

GW² Description

The routing for sections and overnight stops is Salisbury - Broadchalke - Cranborne-Tollard Royal - Shaftesbury - Iwerne Minster - Blandford - Bere Regis - Wareham - Corfe Castle - Swanage - Kimmeridge - Lulworth - Upwey - Portland Round - Abbotsbury - Bridport - Beaminster - Evershot - Sherborne (or Bridport - Lyme Regis). The individual daily distances would vary between 6 and 13 miles with an average of 11 miles per day.

Notable features would be

The city of Salisbury and its cathedral

Bockerley Dyke

Pentridge Hill

The Roman Road of Ackling Dyke

Cranborne

Farnham village

Tollard Royal

Win Green

Shaftesbury and Gold Hill

Fontmell and Melbury Downs

Ashmore

Hambledon & Hod Hills

Milton Abbas

Bere Regis

Wareham

Corfe Castle

Swanage

Coast Path

Worth Matravers

Swyre Head

Kimmeridge

Tyneham

Lulworth and its Cove

Portland and its quarrying history

Hardy Monument

Little Bredy

Abbotsbury

West Bay

Bridport

Golden Cap

Lyme Regis

Lewesdon Hill

Beaminster

Yetminster

Sherborne and its Abbey

The Sherborne option would be 199 miles over 19 days or for Lyme Regis 174 miles over 17 days.

All that is best in the Wessex countryside would be covered and there is no reason why it could not be walked either in one go as a challenge walk or in parts or on day by day basis.