



**BRAKSPEAR**

**PUB  
TRAILS**

Silhouettes of two people walking. The person on the left is walking a dog, and the person on the right is walking. The silhouettes are positioned between the words 'PUB' and 'TRAILS' on the second sign.

**MALTSTERS ARMS  
ROTHERFIELD GREYS  
SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE**

**3 CIRCULAR WALKS  
3, 5.2 & 6.4 MILES**






We're delighted to present three circular walks all starting and ending at the Maltsters Arms. The Brakspear Pub Trails are a series of circular walks.

We thought the idea of a variety of circular country walks all starting and ending at our pubs was a guaranteed winner. We have fantastic pubs nestled in the countryside, and we hope our maps are a great way for you to get out and enjoy some fresh air and a gentle walk, with a guaranteed drink at the end – perfect!

Our pubs have always welcomed walkers (and almost all of them welcome dogs too), so we're making it even easier with plenty of free maps. You can pick up copies in the pubs taking part or go to [brakspearaletrails.co.uk](http://brakspearaletrails.co.uk) to download them. We're planning to add new pubs onto them, so the best place to check for the latest maps available is always our website.

We absolutely recommend you book a table so that when you finish your walk you can enjoy a much needed bite to eat too. At the weekend, please book in advance, as this is often a busier time, especially our smaller pubs.

And finally, do send us your photos of you out and about on your walk. We really do love getting them.

   @BrakspearPubs

## How to get there



**Driving:** The postcode is RG9 4QD and there is a customer car park.



**Nearest station:** Henley-on-Thames station is 2.8 miles away.



**Local bus services:** The 145C service operated by Whites Coaches stops down the road from The Maltsters Arms.



*Putting people and places together*

*Brakspear would like to thank the Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment and the volunteers who helped make these walks possible. As a result of these walks, Brakspear has invested in TOE2 to help maintain and improve Oxfordshire's footpaths.*

*Reg. charity no. 1140563*

## Respect – Protect – Enjoy

### Respect other people:

- Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors
- Leave gates and property as you find them and follow paths unless wider access is available

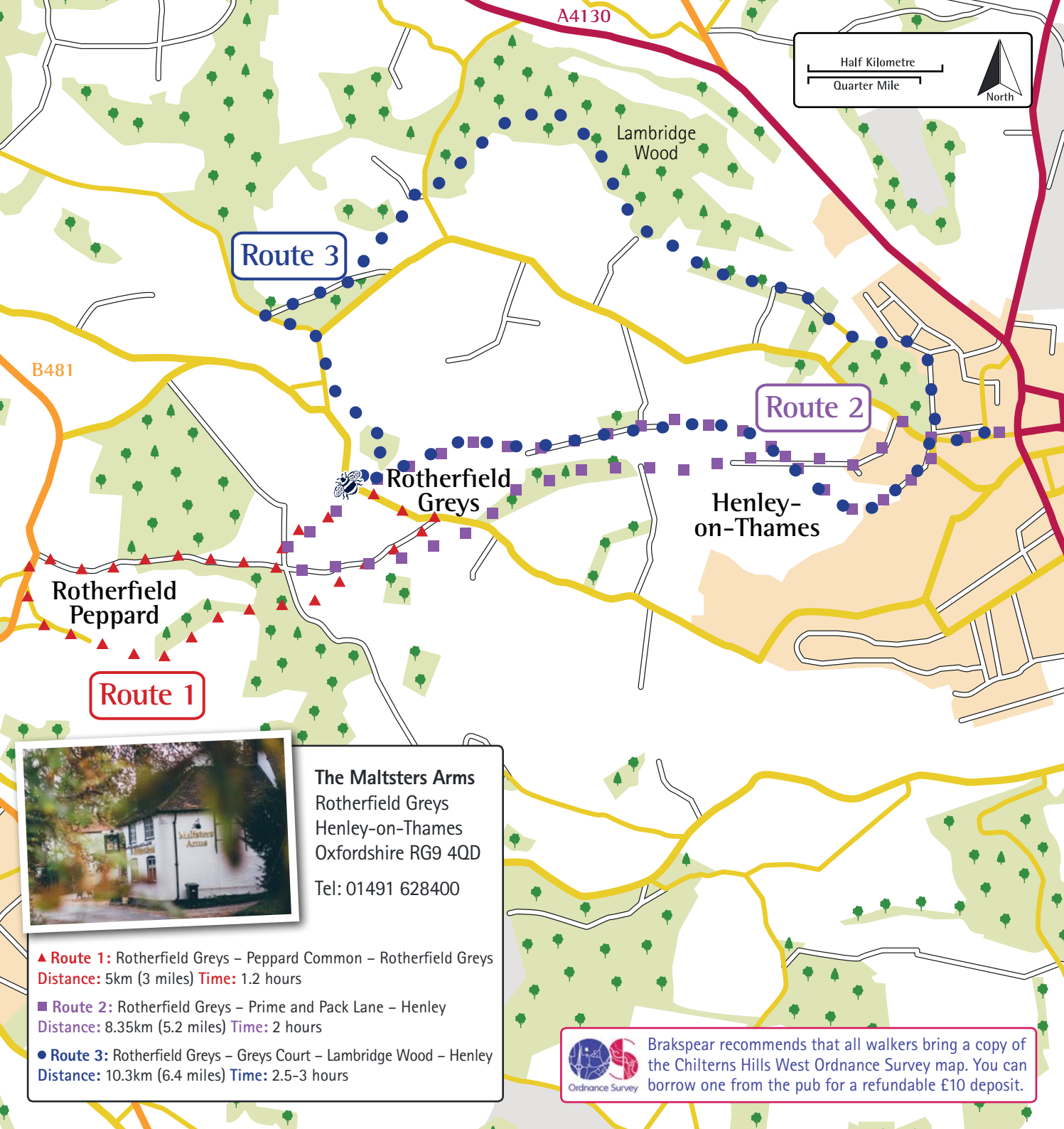
### Protect the natural environment:

