






## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Symbols

 Picnic lunch  Pub lunch  
 Times of trains shown are:  
**W** = Weymouth **BTM** = Bristol Temple Meads  
**C** = circular **Ln** = linear **BP** = Bring bus pass  
**Pace**  
 Leisurely  Medium  Strenuous

**Train times** are indicative only and may vary by several minutes. Please check latest timetables or call National Rail Enquiries: 08457 484950

**No need to book.** Buy a day return ticket to the relevant station. For linear walks buy a ticket to the station that is furthest from your departure station.

**Request stops:** Stations at Chetnole, Yetminster, Thornford and Avoncliff are Request Stops. Please advise the conductor on the train that you wish to alight at a request stop. When joining at request stops, signal clearly to the driver to stop the train.

**Tickets:** Groups of three or four individuals can travel together for the price of two on Cheap Day Returns or Savers on Group Save tickets. A Day Ranger ticket may be more economical for a longer journey if you do not have a Seniors or other type of rail card.

**Please wear strong shoes/walking boots and bring waterproofs, drink and food.**

**Sorry NO DOGS can be allowed on the walks.**

For enquiries about the walks call the leader or the Programme Co-ordinator 0117 979 8628.

Whilst every care will be taken to keep to the advertised programme, walks leaders reserve the right to make changes to suit weather conditions, the needs of the party or any other unforeseen circumstances.

Non-members are welcome to join the walks but after two walks they will be encouraged to join the Ramblers'.

### Saturday 14 May

Train: **W** 08.46 arr. **BTM** 11.29. Meet leader outside station.  
**Ln**, 6 miles - walk of urban and historic interest to **Redland** station on the Severn Beach line.  
 Return trains: to **Redland** for 16.49 (ex Bristol TM) to **W**  
 Leader: Peter Gould

### Wednesday 18 May

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Maiden Newton** 09.14 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 10.37  
**C**, 8½ miles - Cruxton, Wynford, Eagle, Toller Porcorum and Chilfrome.  
 Return trains: to **W** 16.47, **BTM** 15.33  
 Leaders: Ken & Audrey Worden - 01935 389840

### Saturday 21 May

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Dorchester** 10.38  
**C**, 7 miles - Dorchester - town and country with time to explore **Dorchester** afterwards.  
 Return train: to **BTM** 17.41  
 Leaders: Susan Blake & Kevin Aplin - 01305 263759

### Saturday 28 May, Bank Holiday

Train: **W** 08.46 arr. **BTM** 11.29  
 Meet leader outside station.  
**C**, 7 miles - River Avon, St Anne's Wood and Arnos Vale Cemetery.  
 Return train: to **W** 16.49  
 Leader: Julie Boston - 07791 867512

### Wednesday 1 June

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Bath** 11.07 or **BTM** 10.49 arr. 11.06  
 Meet leader outside station.  
**C**, 8 miles - Bath Skyline. Good views of Bath and beyond.  
 Return trains: to **W** 17.07 or **BTM** frequent trains  
 Leader: Marietta Starbuck - 01225 333295

### Saturday 4 June

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Bruton** 09.54 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 09.48  
**Ln**, 11 miles - Bruton to **Castle Cary** via Lamyatt, Ditcheat and Alford.  
 Return trains: to **W** 16.02 or **BTM** 17.19  
 Leader: Carl Earl - 01460 30163

### Wednesday 8 June **BP**

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Weymouth** 11.02  
**C**, 8½ miles - bus to Portland and walk on Portland and then bus to Ferrybridge and walk to **Weymouth**.  
 Return train: to **BTM** 17.30  
 Leader: Austin Knock - 01305 788467

### Saturday 11 June

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Avoncliff** 10.52 or **BTM** 09.49 arr. 10.18  
**C**, 10 miles - figure of eight (or 5 miles). By arrangement with the walk leader, walkers can join or leave at **Avoncliff**.  
 Return trains: to **W** 17.18 or **BTM** 18.02  
 Leader: Erin Bland

### Wednesday 15 June

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Upwey** 10.55  
**Ln**, 10 miles - to **Dorchester** via Friar Waddon and Corton to Martinstown (ice-creams!!)  
 Return train: to **BTM** 17.43  
 Leaders: Val Ingram & Sue Frizzle - 01202 731363

