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## 5. Guildford to Cranleigh - 14.5km ( 9 miles)

The fifth stage of this long distance path continues to follow the Wey South Path. The first part of this stage will continue on the navigable part of the Wey Navigation and then follows the route of the Wey and Arun link canal which is now not navigable and quite often empty in places.

| From | To | Distance (km) | Distance (Miles) | Directions | Places of Interest |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Guildford (SU 992 496) | Stone Bridge (SU 999 463) | 3.92 | 2.43 | From Guildford follow the canal towpath under the A322 and go through car park keeping close to waters edge. At the other side of the car park is a road bridge that is now a footbridge leading into Guildford centre. Pass this bridge remaining on the same side then immediately past the bridge take the path back to the canal in front of the white house pub.<br>Walk through gardens for approx 100 metres when then join Millmead (narrow road), cross over the road to the path on the other side. When the road goes back into a double carriage way then cross back over to path on the canal side, continue to follow path between canal and Millmead until the road loops round and doubles back.<br>Where Mill mead doubles back cross the canal on the black and white footbridge, following the black finger sign to Hydro Project, TI, High St & Theatres. Cross the canal on the 1st bridge and then turn right onto tree lined path before 2nd bridge and Millmead Lock. Continue on gravel path next to canal which is on an island, the island narrows and at this point cross the bridge over the weir and continue on path following waters edge until reaching the other side of the park where a footbridge spans the canal, at this point the canal takes a sharp right turn, so follow canal on path and do not cross bridge.<br>Continue to follow the canal on the path, keeping on the same side pass the wooden bridge where the North Downs Way crosses and continue to follow the path as it winds arounds.<br>Continue on path passed Shalford Junction Lock, under railway bridge until you reach the A248 (Broadford Road). Cross the canal via the road bridge and then cross the road to rejoin Wey South Path by wall at waters edge.<br>Follow path along other side of canal past the commercial offices and old TNT store and continue around waters edge on the branch off of the main canal until you reach the A281 (Horsham Road) | |
| Stone Bridge (SU 999 463) | Bramley Station (TQ 010 450) | 1.75 | 1.08 | Cross over the A281 road and walk south down the road on the pavement approximately 100 metres. Walk over bridge that crosses the canal and shortly after this turn left on to the Downs Link Path (Disused railway line).<br>Follow disused railway line, passing under Tannery Lane bridge and then all the way to Bramley Station (Disused) | |
| Bramley Station (TQ 010 450) | Run Common (TQ 032 419) | 4.07 | 2.53 | Continue through the station, pass through the old railway gates and cross Station Road (B2128) and continue on disused railway line for approximately 3.8 km (2.4 miles) passing under two bridges, at the the third bridge leave disused railway line and walk east along Run Common Road for approximately 200 metres until you reach the disused canal. This is the edge of Run Common. | |
| Run Common (TQ 032 419) | Rowly Farm (TQ 039 403) | 1.86 | 1.16 | Take the South East path beside the disused canal (this is the Wey South Path), after approx 0.5 km the path veers away from the canal and across the open field, cross the small river and join East Whipley Lane, head south on the lane, then at woods and lake take path across open field, pass a small copse and continue through next open field to Rowly Farm. | |
| Rowly Farm (TQ 039 403) | Alfold Road (TQ 046 387) | 2.8 | 1.74 | Pass by farm and take track heading to Norther Farm, at small copse of trees take the path on the right heading across cattle field. After passing through two fields the path then meets the 'Downs Link' again, cross straight over the disused railway line and head down path on edge of woods, after approximately 350 metres take the path on the right (1st path), cross the river and head west on track and then turn left when path meets paved track. Head south and follow disused canal, passing Rye Farm until you meet Elmbridge Road (B2130).<br>Turn right and follow pavement towards old bridge on narrow road. At beginning of brick wall of bridge cross the road and pass through the garden gate and walk through the private garden (it's ok to do this as there is a right of way across it)<br>Follow disused canal for approximately 350 metres across field, at far end of field follow footpath towards glasshouses. Follow concrete road alongside southern edge of glasshouses to Alfold Road. | |

