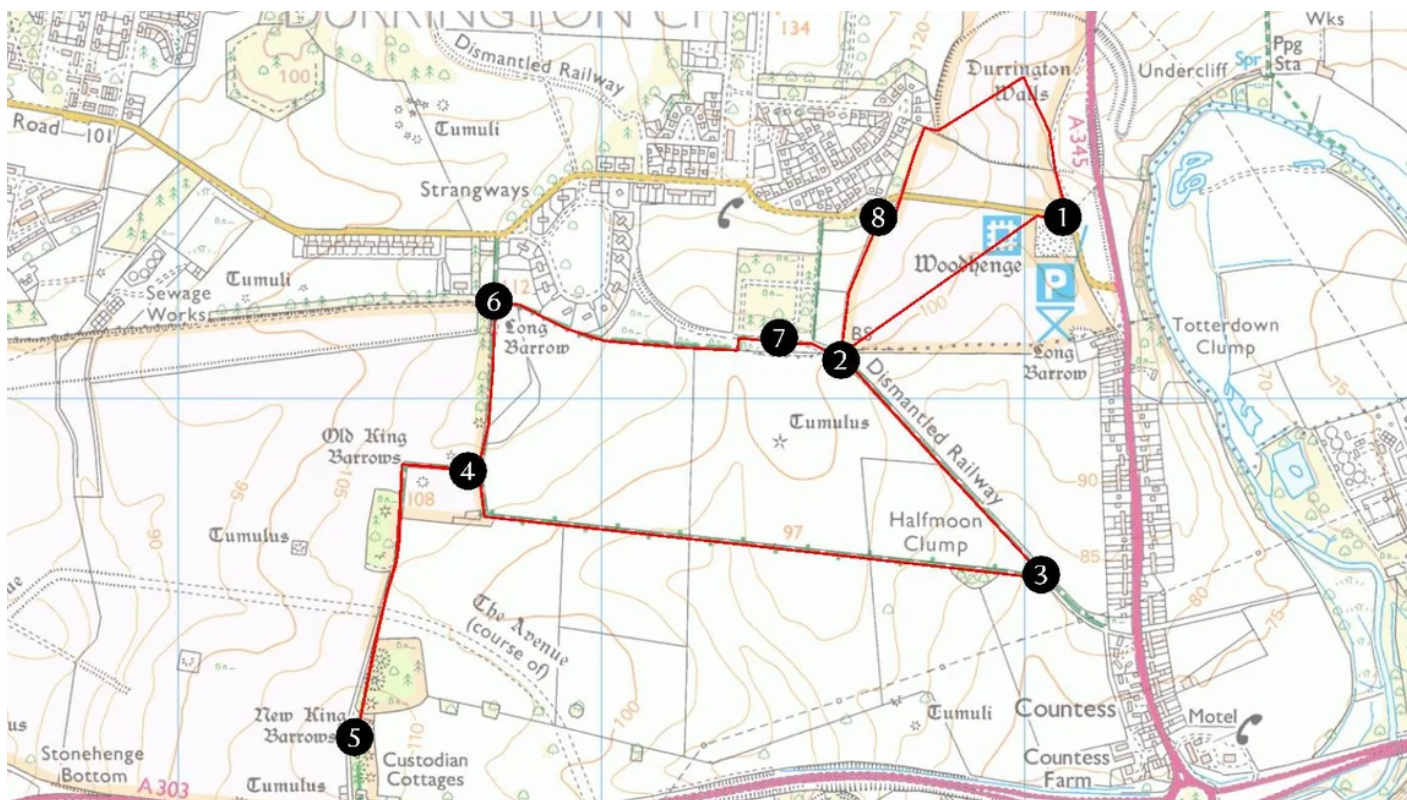


WILTSHIRE

Durrington Walls to King Barrow Ridge walk

Exploring the landscape to the east of Stonehenge, this walk takes in the timber circle of Woodhenge, Durrington Walls henge, the Cuckoo Stone and the burial mounds on King Barrow Ridge.



Information

Address: Durrington Walls, Woodhenge, Wiltshire SP4 7AR

OS map: Explorer 130

Activity: Walking

Moderate: The route is on hard tracks and gently sloping downs. For further details, see Terrain section.

Not suitable for dogs: Only assistance dogs are allowed on this walk. There is no access for dog walkers to fields with sheep on National Trust land in the Stonehenge Landscape.

Full trail: Miles: 4 (km: 6.4)

Access: Challenging

Duration: 2 hours 15 mins - 2 hours 45 mins

Terrain

This walk follows hard tracks and gently sloping downs, as well as open access land along rights of way, with pedestrian gates. Surfaces can be uneven, with potholes or long tussocky grass.

Total steps: 8

Start point: Durrington Walls, Woodhenge, Wiltshire, grid ref SU1510843423

1. Start your walk at Woodhenge. Turn left through the next pedestrian gate on your left into the Cuckoo Stone field and head to the corner of the field diagonally opposite you.
2. Go through the gate and turn left, heading down a henge-lined path known as the Apple Track.
3. When you reach a gap in the hedge, turn almost completely back on yourself and follow the long, straight track signposted 'Old King Barrows' west for about 700 yards, taking time to enjoy the view. Eventually the track turns right.
4. Shortly after the right turn, turn left through the gate and follow the path round to the left again, passing Old King Barrows and crossing the Stonehenge Avenue on your way to a line of 200-year-old beech trees.
5. Among the old beech trees, you'll find New King Barrows. After visiting them, return to Step 4, turn left and continue north along the track.
6. When you reach a crossroads with a field gate ahead of you, turn right and continue along a footpath.
7. At the corner of the Cuckoo Stone field, head back through the gates you came through earlier. But instead of continuing back the way you came, follow the fence line on your left -hand side.
8. Close to the edge of the field lies the Cuckoo Stone. One of very few locally occurring sarsen stones in the area, it was erected as a standing stone in prehistory and has since fallen. When you reach the road, pass through the gate, carefully cross the road and go through the gate to Durrington Walls. After viewing the site, head back across the field to Woodhenge to complete your walk.

End point: Durrington Walls, Woodhenge, Wiltshire, grid ref SU1510843423