

## SECRET HILLS WALKING

# Self guided walking holidays

Applicable to

2008

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## Your choice

Our aim is to enable you to enjoy Shropshire without hassle.

So, we will arrange your holiday—to your specification, and make all the arrangements for you.

We will provide you with detailed walk descriptions, an OS Explorer map, marked up with the route you have chosen.

We will transport you to the walk start and from the walk finish, whenever this is needed.

We advise on weather conditions each day, where this is needed, and advise if we think a route you have planned has any difficulty—for instance, very wet parts due to heavy rain, or small landslips etc.

Should you want to have a day off walking, we can advise you which parts of

Shropshire are good to visit, on train and bus times.

We are always with you—our telephone is available to you all through your stay—not only when you are walking, but if there is a problem at other times.

You are purchasing from us a complete service—whilst you may choose self guiding, our team will look after you every step of the way.

We welcome you to Shropshire—we meet on the first evening, and we say good bye at the end.

Secret Hills Walking is based in Church Stretton, in an area of outstanding natural beauty—SAONB—and our walking covers the whole of South

Shropshire.

We may base you at Church Stretton, or Bishops Castle, or Ludlow, dependent on the walk you choose.

We also have a packed lunch service, freshly made each day, to a choice from our packed lunch menu.



Shropshire's rolling countryside

### What you get

- Bed and Breakfast/Self catering booking
- Walks guide book
- Explorer maps marked up
- Transport to walks start and from finish
- Luggage transfer
- On call service
- Guide to best eating
- Packed lunch service
- Personal, friendly service

## Your accommodation

You have a choice of where you stay.

Normally our accommodation providers are in Church Stretton and environs, or Bishops Castle.

**Guest House**—en suite and selected for comfort and the walker's welcome

you will get

**Hotel**—we use The Longmynd Hotel.

**Self catering**—we have a range of self catering accommodation, we will quote you based upon your stated requirements.

### Baggage Transfer

Where you have more than one accommodation provider, then we transfer your baggage ready for your arrival at the end of the day.

### Evening meal

We can advise you on the best places, prices and if you need to pre book.

# A choice of Self guided walking holidays

## The Shropshire Wanderer-7 days

Superior Guest House Double or twin £425  
 Superior Guest house Single £450

Seven days of super walking starting and finishing at Church Stretton, right in the heart of the Shropshire Hills.

The Wanderer follows well defined paths, but sometimes wanders away from the walking hot-spots of this area.

It is a continuous linear walk, and uses two accommodation providers—in Church Stretton and Bishops Castle.

The walk takes in The Stretton Hills, with Caer Caradoc as the jewel in the crown, The Long Mynd, The Stiperstones, Linley Hill, Bishops Castle, The Offa's Dyke, Clun, Hopesay Hill, Craven Arms, The Onny and Teme valleys to Ludlow, a truly magnificent historic market town.

Each day is approximately 11 miles, with climbing generally at the start of the walk, and descent at the end of the afternoon.

Walking the uplands of Shropshire is an real opportunity to see many other walking areas—for views over The Clee Hills, The Malverns, The Brecon Beacons and The Black Mountains, The hills of Radnorshire, Cader Idris

The Aran range, The Arenigs, the stunningly secret Berwyns, and The Clwydian hills.

And don't for-

get the lovely rolling hills of South Shropshire.

This walk covers some very remote areas of western England—some areas are designated as true wildernesses, and tranquil.

But, believe or not we have ended each day in a place where you can get a cuppa, where there are toilets and Shropshire's famous hospitality.

A fabulous upland walk—each day you will wake with eager anticipation of what beautiful landscape is ahead of you.



Offa's Dyke—magnificent ancient earth work,

## Wild Edric's Way Five days

Wild Edric five nights Superior Guest House Double/ Twin £335 Single £360  
 Mortimers four nights Superior guest house Double/Twin £325 Single £350

Five days of walking, following a trail, where Wild Edric established his reputation. He helped the English kings capture this part of England for themselves,

The trail links up five centres of South Shropshire—Church Stretton, Bishops Castle, Clun, Craven Arms and Ludlow, in a linear 55 mile long path. Much of the walk is along the

Shropshire Way, in remote countryside, with the same magnificent views as the Shropshire Wanderer.

We stay in both Church Stretton and Bishops Castle.

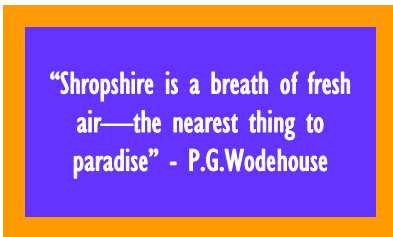
## The Mortimer Trail and Historic Ludlow—3 days

A three day/ four night walk in glo-

rious upland scenery, from Ludlow—a truly great historic English market town, to Kington, on the Welsh borders in deepest Herefordshire.

Thirty two miles in length, with three magnificent hill forts, forest, glade, and ridge walking.

The views are breathtaking, into Mid Wales, and down to the brooding Brecons. Where South Shropshire and North Herefordshire meet, the land is remote, green and just begs to be walked.



## The Magnificent Five Five days

Superior Guest House Double/Twin £335 Single £360  
 Longmynd Hotel Double/Twin £435 Single £470  
 Self catering Double only per person £280

Five separate and different circular walks in Shropshire's Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Each walk is 10 miles, and has a lunch stop—if you need it—at just beyond halfway.

We arrange accommodation in Church Stretton, and transport you to a walk start.

The walks are:

1. Ashes Hollow and the South end of

the Long Mynd

2. Cardingmill Valley, the centre of the Long Mynd, Little Stretton, Ragleth Hill.

3. The Batch, The North End of the Long Mynd, Picklescott, Gog Batch, Plash Hill.

4 The Stiperstones—Bog area to Snailbeach, Tankerville, Pennerley, The Stiper-

stones ridge.

5. Caer Caradoc, Hope Bowdler Hill, Cardington, Wilstone Hill,



Bishops Castle—a throw back in time -a proper border market town

Moderate walking with some climbing involved.

Five or six nights in accommodation. Each day a different vista, each day a special feel to it.

Secret walking at it's best.