

Haslemere

Haslemere is a charming market town and the gateway to wonderful walking. It makes a great base for exploring the beautiful surrounding



countryside and is perfect for walkers who appreciate diverse landscape and want somewhere that offers great local food and lovely places to stay – walkers really are welcome in Haslemere!

Booking Conditions

- The walk leaders are in charge of the walk and their decision on participation is final.
- Walks are aimed at all abilities and suitable for most people but you need to check the walk is suitable for you. All walks encounter hazards and you must attend the talk at the start of each walk.
- It is the responsibility of all walkers to ensure that they are physically fit enough to take part in the walks they have chosen. If you are in doubt regarding your abilities, seek medical advice.
- Dogs are not allowed other than on walks which are specifically described as being suitable for dogs
- Vulnerable people including young people under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Appropriate footwear and clothing must be worn and bring sufficient refreshments and snacks where applicable.
- You are responsible for your own personal safety and whilst we endeavour to make all walks as safe and enjoyable as possible, any event attended is done so at your own risk. We accept no liability for loss, accident or injury caused to any person during the festival. *Check your own personal accident cover before taking part.*

Walk Grading

EASY: gentle walk suitable for most levels of fitness – mainly on flat paths

MODERATE: moderate walk suitable for average fitness – a few gradients and steps. Boots recommended

CHALLENGING: challenging walk suitable for those with a good level of fitness – steep gradients, steps or rough terrain. Boots essential

How to get to Haslemere

Haslemere is easily reached by all routes with London and the historic naval town of Portsmouth less than an hour away. Haslemere station is just a short walk away from the High Street and there are regular direct train services from London Waterloo. Driving is easy with excellent access via the A3 linking with the M25 and with good road links to the south coast, London and beyond. Both Gatwick and Heathrow airports and Portsmouth ferry port are approximately one hour's drive. There are bus links to local towns and villages.

Useful Contacts

National Rail

Tel: 03457 484950 or visit www.nationalrail.co.uk

Traveline

Tel: 0871 200 2233 or visit www.traveline.info

National Express

Tel: 08717 818181 or visit www.nationalexpress.com/en

Visit Haslemere is situated in the heart of the town at



Haslemere Museum and offers information on everything you need to get the most from your visit including where to stay, attractions and local events. You will also find information on transport, eating out, maps, walks and much more. For more details, visit www.haslemere.com/vic



Haslemere Town Council represents the people of Haslemere and fully funds the Haslemere Walking Festival. For more information, visit www.haslemeretc.org

Booking Information

All walks are free to attend and booking is essential.

Numbers are limited so early booking is recommended to avoid disappointment. Booking is available online via <https://haslemere-museum.arttickets.org.uk/> For all enquiries please call Visit Haslemere on **01428 645425** or email visithaslemere@haslemeremuseum.co.uk



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HASLEMERE WALKING FESTIVAL 2022

Friday 15th to Sunday 17th July

A weekend of varied and rewarding walks for all tastes, ages and abilities.

Easy and difficult, long and short, night and day, there is something for everyone to enjoy!



Bookings online at:

<https://haslemere-museum.arttickets.org.uk/>

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Haslemere Walking Festival 2022

From Friday 15th to Sunday 17th July, the 3-day programme of walks will take you in and around Haslemere, across the South Downs National Park, through National Trust Heathlands and deep into the Surrey Hills AONB. With so many beautiful areas to discover and explore with experienced walk leaders, join Haslemere's 7th Walking Festival in celebrating the rich history and stunning countryside surrounding this quaint market town nestled in the Surrey Hills.

Friday 15th July

Jerusalem Way Walk through Sussex

Led by former Mayor David Round, this historic walk will take you through the beautiful Sussex countryside, finishing with tea at Shulbrede Priory where Parry wrote the music for the famous hymn. The route was specifically chosen in order to give participants the option of going barefoot and there are also many stopping points along the way.

10:00 / 4-6 hrs / Leisurely / Challenging

Meet Point: Outside Haslemere Museum, High Street

Notes: Please note this is not a circular walk. We will be finishing at Shulbrede Priory from where you will need to arrange pick up.

Haslemere Peasant Arts Walk

A fascinating walk around the Arts and Crafts industry buildings and houses of Haslemere. The route takes in Kings Road, Foundry Lane and Longdene Rd. Led and organised by Haslemere Museum.

10:30 / 1.5 hrs / 1 mile / Leisurely / Moderate

Meet Point: Outside Haslemere Train Station

Notes: The walk includes a steep footpath between Foundry Lane and Longdene Road and does not go onto the property or inside any of the buildings. Bring refreshments. Family friendly (accompanied children over 5 years). Dogs on leads welcome.

