



Breakthrough Breast Cancer Chilterns Challenge

From Ivinghoe along the Ridgeway to Wendover, Chequers and Great Missenden
Friday 11 May – Sunday 13 May 2012



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The Chilterns Challenge is an all new walking event for 2012 and is based around the beautiful chalk rolling hills upon which runs the ancient Ridgeway. This prehistoric trading route has now been made into an 87 mile National Trail and we will incorporating many of its highlights, like Ivinghoe Beacon, the picture perfect market town of Wendover, the PMs country retreat of Chequers, numerous quaint hamlets and finishing in Great Missenden. This quintessentially English landscape will also be in full bloom which makes May the best time of year to visit the area.

Day 1: Saturday

Ivinghoe Beacon to Wendover

Commencing at Ivinghoe we immediately walk up to Ivinghoe Beacon and a stunning view point that truly epitomizes the walk. The Ridgeway escapement can now be seen stretching out ahead and it wends its way through the charming countryside, gently rolling hills and the majestic beech woodlands with carpets of bluebells. The paths are well walked and we should make good progress as we are encouraged along by the open views across the downlands to Tring beyond. We pass through friendly hamlets, interesting nature reserves, delightful woodlands, attaining some of the highest points in the Chilterns before concluding our day in the picturesque village of Wendover (and the temptingly, tasty chocolatier!!!)

Distance: 12.5 miles with 750 ft of ascent.

Day 2: Sunday

Wendover, Chequers to Great Missenden

The coach returns us to Wendover where we'll begin our second day, but sadly this time there is no time to enjoy the tea shops! Instead we wander out through Bacombe Hill Nature Reserve to the open viewpoint of Combe Hill with its towering column. Down below in the valley beyond, we gain our first views of prime ministers country house of Chequers and our route takes us right around it! From here we leave the Ridgeway and make our way out across the softer flanks of the southern Chilterns where the South Bucks Way leads us onwards to our conclusion in Great Missenden and a very well earned afternoon tea!

10 miles with 1,000ft of ascent

Congratulations!!!



Accommodation and What's Included In The Price!

The Holiday Inn at Aylesbury is in a semi-rural location on the outskirts of this beautiful historic town. It has recently been refurbished and offers stylish and comfortable accommodation. All the bedrooms are en-suite, and have cable/satellite TV, coffee maker, hairdryer, mini-bar and tea and coffee making facilities. The Junction restaurant offers good modern British cuisine, and there is a complimentary onsite fitness facility, the Spirit Health Club. This includes a gym, indoor swimming pool, spa, sauna, steam room, aerobics studio and beauty salon!

Friday Night We will aim to start the event by meeting everyone in the bar on the Friday night at 7pm. You will have the chance to meet your fellow participants and make some new friends. Dinner will then be served in the restaurant at 8.00pm. We appreciate that a lot of you will have had long journeys up and it may not be possible to make the 7pm meet. Therefore the main briefing for the Challenge will be after breakfast.

Arrival Meal: 8.00 pm

Saturday

Breakfast: 8am

Short Briefing: 9am in the Lounge

Leave by coach to start the Challenge: 9:15am

Picnic lunch

Three course dinner: 7.30pm

Sunday

Breakfast: 8am

Leave by coach: 9am

Picnic lunch

| <u>Friday 11th May – Sunday 13th May 2012</u> | Price per person |
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| Full Package With 2 nights accommodation 2 breakfasts 2 picnic lunches 2 evening meals All transport to walks and Professional walking guides | twin share £150 per person single £190 per person (Maximum no. 50) |
| Extra night Sunday 14 th – Monday 15 th May 12 Bed Dinner Breakfast | £50.00 per person £70.00 single |
| Event only 2 picnic lunches 1 evening meal All transport to walks Professional walking guides | £75 |