

The route begins in Maldon High Street. Go up the High Street and through the narrow section at the top.

Arriving in West Square (you'll see the Nationwide Building Society facing you) TURN LEFT next to Doe Motors into Farnbridge Road.

Proceed down hill and as you come to the edge of town there is a roundabout. GO STRAIGHT OVER (!) taking the B1018.

Approximately 1 1/2 miles further on TURN RIGHT onto the B1010.

In Purleigh TURN LEFT (opposite the vines and next to the chickens) and follow the road through the village.

Whilst in Purleigh you may like to visit New Hall Vineyard (cellars open daily) or climb Church Hill for a magnificent view, a visit to the Church or refreshments at 'The Bell'.

TURN LEFT opposite the village hall, into Howe Green Road. The road winds uphill.

At the top TURN LEFT, you're in the village of Cold Norton.

TURN NEXT RIGHT into St. Stephen's Road.

At the end of this road TURN RIGHT and descend Kit's Hill.

At the bottom TURN RIGHT and very soon LEFT (a cul de sac) leading to North Farnbridge.

In the village TURN LEFT into Ferry Road and so to the waterside and the 'Ferry Boat Inn'.

Retrace your steps to the main road. TURN RIGHT onto it (B1010/B1012) towards Burnham-on-Crouch.

As you come into Althorne watch out for panoramic views of the Crouch Estuary.

In Althorne TURN LEFT into Summerhill and follow the road to Latchingdon.

At the mini-roundabout by the church TURN LEFT.

After the 'Latchingdon Lion' (on your left) and the petrol filling station (on your right) TURN RIGHT - signposted MUNDON.

TURN RIGHT again near A1 International Car Repairs (signposted Mundon 1, Maldon 4).

Between here and Maldon are two places of interest:

1. The 14th Century redundant church of St. Mary, Mundon (not a ruin). TURN RIGHT at a cross-roads just beyond

Mundon into New Hall Lane then RIGHT AGAIN into Vicarage Lane. The lane leads to Mundon Hall. The church lies to the south of the Hall surrounded by trees. The church is always open.

2. The site of the Battle of Maldon 991. After passing the 'Maldon' sign there are some houses on the right. Part way along (just after the telephone box and opposite a bus shelter) is the driveway leading to South House Farm. This is also the public footpath which leads to the site of the Battle of Maldon.

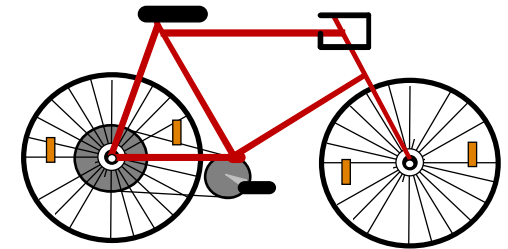
STRAIGHT OVER (!) at the roundabout and you will soon find yourself back in Maldon High Street.

REFRESHMENTS

Maldon has many cafes, restaurants and pubs serving food. All the villages on the route have at least one pub serving food both at lunchtimes and in the evening.

MALDON DISTRICT CYCLE ROUTE 3

'The Byrhtnoth Tour'



This tour takes a circular route to the south of Maldon, also visiting the north shore of the River Crouch. Visiting, along the way, a vineyard, a smugglers haunt, the site of the Battle of Maldon, and a 14th century church in a wood.

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Distance 22 miles

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