

Woburn Trails



Route Difficulty:
Varying

Fun Factor:
★★★★

Route Time / Distance:
Routes & Runs vary

Quick Route Description:

Good short XC loops and routes. Downhill runs, drops and jumps for DH, FR and DJ riding. Ground is sand based so is good for mud free all year round riding.

Where are the Trails?

The trails are located on the edge of a small village called Woburn Sands, just out side Milton Keynes. The nearest motor way is the M1 junction 13 (or junction 14). Off junction 13 head toward "Wavendon". When you near "Wavendon" you will see signs for "Woburn Sands" When in "Woburn Sands", go through the village. Towards the end of the village pass the garage on your left, go straight over both mini roundabouts. Pass the "Fir Tree" pub on the left, go up the hill for about 500 yards, on the right there is a big grass verge. Park on the verge and you will see a gate in the fence, this is the entrance to the trails.

Downhill

There are 5 main downhill runs at Woburn Trails. The longest is about 30 seconds and the shortest is about 20 seconds. They are only very short runs but they are very helpful when learning riding techniques such as fast berms and tight corners.

The Drops

There has always been a few drops and jumps at Woburn Trails, for years they never really changed, but over the last few years many riders have started to build. Many hours have been spent building bigger and better jumps and drops, and today Woburn Trails boast's some of the largest safest drops I have seen anywhere in the south of England

There are also some North Shore sections at Woburn, however they are a quite small but they are a very good for your first taste of northshore.

Jumps

One of Woburn Trails best features is its dirt jumps. There are loads of different kinds of jumps for all skill levels. So If your a seasoned dirt jumper or a beginner just starting out, you will find a set of jumps to ride. The sandy condition makes Woburn Trails a perfect venue all year round.

Cross Country

There are miles and miles of trails at Woburn Sands. There is a good selection of riding, from fast technical single track to long wide bridle ways. The trails can be ridden all year round, although the sand can get a bit soft in the summer. There are loops from ranging from 2 miles to 15 miles. Taking in all the up hills and down hills, or you can ride along the top trails avoiding all the hills

Riding Charges

There is a annual charge of £10. This will give you the right to ride the trails plus 3rd party liability insurance. You can pay the £10 to the warden if and when you see him.

Digging the Trails

There are a few rules to be followed when digging and trail building at Woburn Trails. No digging outside the designated areas. The designated areas are obvious to see, but if you are unsure ask a local. If there are no locals around **DON'T DIG**

When digging don't create big holes. Sand is supplied from the quarry over the road when it is needed. Again this is something the locals will know about so if you want to know more ask a local rider.

DON'T hammer nails into living trees, this is something the warden looks for, if he sees it he will remove what ever has been made. It is OK to hammer nails into dead tree stumps. If you need to attach something to a tree, tie it with rope.

That's about it for the rules and restrictions. Just use common sense when trail building, nothing to high, nothing to dangerous, try not to make the place look untidy, you know the sort of thing.

About Woburn Trails

The land is owned by the Duke of Bedford.

Mountain bikers are not the only people that use and enjoy the trails. Please respect all trails users.

Litter. Take it home with you. The trails will be lost if a litter problem is created.

There are some houses very close to the trails, and although they are far enough not to hear voices, the residence will complain about music. So its best to keep the stereos at home.

There is plenty of parking available on the grass verge, but it is next to what can be at times a busy road. So take care when arriving and leaving. There has been a few accidents in the past, and we wouldn't want to local authorities to stop us from parking there.