

MENDIP RING LEG 3. SECOND SECTION. BATCOMBE TO DEERWOOD COMMON. 7.3 MILES.

Start Point Grid Ref. ST690 390

1 Take the kissing gate opposite the church into the field and over the style ahead. Walk down through the field to the style at the bottom by the derelict brick building. Cross the stream and turn right down the road. Take the first road on the left (Seat Lane) and walk about 0.5 miles up to the path on the right at ST 698 383. Just before the bend.. Continue through the fields over 4 styles and then cross the A359

2 Walk down the lane opposite and take the left fork down Hassock's Lane. Continue on toward Float Bridge and just before you get to the bridge take the lane on your left ST 717 377. About 200 yds down the lane take the next path on your right over a style and into the field. Cross over the style and plank bridge at the other side of the field and then turn left. Do not go through the gate but continue around the field edge. Cross the style in the top right hand corner over another style and then go diagonally across the next field to a field gate in the top corner. Continue until you come to a field gate on to the road. Turn right and pass the sewage works cross the bridge over the railway line and pass the entrance to Downs Farm. Continue down the lane until come to a fork about 300yds past Bungalow Farm. Take the left hand lane that leads into Canwood Lane.

3 Follow this lane the pass through a wood. Eventually you will come to a lane. Turn left up the lane to climb Drury Hill. Take the path into the woods just before the green grit bin. Pass through the woods until you come to the road. Turn right and walk up the hill. Do not take the McMillan Way on your left but continue up the hill and take the path on your left by the lodge. Pass through two gates into the wood. Keep on the top path through the woods to end at Deerwood car park.