- Leave no trace of your visit and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under effective control

### Enjoy the outdoors:

- Plan ahead and be prepared
- Follow advice and local signs

For more info visit: [www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-country-side-code](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-country-side-code)



Half Kilometre  
Quarter Mile

North

Route 3

Route 2

Route 1

**The Maltsters Arms**  
Rotherfield Greys  
Henley-on-Thames  
Oxfordshire RG9 4QD  
Tel: 01491 628400



- ▲ **Route 1:** Rotherfield Greys – Peppard Common – Rotherfield Greys  
**Distance:** 5km (3 miles) **Time:** 1.2 hours
- **Route 2:** Rotherfield Greys – Prime and Pack Lane – Henley  
**Distance:** 8.35km (5.2 miles) **Time:** 2 hours
- **Route 3:** Rotherfield Greys – Greys Court – Lambridge Wood – Henley  
**Distance:** 10.3km (6.4 miles) **Time:** 2.5-3 hours

 Brakspear recommends that all walkers bring a copy of the Chiltern Hills West Ordnance Survey map. You can borrow one from the pub for a refundable £10 deposit.

# Route 1

Easy walking on fairly level terrain.

## Directions

Distance: 5km (3 miles) Time: 1.2 hours

- 01 Take the footpath between the church and the pub (beside Williams Cottage) and follow the yellow arrow through two gates and across a field.
- 02 Pass through another gate, stopping to read the notice about the Natural Burial Ground and then walk diagonally across the field.
- 03 Pass through a kissing gate and turn left on to a broad track (Chiltern Way).
- 04 After a short distance, pass through a gate and turn right on to Dog Lane. Walk along the track next to the Greys Green Golf Course for about 1.5km (1 mile), emerging on a main road (B481).
- 05 Cross the road to the Red Lion for a break, or stay on the road and bear left into Church Lane and follow the lane past Peppard Primary school.
- 06 Opposite the school turn right, then at the footpath sign, turn left and continue on the lane to All Saints' Church.

### DID YOU KNOW?

All Saints' Church, has been extended and altered over the years. It originates from the Norman period and the churchyard contains some very old yew trees. Significant restoration of the church took place between 1870 and 1908. One of the three bells in the bell tower dates from the 14th century. The interior of the church is worth a visit with a 12th century font, memorial stained glass windows and some unique wooden marquetry including the pulpit and a reredos depicting the Last Supper.



