

Thursday 12th August Long Ride

A 61 mile ride to Cheddar Gorge, Priddy and Wells. This ride takes you up Cheddar Gorge across the Mendips to Priddy and Wells coming back across the levels through Wedmore. It is hilly with an ascent of Cheddar Gorge included but well worth the effort!

Point	Distance	Total	Instruction
1	0	0	Turn Left out of camp site onto A370
2	1.12	1.12	Turn Left into Lympsham
3	0.47	1.59	Turn Left into Church Road S/P Brent Knoll
4	1.44	2.99	At T Junction Turn Right S/P Brent Knoll onto B3140
5	1	3.91	At sharp right hand bend in road continue straight on into Brent Street S/P Mark & Highbridge
6	1.31	5.23	At Junction with A38 go straight over S/P Mark Approach with caution BUSY ROAD
7	2	7.29	At Cross roads Turn Left onto B3139 S/P Mark
8	1.13	8.42	On entering Mark Village after sharp left and roght hand bends through traffic calming Turn Right into Little Moor. Directly after Pack Horse Pub and before Church
9	1.84	10.29	Ride out of the village and onto the moors and at T Junction Turn Left S/P Blackford
10	1.21	11.41	At T Junct Turn Right onto main road
11	0.2	11.61	At right hand bend in road branch left into Church Street.
12	1.74	13.35	Ride through Blackford Village and follow signs for Stoughton ignoring side turnings. At T Junction Turn Left S/P Chapel Allerton
13	0.04	13.39	Turn Immediately Right S/P Pear Tree Cottages
14	0.7	14.1	Road bends right and goes down Rug Hill
15	0.33	14.43	At T Junction Turn Right and look for next turning left in 100 metres, see next instruction
16	0.1	14.53	At dip in road Turn Left S/P Nyland
17	0.77	15.3	After crossing stone bridge Turn Left S/P Nyland
18	2.4	17.7	Follow lane past Nyland Hill on the right eventually reaching main road at Draycott. At T Junction Go Straight Over and up the narrow lane opposite.
19	0.1	17.8	At top of lane Turn Left

20	1.7	19.51	Follow narrow lane climbing at first then eventually dropping down into Cheddar. At T Junct Turn Right.
21	0.23	19.74	Reach Mini Roundabout next to Riverside Inn. You are now at the bottom of Cheddar Gorge. There are numerous cafes and pubs nearby. To visit the caves and Gorge go straight on.
22	5.1	24.84	Continue up through Cheddar Gorge. Note there is a steep section where you may need to get off. This is fairly short after which it reduces to a degree which you can cycle at a steady pace. It is also in the most picturesque part of the Gorge so will give you an opportunity to view it. After climbing up through the Gorge and reaching the upper reaches of the Mendip Hills. Ignore side turnings until you reach a clearly marked staggered junction Turn Right S/P Priddy
23	2.5	27.34	Pass campsite on right and into Priddy Village. Follow this road through Priddy ignoring side roads and following signs for Wells. (For your info: the medium route riders branch right in village but you continue to stay on this road) After nearly 2.5 miles at Cross Roads Turn Left S/P Burrington into Old Bristol Rd (old pub on r/h corner of x roads)
	1.5	28.84	At next Cross Roads Turn Right onto B3135 S/P Shepton Mallett
24	2.52	31.36	At Traff lights Straight Over staying on B3135 S/P Shepton Mallett
25	1.48	32.84	At Cross Roads go straight over. S/P Shepton Mallett
26	0.78	33.64	Café on left along this road. Take Next Right (small lane) S/P Maesbury(main sign) Wells and Crosscombe (sml sign at jnct)
27	0.36	34	At T junct Turn Right S/P Wells (sign on right on blind side of turning). Rocky Mountain Gdn Centre & Café on Left in 100 metres.
28	0.46	34.46	Turn next Left into small lane S/P Chilcote (poor sign with only half the name legible)
29	1.77	36.23	Descend this narrow lane ignoring side turnings. This can be tricky with gravel on corners so please take care. At T junct Turn Right
30	1.04	37.27	At T junct Turn Right.
31	0.36	37.63	At T Junction with main road Turn Right onto A371 Busy Road Take Care
32	0.49	38.12	Turn Right off main road onto B3139 S/P Dulcote
33	1.48	39.6	This road passes through Dulcote then climbs before descending past Wells City sign into Wells. After passing sharp left hand bend and pedestrian T/Lights go Straight ON down narrow road to the left and under stone arch to Wells Cathedral.
34	0.2	39.8	Pass Wells Cathedral on your Left and through 2nd Stone Arch (pedestrian way so you will need to dismount for a few metres) Turn Left in front of White Hart into Sadler St.
35	0.26	40.06	Follow road through centre of Wells. With plenty of cafes bars etc for refreshments. At Give way sign follow route 3 and one way system. At bottom of shopping st where cycle route 3 goes sharp right go straight on passing the Good Earth shop on your right into two-way traffic road

36	0.1	40.16	At T Junct Turn Right. Gala Cinema Opposite
37	0.15	40.31	At Traffic Lights Turn Left into Tucker St
38	0.15	40.46	At Cross Roads and traffic lights go straight across into Burcott Rd
39	2.27	42.73	Continue straight on as this residential road becomes a country lane ignoring any side turnings. At T junction near farm and campsite Turn Left. S/P Cycle By Way
40	2.08	42.81	Follow this lane as it winds its way onto the Somerset levels passing a café and cycle hire shop on your left. Ignore side turnings and at cross roads Turn Right S/P Panborough & Wedmore
41	1.17	45.98	At next X Roads Turn Right
42	0.29	46.27	Turn Left at T Junct onto B3139 S/P Wedmore
43	3.27	49.54	Continue for over 3 miles along this road to Wedmore. On reaching T Junction in Village Turn Right S/P Cheddar
44	0.11	49.65	Pass shops and Turn Left into Church St (opposite the Swan Pub)
45	0.18	49.83	Up hill and Turn Right into Lascott Hill S/P Weare
46	4.36	54.19	Follow this lane for over 4 miles as you pass rolling countryside an old windmill and drop down to arrive at the A38. Turn Right S/P Bristol
47	0.21	54.4	Take next Left into Old Coach Rd S/P Loxton, Compton Bishop and the Webbington Hotel
48	0.6	55	In Cross village at T Junct Turn Left S/P Loxton and the Webbington Hotel.
49	2.65	57.65	Follow this lane as it climbs alongside Crooks Peak and has lovely views. Drop down past the entrance to the Webbington Hotel and across the M/Way bridge. In Loxton Turn Left after sharp right hand bend. S/P Bleadon
50	0.38	58.03	Turn next Left not S/P
51	2.77	60.8	Follow this lane as it winds around eventually arriving at a T Junction with the A370. Turn Left to finish at campsite in 150 metres on Right. Take Care when Crossing this road