

Explore the countryside from Heronsgate



The Colne Valley Regional Park

The Colne Valley Regional Park covers 43 square miles and is the first taste of countryside west of London. With a mosaic of habitats interspersed with bustling urban centres, this Regional Park has a unique and beautiful character.

Heronsgate is a small village in the Northwest of the park with a very interesting background. It was created by the Chartist movement to allow people to be self-sufficient and become landowners. It is the perfect area to explore Maple Lodge Nature Reserve and Woodoaks Farm.

Woodoaks Farm



Woodoaks Farm is situated in Maple Cross and has public rights of way running throughout. These allow for amazing walks across open farmland and through the adjacent lady wood and bottom wood.

With abundant wildlife and beautiful views, Woodoaks is perfect for those who love the countryside. The old barn has been converted into a working brewery whilst a café with free parking offers refreshments.

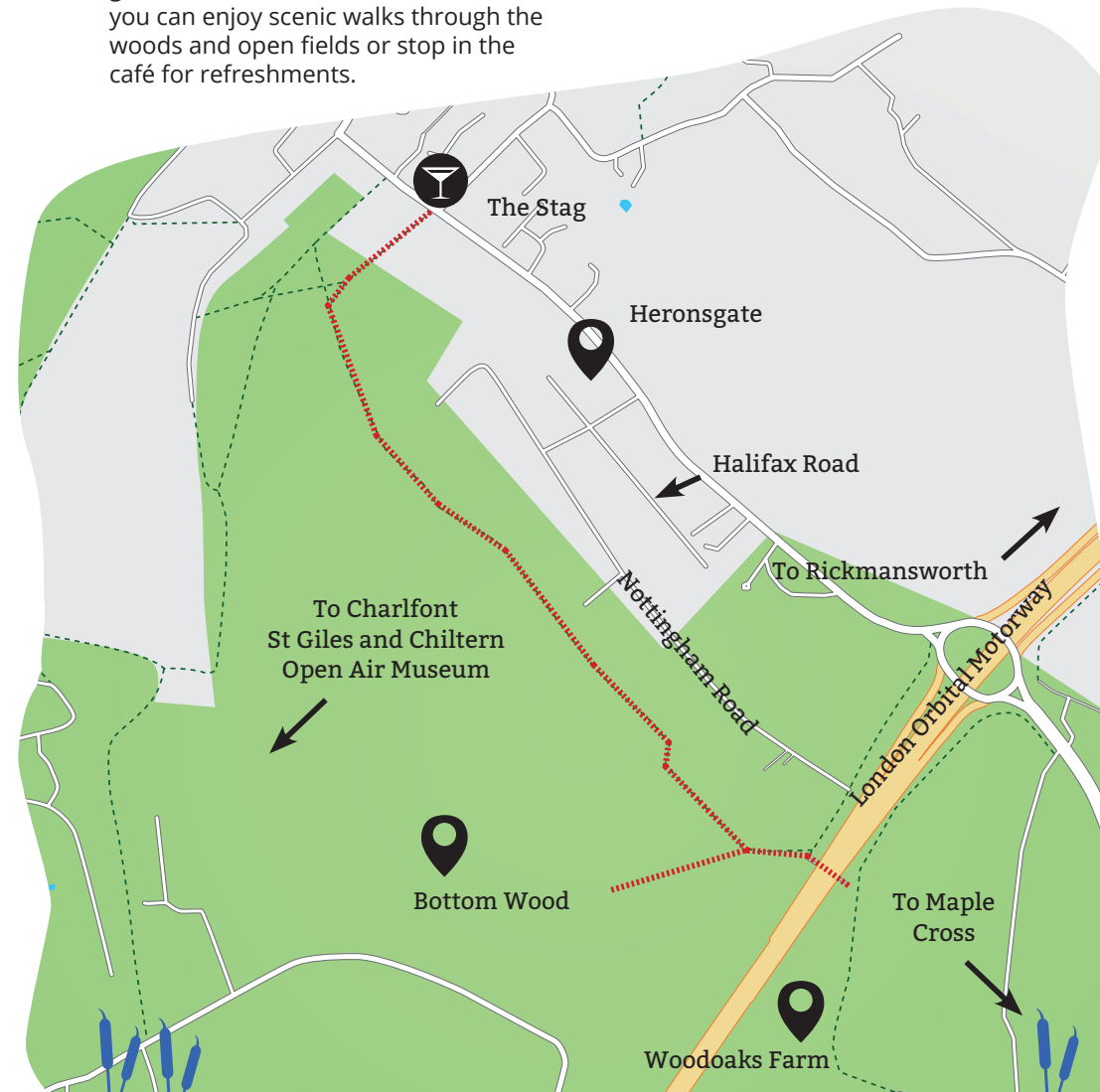


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You can access the countryside by following the walking routes on the below map:

Reaching Woodoaks Farm: Take the track to the right of the pub and follow it as it bends left. Whilst enjoying the amazing views, continue along this path, keeping the open fields on your right. Eventually you'll reach the motorway, cross the bridge and you'll be in the grounds of Woodoaks Farm. From here you can enjoy scenic walks through the woods and open fields or stop in the café for refreshments.

Reaching Bottom Wood: Follow the same path as you would to Woodoaks Farm but just before the motorway, take a right at the sign post. This will take you to Bottom Wood where you can follow signs to do a circular walk and end up back on the original path.



Local Wildlife

The countryside around Hersongate is alive with wildlife. The meadows, including those at Woodoaks Farm, are great for birds like skylark and linnet whilst the woodlands are great for woodpeckers, buzzards, tits and finches.

Roe deer, rabbits and other small mammals are abundant whilst butterflies and other insects are also found throughout. The woodlands are a mix of species with a very old oak tree marking one of the Colne Valley viewpoints at Woodoaks Farm.



Getting About



The closest station is Chorleywood which is on the Metropolitan line and is about a 20 minute walk away from the pub where the walks start.



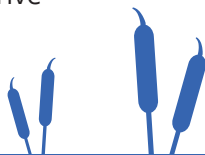
The 103 bus also stops in Chorleywood near the train station and follows the same 20 minute walk.



Easily accessible via Long Lane from junction 17 of the M25.

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