



WILTSHIRE'S BEST BAT WALKS

Found Outdoors Great Cheverell

Found Outdoors is a private rewilding project set in 54 acres of mixed woodland and pastures rich in wildlife including many species of bats.

The site comprises two woodland areas, two meadows and five seasonal ponds. This walk passes through the woods and meadows with the option of extending the walk to take in the ponds in the far field.

Found Outdoors is located on the northern edge of the Salisbury Plain on the B3098, between the village of Great Cheverell and Erlestoke Prison.



! There is no public access to the land outside of organised events without prior permission from the land owners.

There is a free car park in the woods and a compost loo.

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ABOUT THE WALK

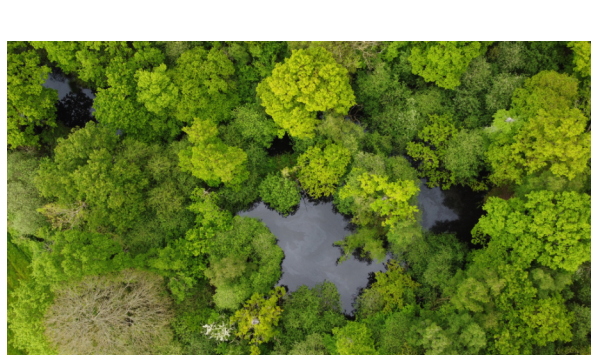
From the car park(1) follow the main track to the left and past the barns. The track slopes gently downhill through mixed woodland (listen for the whispers of long-eared bats) to a five bar gate (2). This opens to species-rich rough grassland with mown paths.

Walk down the field - look out for the loud “claps” of Serotine bats foraging - for about 300m to an area of willow (3). For the short walk follow the path left around the field and return through the gate.

Once back in the woods, turn left and follow the track through the beech trees until you reach a wooden gate in the boundary hedge. Here turn right and walk the track back to the barn and car park.

Extended Walk

At the willows (3) continue through the woodland along an undulating path with off camber sections for about 300m into a second field of rough grassland (4) - listen



TARGET SPECIES

Eleven species of bat have been recorded at Found Outdoors including Common Pipistrelle, Daubenton’s bat, Natterer’s bat, Brown Long-eared bat and Lesser Horseshoe.



We hope you enjoy your walk. Please submit records of the bats you encountered and identified to Wiltshire Bat Group, and feed into our growing knowledge of the county’s bats.

You can submit them directly to the county recorder, or to the iRecord app/website: www.irecord.org.uk



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