



circular  
**rides**  
in South Gloucestershire

# ride **2**



**Total distance:**  
26.85 km

**Parking:**  
Parking at Brices Farm Livery Yard.  
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There may be a small charge.

**Grid reference:**  
697796

**Explorer map:**  
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**1** From behind the bungalow ride out of back gate (key needed) and turn left. At top of slope bear right along restricted byway, Broad Lane. After half a mile turn left through metal gate to bridleway track. At end turn left and follow lane to **busy road**. **Cross with care** and follow bridleway track to end. Turn left and follow road under motorway bridge passing Lyde Green Common on right. There is a track down the Common which can be ridden, access over a mound of soil on right. Keep on road and after a sharp left hand bend and passing under a railway bridge enter the Railway Path on the right.

**2** Turn left at the top of the slope and follow path to where it goes downhill to an underpass. Turn left before the slope along a bridleway track inside the roadside hedge. Sleeper horse stile at end. Turn left and cross over to inside hedge bridleway through two gates. This bridleway is a temporary one due to workings at Shortwood brickworks. If it has closed, proceed left along lane. After 50 yards enter bridleway track on right which is continuous with the temporary bridleway. This goes past Shortwood Refuse facility, which can be busy with lorries. Follow track (Stony Lane, good description) uphill and continue along lane at top. At T-junction turn right and follow lane to another right turn at T-junction. Follow road uphill to Pucklechurch.

**3** At T-junction opposite the church turn left and soon right into Castle Road. At next T-junction turn right and then left into Abson Road. **Busy at commuter times**. In a short while you can cross over and ride up a quiet road with a wide verge alongside the main road. At the top rejoin the main road and turn left down Redford Lane. Follow the lane downhill until it turns into a restricted byway which passes the sewage works. At the bottom cross Feltham Brook by a ford and continue up hill to the road, Rookery Lane.

Cross over into a field bridleway. Proceed straight ahead and after a double gate ride downhill, keeping to field edge. At the bottom turn left and ride through three fields to the Pucklechurch to Hinton Road. Cross the road and continue alongside the river through three more fields to Burbarrow Lane, a restricted byway.

**4** Turn left uphill and continue on track, over **motorway bridge**, passing a left turn, to a right turn track (Gorse Covert Lane). Follow this track which becomes a surfaced road and ends at the B4465. **Busy road with freight traffic**. Cross over to restricted byway which is also a public road and follow to a T-junction. Turn left (**fairly busy road**) and ride back to the B4465. **Busy road**. Turn right.

**5** After 30 yards turn right into Besom Lane towards Wapley. Follow road downhill for two miles, past Wapley Common and on to Westerleigh. Turn left, **busy road**, and take first right after 400 yards, after garage and opposite WotNot second hand shop. Go past green and over **railway level crossing**. This is not a busy line but is used occasionally. Follow track to start point. Gate on left after 100 yards.



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