## Explore the Surrey Hills to South Downs railway



This picturesque railway line starts from the historic market town of Haslemere to the quaint village of Farncombe in Surrey. This area is perfect for walking groups to explore with easy access to the beautiful South Downs National Park and Surrey Hills Area of National Beauty. Take a look at our suggested one-day itinerary from Haslemere to Godalming or plan your own adventure using the suggestions overleaf







## Morning - Haslemere

From Haslemere Railway Station take the 10-minute walk into the town centre where you'll find a range of independent shopping boutiques and charming cafes alongside high street favourites. At the top end of this quaint high street is the Haslemere Education Museum.

Step back in time to discover the rich and diverse history of Haslemere through interactive displays and fascinating exhibits. Visitors can also enjoy a large variety of plants and wildlife in the extensive gardens.



Recommended time 1 hr 30 approx

## Lunch

The Station House is situated right by Haslemere Railway Station and offers a fine selection of wines, local ales, and craft beers. and a delicious seasonal menu featuring many traditional favourites. Haslemere to Godalming 10 minute journey

## Afternoon - Godalming

Head back to Haslemere Railway Station and catch the train to Godalming, a journey of only 10 minutes. A short walk from the station, you'll be in the heart of this historic market town. Here you can explore this quaint town with its many Tudor buildings at your own leisure.

Pop into **Godalming Museum** to discover the story of the town and its people and uncover surprising connections with the Titanic, Sir Winston Churchill and public electricity. Pick up a souvenir of your visit at the gift shop and take time out to stroll around the peaceful walled museum garden.

Recommended time 1 hr approx

On your way back to the railway station pop into one of the coffee shops along the way for a hot drink and tasty bite to eat.

London Waterloo direct to Haslemere in 1hr. Save up to 26% with a Group Travel ticket from South Western Railway http://bit.ly/SWRGroup

# Explore more

## Surrey Hills to South Downs Community Railway

The Surrey Hills to South Downs Community Rail Partnership connects 10 miles (16 km) of lush countryside between Haslemere and Farncombe, stopping at three stations along the way.

#### Haslemere Station

Stretch your legs with a walk around the **National Trust Swan Barn Farm**, from the medieval dipping well, past a traditional orchard and through intimate meadows into an ancient woodland. The start of this moderate walk is located just off Haslemere High Street and is expected to take around 1hr 30. Visit the website for the full route:

http://bit.ly/NTSwanBarnFarm

## Witley Station

Provides access to the National Trust Witley and Milford Commons within a 15-minute walk. Covering a wide area, there are marked routes to follow, or you can simply go where you fancy and enjoy the charming woods, grasslands and heathland areas.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/ witley-and-milford-commons

#### Milford Station

A 5 minute bus ride will bring you to the heart of this Surrey village where you can enjoy browsing Secretts of Milford, a popular farm shop selling own-grown fruit and veg and local produce, plus a boutique gift store and tempting cafe. www.secretts.co.uk

### **Godalming Station**

Take the short 10-minute bus ride from the station to National Trust Winkworth Arboretum for an invigorating walk in the Surrey countryside. Enjoy a stroll around the twisting Holly Walk, explore the scenery at the lakeside or for the more adventurous take a challenging hillside walk.www.nationaltrust.org.uk/winkworth-arboretum

#### **Farncombe Station**

If you're visiting between May and July, Loseley Park is well worth a visit. This lovingly restored, 16th century stately home is a bus ride away from Farncombe Station. Discover fascinating artefacts, including many fine works of art and furniture from the 17th century. You'll also have chance to explore the beautiful walled gardens before stopping at the Tea Room for a bite to eat. www.loseleypark.co.uk

The community railway provides easy access to the South Downs National Park and Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding National Beauty making it the ideal base for walkers wanting to explore further than the local towns and villages. For history lovers, the nearby National Trust properties will not disappoint.





Please note recommended times are just suggestions depending on your individual groups interest you may wish to spend more or less time stated. All information, including train times, correct at time of publishing, January 2020. Please check all times and details before booking.

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