**Public Transport**

**Start:**
National Rail - Guildford Station
Bus - Bus Station (Bus 63 or 53)

**Finish:**
Bus - Cranleigh High Street (Bus 63 or 53)

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## 6. Cranleigh to Loxwood - 12.5km ( 7.8 miles)

The sixth stage of this long distance path continues to follow the Wey South Path. The first part of this stage will follow the remains of the disused canal which will contain static water that is over grown with trees and reeds and dry in other parts. The stage finishes up at the Loxwood visitor centre where the canal has been restored and boat trips can be taken.

| From | To | Distance (km) | Distance (Miles) | Directions | Places of Interest |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alfold Road (TQ 046 387) | A281 (TQ 040 366) | 3.4 | 2.11 | Head South on Alfold Road for 0.5 Km turn into drive on right leading to Uttworth Manor. Follow drive passing cottage on main road all the way to Uttworth Manor and just before the Manor turn left through the gate and into the field following the footpath and Wey South Path. Follow edge of field and then cross footbridge shortly before rejoining the canal.<br>Follow the edge of the canal once again until you reach a T junction in the path near to Mill Farm. Turn left at this point heading away from the canal across the fields to Great Garson, Pass by the buildings and join the drive back to Alfold Road. Turn right onto Alfold Road and follow all the way to A281, crossing Flash Bridge. This is approx 1km. | Cranleigh Village |
| A281 (TQ 040 366) | Firtree Copse (TQ 024 350) | 2.55 | 1.58 | Cross over the A281 (careful this is a fast road) and rejoin the Wey South Path as it heads into a small piece of woodland along the edge of the canal. At the edge of the woodland pass through gate and head across field keeping to path and passing by mobile home site. Shortly past this site you will reach Dunsfold road and the Three Compasses Pub.<br>Turn left at this point and follow Dunsfold Road for approx 100m and then turn right onto another section of Dunsfold Road.<br>Follow this road for approx 1.1 km, pass by the Sprinbok Estate signs and shortly after follow the sharp bend round.<br>Immediatly after going around the bend leave Dunsfold Road on a track on the left, as soon as you are on the track then take the left hand fork into the woodland. Keep on track and Wey South Path until you reach Firtree Copse Nature Reserve. | Firtree Copse Nature Reserve |
| Firtree Copse (TQ 024 350) | High Bridge (TQ 023 335) | 2.91 | 1.81 | From Firtree Copse continue around the perimeter following the Wey South Path through the woodland. At Firfield Rough leave the path and turn left to rejoin the canal, which at this point contains water but is very overgrown.<br>Follow canal for 1.8 km as it winds through the woodland, at the end of this water filled section turn left and follow Wey South Path on the track past Old Lock House until you reach white painted house at High Bridge. | restored Locks |
| High Bridge (TQ 023 335) | Loxwood Visitor Centre (TQ 041 311) | 3.65 | 2.27 | Turn right on to road and then immediatly left following footpath sign on to tree lined track, which joins the disused empty canal.<br>Pass lake and continue following dry canal through Gennets Wood until reaching water filled sections. Continue on Wey South Path following canal past many locks to the Onslow Arms and visitor centre. | Loxwood Canal Centre<br>Boat Trips<br>Restored Canal |

**Public Transport**

**Start:**
Bus - Cranleigh High Street (Bus 63 or 53)

**Finish:**
Bus - Onslow Arms (Compass Bus 42, 64 or 69)

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## 7. Loxwood to New Bridge - 10 km (6.2 miles)

The seventh stage of this long distance path continues to follow the Wey South Path. The first part of this stage starts at the Loxwood visitor centre and follows the restored navigable canal to Drungewick Aquaduct and after this will leave the canal and track across farmland until rejoining the disused section of the canal just before New Bridge.

