

Welcome to Hargate Forest

Strong hunters on galloping horses once chased deer across this medieval hunting forest. Where you are standing was once part of Waterdown Forest, one of the four great forests of the High Weald.

Thankfully you can now enjoy a walk in this beautiful woodland without the threat of hunters tracking their next meal!

Our new trails will take you on exciting walks through Hargate Forest.

- The green route is one mile long and will take around thirty minutes to complete. There is a gentle hill with a slight to moderate gradient and the path is surfaced. The path is wide and two people can walk side by side.
- The red route is two miles long and will take around one hour to complete. There are some hills with moderate gradients. The paths are unsurfaced in places and there are some tree roots, ruts, holes and bumps. Some sections of the paths get muddy in winter or after rain.

In springtime you will see a fantastic range of flowers and plenty of frogspawn. In summer the heathland flowers purple and rowan berries line the paths. The changing leaf colour of the trees and foraging squirrels symbolise autumn's arrival. This is quickly followed by the beautiful silence of the winter woodland.

Hargate Forest is part of the High Weald, one of England's finest landscapes and an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. For more information see www.highweald.org

To find out more about the wood visit woodlandtrust.org.uk/hargate

