

ENJOY CHILHAM AND ITS SURROUNDINGS



WALKING

• Long distance walking routes

Pilgrims way
walk@walkwhile.co.uk
www.walkwhile.co.uk/walking-holidays-uk.html
www.gps-routes.co.uk/routes/home/nsf/routeslinkswalks/pilgrims-way-walking-route

North Downs Way National Trail
www.nationaltrail.co.uk/north-downs-way

Stour Valley Walk - explorekent.org/activities/stour-valley-walk

• Local routes

Heritage Trails from Chilham Village Square
 – guides for purchase from local outlets



Lost Landscapes heritage trails in Chilham
www.nationaltrail.co.uk/sites/default/files/chilham-north-downs-way-trail-walking-guide.pdf

Children's play area
 Adjacent to Chilham Sports Centre,
 Branch Road, Chilham. CT4 8DR.



Main Map - Key

- North Downs Way
- Stour Valley Walk
- National Cycle Route 18
- Railway Station



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CYCLING

National Cycle route 18
<http://www.sustrans.org.uk/ncn/map/route/route-18>

Pilgrims' Cycle trail
explorekent.org/activities/pilgrims-cycle-trail/

RIDING

Chilham Park Equestrian Centre
www.chilhampark.co.uk Horse trial events, cross country course and livery.

Toll Rides Off-road Trust (TROT)
www.tollrides.org.uk TROT operates a network of toll rides. Routes FC10 and FC17 are in the Chilham area.

LOCAL EVENTS

There's always plenty going on in Chilham. Find out more by visiting the Parish event calendar:
www.chilhamparishcouncil.gov.uk

DID SHAKESPEARE'S MEN PERFORM HERE AT CHILHAM CASTLE?

THE HISTORY BOOKS DON'T TELL US, BUT IT IS MOST INTRIGUING TO CONJECTURE THAT CHILHAM CASTLE WAS ONE OF THE MANY LARGE HOUSES IN WHICH HIS TROUPE, THE KINGS MEN, MIGHT HAVE PERFORMED AS THEY ARE KNOWN TO HAVE TRAVELLED EXTENSIVELY AROUND KENT BEFORE AND AFTER THE BARD'S DEATH IN 1616. DUDLEY DIGGES, BUILDER OF THE CASTLE AND HIS FAMILY WERE CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH THE BARD AND MEMBERS OF HIS TROUPE. LEONARD DIGGES, DUDLEY'S BROTHER, WROTE A PREFACE TO THE FIRST FOLIO AND THEIR STEPFATHER WAS EXECUTOR OF SHAKESPEARE'S WILL.



LOCAL PRODUCE

The area abounds in rich pastureland and lush orchards producing an abundance of fantastic produce, including lamb, beef, apples, soft fruits, and vegetables. Chilham boasts many local producers and its shops and pubs focus on providing the very best of this produce. Look for the green apple symbol on the maps to identify where it is available:

- A** BADGER'S HILL FARM & CIDERY – Home made cider and barrel products – 01227 730573
- B** CHILHAM SHOP – Local produce for sale – www.chilhamshop.co.uk
- C** CHILHAM POST OFFICE – Local produce for sale – 01227 733894
- D** POMEGRANATE CATERING – www.pomegranate-catering.co.uk
- E** THE WHITE HORSE – Local cider and produce on menu – www.thewhitehorsechilham.co.uk
- F** THE WOOLPACK – Local produce on menu – www.woolpackchilham.co.uk

Find out more about local produce at: www.producedinkent.co.uk