

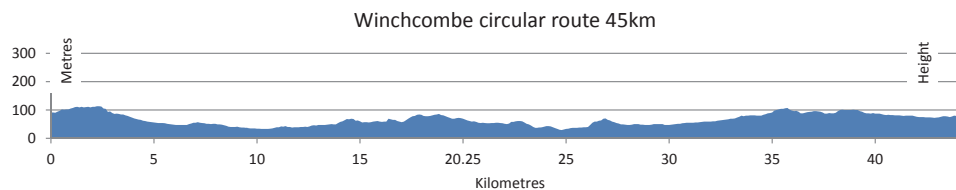
# Winchcombe Circular

Route  
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- 1 From Hailes Street head north out of Winchcombe along the B4632.
- 2 TR SP DIDBROOK.
- 3 At cross roads go straight over SP STANWAY/ STANTON. **Care crossing B4077.**
- 4 At T junction TR SP STRATFORD. **Care crossing B4632.**
- 5 TL SP DUMBLETON/WORMINGTON.

- 6 TR SP ASTON SOMERVILLE/EVESHAM.
- 7 TR SP EVESHAM. **Extreme Care crossing A46.**
- 8 TL SP HINTON ON THE GREEN/ELMLEY CASTLE.
- 9 At T junction TL.
- 10 TL (Between Houses).
- 11 At T junction TL.
- 12 At Crossroads straight over SP GREAT WASHBOURNE/ALDERTON. **Extreme Care crossing A46.**
- 13 At T junction TR SP TEWKESBURY.
- 14 At T junction TL SP STOW ON THE WOLD.
- 15 TR SP GRETTON. **Care crossing B4077** and continue through Gretton and back into Winchcombe.



## At a Glance

A pleasant ride taking you into and through a number of villages in the north Cotswold district.

**Grade** - Moderate

**Distance** - 28 miles / 45 km

## Points of interest

1. Hailes Abbey
2. Stanway House and Fountain
3. Beckford Silk Mill
4. Prescott Hill Climb
5. Winchcombe Pottery
6. Gloucestershire/ Warwickshire Railway nearby
7. Sudeley Castle
8. Folk and Police Museum
9. Belas Knap Long Barrow

## Key to Map Symbols:

- A Road
- B Road
- Minor Road
- Motorway
- Built-up Area
- Roundabouts
- Railway Stations
- Railway Lines
- Lakes
- Rivers
- Points of Interest
- P.O.I. numbers\*
- Cycle Shops or Cycle Hire\*\*
- Public Houses
- Visitor Information Centres
- Cycle Route
- Route Marker
- Route Start Point Marker
- Cycle Route into Town
- Cycle Route out of Town
- Turn left
- Turn right
- Signpost

\* Please note symbols indicate Cycle Shop within town/village and not precise location.

\*\* Route attraction numbers start as you leave each hub town in a clockwise direction.

## Contour Information

305m
229m
152m
76m



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The route starts in the lovely town of Winchcombe which has a wonderfully timeless quality. Cotswold stone cottages enhanced by black and white half-timber buildings, narrow side streets and charming houses make up the centre of this fabulous town. There is a good range of shops, including boutique clothing and antique shops as well as plenty of places to eat. As well as the town centre, must see places include Sudeley Castle with its 1,000 years of royal history and stunning gardens at any time of year; or one of the towns other attractions – Winchcombe Pottery, the Folk & Police Museum or the Railway Museum.

The route meanders to Stanway which is an estate village centred upon the magnificent Stanway House with its baroque gatehouse and formal gardens with the highest gravity fountain in the world. The beautiful tithe barn and medieval church are also part of the estate. Moving on you will find Stanton which is an outstanding beautiful village, situated below the wooded Cotswold edge. The medieval parish church has some early 14th century wall paintings.

The route continues out into the Evesham vale through villages of Aston Somerville, Hinton on the Green, Elmley Castle and on to Ashton under Hill.

At Beckford you will find a village at the foot of Bredon Hill. The village is known for its silk printing factory which attracts tourists through its workshop tours and demonstrations.

You will continue through quiet villages of Great Washbourne, Alderton and Gretton. Gretton has several half-timbered cottages prettily situated around the 15th century tower of its otherwise demolished medieval church. Look out and you may spot a steam train travelling along the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway which runs through the local area.

## Things to do on route

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### **Winchcombe** (Hub town)

**White Hart Inn B&B** (in town centre),  
High Street, GL54 5LJ  
[www.whitehartwinchcombe.co.uk](http://www.whitehartwinchcombe.co.uk)  
01242 602359

**The Lion Inn** (in town centre),  
37 North Street, GL54 5PS  
[www.thelionwinchcombe.co.uk](http://www.thelionwinchcombe.co.uk)  
01242 603300

**Wesley House** (in town centre),  
High Street, GL54 5LJ  
[www.wesleyhouse.co.uk](http://www.wesleyhouse.co.uk)  
01242 602366

