



MALVERN HILLS - END TO END

OVERVIEW

This classic Malvern Hills traverse follows the full ridge line from the southernmost high point at Chase End Hill to North Hill above Great Malvern. Although modest in height, the route involves continuous undulating terrain with repeated climbs and descents. The exposed ridge provides expansive views in all directions but offers little shelter from wind.

KEY STATS



425m
SUMMIT HEIGHT



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OS MAP NUMBER



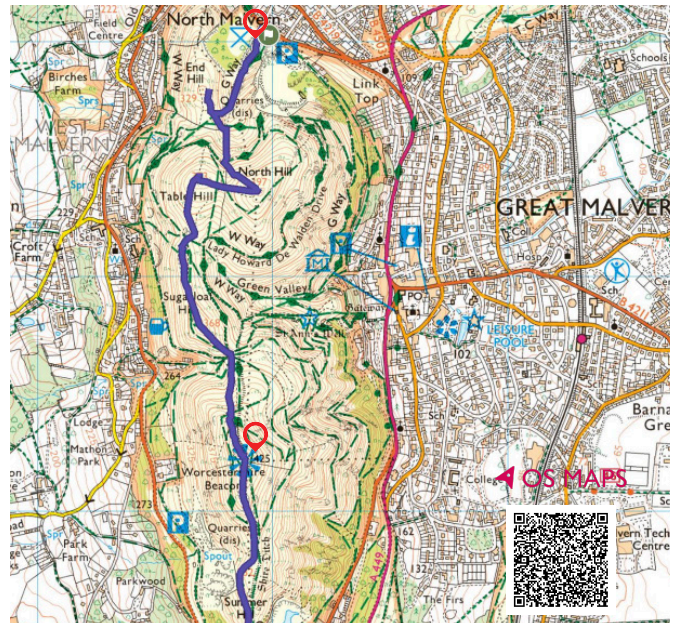
15.5km
DISTANCE



1,025m
HEIGHT GAIN



8-9 hours
DURATION



CHECKPOINTS (OS GRID REF)

CP	GRID REF	HEIGHT	LOCATION
CP1	SO 757 349	110m	Chase End Carpark
CP2	SO 761 355	191m	Chase End Hill Summit
CP3	SO 762 372	242m	Midsummer Hill
CP4	SO 768 413	308m	Black Hill
CP5	SO 768 452	425m	Worcestershire Beacon
CP6	SO 769 464	397m	North Hill

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

Begin at Chase End Hill Car Park and ascend directly onto the ridge to the summit of Chase End Hill. From here, follow the well-defined ridge path northwards.

The route climbs steadily over Midsummer Hill, marked by Iron Age earthworks, before continuing along open grassy slopes. Proceed north over Hollybush Hill and Black Hill, maintaining the clear ridge line path. The terrain undulates continuously, with no long flat sections.

Continue toward Worcestershire Beacon, the highest point of the Malverns at 425m. This is a natural regroup and rest point with panoramic views.

From Worcestershire Beacon, follow the ridge north over Sugarloaf Hill before reaching North Hill, where the route concludes above Great Malvern.

WEATHER RISKS



Sudden Rain Squalls



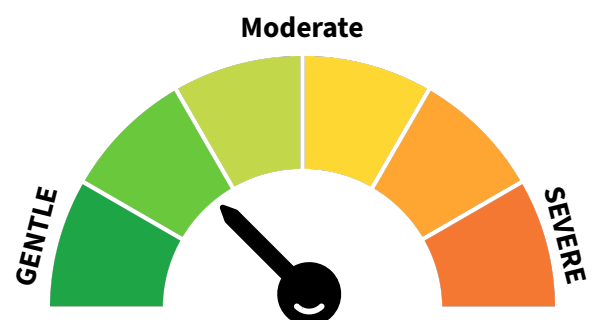
Low Cloud Reduces Visibility



Wind Chill

HAZARDS + CONDITIONS

- Slippery Grass in Wet Weather
- Mud after Heavy Rain
- Fatigue from Repeated Ascents
- Livestock on Hills



LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY