



Self-Guided **Walks**

**Trails by rail,
Wadhurst**

Welcome to the High Weald National Landscape, an unspoilt medieval landscape. Enjoy a walk down through wooded valleys, along historic pathways and over farmland with spectacular views across the rolling hills and medieval fields. Ponds, ancient woodland and sunken routeways are features to look out for.

Distance and duration	A 5½ mile walk, taking about 3-3½ hours to complete
Level of ability expected	Moderate, hilly with a couple of stiles
Start point & post code	Wadhurst railway station. TN5 6RZ
OS grid refrence What3Words location	TQ621330 https://what3words.com/shudders.pushes.workloads
Additional information	Pay and display parking at the station Click here to download a GPX file of the route

I-Spy Something to look out for on your walk



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This walk is part of a series of walks originally produced by East Sussex County Council and now available via the [High Weald National Landscape](#) website.

Start from Wadhurst Railway Station and turn left to walk up Station Road (be very careful - there is no pavement and it is a busy road with fast cars; walk on the side of the road where you are most visible), then turn left up Faircrouch Lane.

Pass a small business park on your right, then turn right onto the footpath at the edge of a small car park.

Go through a gate and cross the field straight ahead.

Continue along the left-hand edge of the next field and follow the path through the gap in the hedge on the left and continue downhill.

Pass through the woodland shaw at the bottom to climb the hill beyond.

At the top bear left to climb a stile and reach Buckhurst Lane.

Turn right at the lane and follow it for a while downhill to a footpath on the left.

Go through a gate and walk along the edge of the next two fields.

Bear left after the second field, follow the well way-marked path across four fields to pass an old tennis court on the right and an old thatched barn and then cross a footbridge.

Bear right to continue through the wood.

At a track turn left to reach Partridges Lane.

Turn right along the lane then left onto a footpath opposite a pond.

Follow the path along a sunken track, and then continue on the main, well-defined path all the way through Furnace Wood to a footbridge.

Continue to reach a gate and enter a field.

Walk uphill along the right-hand edge and continue around the edge of the field to the next field.

Pass behind a small barn to follow the path down the right-hand field edge, past a small pond.

Continue to walk up a sunken path and at a surfaced driveway turn right and follow the drive through a gate.

Continue and when the drive turns right, turn left to take the footpath down the side of the main entrance gates to Lightlands.

Enter a field via a gate and head downhill towards the gap in the hedge ahead.

Continue straight downhill.

Cross the stream and follow the path through the woodland to a field.

Walk straight up the hill to Earlye Farm heading for the red brick barn.



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Follow the way-markers through the farmyard.

Bear right around the Oast House and then left into the field beyond.

Keep to the left-hand edge and continue through the gate and a small woodland to reach Partridges Lane.

Turn right along the lane for a short distance uphill before turning left onto a footpath.

Continue to cross the footbridge and carry on straight up the hill to enter a field.

Walk along the right-hand field edge crossing into the adjacent field on the right and continue in the same direction with the hedge now on your left.

Follow the path through the next two fields to reach Buckhurst Lane.

Turn left along the lane for a short distance before turning right onto a footpath opposite Buckhurst Manor.

Follow the field edge downhill to enter woodland via a gate and continue to a footbridge.

Turn left along the field edge, and continue along the way-marked path, crossing the stream, to reach Ravensdale Farm.

Turn left along the driveway and follow to Faircrouch Lane.

Cross the road to continue along Tapsells Lane and as the lane bears to the right after Tapsells House, turn left along a footpath at the edge of a driveway.

Follow the way-marked path to the left of the barn, this may well be overgrown in the summer.

Follow the path through the woodland, and across the field to climb a stile and reach the railway.

Cross the railway with care and follow the fenced footpath beyond, to reach Station Road.

Turn left and follow the road for a short distance to return to Wadhurst Station.