All Saints' Church, Peppard Common



St Nicholas' Church, Rotherfield Greys

- 07 Walk past the churchyard on your left nearly to the end of the track and at a field gate, taking the footpath to your left. Step over a couple of rails and through the gap to follow a fenced path through a paddock.
- 08 Go through a metal kissing gate leading to a track which you cross, bearing slightly to your left and onto a path which leads through fairly recently planted woodland across a golf course.
- 09 Continue in the same direction for about 600m through a metal kissing gate and walk straight ahead, crossing a bridleway into woodland.
- 10 Continue through the woodland, cross a lane (King's Farm Lane) and proceed straight ahead (sign for Cross Lane Farm), past cottages until reaching a field gate.
- 11 Go through a gate and proceed through the field diagonally left until meeting the hedgerow.
- 12 Cross a fairly high stile and turn right onto Dog Lane and continue along the lane for about 0.8km (500 yards) until the junction with Greys Road.
- 13 Turn left and walk along the Greys Road for about 400m (440 yards) to pass the Church and return to the Maltsters Arms.

### DID YOU KNOW?

St Nicholas' Church Rotherfield Greys is Norman in origin and was restored in 1865. It includes the 16th century Knollys Chapel and the Knollys family tomb. Sir Francis Knollys' wife was a Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth I.

# Route 2

There are some hills to negotiate but not that difficult a walk.

## Directions

Distance: 8.35km (5.2 miles) Time: 2 hours

- 01 Take the footpath between the St Nicholas' Church and the pub (beside Williams Cottage) and follow the yellow arrow through two gates and across a field.
- 02 Pass through another gate, stopping to read the notice about the Natural Burial Ground and then walk diagonally across the field.
- 03 Pass through a kissing gate and turn left on to a broad track (Chiltern Way).
- 04 After a short distance, pass through a gate and turn left on to Dog Lane and continue walking along Dog Lane for just over 500m.
- 05 After passing a house on the right, leave Dog Lane and take the footpath on the right indicated by a yellow arrow.
- 06 Pass through two kissing gates in quick succession and walk across a field to the Greys to Henley road.
- 07 Cross over the road on to a footpath quaintly named Pack and Prime Lane.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Pack & Prime Lane is part of the ancient track linking Henley to Goring and Wallingford, cutting across the top of a loop in the River Thames. Local legend has it that the name derives from the time of pack-horses and highway men – pack your horse and prime your pistol.

- 08 Follow this path through the woods with a little valley to the left, continuing on for just under a 1km.
- 09 Ignore the broad track that crosses the footpath and continue on the footpath, following the blue arrow for another km ignoring an intersecting footpath.
- 10 The footpath becomes a narrow lane, finally emerging on to the main road between Henley and Greys Green.
- 11 Turn right on to the main road and walk down the hill into Henley town centre, passing the entrance to Friar Park on the opposite side of the road to Paradise Road.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Friar Park was the home of George Harrison of the Beatles, his widow and family still live there.



*Friar Park, Henley*

- 12 To return to the Maltsters Arms, walk past the Town Hall, up Gravel Hill and turn left and walk along Paradise Road.
- 13 Take the first right still on Paradise Road (signposted to Henley College Rotherfield Building).
- 14 Walk along the road for approximately 150m and where the road bends to the right, leave the road and bear left on to the footpath.
- 15 After about 250m, the path crosses an access drive to Henley College then splits. Take the right hand fork and continue on this footpath alongside Henley College playing fields.
- 16 Cross over Pack and Prime Lane and carry on straight ahead into the bottom of a dry tranquil valley.
- 17 Cross a stile and pass Lower Hernes, a lovely isolated red brick cottage, then soon afterwards go through a five bar gate.
- 18 Follow the access track and the yellow arrows for about 500m, until the track turns to the left up a steep slope. Leave the track, and keep straight on along the valley bottom to the right of the hedge line.
- 19 Ignore a path on the right, cross over a stile and shortly afterwards, turn left over stile (in the hedge line) and follow the footpath uphill towards Rotherfield Greys.
- 20 Go through a gate to emerge on a road opposite St Nicholas' Church, cross the road and return to the Maltsters Arms.

