



Ubley Warren and Velvet Bottom Nature Reserves

Explore Somerset Wildlife Trust's Ubley Warren and Velvet Bottom Nature Reserves and the surrounding landscape of The Mendip Hills AONB.

Start: Blackmoor car park, ST505556

Terrain: Public footpaths and with stiles and gates. Be aware of grazing animals and keep dogs on leads around livestock. Watch out for uneven ground and hidden mineshafts on Ubley Warren.

Distance: Approx. 4 miles

Approx time: 2.5 hours

Go For a Wild Walk

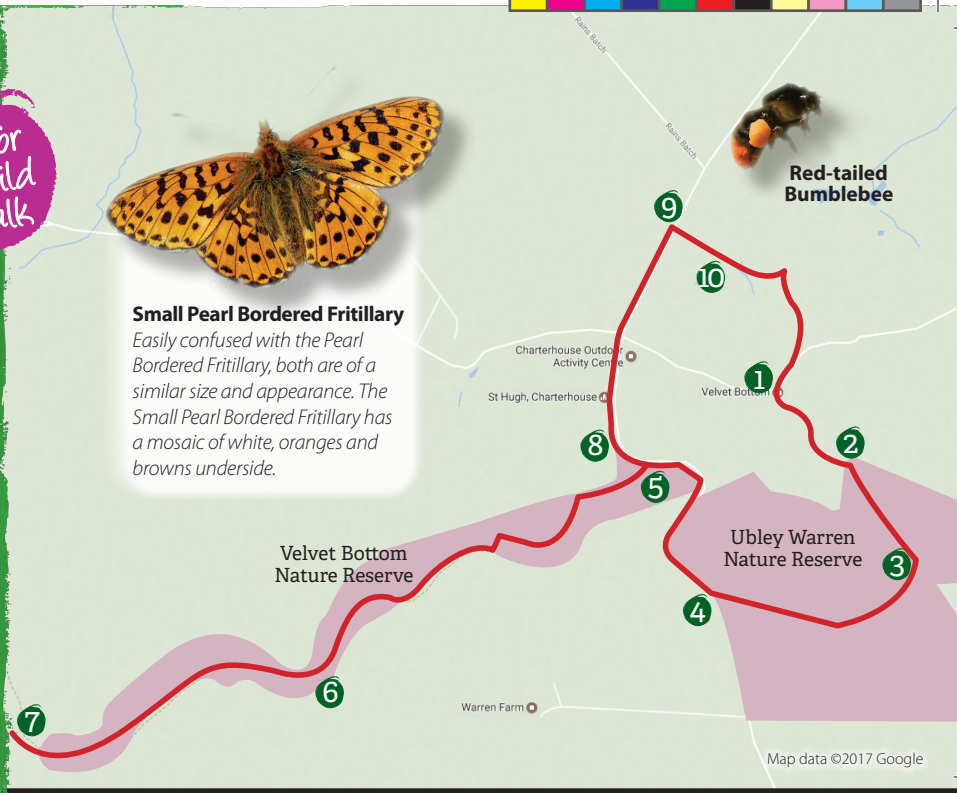


Small Pearl Bordered Fritillary

Easily confused with the Pearl Bordered Fritillary, both are of a similar size and appearance. The Small Pearl Bordered Fritillary has a mosaic of white, oranges and browns underside.



Red-tailed Bumblebee





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Skylark

The Skylark's long, complicated, beautiful song-flights can last for up to an hour and they can reach 300m before descending.



Get Started!

- 1 From the car park take the path to the right of the interpretation board (opposite the entrance road). Follow the path to the kissing gate.
- 2 Enter Ubley Warren Nature Reserve through the kissing gate. Take the right hand path where it splits and follow the path across the reserve.
- 3 At the ladder stile, climb over into the next field and follow the path straight ahead across the next section of the reserve.
- 4 At the metal gate by the road, go through the kissing gate and turn right.
- 5 Follow the road around to Velvet Bottom Nature Reserve entrance gate.
- 6 Follow the path along the reserve.
- 7 At the end of the reserve at the gate, turn around and follow the path back to the road.
- 8 Turn left onto the road and follow it up the hill, going straight on at the cross-roads.
- 9 Follow the public footpath sign over the stile on the right and walk across the field.
- 10 Go over the next stile and enter Blackmoor Nature Reserve. Follow the path to the right and back to the car park.

Feeling Better?

Meadow Saffron

Its leaves can be confused with Wild Garlic, a potentially lethal mistake, since all parts of the plant can carry a deadly poison called Colchicine.

