

Housedean Farm A27 eastbound lay-by TQ 368093

On trail. Although this is a lay-by it is separated from the dual carriageway by a very high bank and thick vegetation. The main road cannot be seen by horse or rider and even the noise is well screened. A bridge gives safe access to both north and south sides of road.

Bopeep, above Alciston TQ 494051

On trail, steep approach road and exposed in windy weather

Wilmington Chalkpit (small) TQ 535037

About ¼ mile / 300m off trail. Can be muddy and is a little rough - a large box may find it difficult. NB that the "car park" marked on the OS Map, about 1/3rd mile (500m) further south along this road and apparently directly on the South Downs Way, does not actually exist.

Butt's Brow, Willingdon, TQ 580017 About ½ mile (800m) off trail.

The route up to this car park is a residential lane and is steep and narrow in places; care needed. Access unsuitable for large boxes.

Warren Hill, Eastbourne TQ 588979

On trail, on the B2103. Surfaced parking area open all year. A grass car park open c.9am to dusk during British Summer Time only. Very close (1/2 mile) to South Downs Way Bridleway start. Pay & Display.

Details believed correct in August 2009.

No responsibility can be taken for errors.

However if you spot an error please contact the South Downs Way Officer, Victorian Barn, Victorian Business Centre, Ford Land, Ford, West Sussex, BN18 0EF. (01243) 558716, sdw@southdowns-aonb.gov.uk

Horse Box Parking on the South Downs Way

NATIONAL TRAIL



There are horse box parking opportunities all along the South Downs Way National Trail, but as the Trail starts and ends in urban areas regrettably you cannot park at the very beginning or end. Wherever you park, please park considerately. Car parks not listed below generally have height restriction barriers etc.

Please be aware of security issues and take precautions against theft.

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Where an off trail park is listed below the South Downs Way is directly accessible by bridleway unless noted otherwise.

From the west to the east suitable box parks are;

Chilcomb Village near Winchester c. SU 508283

On trail - please park considerately in the village, best suited as a setting down and picking up point only. This is the closest unboxing place to Winchester.

Cheesefoot Head near Winchester SU 529277

100 yards / 100m from trail, on A272. Small. Access to trail via grassy verge, but Note that it is not very wide considering how busy this road is.

Beacon Hill Beeches in the Meon Valley SU 598228.

On trail. Small with some tree roots and overhanging branches. Note that Old Winchester Hill National Nature Reserve, on the opposite side of the Meon Valley, now has height restriction barriers.

Queen Elizabeth Country Park SU 718 185

On trail, off the A3. Proceed past visitor centre to Gravel Hill Car Park. Charge for parking. Toilets and café. A larger car park can be reserved for special events.

Harting Down (NT) SU 790181

On trail, off B2141 about 1 mile / 1½ km south of South Harting. Approaching by vehicle from the north, note that the B2141 is very steep and winding going uphill towards the car park. From the south access is easy. Pay & Display.

Cocking Car Park (Hill Barn) SU 875166

Small. On the A286 Chichester / Midhurst road about 1 mile / 1 km south of Cocking village on top of the Downs.

Goodwood Country Park (Counter's Gate) SU 898113

About 3 miles / 5km off trail via Charlton. A good base for circular rides including a part of the South Downs Way.

Bignor Hill (NT) SU 973130

On trail.

Whiteways, north of Arundel TQ 002108

About 2/3 mile / 1km south of the trail. At the A29/A284 roundabout. Café and toilets. Park at the north end (turn right as you enter) - the south end by the café is where the motorbikes meet!

Washington Car Park TQ 120120

On trail, best accessed via Washington Village. NB If riding to or from the west, ride across the A24 via the bridge in the village and follow the alternative South Downs Way route to avoid crossing the dual carriageway at grade.

High Trees, north of Shoreham TQ 197098

200 yards / 200m from trail. This is the car park at the A283 / A2037 roundabout on the east side of the road - the trail can be reached via the wide grassy verge. The car park a few hundred metres south on the west side of the A283, Botolphs, has height restriction barriers.

Beeding Hill north of Shoreham TQ 208096

On trail. Approached through suburban Shoreham, look for signs for Mill Hill and Tottington Barn Youth Hostel. Small and rough surface but no height or width restrictions.

Devil's Dyke, north of Brighton TQ 259109

On trail – Several car parks along approach, but all have width restrictions preventing large vehicles. Main National Trust car park at Devils Dyke, large but does get busy on summer weekends. Pay & Display.

Jack and Jill, south of Hassocks TQ303134

On trail - off the A273. Can be busy at weekends.

Stanmer Park Off the A27 Brighton Bypass at the eastern end, TQ 337096

2 miles/ 3km off trail. Several possible routes north. Park in Church car park. Park can be bustling with people, dogs, ball games, etc at weekends.

Newmarket Hill A27 westbound TQ 377091

About 1/3rd mile / ½ km off trail. Gives access to the south and east ONLY. Garage shop and pub (Garage currently closed). Much busier than Housedean Farm because of the petrol station and not screened from A27 traffic.

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