

Walks Around The Fleet



Short Circular from Chickerell

- Head West on the pavement towards Bridport and turn left down the road at the mini roundabout.
- After 30m, just before a set of gateposts, turn left along a signed footpath with a fence to the left, heading towards The Fleet. Continue along this path through four fields, with the hedge on the right, to a small wooded area.
- Go right over a stile/gate and take the lower path to the right across the field to the right side of Crook Hill Farm and a farm road. Cross the road and walk down the gravel track, joining the South West Coast Path at a landing stage with some buildings.
- Turn right along the South West Coast Path, taking a short deviation through a caravan park. Keeping the hedge on the left, walk along the side of the lagoon and through some rushes to a stile and path junction with a marker stone.
- Take the path shown to East Fleet, over a footbridge, past Old Fleet Church to the hamlet of East Fleet and the road. (The old church is worth a visit. In the churchyard is a storyboard about the church and the Great Storm of 1824.)
- Turn right up this road until reaching the mini roundabout on the main road. Turn right along the pavement to return to the starting point.

Chesil Beach – 15 miles long and born from landslides that eroded after the last ice age, 20,000 years ago – protects the special habitat of the Fleet Lagoon. The crashing, open sea is safely distant, a faint accompaniment to the calls of birds that find refuge in the tranquil waters.

Walk Facts

Start point	Meadow Close bus stop, Chickerell
Distance	2.5 miles / 4km
Walking Time	70 mins not including stops
Difficulty	Easy

