



Circular Walk: South Hinksey & Chilswell Valley

Start point A. Approximately 5 miles (8.4km)



TL= Turn Left	FL = Fork Left	BL = Bear Left
TR = Turn Right	FR = Fork Right	BR = Bear Right

1 Leave the Park & Ride car park by the car exit. **TL** opposite the 'Go Outdoors' sports shop. Walk along footway over Hinksey Stream and railway bridges.

2 Just past the Kennington turning, **TR** through the metal kissing gate on the right-hand side of the road. Follow footpath straight across the meadow. After crossing stream, **BL** over stile and along right field edge through meadows to a gate and stile into South Hinksey.

3 At the lane **TR** and then follow the lane, which becomes a path behind houses, around. Carry straight on along St Lawrence Road, then **TL** up Manor Road by the beamed thatched house.

4 When you come to the road junction at the top of the village **TR**, then with great care follow the road around and over the bridge over the A34.

5 After the bridge, take the road that leads straight on with care, avoiding the road that leads to the bypass and the footpath right opposite it.

6 After about 75m, you will come to Chilswell Path turning off to the right. **TR** here. When the track bends left to Chilswell Lodge, take the grass track straight on passing Chilswell Valley Nature Reserve on your left. Carry on through gate and along the steep-sided Chilswell Valley. Pass through the small copse to path and track to Chilswell Farm.

7 **TL** at the end of the track at Chilswell Farm, passing the barn on your left. After ½ mile, before you come to the house, look out for the bridleway on the left. **TL** to follow the bridleway down across fields to a track. This takes you around to the front of some houses. **TL** and follow the road as it curves left past the garden centre. Carry straight on to return with care back over the bypass to South Hinksey village and retrace your route back across meadows to the Park & Ride.