### Saturday 18 June **BP**

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Dorchester** 10.38  
**C**, 9½ miles - bus to Tolpuddle with time to look at the museum and return via Puddletown to **Dorchester**.  
 Return train: to **BTM** 17.41  
 Leaders: Dave Ace & Derek Munts - 01305 787790 or 784668

### Tuesday 21 June

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Bath Spa** 11.07 or **BTM** 10.49 arr. 11.06  
 Meet leader outside station.  
**C**, 8 miles - Historical **Bath**.  
 Return trains: to **W** 17.07 or **BTM** frequent trains  
 Leader: Bill Moore - 0117 951 1789

### Wednesday 29 June

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **B-on-Avon** 10.50 or **BTM** 09.49 arr. 10.22  
**Ln**, 10 miles - moderately hilly walk following the Limpley Stoke and Frome valleys to **Bath**. By arrangement with the leader walkers may leave at **Freshford** after 5 miles.  
 Return trains: to **W** 18.07 or **BTM** frequent trains  
 Leader: Margaret - 0117 944 1761

### Saturday 2 July

Trains: **W** 06.40 arr. **Keynsham** 08.57 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 08.47  
**C**, 7½ miles - following the River Chew to the village of Queen Charlton and back to **Keynsham**.  
 Return trains: to **W** 14.56 or **BTM** 15.28  
 Leader: Joy Harrison - 0117 933 4998

### Saturday 9 July

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Frome** 10.07 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 09.36  
**C**, 6 miles - Frome circular plus Frome Festival events.  
 Return trains: to **W** 17.47 or **BTM** 17.28  
 Leaders: Sandra Hopkins & Dave Wilcox - 01373 301797

### Thursday 14 July

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Castle Cary** 09.54 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 09.59  
**C**, 10 miles - Monarch's Way to Bolters Bridge, then via Ditcheat and Lamyatt back to **Castle Cary**.  
 Return trains: to **W** 16.09 or **BTM** 16.10  
 Leader: Malcolm Walsh - 01225 862702

### Saturday 16 July

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Thornford** 09.24 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 10.12  
**Ln**, 9 miles - via Sherborne and Lillington to **Yetminster**.  
 Return trains: to **W** 16.24 or **BTM** 16.54  
 Leader: Richard Colls - 01935 473951

### Thursday 21 July

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Frome** 10.15 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 09.40  
**Ln**, 10 miles - via Lullington, Rode and Westwood to **Bradford-on-Avon**  
 Return trains: to **W** 17.22 or **BTM** 17.50  
 Leader: Jim Grant - 0117 957 3450

### Wednesday 27 July

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Frome** 10.15 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 09.40  
**C**, 10 miles - Spring Gardens, Buckland Dinham, Mells and Great Elm to **Frome**.  
 Return trains: to **W** 15.47 or **BTM** 16.29  
 Leader: Barrie Womersley - 01225 866671 or 07791 492224

### Sunday 31 July

Train: **BTM** 09.16 arr. **Upwey** 11.29  
**C**, 10 miles - to Hardy Monument.  
Return train: to **BTM** 18.01  
Leader: Sylvia Popham - 0117 979 3828

### Wednesday 10 August

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Dorchester** 10.47  
**C**, 10 miles - via Norris Mill Farm, West Knighton and Whitcombe to **Dorchester**.  
Return train: to **BTM** 17.43  
Leaders: Val Ingram & Sue Frizzle - 01202 731363

### Saturday 13 August

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Chetnole** 09.19 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 10.19  
**Ln**, 11 miles - Blackmoor Vale, Batcombe Down and Wessex Ridgeway to **Maiden Newton**.  
Return trains: to **W** 16.47 or **BTM** 17.52  
Leader: Kate Gocher - 01305 772126

### Wednesday 24 August

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Yeovil Pen Mill** 09.39 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 10.12  
**C**, 7 miles - bus to Stoke-sub-Hamdon and walk to Martock and South Petherton to get the bus back to **Yeovil**.  
Return trains: to **W** 16.24 or **BTM** 15.56  
Leader: Daphne Denney

