

10km/6 miles      Approx. 3hrs

Easy/Moderate

**MOLE GAP TRAIL**

Discover the beautiful Surrey Hills following the silver arrow trail. Start and finish in 2 picturesque market towns, and enjoy plenty of fine Surrey views as well as Denbies vineyard en route.

**The walk**

**START** - Exit Leatherhead station via Platform 2, turn R onto footpath. Follow to main (Randalls) rd, cross road and enter park. Take the diagonal path through park up to next (Station) road. Cross road and turn L uphill. Bear R towards town centre, passing War Memorial on L and continuing down R towards river, passing the Running Horse pub on R.

**1.** GR TQ 164563 - Cross road next to mini roundabout towards arched Town Bridge. Walk over bridge. Turn L immediately and follow path along River Mole. Keep straight on footpath (lookout for Shell Bridge).

**2.** GR TQ 166559 - At end of footpath, turn R onto tarmac drive. Continue down drive passing Thorncroft Manor. Before reaching Thorncroft vineyard, turn L onto path and go through metal kissing gate. Follow path onwards along the riverside, through another kissing gate, Young Street underpass and a further kissing gate. Enter Norbury Park. Walk across field and bear R uphill to join track. Go through kissing gate. At cottage, turn R uphill through kissing gate then under railway bridge.

**3.** GR TQ 164542 - After bridge, turn L up steep path. On drive, turn L downhill until wooden bench on R with views. After bench, bear R uphill on grassy path to surfaced track. Cross over and go ahead downhill to woods. Take second footpath on L, through kissing gate into Swanworth Picnic site. Exit picnic site through kissing gate and keep ahead through fields. At Lodge farm follow track L then R over River Mole.



River Mole at Burford



Denbies Vineyard, Dorking

**4.** GR TQ 162529 - After bridge, continue on track then turn R past cottage. Continue ahead through 3 kissing gates and over River Mole footbridge. Follow ahead through kissing gate into Westhumble with St Michael's chapel and Arch on R.

**5.** GR TQ 167519 - Cross Chapel Lane and turn R along footpath. Continue along footpath where it separates from road, then continue a further 25m along Chapel Lane. Turn L down narrow path between fences and hedges. Continue ahead crossing road, through kissing gate into field. Go through field and kissing gate to stone track - North Downs Way. Continue through gate and enter vineyard. Keep ahead on track crossing drive to Denbies Vineyard. When main track turns right, keep ahead on grassy track. Go through metal kissing gate and ahead uphill.

**6.** GR TQ 163503 - At path junction, turn L along track. Follow track to road. Just before road, bear L along narrow path and through kissing gate to next road. Cross road and keep ahead on path then turn R along Chichester Road. At end of road follow the footpath to R beside dual carriageway. Keep straight, crossing 3 side roads to subway. Go through subway, exiting at Dorking Station.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**  
Easy access in terms of public transport, unsuitable however for wheelchairs. No car necessary for access, however some brief road-side walking. Additional route map available at Dorking visitor centre (01306 879327).

**DETAILS**

Country England  
Region Surrey  
Nearest Town Leatherhead/Dorking  
Length of Walk 10km/6 miles  
Time Needed 3 hours  
Difficulty Easy/Moderate

**SUITABILITY**

**Terrain** Fields, farmland, woodland, tracks. Fairly flat, a couple of steep hills. Potentially muddy next to River.  
**Steps** Two sets  
**Stiles** none

**START/FINISH**

**Start** Leatherhead train station  
**Start GR** TQ 163568  
**Finish** Dorking train station  
**Finish GR** TQ 171504  
**Parking** Leatherhead station - £3.70 daily. Dorking station - £4.00 daily.  
**Refreshments** Shops and pubs in Leatherhead and Dorking. Pub in Westhumble. Denbies Vineyard visitor centre.  
**Public Toilets** Leatherhead station and town. Denbies Vineyard centre. Dorking station and town.

**GETTING THERE**

**By Train** Leatherhead station is on main line between London/Guildford and London/Horsham. South West trains Tel: 0845 6000 650 and Southern Trains Tel: 0800 138 1016  
**By Bus** Countryliner buses from Guildford - Leatherhead (services 478/479) Mon - Fri/Sat, Countryliner service Epsom - Leatherhead (479) Mon-Sat, Arriva service Kingston - Leatherhead (465) Mon - Sun. Arriva Tel: 0871 200 22 33 Countryliner Tel: 01483 506919  
**By Car** Leatherhead is just South of the M25, at Jct 9 on the A243. Main road linking A24 and A246.

**MAPS**

Ordnance Survey  
OS Explorer 146

