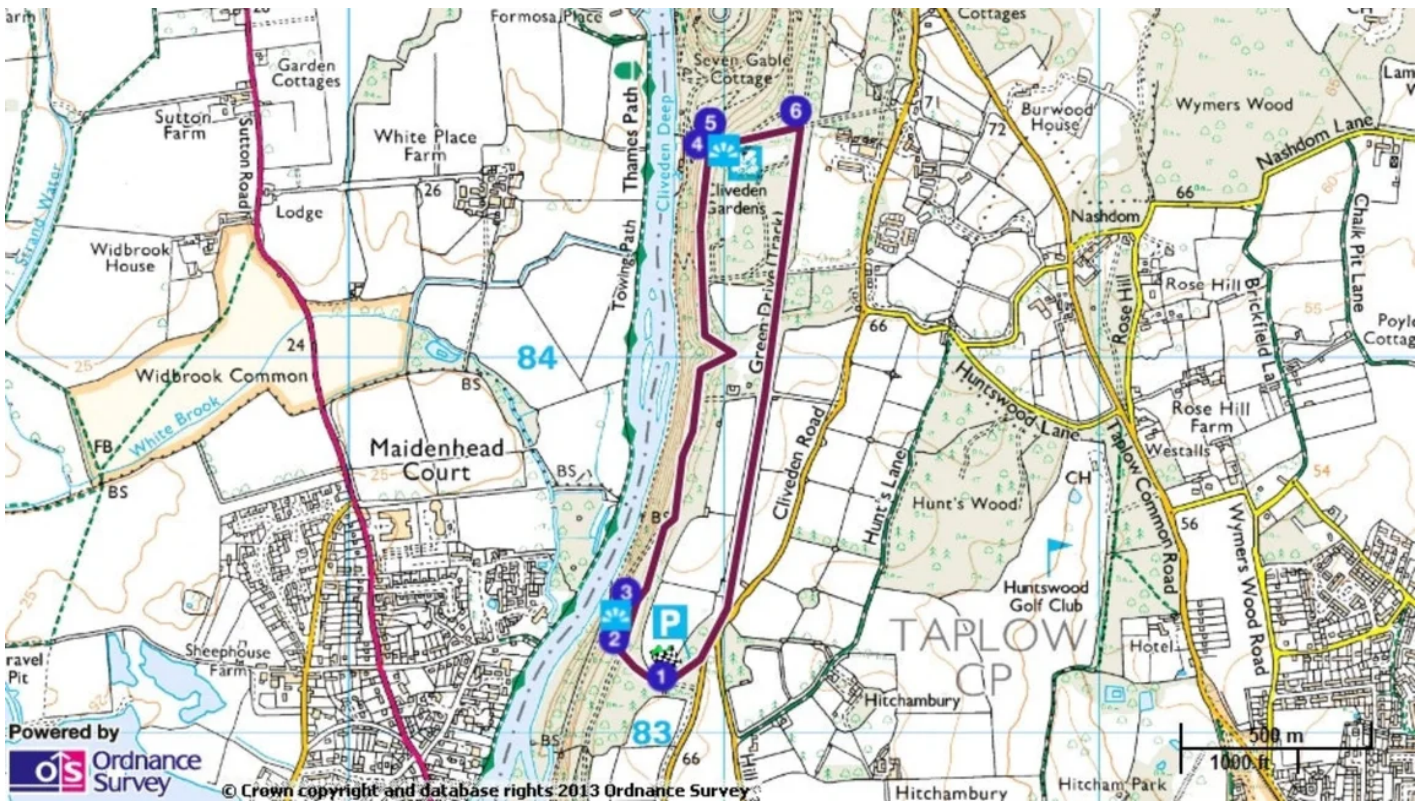
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Cliveden green walking trail

On this short stroll you'll explore the woodlands, discover a former owner of the estate and take in glorious views of the River Thames, the surrounding countryside and Cliveden House. There's also a chance to extend your walk to visit Cliveden's beautiful gardens.

i Accessing Cliveden estate

The historic country estate of Cliveden overlooks the River Thames and is open daily for most of the year. For access to these walking routes, you will need to be a National Trust member or pay the admission fee at the entrance to the estate.



Information

Address: Cliveden, Taplow, Maidenhead, Buckinghamshire, SL6 0HJ

OS map: Explorer 172

Activity: Walking

Easy: Mostly flat terrain with some gentle slopes. For further details, see the Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome in the woodland. At Cliveden, there is a traffic light system with different levels of access. Please pick up a dog walker's guide from outside the information centre or the woodland car park. Please dispose of your dog's waste in the bins provided.

Full trail: Miles: 2.3 (km: 3.68)

Access: Easy

Duration: 1 hour

Terrain

This circular walk follows grassy and stone-studded earth footpaths through the woods above the River Thames. It's easy, largely flat, terrain with some short, gentle slopes. May become muddy in wet weather.

Total steps: 6

Start point: Woodland car park, grid ref: SU909832

1. From the woodland car park, take the path signposted 'Viewpoint'. Go through the large kissing gate to the right. As you continue along the path, the elephant and bear wood carvings will appear on your right. Follow the route to the left past the picnic benches.
2. Continue down the slope and past the carved wooden Cliveden snails. Stop at the viewing area to see the Berkshire countryside and the River Thames spread out below. To your right, in the distance, you can also see Cliveden House Hotel.
3. Turn right here and follow the path along the cliff-top.
4. Follow the green route markers and the path will eventually lead you to this viewpoint with sweeping vistas of the countryside below. The Duke of Sutherland's statue will be on your right. From here, there's one of the best views of Cliveden House and the gardens.
5. Standing at the corner of the turning, take a few steps down the River Path. Straight ahead of you, underneath corrugated roofing, you'll find the sequoia section (see below for details). Then retrace your steps to the duke's statue. Follow the lime avenue away from the river and back into the woods.
6. At the end of the lime avenue, you'll find a map of the estate. Turn right onto a long path known as Green Drive, which narrows towards the end. Take the kissing gate on your right and head straight through the small central walkway with fields on your left. You'll come to a sheltered woodland area that takes you back to the woodland car park.

End point: Woodland car park, grid ref: SU909832
