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77, 78, 79, 5a Buses to city centre

More information

South Downs Bus Walks
 Call 01273 292480 for leaflets or visit www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/breezebuses

The Downs on Your Doorstep (Stanmer & Ditchling Beacon) leaflet. Call 01273 292929 or visit www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/countryside

Bus information Call 01273 886200 or 01273 292480 or visit www.buses.co.uk or www.traveline.info

Keep an eye out
 Report dangerous road parking and vehicle problems to the police on 0845 6070 999.

It is strongly recommended you use an OS map when walking on the Downs. The maps for these walks are Ordnance Survey Explorer 122 or Landranger 198. Available at good bookshops.

breeze up to...

Ditchling Beacon on the 79 bus

22 April 2012 to 30 September 2012



Have you seen?

See the two other 'Breeze up to the Downs' leaflets about how to get to Devil's Dyke and Stanmer Park.

Call 01273 292480 for copies or go to www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/breezebuses

Walkers will discover many possibilities. For example, take the 79 bus to Ditchling Beacon, walk 2.8 miles to Stanmer Park (about 1.5hrs) and return to Brighton on the 78 bus.



Why take the bus?

A trip to the Beacon by car can be very frustrating. Cars spill out from the car park onto the surrounding roads making access very difficult. So why not relax on the bus instead? You can enjoy the countryside with minimal impact, bring a drink to enjoy with your picnic or take one of the linear walks.

Large print? 01273 292480

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kids go free!

Train travellers' discount
 See inside for details

Fares

Adults £2.80 Single, £5.00 Return
£2.80 Special Return from any Ditchling Road stop.

SuperSaver tickets are valid for unlimited travel on services 77, 78 and 79 – and on Brighton & Hove Bus Company's other services too. A 1 Day Ticket costs £6.50 from the bus driver.

Children Up to two children (under 16) go free when travelling with an adult. BUS ID holders travel for 60p each way. Other children (5-13 only) pay half fare.

National Bus Pass holders travel free.

Rail tickets: Show a rail ticket(s) valid to Brighton or Hove and get two 79 bus tickets for the price of one, or a third off an individual ticket (except Savers).

Day 'Explorer' tickets are issued and accepted.

Other local fares available.
All prices subject to review.



Ditchling Beacon


Ditchling Beacon is the second highest point on the South Downs with spectacular views across the weald. It was once an Iron Age hillfort which used the steep northern slope as a natural defence. As its name suggests, Ditchling Beacon was one of the chain of fires lit to warn of the Spanish Armada and other invasions. It's now managed by the National Trust and Sussex Wildlife Trust.

Ditchling is a historic village with fine buildings. The Roman road from Hassocks to Streat and the ancient Saxon burial mound, Lodge Hill, are reminders of Ditchling's distant past. In Ditchling you'll find many facilities including toilets, tea shops, pubs, a craft centre and a museum.

Walks

Ditchling Beacon to Patcham Take the South Downs Way west for about one mile, then turn south west and follow the Sussex Border Path for about 2.5 miles down to Patcham. Catch bus 5A from Old London Road to Brighton's city centre.

Ditchling Beacon to Lewes Follow the South Downs Way east for about 2.5 miles, then continue south east for another three miles over Black

 **Bike it by 79 Bus!** Buses on the 79 route to Ditchling Beacon have space on board for two bikes. There's no charge for bikes and it's first come first served. Please follow the driver's instructions and make sure your bike is secured safely.

Events

To search for events go to www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/events and select Ditchling Beacon from the location menu.

See also:

www.brightonandhoveramblers.org.uk
www.southdownssociety.org.uk
www.carfreewalks.org

Cap and down to Lewes. Then take the 28 or 29 bus or train back to Brighton (note: SuperSaver bus ticket is not valid on trains).

The routes cross open downland which is fairly steep in places, unsurfaced and bumpy. They can be muddy and slippery when wet, so take care! An average walker will cover about one mile in half an hour.



Getting there...

The 79 bus will stop at all bus stops on its route. North of Woodbourne Garage, you can also hail the bus to stop anywhere that it's safe for the driver to do so.

At Upper Lodges, there is a bus stop at the bridleway sign (by the car park entrance) for buses travelling towards Brighton. Please cross the road carefully and wait on the other side for buses to Ditchling Beacon.

For enquiries or comments

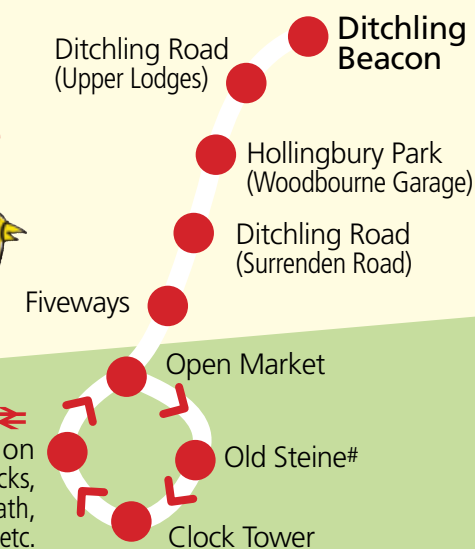
Brighton & Hove City Council **01273 292480**
or email local.transport@brighton-hove.gov.uk
Brighton & Hove Bus Company **01273 886200**
www.buses.co.uk

79 bus route

All buses are easy access.



Brighton Station
Trains to Hassocks,
Haywards Heath,
Lewes, Worthing etc.



Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays

Timetable

for the 79 bus

Saturdays*, Sunday† and Bank Holidays
22 April 2012 – 30 September 2012

Brighton (Old Steine - stop U#)	10.15		16.15	17.15
Brighton Station (stop A)	10.20		16.20	17.20
Open Market, Oxford Street	10.27		16.27	17.27
Fiveways, Ditchling Road	10.32	then	16.32	17.32
Ditchling Road, Surrenden Rd	10.35	at	16.35	17.35
Ditchling Road, Upper Lodges	10.38	the	16.38	17.38
Ditchling Beacon (Car Park)	10.42	same	16.42	17.42
		times		
Ditchling Beacon (Car Park)	10.45	every	16.45	17.45
Ditchling Road (Upper Lodges)	10.49	hour	16.49	17.49
Ditchling Road (Surrenden Rd)	10.52	until	16.52	17.52
Fiveways (Ditchling Road)	10.55		16.55	17.55
Open Market (Ditchling Road)	10.59		16.59	17.59
Brighton (Old Steine - stop U#)	11.05		17.05	18.05
Brighton (Rail Station - stop A)	11.20		17.20	18.10r

† Sorry, no service 17 June due to road closure for London-Brighton Bike Ride

Old Steine bus stops: Stop U is in the southwest corner of Old Steine.

• Some disruption to service on 5 May & 1 September due to major city events.

r Serves Brighton Station on request.

Taxi numbers (in case you miss the last bus!) are: 01273 747474, 01273 204060, 01273 414141, 01273 205205.