| From | To | Distance (km) | Distance (Miles) | Directions | Places of Interest |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Loxwood Visitor Centre (TQ 041 311) | Drungewick Lane (TQ 060 309) | 2.71 | 1.68 | From the Loxwood visitor centre head east on towpath following route of restored canal for 2.7km all the way to Drungewick Lane.<br>This follows the route of the Wey South Path | Loxwood Canal Centre<br>Boat Trips<br>Restored Canal<br>Drungewick Aquaduct |
| Drungewick Lane (TQ 060 309) | Malham (TQ 061 287) | 2.58 | 1.60 | At Drungewick Lane turn right on to road, (you can at this point follow the canal to the next lock but will not be able to proceed any further and will need to back track). Continue on Drungewick Lane for approx 1km, passing Pond Cottage bed and breakfast and Drungewick Kennels both on the right. Shortly after kennels the road will enter more dense woods and a little way in the path leaves the road to the left and follows a track through the woods, the path follows the edge of Drungewick Copse before emerging at a field.<br>Head straight across the field towards the left hand edge of Cutts Copse. Follow edge of wood to other side and then follow the path across a further two fields to Malham. | |
| Malham (TQ 061 287) | B2133 (TQ 057 277) | 1.43 | 0.89 | Pass through the farm buildings at Malham keeping to the footpath, on reaching the drive keep straight on the Wey South Path crossing the drive and after a short straight passing a pond to the right.<br>Follow path after the pond around the field to the woods at Loves Furze. Don't enter woods but keep to the right of them and follow edge of woods and field to opposite corner. Enter woods, keeping to path and follow to the B2133. | Fishers Farm Park |
| B2133 (TQ 057 277) | New Bridge TQ (068 259) | 3.2 | 1.99 | At road turn left and take path that goes between verge side trees and field (with llamas in) then at the edge of the field join the road and follow towards Newpound Common. Pass by some houses and just before the commercial units the path will leave the B2133 on a paved track towards Loves Farm. Shortly after joining track you will pass by some cottages and then fields will be either side. Just before reaching loves farm the path leaves the paved track and follows the edge of the field around the farm.<br>Following the Wey South Path, cross over the open field towards some woods, handrail woods, then cross a further field and rejoin the canal.<br>Cross over the canal via a bridge and then immediatly turn right following the disused Wey and Arun Junction Canal. Follow path keeping to the edge of the canal all the way to the A272 which at this point is New Bridge. | New Bridge |

**Public Transport**

**Start:**
Bus - Onslow Arms (Compass Bus 64 or 69)

**Finish:**
Train - Billingshurst Station
Bus - Opp Wharf Farm (Compass Bus 64 or 69)

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## 8. New Bridge to Amberley Station - 21 km (13 miles)

The Eighth stage of this long distance path continues to follow the Wey South Path. From New Bridge the path passes many dry and wet sections of the disused canal until reaching the River Arun, it passes by the hidden Hardham Tunnels and across Amberley Wild Brooks to Amberley. This section also reaches the end of the Wey South Path.

