



Route Description

Starts: **S** Hassocks Station east
Strenuous, especially after wet weather or in winter, when route will be very muddy

- 1** From The Hassocks public house, cycle through Hassocks Village to Keymer, then ahead, following the road to Ditchling. In the centre of Ditchling, go straight across at the mini-roundabout, continuing past the recreation ground and cricket pitch on your left.
- 2** Turn left onto Spatham Lane, then right onto bridleway. Follow the bridleway to Hayleigh Farm. At the farm turn left then right, following the track to Streat Church.
- 3** At the road (Streat Lane), turn right. Continue to the junction with the B2116.
- 4** Turn left then immediately right onto a bridleway taking you up Streat Hill.
- 5** At the top, go right onto the South Downs Way. Cycle along the top of the Downs to Ditchling Beacon. At the Ditchling Road, cross with care and continue on the South Downs Way to the Jack and Jill Windmills.

On reaching the windmills, there are two options for returning to Hassocks Station.

Option 1: At the far corner of the car park, take the steep left-hand path down to Clayton.

At the bottom, turn left along the lane, passing the Church of St John the Baptist and then right onto the A273. Cycle the short distance to Stonepound Crossroads. Turn right and follow signs back to Hassocks Station.

Option 2: Continue down the lane to the left of the Windmills, joining the A273 at the bottom. Turn right. Cycle the short distance to Stonepound Crossroads. Turn right and follow signs back to Hassocks Station.



Ditchling and the top of the South Downs

Distance: Approx 10.5 miles / 17 km

Hassocks Area
Circular Cycle Routes

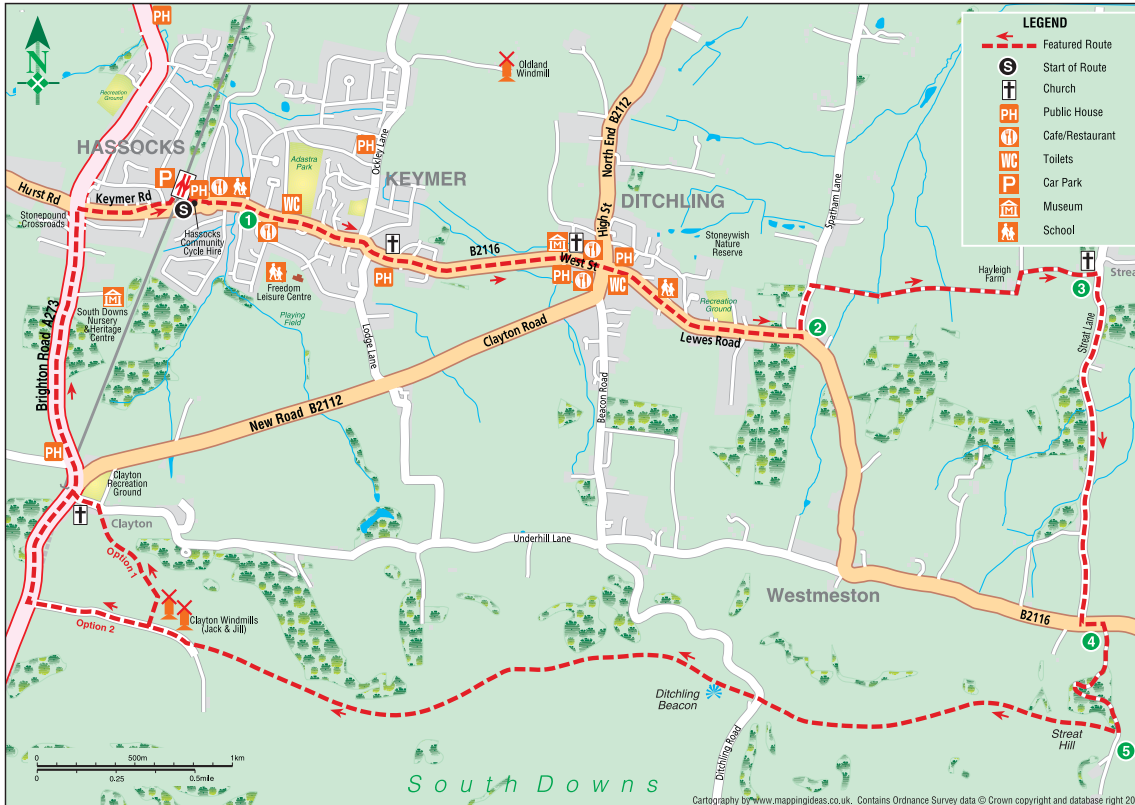
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www.visithassocks.co.uk

How to Get Here

By Train Frequent services from Brighton, Haywards Heath, Gatwick and London

By Road A23 London to Brighton. If southbound take the A2300 via Burgess Hill. From Brighton use A23 then A273 Pyecombe to Haywards Heath. From east/west use B2116 Lewes to Henfield road. There is a station car park with pay and display parking. Two further car parks in the village operate disc parking. Discs £1 (May 2010) can be bought from local shops (check notices in car park for details) and kept for future visits.

Hassocks Community Cycle Hire at Hassocks station rents top quality bikes for adults and children and can also do repairs and maintenance. To reserve a bike, or for more information, call 0752 196 1909



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We hope you have enjoyed this cycle route. Why not try one of the others in the series?

Route 1: Hassocks, Ditchling, Clayton (approx. 8 miles/13 km)

Route 2: Hassocks, Goddards Green, Twineham, Sayers Common, Hurstpierpoint (approx. 12 miles/19.5 km)

Route 3: Hassocks, Westmeston, Streat, Plumpton, Ditchling (approx. 14.5 miles/23 km)

Route 4: Burgess Hill Green Route, Goddards Green, Hurstpierpoint College (approx. 8 miles/13 km)

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