Cross road onto bridleway and follow bridleway by canal to junction with road by Three Compasses pub. Turn left, then almost immediately right following 'Wey South Path' signs. Follow road to bridleway on left, at sharp bend, where road crosses the canal at Wey and Arun canal junction at Tickners Heath.

6. Left onto bridleway by car park sign and follow middle tarmac road towards Sedgehurst. Just before the house turn right where two bridleways meet following 'Wey South Path' bridleway. Turn left at track crossroads and follow canal path to T-junction opposite white house at Old Knightons.

7. Left on bridleway following Wey South path through Sidney Woods. Turn right at T-junction with road by white house, then immediately left following canal to Loxwood. The section from Loxwood to Drungewick Lane canal bridge has been restored and you can rest your legs with a drink and canal boat trip at The Onslow Arms in Loxwood.

8. Right at the aqueduct and canal bridge into Drungewick Lane following 'Wey South Path' signs and left onto bridleway in 800 metres. Go straight through Malham, past pond on right and follow bridleway to the right where the woods on the left side are joined by those on the right. Continue to T-junction with B2133.

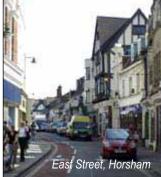
9. Left for 250 metres and left again onto bridleway by Fishers Farm Park and Bat and Ball pub. Cross canal at lock and straight on following bridleway over the River Arun to T-junction with road. Turn left on road for 150 metres then right onto bridleway. Follow bridleway through Hampshires, over fields, through Wynstrode Farm to junction with road. Turn right to meet the A29.

10. Right. You may wish to push on the footpath on this busy road, then left into New Road, signed Barns Green, and left at T-junction signed Slinfold. Turn right after <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> miles (1.20 km) onto bridleway just past Possession House Farm and continue to crossroad with footpath.

11. Left on bridleway through Muntham House School to junction with road at Itchingfield. Turn right. Pass school and left at T-junction. Continue on road ignoring turn to right and turn right at sharp left hand bend and follow sign to Downs Link. Continue on bridleway towards

Broadbridge Heath, ignoring left turn to Downs Link, to junction with A264.

12. Turn right and right again at roundabout to follow cycle route past Tesco and Broadbridge Heath Leisure Centre. Cross A24 on footbridge and continue past Tanbridge House School following cycle route along Hills Farm Lane and Worthing Road to Horsham. At the traffic lights dismount and push bike through the pedestrian areas of The Carfax, West Street and Middle Street. At the top of East Street turn right into Denne Road and the car park.



## Horsham/Rudgwick/Loxwood/Itchingfield

## MAINLY OFF ROAD Experienced

36 miles (57.93 km)

5 hours



Map - Explorer 134 Crawley & Horsham

This route follows and links two historic transport systems which have been closed for their original purpose and partly restored for

recreational use. It follows sections of the Shoreham to Guildford railway line (now The Downs Link) which was closed in 1966 and The Wey & Arun Junction canal, built during the Napoleonic Wars as an alternative to the sea route to Portsmouth threatened by French Privateers. The canal was abandoned in 1871. It also passes the Dunsfold Aerodrome, which has been used by the Top Gear TV programme as a car testing site. Although this is a long route it is flat except for one steep section on The Downs Link north of Rudgwick.



1. Start anywhere in Horsham. The Denne Road car park is a good car park. Turn right from the car park past The Drill Hall and left into Chesworth Lane. At the end of the lane follow the cycle track past Chesworth Farm over Denne Hill to the junction with the road. Turn right and follow Southwater Street to the Tjunction with the road leading into Southwater. Turn right past The Hen & Chicken pub to bridleway on left beside a row of houses.

2. Turn left and follow bridleway over the road into Christ's Hospital playing fields. Make sure you bear left through the playing fields and turn left at the blue 'Christ's Hospital Private Estate' notices. At the railway line follow Downs Link sign to the right, meeting the road by the Christ's Hospital school gate. Turn left over the railway line and follow The Downs Link signs to meet the old railway line at Baystone Bridge.

3. Follow Downs Link north for  $5\frac{3}{4}$  miles (9.25 km) through Slinfold and Rudgwick to the restored Baynards station. Continue for a further  $1\frac{1}{4}$  miles (2km) to bridleway crossroads by gates and a pond (GR066364).

4. Left to junction with road. Then right on road and almost immediately left (GR059367) passing white house on right to by-way on left by Lauriel House.

5. Left on by-way (Lion's Lane) to junction with road. Then left on road to T-junction with A281. Continued on back page

