

## A Walk around - Purleigh



Start: The Bell PH (Parking for Patrons only)  
 Post Code: CM3 6QJ  
 Grid Ref: TL 841 020 Explorer 183  
**5 miles (approx..)**

Para	Route Description	Approx miles
1	Leave pub car park turning right. Keep ahead on concrete road passing houses on right and lovely views to your left. When road ends stay ahead to gate and stile. Ahead over meadow with mound to stile. Ahead across arable land to cross bridge, follow enclosed path to field. Head across field to top left corner to road.	
2	Turn left. Keeping to safest side of road, follow road for approx. 115 yards to a gate and marker post on your right, just after farm entrance. Take this rising path keeping hedge on right. When the hedge takes a right bend, count 100 yards to find a cross field path on left heading towards the water tower and to a post in the corner of the hedge surrounding the tower. Turn left Tower and hedge on left, to road. <b>(extra care is needed here as you step through hedge straight onto busy road)</b>	
3	Turn right on road, keep to right hand side for a clear view of traffic, then cross over to reach junction, turn left - Hagg Hill. At the bottom of the hill turn right, stay on paved side of road until level with junction, cross over to Honey Pot Lane. Go along lane for 120 yards. Turn left at track into golf course. Follow straight gravel path to end, turn right at marker post, and hedge on left. At end of hedge, head across grass to right of mound to next yellow top marker post in hedge. Turn left over narrow flat wooden plank bridge, hedge on right. Now look ahead to next marker post, hedge/ditch on right, then across grass and wooden plank bridge, ahead to hedge, With hedge on left you will reach a gate out to road.	Please respect golfers. Taking care to look right and left when crossing golf course.
4	Turn right, go over bridge, and then immediately right down bank into field. Ahead with hedge on right to where another hedge comes from the left. Turn left at marker post with hedge on left. At end, turn left and head up hill, <b>(at top by a lovely large oak tree, take time to admire views of River Crouch and beyond)</b> Then stay ahead,	

	through gap then diagonally left, across to hedge line to emerge onto road at Cold Norton Church	
5	Go through church yard with church on right. Through gate, down narrow path between fields, cross bridge, along enclosed wooded path to road	
6	Turn left. Stay on road over bridge, passing The Norton PH. At junction cross main road to unmade road opposite. (Crown Road). In 120 yards, turn left through kissing gate, cross field, at end turn right, follow board walk then through kissing gate, then narrow path to go through another kissing gate turning right into field, sometimes horses. Ahead to gate in fence, then ahead slightly left to hedge line and gate. Through this gate and straight across gravel path (byway) then ahead down to gap, then ahead with wire fence then hedge on left. <u>GO THROUGH GAP, now hedge on right</u> , then through enclosed path, where retrace your steps back the way you came. I.e.: ahead across arable field to stile, ahead across meadow with mound, to gate, to road, to pub. (highly recommended for food and drink)	5 miles

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