# Route 3

There are some hills to negotiate on this interesting and enjoyable walk.

## Directions

Distance: 10.3km (6.4 miles) Time: 2.5–3 hours

01 Turn left and walk past St Nicholas' Church then cross the road and go through the gate opposite the church.

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02 Take the footpath on the left and walk across a field and then downhill through Pindars Wood. At the bottom cross over a stile.

03 Turn left on the footpath and continue for a further 500m via a kissing gate until you reach a way mark post close to a road.

04 Turn right and walk downhill where the path ends at a road junction. At this point cross the road and enter the lane opposite (Rocky Lane).

05 Walk along the lane for about 200m until you reach a finger post then turn right on to the footpath (Chiltern Way Extension).

06 After a few metres the path merges with the rear access drive to Greys Court.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Greys Court is a stunning Tudor country house and gardens. Well worth taking a break from the walk to enjoy what it has to offer.

07 Walk uphill on the drive, keeping to the right, passing Greys Court and then continue on uphill into the car park.

08 Walk through the car park and exit through a gate, following the yellow arrow on to a foot path.

09 After about 100m, go through a gate in a dip, then carry straight on up a slope. After about 150m go through a kissing gate on the left.

10 Carry on over a wooden bridge, passing a pond. Ignore the footpath off to the left and continue on straight ahead passing another pond, then after passing some farm buildings, turn right on to a concrete access drive.

11 Almost immediately, bear left at the way mark post and follow the yellow arrow along a short path exiting on to a lane at Broad Plat.

12 Take the footpath opposite into a wood (Lambridge Wood) and follow the white arrows on trees and yellow arrows on way mark posts for about 800m.

13 When you reach an intersection of two paths (marked with a way mark post), turn right on to the other path and continue walking through the woodland, ignoring all paths to the left and right, and following white and yellow arrows for just under a km until the path emerges onto Badgemore Golf Course.

14 Continue in the same direction over the golf course using way mark posts and yellow arrows as a guide, until the path leaves the golf course via a kissing gate.

15 Walk straight ahead past an access drive that connects with a lane (Lambridge Lane).

16 Walk along the lane for about 50m then just as the lane bends sharply to the right, bear left on to a footpath.

17 Follow the path downhill until it emerges on to a road (Crisp Road), turn right and walk along the road for about 150m then turn right into Hop Gardens.

18 Walk the length of Hop Gardens until you reach Gravel Hill, turn left here and walk back downhill into the centre of Henley.

19 To return to the Maltsters Arms walk pass the Town Hall up Gravel Hill and turn left and walk along Paradise Road.

20 Take the first right still on Paradise Road (signposted to Henley College Rotherfield Building).

21 Walk along the road for approximately 150m, and where the road bends to the right, leave the road and bear left on to the footpath.

22 After about 250m, the path crosses an access drive to Henley College then splits. Take the right hand fork and continue on this footpath alongside Henley College playing fields.

23 Cross over Pack and Prime Lane and carry on straight ahead into the bottom of a dry, tranquil valley.

24 Cross a stile and pass Lower Hernes, a lovely isolated red brick cottage, then soon afterwards go through a five bar gate.

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26 Ignore a path on the right, cross over a stile and shortly afterwards, turn left over stile (in the hedge line) and follow the footpath uphill towards Rotherfield Greys.

27 Go through a gate to emerge on a road opposite St Nicholas' Church, cross the road and return to the Maltsters Arms.

## **The Maltsters Arms**

### **Opening Hours:**

Monday-Thursday: 11am-3pm, 5pm-11pm

Friday-Saturday: 11am-11pm

Sunday: Midday-8pm

### **Kitchen Hours:**

Monday-Saturday: 11am-3pm, 6pm-10pm

Sunday: Midday-8pm

- Disabled Access • Dog Friendly
- Family Friendly • Garden/Patio • Hold a Party
- Park the Car • WiFi Access

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