Haslemere Artists and Writers: Town Walk

The Arts Society Haslemere invites you to join local literary historian, Dr. Marion Dell, supported by Jo-Anne Buckrell, the Museum's researcher, on a walk around town to see the homes and views of some local Victorian artists and writers. There will also be a visit to St Bartholomew's Church to consider its literary connections and see some of the decorative artwork there.

14:00 / 2 hrs / Leisurely / Medium to challenging

Meet Point: On the verandah of Haslemere Educational Museum, High Street

Notes: Regular stops outside the houses of local artists. No dogs allowed. Steep hill

Bat Watching 1 at Imbhams Farm

Surrey Bat Group once again invites you to learn about bats, with a short informal wander around the farm woods and pond, to spot some of the many species known to inhabit the site.

20.45 / 1.5-2 hrs / 0.5 miles / Leisurely / Easy

Meet Point: Imbhams Farm Buildings, Holdfast Lane

Notes: Frequent stops. Bring warm clothes, torch and bat detector if you have one. Insect repellent advisable. Family friendly (accompanied children over 4yrs). Not suitable for dogs.

Saturday 16th July

Stories from the Devil's Punch Bowl

Join a walk around the Devil's Punch Bowl and learn some of the area's history including the murder of a Sailor in 1786, the fate of his murderers at Gibbet Hill and the airplane crash there in 1945. Learn about the area's literary connections including Alfred Lord Tennyson, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, George Bernard Shaw and Aldous Huxley. Visit the Robertson Memorial before completing the walk which is being led by a member of Godalming and Haslemere Ramblers.

10:00am / 3 hrs / 5 miles / Medium / Moderate

Meet point: Outside the cafe by the main National Trust DPB car park off London Road postcode GU26 6AB

Notes: Bring snack and light refreshments for mid-morning 15 minute break. Well behaved children and dogs welcomed.

Haslemere's Notable Trees: Town Walk

Clive Davidson invites you on a walk to visit notable and lovely trees, including ginko, liquidamber, tulip, swamp cypress, field maple, redwoods, cedar of the Lebanon and ancient oak, all within a mile radius of the town centre.

14:00 / 2 hrs / Leisurely / Easy

Meet Point: Outside The Georgian, High Street

Notes: Regular pauses to admire trees. Boots recommended as some areas muddy. No dogs allowed.

Bat Watching 2 at Imbhams Farm

Surrey Bat Group once again invites you to learn about bats, with a short informal wander around the farm woods and pond, to spot some of the many species known to inhabit the site.

20.45 / 1.5-2 hrs / 0.5 miles / Leisurely / Easy

Meet Point: Imbhams Farm Buildings, Holdfast Lane

Notes: Frequent stops. Bring warm clothes, torch and bat detector if you have one. Insect repellent advisable. Family friendly (accompanied children over 4yrs). Not suitable for dogs.

Key = Start Time ■ Length ■ Duration ■ Pace ■

Sunday 17th July

Tall Tree Walk

Clive Davidson invites you on a walk to visit and admire the tallest trees in Surrey in a special copse that includes giant redwoods, larches, hemlocks, firs, cedars and spruce.

10:00 / 2 hrs / Leisurely / Easy

Meet Point: Corner of Lion Lane and The Avenue

Notes: Regular pauses to admire trees. Boots recommended. Well-behaved dogs on leads welcome.

Inspiring Views Walk with Surrey Hills Society

Taking in the beauty of Hindhead Common to visit one of the Inspiring Views Art projects 'Xylem' by Sir Walter Bailey. Discover the use and importance of charcoal and its historical relevance to the Greensand Way whilst enjoying the outstanding and inspirational landscape.

10.30 / 2.5 hrs / 6 miles / Medium / Moderate

Meet Point: Outside Haslemere Museum, High Street

Notes: Involves steep ascent. Short tea-break at NT café. Well-behaved dogs welcome.

Explore the woodland with Grayswood Nursery School

Join the Woodland team from Grayswood Nursery and Forest School for a wander through the wood. There will be plenty of things to do and see, including rope swings, trees to climb, and various routes to explore at your leisure. At 'HQ' you will find a small fire for toasting marshmallows and more activities, including some leaf bashing to make flags and some wood cookies to saw and decorate. Experienced staff will be on hand to supervise the fire and tool use.

Any time between 11.00-15:00 / 1.5hrs

Meet point: At the woods by Grayswood Nursery. Park in the village and walk along Muddy Lane.

Notes: Family friendly, boots recommended, well behaved dogs on leads, welcome.

Walk On the Wild Side with the Surrey Wildlife Trust

A guided walk around Imbhams Farm with Maggie Barlow, offering the opportunity to learn first-hand the wildlife projects and recent habitat enhancements for both flora and fauna.

14.00 / 1.5hr / 1 mile / Leisurely / Easy

Meet Point: Imbhams Farm Buildings, Holdfast Lane

Notes: The walk covers open ground. Wear wellies if wet. Suitable for families. Well-behaved dogs on leads welcome.