

THE LIZ JONES SERIES OF COMMEMORATIVE WALKS



WALK No.7 - Lamberts Castle

Longish walk around Iron Age fort. Stunning views of countryside. The first half is downhill and the second half is mainly uphill. It starts at Lamberts Castle for ease of parking and the track up from Great Coombe Farm offers shade on hot days. Wonderful countryside and incredible views.

LENGTH OF WALK - 6 miles (allow 3 hours)

DIFFICULTY RATING -

DIRECTIONS FROM LYME REGIS - From Lyme Regis cross the A35 at Hunters Lodge and follow the Crewkerne road for 3.4 miles to National Trust sign on right, turn right towards the car park.

OS maps	Explorer 116, Landranger 193
OS Grid reference	OS Grid Reference SY 366 988
Post Code	DT6 6NN
GPS Point	GPS 50.7853 - 2.9002



LOCAL AMENITIES - Bottle Inn at Marshwood, and Hunters Lodge Inn on A35.

For details of all the walks go to www.lymeregis.org/walking.aspx
OR <https://www.whatsoninlyme.co.uk/U3A.htm> ([walks](#))

Walk	Name	Difficulty	Length (Miles)	Description
1	Lyme Regis		5	Delightful walk including River Lym, Uplyme and great views from Ware Cliffs.
2	Charmouth		4.6	Country and village walk, featuring riverside, wildflower meadows and views.
3	Catherston Leweston		4.5	Country walk with sea and country views and walk along the River Char.
4	Rousdon		4.6	Country & village walk including the Peek Estate and the village of Combyne.
5	Axmouath		5	Walk along the Axe Estuary, through Axmouth and with amazing sea views.
6	Battleford Hall		4.4	A varied country and village walk with good views and bluebells in season.
7	Lamberts Castle		6	Longish walk around Iron Age fort. Stunning views of countryside.
8	Eype & Eype Down		3.4	Varied scenic walk including coast and country views. Bluebells in season.
9	Membury		3.1	Country views and charming village of Membury and hamlet of Rock.
10	Bettiscombe		4	Country walk with outstanding views of Marshwood Vale to the sea.
11	Offwell		4.3	Country views, woodland and interesting buildings. Bluebells in season.
12	Barnes Surges		4.8	Countryside and woodland walk with good views and wild flowers.

The walk is easy; on the level and with few or no stiles.

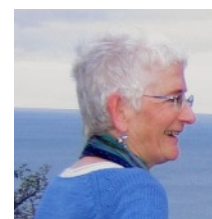
A little more difficult with more stiles and hills.

More demanding -there may be some steep hills and more stiles, but the walk should be easily achieved by anyone in reasonable health who is used to walking 4 or 5 miles.

Unexpected snags? If you come across any unexpected obstructions during your walk, please let us know- we would like to keep the instructions up to date. Please send your comments to: walks@lru3a.org

Liz Jones loved walking and sourced over seventy circular walks in the area. For several years she and her husband David led the U3A Walking Group and after she died in April 2013 members of this group decided to make some of her walks available to a wider audience as a tribute.

The Group would like to thank David Jones for his leadership and all his support for this project - rewalking each route and checking our efforts. Our thanks also go to Susie Gambie for creating the model for the walk maps, Sue Wilson for her layouts and technical expertise and Maurice Liddiard for coordinating the project



No.7 Lamberts Castle.

Go through the gate and turn right towards stand of trees ahead. Pass to right of second stand of trees and keep straight ahead over bank. Turn left along grassy path. Before hedge and tree line take left-hand fork towards top of hill, cross bank again and turn right past footpath marker. Cross another bank ahead.

Turn right here down track towards pylon. Emerge on to road and go straight ahead for 40 yards and turn left into road signposted Whitchurch. Follow this road past house on left through gate on right of road ahead (bridleway sign). Follow path on side of hill through gorse bushes. Keep to path on right of tree line and go through gate ahead and straight on. At barn and house ahead, go through gate on left and along drive to gate on right (bridleway marker). Through this gate follow the left-hand hedge to gate on road. Go through gate and turn left on to Long Lane.

Follow downhill to a road junction and turn right (signposted Wootton Fitzpaine) and follow road into village. About two hundred yards past the church signpost on the right go left through second gate on the left (footpath sign). Follow road through grounds for thirty yards, turn right over stile and follow path to stile ahead. Cross stile, keep straight and then through kissing gate on right, following left-hand hedge across footbridge. Cross field bearing slightly left to stile in corner. Follow path between houses and turn right onto road, over bridge and cross stile on left (marked Liberty Trail and Wessex Ridgeway).

Cross stile to gap in hedge at top of field. Cross stile here and turn right and follow right-hand hedge through gap and round field edge to gate ahead. Over stile or through gate and turn left and follow left-hand hedge before crossing to gate and stile in hedge on right ahead.

Go straight across next field to gate (Liberty & Wessex signs), turn right up bank and then diagonally right across field through gate on road. Turn left on road and left again down Great Coombe Farm drive, which leads into track just past the farmyard. Follow this through gate and uphill (bridleway marker) for 15 to 20 minutes to top of hill and along to road complex at foot of Lamberts Castle. Go straight on to National Trust sign and turn left down road gradually climbing uphill. At top of hill turn right through wooden gate marked "Lamberts" and follow footpath (marked) to car park track. Turn right for car park.

