



Public House Walks

The Kings Arms SHAFTESBURY

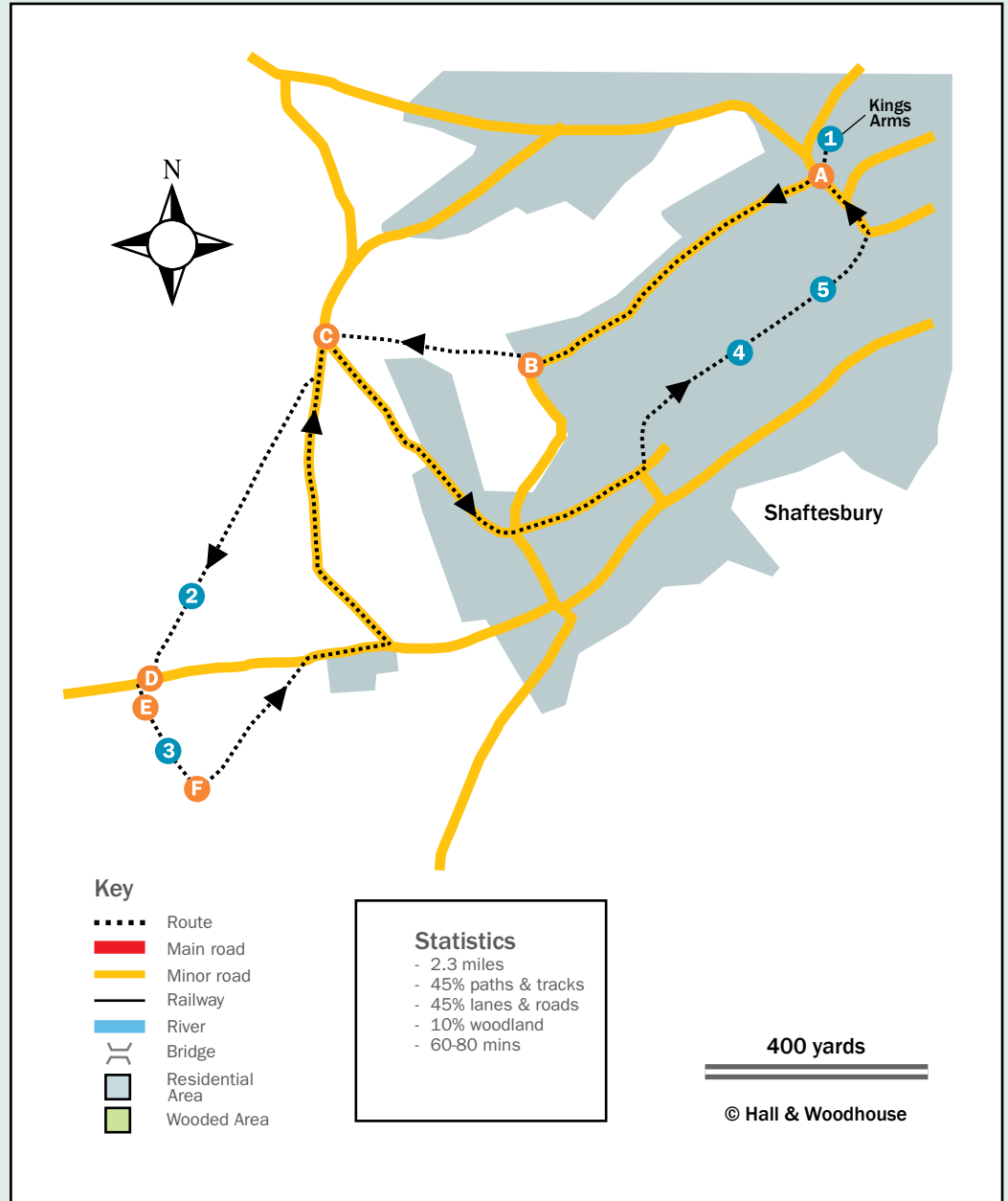


"An interesting and undulating walk through ancient Shaftesbury and around its south west flank. Magnificent views, old cottages Park Walk and the world famous Gold Hill all feature in this rewarding ramble."

2.3 miles

Bleke Street, Shaftesbury Dorset, SP7 8JX

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1 From the pub, bear right at 2 o'clock across the car park for 80 yards (see assist). Exit and cross over road into Bimport.

Walk ahead and after 450 yards, pavement ends. Continue for 150 yards and turn right before road bends to left (see assist). Walk for 10 yards then bear left on to footpath past arrow marker.

B

50 yards ahead, path heads sharply downhill through trees and, after 90 yards, it opens out. Continue ahead downhill on grass path through bracken for 140 yards and bear left on to tarmac path.

Walk for 15 yards and head straight across junction at 11 o'clock ignoring first turn to left (see assist). Follow lane for 75 yards and bear right at footpath sign.

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Follow winding path gently downhill for 200 yards then cross straight over intersection. Continue ahead gently downhill (some sections may be soft underfoot).

160 yards ahead, pass through metal kissing gate into field. Follow path ahead steadily downhill with great views towards

2 Dunccliffe Hill.

After 140 yards, edge down bank, bear left on to path and walk 25 yards up to road ahead. Turn right, walk for 30 yards and cross road up to metal gate (see assist).

D

Pass through, walk ahead for 12 yards, bear left and follow path steadily uphill (see assist). After 130 yards, gradient eases.

E
3 Pass fallen Hawthorn and turn left (see assist).
F

Walk up slope and head just to left of converted farm buildings 250 yards ahead. Cross stile, walk for 15 yards then cross wall stile. Continue into road ahead, walk gently uphill past houses to right for 120 yards and turn left into lane.

Follow past hedges and trees for 200 yards then pass footpath sign to left. Continue ahead gently uphill for 350 yards and turn right at junction into

Breach lane. Follow gently uphill between hedges for 280 yards and pass Umbers Hill to left.

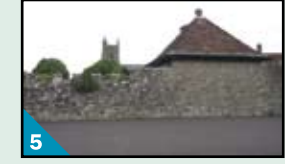
Continue ahead on lane for 200 yards, turn left and walk 30 yards up to junction. Cross straight over into Tanyard Lane and follow past houses for 280 yards.

Pass lane turning to right, walk for 12 yards and turn left into Stoney Path. Follow steadily uphill on cobbles and after 70 yards, gradient increases.

4 Continue for 150 yards up sharp slope then gradient eases. Walk ahead with railings and glorious southerly views to right for 350 yards passing war memorial and Shaftesbury
5 Abbey to left.

With building ahead, bear left and 50 yards ahead, pass Oxfam book shop and bear left. Follow pavement past Hotel Grosvenor then cross road just before Bimport.

Turn right into car park and it's just 80 yards back to the Kings Arms



for some much deserved hospitality!