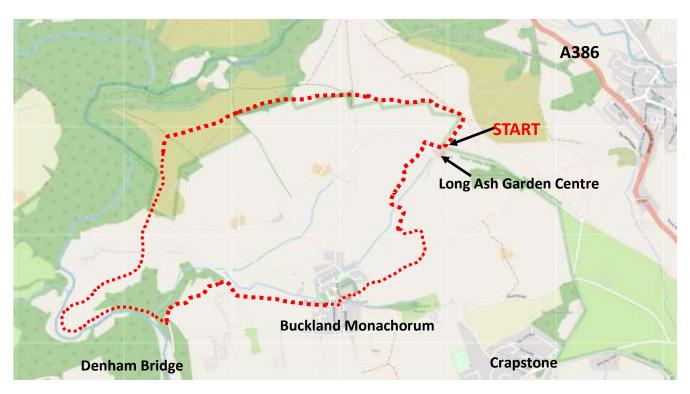
## **Around Buckland Monachorum**

A circular walk of about 5.5 miles that starts at Long Ash Garden Centre PL20 7LL passes through Buckland Monachorum out to Hatch Mill and then back passing an Iron age Hill Fort. If you are walking with a dog be aware there is a tall stile on the way down to Buckland with no dog gate.





Starting from the small car park opposite the entrance to Long Ash Garden Centre SX497694.....turn right and go through the gate next to the cattle grid and set off down the road but only for about 100m



Turn left through
the wide gate then
on through the
small gate behind
to go along a track
which is well
walked and easy to
see....

...then out into a field through this gate.



Keep next to
the hedge on
your left all the
way down the
field and then
when you reach
a lane turn left





A couple of hundred meters along the lane turn right next to Uppaton Bungalow

Walk down the farm track that bends right and goes on down to a barn.

When you reach the barn fork right over the wooden stile and walk on down the edge of the field with the hedge on your left



Over a tall wooden stile with no dog gate and then stay on the well used path heading for the church



When you reach the main street turn left...



..then just as you pass
The Drake Manor Inn
turn right to go between
two houses





..then along a path

That has been resurfaced

At the footpath cross roads go straight across

..to stay on the resurfaced path.

Go through the gate and cross over to the other side of the farm track



...and quite soon when you reach these two gateways keep left and walk next to the hedge which is now on your right.





When the hedge stops keep going straight across the field and turn right when you reach the road.

In less than 100m turn left up the driveway of a house called Rooksmoor.

When the drive bends right keep left on to a path that takes you all around the edge of their garden and paddock.





Keep going straight ahead keeping the building on your right.

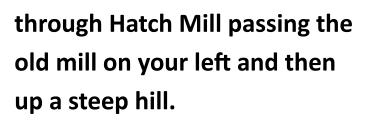
If the footpath becomes impassable there is an alternative permissive path through a bamboo thicket.



The footpath is a bit washed out but still walkable.

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Walk along the river bank



At the top of the hill turn left .....

...and when the road goes around a sharp right handbend go straight ahead up a track









When the two track rejoin you will soon see on your right a ditch and wall which is the boundary of the Iron Age Hill Fort . Walk along the top of the down to a car park



When you reach this open area where cars sometimes park you can start to follow the hedge on your right all the way back to your car but initially cut off a corner by taking the path on your left



Follow this hedge or at least keep it in view without going through any gates and taking the occasional short cut all the way back to your car at Long Ash.



Take another shortcut but keep the hedge in view

When you reach a tarmac drive turn right still keeping the hedge in view.









If you fancy a cup of tea Long Ash Garden Centre has a café which is normally open to 4pm