



Arabian Dorset

Directions: Head to Moreton Equestrian Centre, Moreton, Dorchester DT2 8RF

Day One

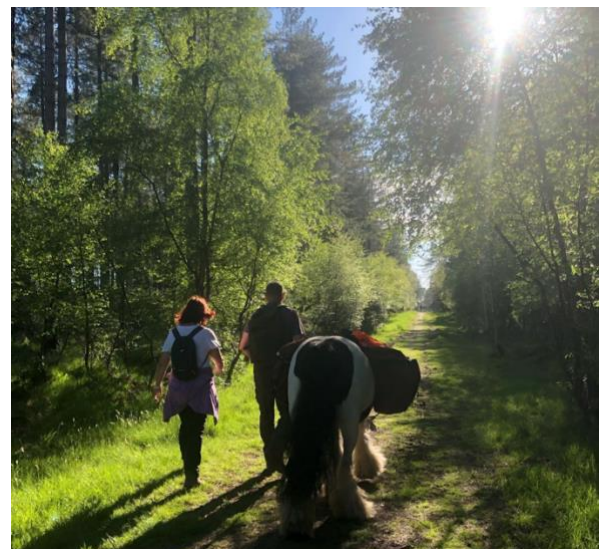
Please arrive by 2:30 to allow us time to get the paperwork done and settle you in before we start at 3.00. We'll then spend some time introducing you to the ponies and how to be safe around them before setting off.

We start by heading past St Nicolas Church's cemetery, where Lawrence of Arabia was buried under his preferred name of T.E. Shaw. The funeral was well attended by statesmen and celebrities alike, the most notable of which was Winston Churchill and bizarrely enough was filmed – clips of the funeral procession can actually be seen online!

We set off on the walk proper, crossing Moreton Ford (the ponies will walk through the ford, but feel free to take the bridge!)

Then it's onto heath and through the plantation towards Cloud's Hill. The hill itself is steep and sandy, very eroded in places so we let the ponies rest at the path below and those who wish to climb it may do so and catch a glimpse of Lawrence's house. If you wish to visit the house, it is a National Trust property and easily reached either before or after your Ancient Trail.

We are then close to camp in private ancient woodland and will arrive approximately 2.5 hours and 6km after departure





This camp can be either a Glamp in a beautiful bell tent with a Ploughman's mean included, a wild camp in light weight tents or a hammock & tent experience – all provided for you.



Day Two. This is your day to do as you please, chill in the woods, explore Lawrence of Arabia's cottage or nearby villages



Day Three. We meet at 9.30 with a view to pack and depart by 10. Heading back towards Moreton, we take a different route to wind our way over the heath until we return to the Moreton Drive and through the ford to our initial meeting point.

This is an excellent route for wildlife spotting – we walk through Sites of Special Scientific Interests and as well as regularly seeing buzzards, woodpeckers and kite you may also spot sand lizards, grass snakes, slow worms, kingfisher even osprey as they fly south to fish at Arne

This journey is approximately 7km and should take about 2 to 2.5 hours.