### Saturday 27 August, Bank Holiday

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Filton Abbey Wood** (ex **BTM** 11.29) arr. 11.48  
**C**, 8 miles - Frenchay, Frome Valley and Purdown.  
Return trains: to **W** 17.23 or **BTM** frequent trains  
Leader: Ann Light - 0117 979 8628

### Saturday 3 September

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Maiden Newton** 09.09 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 10.29  
**C**, 10 miles - via Compton Valence and Southover to **Maiden Newton**.  
Return trains: to **W** 16.47 or **BTM** 17.52  
Leaders: Dave Ace & Derek Munts - 01305 787790 or 784668

### Wednesday 7 September

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Frome** 10.15 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 09.40  
**Ln**, 8 miles - Rodden Farm, Chapmanslade, Black Dog Woods and Dilton Marsh to **Westbury** station.  
Return trains: to **W** 15.38 or **BTM** 16.38  
Leader: Neil Burlton - 0117 909 6062

### Saturday 10 September

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Dorchester** 10.38  
**C**, 10 miles - Came Park, Jubilee Trail, Came, West Knighton and West Stafford to **Dorchester**.  
Return train: to **BTM** 17.41  
Leader: Alan Horlock - 01202 513090

### Wednesday 14 September

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Dorchester** 10.47  
**C**, 7 miles - to the north of **Dorchester**.  
Return train: to **BTM** 17.43  
Leader: Susan Blake - 01305 263759

### Saturday 17 September

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Keynsham** 11.17 or **BTM** 10.49 arr. 10.56  
**Ln**, 9 miles - to **Bath** (hilly route) via Bitton, North Stoke and The Cotswold Way.  
Return trains: to **W** 17.07 or **BTM** frequent trains  
Leader: Jim Grant - 0117 957 3450

### Wednesday 21 September

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Dorchester** 09.05 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 10.47  
**Ln**, 10 miles - Charminster Down and Sydling St Nicholas to **Maiden Newton**.  
Return trains: to **W** 16.47 or **BTM** 17.54  
Leader: Jim Grant - 0117 957 3450

### Saturday 24 September

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **Oldfield Park** 11.10 or **BTM** 10.49 arr. 11.03  
**Ln**, 9 miles - via Somerset & Dorset Railway path to **Bath**.  
Return trains: to **W** 17.07 or **BTM** frequent trains  
Leader: Peter Gould

### Wednesday 28 September

Trains: **W** 08.53 arr. **Castle Cary** 09.54 or **BTM** 08.40 arr. 09.59  
**Ln**, 8/9 miles - a rustic walk with industrial archaeology to **Bruton**.  
Return trains: to **W** 15.58 or **BTM** 16.16  
Leader: Peter Gould

### Saturday 1 October

Trains: **W** 08.46 arr. **B-on-Avon** 10.49 or **BTM** 09.49 arr. 10.22  
**C**, 6 miles - to **Westwood** via an alternative route.  
Return trains: to **W** 15.22 or **BTM** 15.00  
Leader: Angela Womersley - 01225 866671

### Wednesday 5 October

Train: **BTM** 08.40 arr. **Dorchester** 10.47  
**Ln**, 10 miles - from Dorchester to **Weymouth**.  
Return train: to **BTM** 17.30  
Leader: Sylvia Popham - 0117 979 3828

### Saturday 8 October

Trains: **W** 06.40 arr. **Bristol** 09.05  
Meet leader outside station.  
**Ln**, 17 miles - following the River Avon Trail to **Bath**.  
**Keynsham** (8½ miles) is midway point and by arrangement with the leader, walkers can start or finish here.  
Return trains: to **W** 18.07 or **BTM** frequent trains  
Leader: Ann Light - 0117 979 8628

If you would like a 2012 programme please send a stamped SAE to: Walks Co-ordinator, 133 Conygre Grove, Filton, Bristol, BS34 7HX

Bristol  
Temple Meads 

Keynsham 

Oldfield  
Park 

Bath Spa 

Freshford 

Avoncliff  
(Request Stop) 

Bradford-  
on-Avon 

Trowbridge 


Westbury 

Frome 

Bruton 

Castle  
Cary 

Yeovil  
Pen Mill 

Thornford  
(Request Stop) 

Yetminster  
(Request Stop) 

Chetnole  
(Request Stop) 

Maiden  
Newton 

Dorchester  
West 

Upwey 

Weymouth 

May - October 2011

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