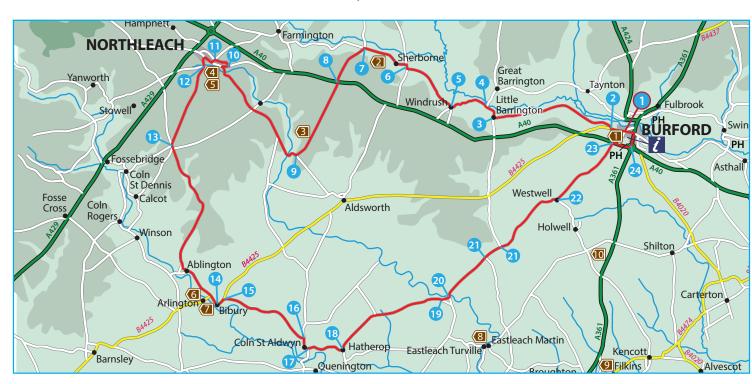
# Burford West Circular





# Start from Burford High Street heading up the hill

- 1 TR into Sheep Street by Tolsey Museum.
- At 2nd TR follow National Cycle Route (narrow lane).
- 3 At TJ TR in Little Barrington.
- Take 2nd TL SP Windrush.
- 5 Continue straight on SP SHERBOURNE.
- 6 Follow through Sherborne Village.
- 7 At xroads TJ TL SP NORTHLEACH/OXFORD.
- 8 Xroads on A40 straight on SP LODGE PARK.
- A TJ TR, SP NORTHLEACH/EASTINGTON, follow straight on to Northleach.
- 10 TL into Market Square and TL again, before Sherborne Arms and follow College Row.
- 1 TJ, TL onto Town Row/Mill End pass Northleach School on LHS.

- Straight on SP ABINGTONG/BIBURY Cycle route 48.
- Xroads TL follow to Ablington & Bibury.
- From Bibury go past Swan Hotel (LHS) and along past Arlington Row.
- (5) As B4425 leaves Bibury take RT/fork SP COLN ST ALDWYNS/QUENINGTON.
- 16 TR towards Coln St Aldwyns.
- Troads by Post Office TL SP HATHEROP.

- After Hatherop school TJ TL onto Roman Road SP WESTWELL/BURFORD.
- Bear left at fork and SO SP WESTWELL/ BURFORD.
- 20 TJ TL SP WESTWELL.BURFORD.
- 21 Straight on xroads SP WESTWELL.
- In Westwell TL SP BURFORD.
- TR onto A40 Care crossing busy road.
- 24 At roundabout TL into Burford High Street.

#### Burford West circular route 47km



### At a Glance

An interesting route starting along the Windrush Valley this is great cycling country taking you through quiet lanes and picturesque hamlets of the East Cotswolds.

**Grade** - Easy/Moderate **Distance** - 29 miles / 46 km

### **Points of interest**

- 1. The Tolsey Museum
- 2. Sherbourne Park Estate
- 3. Lodge Park Sherbourne
- 4. Escape to the Cotswolds
  Visitor Centre
- 5. Keith Harding's World of Mechanical Music
- 6. Bibury Trout Farm
- 7. Arlington Row Cottages
- 8. Eastleach Clapper Bridge
- 9. Cotswold Woollen Weavers
- 10. Cotswold Wildlife Park



# **Key to Map Symbols:**

A Ro



Motorway



Roundabouts

Railway Stations

Railway Lines

Lakes

Rivers

Points of Interest

P.O.I. numbers



PH Public Houses

Visitor Information Centres

Cycle Route



Route Start Point Marker

Cycle Route into Town

Cycle Route

TL Turn left

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TR Turn right

SP Signpost

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

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

#### Contour Information

305m 229m 152m

152m 76m



#### **Burford** (Hub town)

#### **Burford House Hotel**

99 High Street, Burford, OX18 4QA www.burford-house.co.uk
01993 823151

#### The Bay Tree Hotel

Sheep Street, Burford, OX18 4LW www.cotswold-inns-hotels.co.uk 01993 822791

#### The Lamb Inn

Sheep Street, Burford, OX18 4LR www.cotswold-inns-hotels.co.uk
01993 822 228

**Stow** (10 miles from Burford)

#### Park Farm Holiday Cottages

Maugersbury, Stow, GL54 1HP www.parkfarmholidaycottages.co.uk 01451 870568

**Bourton-on-the-Water** (10 miles from Burford)

#### Larks Rise B&B

Old Gloucester Road, GL54 3BH www.larksrisehouse.co.uk 01451 822613

#### Meadow Rise Guest House

Pock Hill Lane, Bourton, GL54 2DD www.meadow-rise.co.uk 01451 821860

#### Trevone B&B

Moore Road, Bourton on the Water, GL54 2AZ www.trevonebb.co.uk
07740 805250

# Burford West Circular

Nestling along the slope of the hill down through the trees to the River Windrush, Burford is steeped in history and rich in architectural heritage. Burford is full of Cotswold stone houses with hidden secrets that can be glimpsed through narrow alleyways and courtyards. One of the oldest buildings in Burford is a magnificent church of almost cathedral-like proportions. It was built from around 1175. The town is also a renowned centre for the antiques trade.

The route travels around the Windrush valley through The Barringtons onto Sherbourne which is another estate village largely owned by the National Trust.

Northleach is often a forgotten town however the magnificent church of St Peter and St Paul can claim to be a 'Cathedral of the Cotswolds. Here is the best of Cotswold stone used to create a fine example of the 15th century Cotswold Perpendicular, with some of the best wool merchant's brasses in the country. Northleach is also renowned for being a town with a workhouse at one end and a prison at the other. The old prison has a visitor centre where you will find out all you need to know about the Cotswolds and why it is one of the country's most popular and much loved protected landscapes. In the centre of the town is a museum of mechanical music and a rare treat.

The route winds its way through many small lanes before reaching Bibury. William Morris called Bibury 'the most beautiful village in England' and it remains very picturesque today in its riverside setting. The village contains several buildings connected to the wool industry that date back to the 14th century as well as water meadows and trout fisheries that stretch along the Coln river valley.

Coln St Aldwyns is in the quiet valley of the Coln and picturesque landscape of parkland, woods and water meadows.

The route goes onto Westwell, before getting back to Burford.









# Things to do on route

Tolsey Museum
Cotswold Wildlife Park (nearby)
Sherbourne Park
Sherbourne Lodge
Escape to Cotswolds Northleach
Keith Hardings World of Mechanical Music
Bibury Trout Farm
Arlington Row Cottages
Clapper bridge Eastleach Turville nearby





