

# Church Stretton Walking Holiday

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## Information for Drivers

The boxes give information on destinations for use in satnavs. Country locations don't have precise postcodes, so you may do better with a grid reference or latitude and longitude. Most of the directions here are based on Google Streetview, and are the best I can manage. Distances and times come from Google. Feel free to use your own route.

### Home to Wenlock Edge car park

Nearest Postcode TF13 6AS Grid Reference SO 513 997 Latitude & Longitude N 52.592867°, W 2.572192°
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Google's distance from my home is 61.4 miles, driving time 1 hour, 26 minutes.

Make your own way to the M5 northbound.

Leave at junction 6, taking the second exit on to the A449 marked to Kidderminster.

At a roundabout turn right (still A449).

Follow this for some miles, and go straight on at a roundabout where the road becomes the A442.

When you pass through a railway bridge take the right hand lane for the ring road.

At a large roundabout follow Ring Road lane markings to leave at the third exit.

At 3 roundabouts take the second exit, still on the ring road.

When the road becomes three lanes, take the middle one marked Bridgnorth, and follow this through traffic lights.

At a roundabout turn right (3<sup>rd</sup> exit) towards Bridgnorth on the A442.

At a roundabout go straight on from the middle lane. (Your passengers might notice the wonderfully named estate agent, Doolittle & Dalley, on the left.)

Follow this for some miles to the outskirts of Bridgnorth.

At a roundabout turn left on to the A458 towards Shrewsbury.

Follow this for some miles to Much Wenlock, where the road turns left.

Go past the minor road on the left marked Craven Arms.

Turn into the next road on the left, B4371, which goes to Church Stretton.

The car park is on the right about ¼ mile up this road. You should see the National Trust sign on the entrance.

### Wenlock Edge car park to Long Mynd Hotel

Postcode SY6 6AG Grid Reference SO 449 933 Latitude & Longitude N 52.536694°, W 2.813467°
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Google says 12.8 miles, 23 minutes.

Turn right out of the car park on to the B4371 which takes you directly to Church Stretton.

At traffic lights, go straight across the A49.

Follow this road past the station and the shops.

At the top (give way) turn left, marked Tourist Information and Library.

Go straight across a mini roundabout.

Take the first on the right opposite a black and white building.

Follow this road steeply uphill through several bends including a left hairpin bend.

As you near the top, you will see the solid wooden fence of the hotel on your left.

The hotel entrance is at the top of the hill on your left.

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### Long Mynd Hotel to Acton Scott

Postcode SY6 6QN  
Grid Reference SO 455 898  
Latitude & Longitude N 52.504189°, W 2.800751°

Google says 4 miles, 10 minutes.

Turn right on leaving the hotel and go down the hill.

At the end of the road turn right.

When you reach the main A49, just after crossing a railway, turn right.

Follow the A49 through a left hand bend with double white lines, and past the road to Bishops Castle on your right.

You will soon see a brown sign for Acton Scott Farm.

Turn left just as you are coming out of the next left hand bend.

After some considerable distance, you will pass a crossroads, and the farm is on your right.

The car park is on the right beyond the farm.

(If you plan to return the same way, note that the left turn off the A49 is easily missed. Before you reach it, you will see the Lazy Trout Cafe on your left. The road then bends right, then left, and the junction is just after the left bend. If you miss it, carry on to the traffic lights, turn left and use Friday's route.)

### Long Mynd Hotel to Craven Arms

Nearest Postcode SY7 9ND  
Grid Reference SO 433 828  
Latitude & Longitude N 52.440660°, W 2.834246°

Google says 7.9 miles, 15 minutes.

Turn right on leaving the hotel and go down the hill.

At the end of the road turn right.

When you reach the main A49, just after crossing a railway, turn right.

Follow the A49 to Craven Arms

Go straight on at two mini-roundabouts, and turn left at the third.

Pass a few shops, and the entrance to the car park is on the left just before Barclays Bank.

### Long Mynd Hotel to Home

It's entirely up to you what route you use, but I recommend following the A49 to the Ludlow bypass, then turning left on to the A4117. This takes you over Clee Hill, where it is worth stopping to admire the view. After Cleobury Mortimer, turn right on to the B4202 to Abberley, where you might see the clock tower sticking up above the trees. Turn left on to the A443 and make your own way home via A4133, A449 and M5.