

Bembridge Fort Climb - following Bembridge Trail & Heritage Trail



5 miles approx - 2 hours 30 mins approx.

Can get muddy when wet. 8 stiles, hills up/down

Start: Bembridge Windmill

Follow Bembridge Trail over Bembridge Airfield (muddy) and fields down into copse.

At the junction in the copse (signpost) turn right to Brading, down to bridge over feeder stream for River Yar. Turn left and follow track for left hand side of Centurian Hill, (scene of TV's 'Timewatch' programme), passing the old pits on the left, the left over stile, walk across Sandown Road (careful busy road). Follow steep road across cattle grids, up Culver Down, passing Bembridge Fort on your left. (Contact National Trust for visits to Fort).

Continue up to the Monument (Café and Public House if break is wished). At the rear of the Monument facing the airport, follow steep track down hill, walking towards the Airport. Cross the field, over stile and turn right on old farm track.

At Glover's Farm turn left, over stile, following public footpath across the field to Bembridge Farm. Over stile, turn right on Sandown Road (careful, busy road). At junction Hillway Road, pass over stile in front of you, cross the field, over another stile and onto Hillway Road (past the shop on left for shellfish). Turn left onto Heritage Trail and down to Sandown Road over a stile (careful, busy road). Go through small copse, turn left and follow trail up to Bembridge Windmill. Turn right down to Steyne crossroads, straight across Hillway Road turning left at the junction of Howgate Road and down to public footpath in front of you. Left at end at coastal path (muddy) to Crab & Lobster Pub car park.

