

## Coddington Loop

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Grade	Moderate
Distance	13km /8miles
Time	2-3 hours
Start	Chapel Lane, Milton Green
Map	OS Explorer 257
Terrain	Varies from green bridleways and tracks to metalled roads. Some sections can be wet/muddy in winter.
Barriers	All gates accessible to horse riders.
Toilets	None en route
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## Route Details

An off-shoot of the Bishop Bennet Way, this is a 13km (8mile) circular route for horse riders following bridleways and minor roads through the gentle countryside of southwest Cheshire. The route takes the rider through the pretty villages of Aldersey and Coddington, and there is a longer version of the route available of around 17kms/11miles.

## Directions

1. From the A41 at Milton Green, ride down Chapel Lane to its end at Calveley Hall Farm. 0.8kms.
2. At the farm, follow the bridleway through the yard to the right and then left around the back of the buildings. Once through the gate follow an indistinct metalled track along a line of isolated trees marking a former field boundary to a bridleway in a wooden fence. Through the gate, ride towards the wood with the hedge on your right.
3. Dog-leg onto the farm track and continue in the same direction with the wood on your left for 50m. As the track bends away to the left, head right along the edge of the copse and then, with the brook on your left, continue through two fields to a narrow wooden bridge over Golborne Brook. 1.4kms.
4. Beyond the bridge, keeping the hedge on your right, continue (by way of two bridlegates, in part along a once enclosed track) through two fields into a larger field. Keep the hedge on your right to a corner where you will see Lea Hall Farm across two fields. Ride straight ahead across the field to a gateway. The bridleway then takes a line towards the centre of this last field before veering off to the right and meeting a farm track which then leads to the farm.
5. Ride through the yard (beware! – concrete surface may be slippy – and don't take the concrete track to the left) onto Lea Lane. 1.5km.
6. Turn left along the lane and ride over Wim Bridge and past The Ponderosa. 1km.
7. As the drive bends right at Lea Farm, take the bridleway signed off to the left across fields, across one track to eventually reach a hedged track. 1km.
8. Turn right and head for Old Beachin Farm. Pass the farm on its left and Middle Beachin Farm to reach a T-junction. 1.2kms.
9. Turn left along Beechin Lane for Coddington. Turn left in the village past the church up Aldersey Lane to Aldersey Green.
10. Where the road bends to the right, carry straight on up the bridleway, firstly on a grassy lane, then with the hedge on your right. Cross the brook, go through the gate and follow the hedge to another gate. Through this keep the hedge on your left to another gate into a track between hedges.
11. Follow this, eventually bearing right to emerge on the A41 at Milton Green.
12. Turn left for 200m to Chapel Lane to complete the loop.

13. For a slightly longer version of this loop, follow the instructions to point 9, then turn right along Spring Lane instead of left onto Beachin Lane.

14. Turn left down Marsh Lane to Coddington just before the sharp right hand bend in the road.

15. At a large village pond, turn left and after 200m follow the road as it bends right past the church, heading for Aldersey. Follow the remainder of the instructions above (10-12) to return to Milton Green.