

Trails suitable for people with impaired mobility, wheelchairs, mobility scooters and push chairs

# Centurion Way Trail

## Beside the Lavant

The Centurion Way was once the Chichester to Midhurst Railway line. The section between Lavant and Chichester was used for the transportation of sugar beet and was closed completely in 1957. The tracks were removed in 1993. The name Centurion Way was suggested by a local schoolboy and is based on the fact that the path crosses the course of a Roman road.

The easy access trail (1.5km) runs from Chichester to West Dean Estate and is available for cyclists and walkers to use. The easy access trail runs on a section of the Way, close to West Dean.

Much of the route follows the River Lavant which is a winterbourne, only becoming a permanent feature to the south of the village of West Dean, the rest being restricted to the wetter months.

### HOW TO GET THERE

**By Bus:** Traveline 0870 608 2608

**By train:** National Rail 08457 484950

**By car:** Take the A286 from Chichester towards West Dean and the start of the trail is situated on the right just before Binderton House.



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### VISITOR INFORMATION

- There is a bus stop directly opposite the start of the trail, as well as at West Dean and at Singleton.
- To the north of the trail the Centurion Way extends to West Dean where the gardens are open daily from March to October, 11 - 4.30 pm (01243 818210). Bike stands, parking for disabled, wc's, shop and restaurant are available. Access to the visitor centre is free, but there is a charge for the Gardens.
- In Singleton village to the north of the trail, visit the Weald & Downland Open Air Museum (01243 811348), England's leading museum of historic buildings and traditional rural life. Explore 45 original historic buildings set in 45 acres of Sussex downland, complete with Shire horses, traditional breed farm animals and a working Tudor kitchen.

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