At all times please follow the Countryside Code

Respect everyone

- be considerate to those living in, working in and enjoying the countryside
- leave gates and property as you find them
- do not block access to gateways or driveways when parking
- be nice, say hello, share the space
- follow local signs and keep to marked paths unless wider access is available

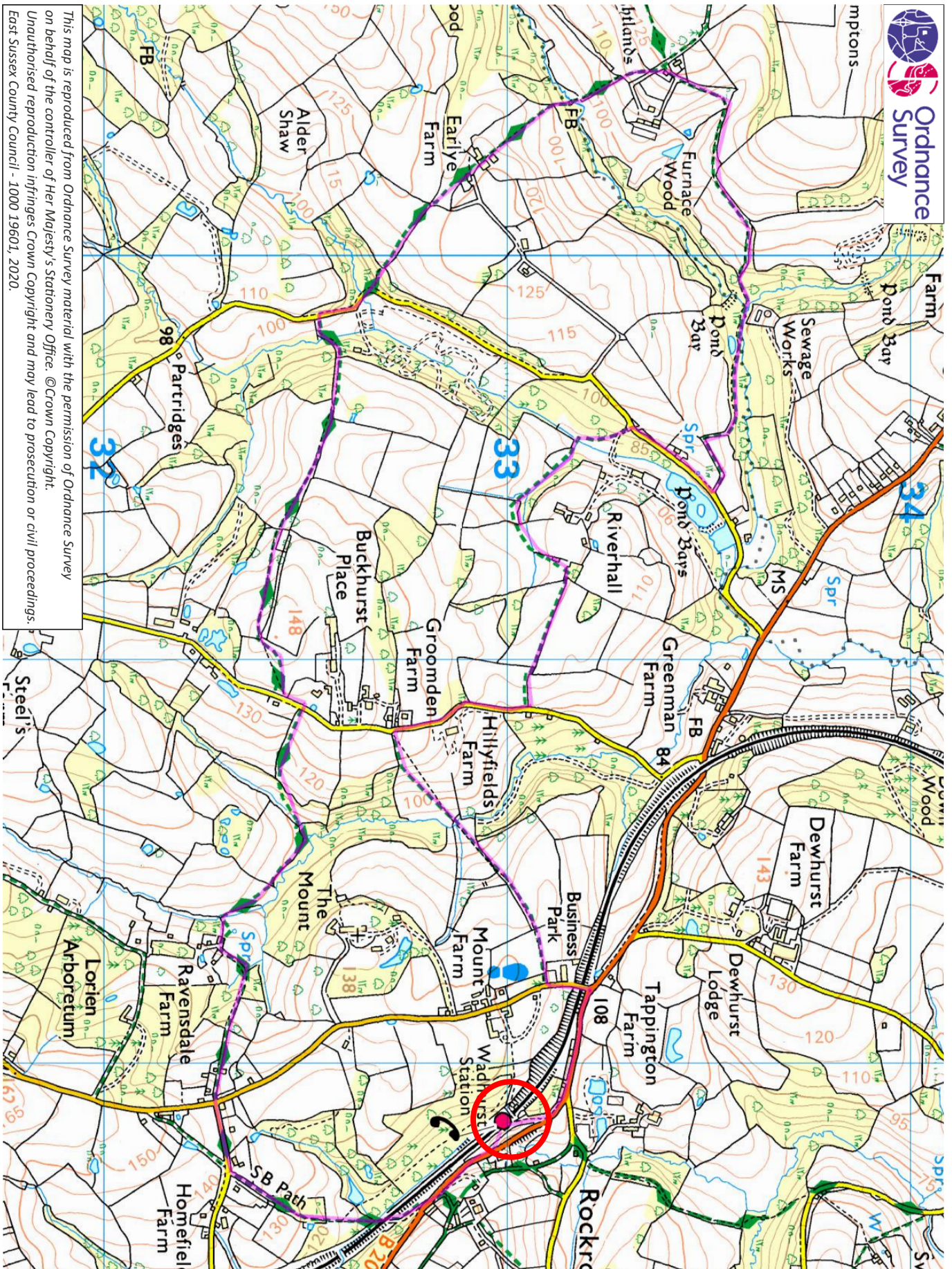
Protect the environment

- take your litter home – leave no trace of your visit
- do not light fires and only have barbeques where signs say you can
- always keep dogs under control and in sight
- dog poo – bag it and bin it – any public waste bin will do
- care for nature – do not cause damage or disturbance

Enjoy the outdoors

- check your route and local conditions
- plan your adventure – know what to expect and what you can do
- enjoy your visit, have fun, make a memory





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