



# **Rempstone Purbeck Hills**

A hilly ride around the Isle of Purbeck with some long off road climbs and downhill sections with views over Poole Harbour, Studland Bay and across Purbeck from the top of the Purbeck Hills.

**Distance:** 14 miles **Ascent:** 410m (approx)

Start Point: Main Beach Car Park, Victoria Avenue, Swanage, BH19 1PW

**Coordinates:** Latitude: 50.61151° N, Longitude: -1.96252° W (OS) SZ 02667 79104

**Safety Tips:** Stay on marked paths, especially near cliff edges. Wear suitable clothing and headwear, paths can be uneven and slippery. Keep children and dogs under close supervision near the cliffs. Check the weather forecast before your ride. Mobile phone coverage can be patchy along the coast.

# **Directions**

#### 1. Car Park

Lat, long: 50.61151, -1.96252 - OS: SZ 02748 79089

Start from the Car park in Victoria Avenue, exit the car park and turn right onto Victoria Avenue and then left onto Northbrook Road and continue up Northbrook Road. At mini roundabout go straight ahead and follow the road until the junction with the main road.

## 2. T Junction

Lat, long: 50.62704, -1.96988 - OS: SZ 02227 80815

Ulwell Road and Darkie Lane - Turn left onto Ulwell Road.

# 3. Y Junction

Lat, long: 50.63055, -1.97571 - OS: SZ 01814 81206

Y Junction - Turn left at junction and proceed up steep hill.

# 4. T Junction

Lat, long: 50.63576, -1.98376 - OS: SZ 01245 81785

B3351 Junction - Turn right at top of hill and follow road past golf course until you come to a small clearing on your left with a wooden gate and 3 parking spaces.

#### 5. Wooden Gate

Lat, long: 50.63665, -1.97708 - OS: SZ 01717 81884

B3351 Parking Area and Gate - Turn left through gate at small parking area on left and continue SA for approx. 300 meters past open area of the golf course.

# 6. Track Junction

Lat, long: 50.63854, -1.97615 - OS: SZ 01783 82094

Y Junction - Turn Left where Track splits off and follow track a short distance until you come to a junction in the bushes on the right with a stone bridleway sign.

## 7. Junction

# Lat, long: 50.63876, -1.97748 - OS: SZ 01689 82119

Turn right and follow the twisting track down and in a North direction across the heathland. Continue straight ahead at a wooden gate and continue down and along the track until you come to a level section of track with water each side and a bridleway sign on the left. Bare left and follow the narrow track until you come to an open field.

## 8. Field

# Lat, long: 50.65348, -1.97883 - OS: SZ 01593 83755

Continue along the field with the hedge on your left side. Ride towards the barn in the distance until you come to a gate.

## 9. Gate

# Lat, long: 50.65729, -1.97890 - OS: SZ 01588 84179

Go through the wooden gate and then turn left though a second gate and cross the small stream following the track up onto a chalky track.

#### 10. Junction

# Lat, long: 50.65735, -1.98030 - OS: SZ 01489 84187

Turn right and follow the wide bridleway track into Rempstone Forest.

#### 11. Cross Roads

# Lat, long: 50.65729, -1.99013 - OS: SZ 00794 84179

When you come to a cross roads in the track bare right and follow the bridleway until you come to a cross road with a tarmac road.

# 12. Gate and Road

#### Lat, long: 50.65994, -1.99927 - OS: SZ 00148 84474

Go straight ahead across the road to the wooden gates.

## 13. Wooden Gate

#### Lat, long: 50.66051, -1.99950 - OS: SZ 00132 84537

Go through the wooden gate and follow the wide track towards the trees and down a sandy hill until you come to a metal gate, go straight ahead at the gate and continue along the grass track until you come to a wooden gate and cross roads.

#### 14. Cross Roads

# Lat, long: 50.66721, -2.00534 - OS: SY 99719 85282

Turn left and follow the chalk track until you come to a tarmac road.

# 15. Tarmac Road Junction

## Lat, long: 50.66271, -2.01203 - OS: SY 99246 84782

Turn left onto the tarmac road and continue along the road until you come to a cross roads with a rough track on your right.

## 16. Cross Roads and Track entrance

## Lat, long: 50.65615, -2.00967 - OS: SY 99413 84052

Turn right onto the bridleway track and follow the track along a level section which can be muddy in winter, the track climbs a small slope and narrows to a singletrack and then opens again into a wide farm lane. Continue along the track until you come to a T junction with a tarmac road.

#### 17. T Junction

# Lat, long: 50.65145, -2.03452 - OS: SY 97656 83531

Turn left and follow the road in a Southerly direction until you come to a junction

#### 18. Junction

# Lat, long: 50.64825, -2.03722 - OS: SY 97465 83174

Continue straight ahead at the junction and continue to next T junction.

#### 19. T Junction

# Lat, long: 50.64458, -2.04066 - OS: SY 97221 82766

Turn right onto the B3351 and continue until you come to a junction and narrow road on your left for Rollington Farm.

# 20. Rollington Farm junction

# Lat, long: 50.64521, -2.04557 - OS: SY 96875 82837

Turn left and follow the track past the farm buildings until you come to a metal gate.

## 21. Metal Gate

# Lat, long: 50.64220, -2.04478 - OS: SY 96930 82502

Go though the metal gate and follow the bridleway track as it bares left then right up the valley until you come to the transmitter towers on your left side and gates.

# 22. Gate and Transmitter Towers

# Lat, long: 50.63885, -2.04014 - OS: SY 97258 82129

At the transmitter site go through the gate heading East and then bare right and follow the wide track down the side of the hill until you come to a wide gate on your right side.

#### 23. Gate and Junction

# Lat, long: 50.63761, -2.03752 - OS: SY 97443 81992

At the bottom of the track bare left and follow the narrow bridleway along the side of the Pubeck Hills heading East past several gates.

# 24. Track Junction

#### Lat, long: 50.63517, -2.02188 - OS: SY 98549 81720

Continue straight along the side of the hill following the narrow bridleway

#### 25. Knitson Farm Junction

#### Lat, long: 50.62819, -1.99483 - OS: SZ 00462 80943

Bare left when the track goes down a small hill and continue straight along the side of the hill following the narrow bridleway past a mobile phone mast on the left side until you come to the main track which takes you to the top of the Purbeck Hills from Ulwell Road.

# **26.** Gate

# Lat, long: 50.62673, -1.98633 - OS: SZ 01063 80781

Continue straight ahead though the gate and follow the narrow bridleway along the side of the hill.

## 27. Downhill Start

Lat, long: 50.62759, -1.98045 - OS: SZ 01479 80877

Bare right onto the wider track and follow the track down the valley until you come to the metal gates and Ulwell Road.

## 28. Ulwell Road

Lat, long: 50.62984, -1.97527 - OS: SZ 01845 81127

Turn right onto Ulwell Road (caution very busy road, take care) and follow Ulwell Road down to Swanage and continue along the Sea Front until you come to a T junction with Victoria Avenue.

#### 29. Victoria Avenue

Lat, long: 50.61211, -1.95792 - OS: SZ 03074 79157

Turn right onto Victoria Avenue and follow the road back to the Car Park and start of the ride.

# Route Map:

