



### Points of interest/history

- 1) Note Rutherford House on your right just after Oak End Way. This was the site of a house called Elm Close where Margaret Rutherford, the British film and theatre actress, lived in the 1960s. She is buried at St James's Church, Gerrards Cross, on the A40 Oxford Road.
- 2) Until the 1970s Lower Road was the main A413 road to Amersham. The woodland ahead is a remnant of the grounds of the 18th century Chalfont Park House on the far side of the modern A413.
- 3) Look out for a good range of butterfly species and wildflowers in this meadow in summer.
- 4) It is well worth doing this walk in springtime to experience the smell and flowers of a patch of Wild Garlic - a native *Allium* also known as Ramsons - at the entrance to the wood.
- 5) There are interesting contrasts here. There are good views from the bridge over the M25 motorway - see how it has been cleverly engineered to fit under the older railway viaduct - all very close to the attractive paths through Denham Marsh Wood and Oakend Wood.

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## Explore the **Colne Valley Park** Countryside on your doorstep

### CIRCULAR WALK 5: GERRARDS CROSS

**3¾ MILES**

**Varied scenery with a landscape of the old and the new  
with great views from the sides of the Misbourne Valley.**

**Access:** Several stiles and some small hills. Muddy paths in winter. In summer, some paths can get a little overgrown.

**Refreshments:** Shops and cafes in Gerrards Cross near the station. One pub, the Ethorpe Hotel (A).

**Public transport:** Frequent trains and buses to Gerrards Cross.

**By road:** Free on-street parking is usually available in Oak End Way and some other roads in Gerrards Cross village centre on Sundays, but is difficult on other days. The most convenient pay car park is in Station Road, just off route.

**Postcode:** SL9 8PP

**OS Grid Ref:** TQ 002 888

**Latitude:** +51.589052, **Longitude:** -0.554760





**6)** Take the second turning on the left (Oak End Way) and continue uphill. When you reach the main road (Packhorse Road) at the top, turn left back towards the station.

