

Train Rides to Ramble, Chilham: Route 4

The Down Walk

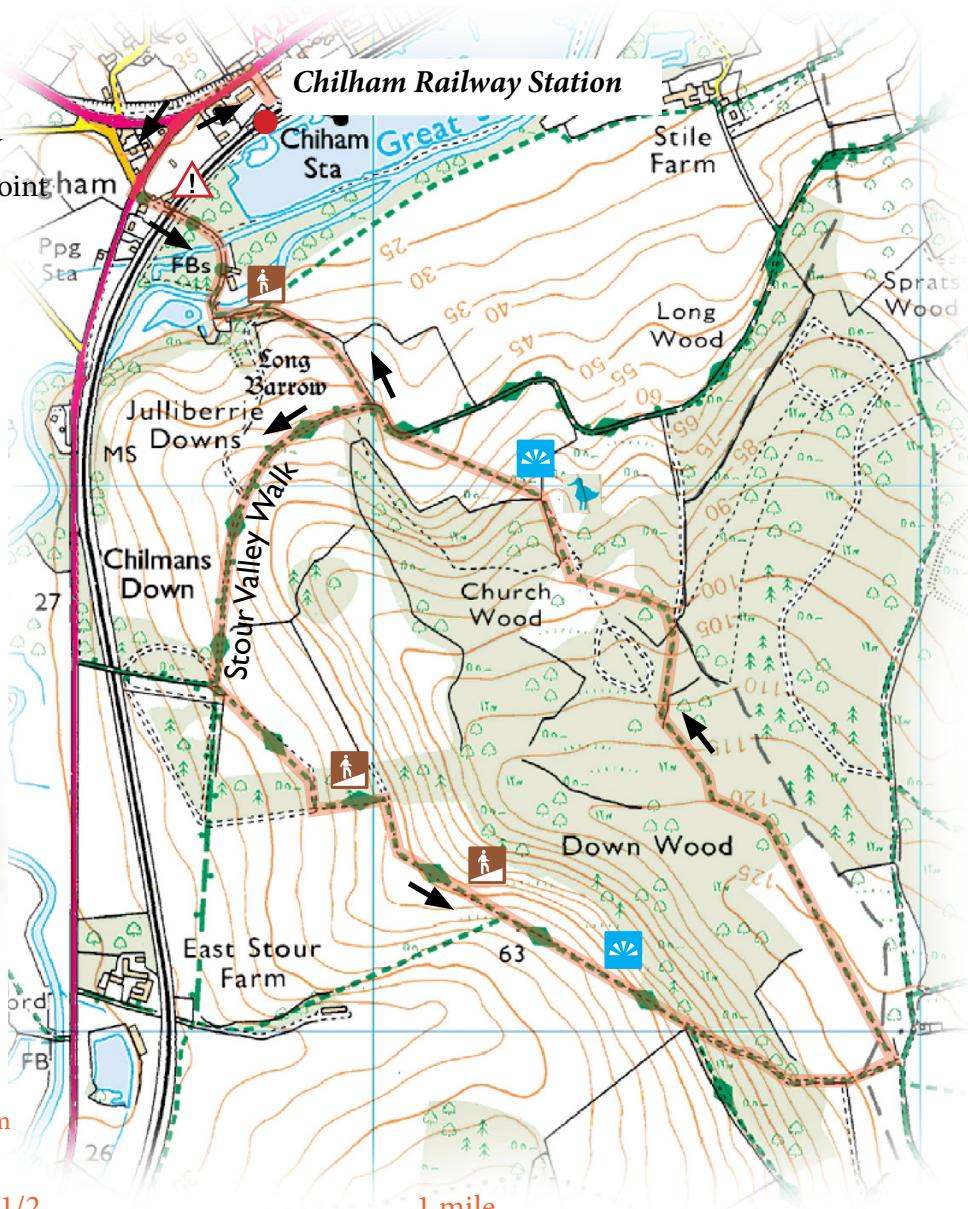
- Walk route
- Footpath
- Restricted byway
- ! Caution at this point
- ! Steep gradient
- Nature Reserve
- Viewpoint



Lady orchid at Broadham Down.



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Distance
4 miles (6 km)

Time
2 hours

This short walk encompasses many of the features that make this part of Kent so important for wildlife. From the River Great Stour at Chilham Mill it climbs up to one of the most important pieces of chalk grassland in the area; then on into Down Wood, which is a fine example of Kentish woodland. The trail returns to the railway station via the Kent Wildlife Trust's reserve at Broadham Down.

La balade des Downs

Cette courte balade présente nombreux traits paysagers qui rendent cette partie du Kent si importante pour la nature. Depuis la rivière Great Stour au moulin de Chilham, le chemin monte à l'une des plus importantes pelouses crayeuses des environs. Il se poursuit ensuite à l'intérieur du bois dit "Down Wood", qui constitue un bel exemple des espaces boisés du Kent. Enfin, le sentier retourne à la gare en passant par la réserve naturelle de Broadham Down, gérée par le Kent Wildlife Trust.

This walk is taken from the *Train Rides to Ramble in the Stour Valley* series of publications, which feature full walk instructions. For a copy, contact the Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership on 01233 813307.



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