| From | To | Distance (km) | Distance (Miles) | Directions | Places of Interest |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New Bridge TQ (068 259) | Lordings Lock (TQ 058 245) | 1.92 | 1.19 | Cross over the A272 and enter field through gate on the other side. Follow Wey South Path and line of canal through field and at other side pass through gate and cross adjoining track. Continue on Wey south Path following hedgerow at side of field, at far end of field meet with the river Arun and follow southwards for a couple of hundred metres and then turn sharply away from the Arun to rejoin route of disused canal. Continue straight following hedge lined path to Lordings Lock. | Newbridge<br>Lordings Lock |
| Lordings Lock (TQ 058 245) | Haybarn (TQ 046 236) | 1.98 | 1.23 | At Lordings Lock the River Arun crosses the Canal and at this point continue to follow the canal on the Wey South Path crossing bridge to the other side of the canal and after 200m cross another bridge back to the other side again. After crossing bridge continue on same side of canal for 1.5km at which point the path meets a bridge and does not continue following canal. Cross the bridge over the canal and walk through Haybarn, keeping to the path. | |
| Haybarn (TQ 046 236) | Pallingham Bridge (TQ 036 216) | 4.42 | 2.75 | On exiting Haybarn head due south on the Wey South Path on hedge lined track between fields, at other side of fields you meet the disused canal again and shortly after turn sharply right between the trees and across a bridge across the canal.<br>Then cross the farm bridge over the river Arun and head across field, at other side of field cross the tributiary via the footbridge. Enter next field and cross to left hand side. Follow edge of field on path until you reach Pallingham Lane and Furnacepond Cottages.<br>Turn right onto Pallingham Lane and immediatly pass Furnacepond Cottages turn left onto track. Keep to footpath following hedgerow around field for approx 0.5km at which point you will enter some trees, follow path through the trees to paved road called Horsebridge Hill.<br>Turn left onto road and pass Horsebridge House, Westlands and continue on road until you reach Water Authority building on your right, take the path on the track opposite this building into the woods (Three Corner Copse).<br>Follow Wey South Path through 'Three Corner Copse' and then into Quay Copse, keeping left on the track/path. Pass through woods to the other side and then follow path at edge of woods and into field. Cross field and on meeting cross track turn right towards Pallingham Quay Farm. Just before farm turn left and follow track to Pallingham Bridge across the River Arun. | |
| Pallingham Bridge (TQ 036 216) | The White Hart Pub, Stopham (TQ 030 183) | 4.39 | 2.73 | After crossing bridge continue across field and enter woods, once in woods take the Wey South Path on the the right passed the building called Townland, cross field and other side continue to follow path through the trees to the farm track to sheepwash. When meeting track turn left and after approx 0.5km you will meet Coombelands Lane at Pickhurst Farm.<br>Turn right onto Coombelands Lane and continue on paved road passed cottages and then past Hill Farm Lane.<br>At edge of Gallops with gates either side of road cross over stile on left of road and follow path parellel to the road on the other side of the hedgerow and alongside the training grounds. At end of training grounds cross stile and rejoin road on 'S' bends, continue on straight part of Coombelands Lane and at next slight bend take tree lined right track following Wey South Path and just before reaching Park Farm turn right on to track and head into the woods at Park Mound.<br>Shortly after the path comes out of the woods and follows the edge of these woods and down the hill to the A283. The path meets the A283 by the new bridge crossing the Arun, cross the road and take the footpath down by the side of the pub. | |
| The White Hart Pub, Stopham (TQ 030 183) | Greatham Bridge (TQ 031 162) | 2.81 | 1.75 | From 'The White Hart' pub follow the old road up the hill away from the river. At junction that leads up to main road continue straight on spur that is dead end, at end of spur pass through gate following Wey South Path into meadow. Walk across meadow and cross footbridge into next meadow and also continue across this meadow too. At the other side of this meadow cross river via bridge into Southern Water pumping station.<br>Walk through pumping station and before reaching the railway turn right on tree lined drive towards Hardham Mill Park. Bear left on path following track around buildings, after approx 100m turn left on path and pass through gate into field, cross field to railway bridge, cross bridge and small field to London Road (A29).<br>Cross the A29 and take path next to the private drive down the hill across the field and through the trees, follow straight tree lined path until reaching Brook Lane.<br>Turn left on brook lane and walk up to Greatham Bridge. | Waltham Brooks Nature Reserve<br>Pulborough Brooks Nature Reserve |
| Greatham Bridge (TQ 031 162) | Hog Lane, Amberley (TQ 030 132) | 3.39 | 2.11 | After crossing bridge take the right path by crossing the stile and follow the edge of the River Arun, then at trees keep to the path that follows them on the left. At farm cottages turn left following Wey South Path that passes further cottages. When reaching a small wood turn right past disused pits. At next farm building turn left again and after approx 100m turn right into Amberley Wild Brooks.<br>Follow Wey South path straight across the brooks until you reach Hog Lane. | Amberley Wild Brooks |
| Hog Lane, Amberley (TQ 030 132) | Amberley Station (TQ 026 118) | 2.04 | 1.27 | At Hog Lane turn left and follow road until it becomes East Street, Turn right here into High Street and follow this road all the way to the B2139. Cross the road and continue up the hill on Mill Lane until you meet the road coming up from the right, turn right down this road (High Titten) following South Downs Way back down to B2139.<br>At B2139 turn left and follow the road to the station. | Amberley Chalk Pits Museum |

**Public Transport**

**Start:**
Train - Billingshurst Station
Bus - Opp Wharf Farm (Compass Bus 64, 69, 75 and 924)

**Finish:**
Train - Amberley Station
Bus - Opp Railway Station ( 73, 619 and 719)