


 White Mill:
MARK SIMONS

DISTANCE: 16miles/26km

DIFFICULTY:

TIME: Approx. 2hrs

Grade 1

An easy ride from Blandford through the Kingston Lacy estate and some of Dorset's most unspoilt villages.

Interesting places to stop:

Kingston Lacy is owned by the National Trust and the house and gardens are open to the public. The gardens have something for all seasons and are well worth the detour from the specified route. For opening times, visit www.nationaltrust.org.uk.

White Mill in the Kingston Lacy estate is a historical watermill and it has some rare timber drive gears which are being conserved by the National Trust. This is a splendid place to stop for a picnic and the Mill is usually open on Saturday and Sunday afternoons in high season.

Refreshments:

Blandford has various shops, cafes and pubs where you can purchase refreshments including the Hall & Woodhouse Brewery shop and the Half Crown café.

The Anchor in Shapwick has good food and a pub-like atmosphere.

Pamphill has the charming Tea rooms and the Vine Inn.


 Pamphill Common:
KIRSTIE MCCONNELL

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 SUGGESTED STARTING POINT:
GRID REF: ST 893 062


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Langton Long junction with the bypass.

Directions:

Start from Langton Long junction with the bypass. You can park in Blandford and approach the start from Somerfield.

- Cross the bypass via the underpass.
- Continue straight on this road, passing the grand Langton Stables with its clock tower on the right.
- Turn left at T-Junction with the stone cross that is signposted to Shapwick and Cycleway 25.
- Continue on to Shapwick and past the Anchor Pub on your left.
- Carry straight on, following the Cycleway 25 route sign towards Wimborne.
- Turn left before the White Mill, National Trust property.
- You will pass Barford Farm on your left.
- Ride through Cowgrove and take the left turn signposted to Pamphill School.

- Alternatively you can carry straight on to a picnic site at the river on your right.
- Turn right and then left up Vine Hill to the Vine Inn.
- Continue straight on across Pamphill Common, through the avenue of trees, passing the pretty thatched cricket pavilion on your left, to a T-Junction and turn left. There are Tea rooms if you turn right or you can visit Kingston Lacy by continuing straight on to the B3082.
- At the sharp left turn, carry straight on along the track, taking the second track on the left.
- Rejoin the road at New Barn Farm and go straight over to Shapwick.
- Turn left to the Anchor Pub then turn right.
- Turn right at the T-junction and retrace the road to Langton Long and the underpass to Somerfield.

NB: This route may be shortened by turning left into Piccadilly Lane just past the Anchor, then left and left again back into Shapwick.