

"On a golden day in autumn the editor could cross the stubble in any direction to visit one of the tenements or inclosures which have a recorded history of five or six centuries"

At the Courts of Great Canfield, by George Eland, 1949



Canfield Walks



The definition adopted here is that a "Canfield Walk" begins or ends within the parish boundaries but otherwise can roam all over the place. Each walk is tracked with GPS during the whole of the journey and the track is then transferred to its unique Wikiloc web










page. This shows the track against the background of a satellite view or a map, and there are also statistics for the walk and a short commentary. The map can be printed for reference, and the GPS track can be downloaded for on the spot guidance during the walk. For each walk there is also a video, made up from a set of photos taken during the journey. Links for the Wikiloc pages and videos are shown on the following two pages. After these there is a map showing footpaths within the parish and their numbering. Lastly, there are two pages showing the various Canfield Walks in the context of their surroundings.

Most of the walks are circular and end up at the same place as they started. A few don't, such as the Dunmow to Great Canfield and Great Canfield to Molehill Green routes. For these, arrangements for pick-up or drop-off are needed. If there are two or more doing the walk it is of course possible to position a car at both ends of the walk beforehand. Similar arrangements could be applied when only doing a section of a circular route.

These walks are not particularly short, they cross open country, and surfaces can be uneven and rutted. Clothing should be appropriate to these conditions, and, as always, to the weather. Walking boots with good ankle support are strongly recommended.



Canfield Walks : Summary of the walks

The Walks	Distance (miles)	One way or circular	Time (hours)	Route map		Video		Start Point
				Link	QR code	Link	QR Code	
Village Hall - Broomshawbury Circular	4.2	Circular	1.5 - 2	Broomshawbury GPS		Broomshawbury video		Village Hall
<p style="color: red; font-size: small;">If this is on your computer screen, click on the blue links to go to the web pages.</p>				<p style="color: red; font-size: small;">If this is on a paper printout or on your computer screen, you can apply a scanning app to the QR codes to go to the web pages on your tablet or smartphone.</p>				
"Crescent Wood" Circular	4.8	Circular	2 - 2.5	Crescent Wood GPS		Crescent Wood video		Church
Boxley Lane Circular	4.9	Circular	2 - 2.5	Boxley Lane GPS		Boxley Lane video		Church
St Mary's Dunmow to Bacon End	5.6	One Way	3 - 3.5	Dunmow to Bacon End GPS		Dunmow to Bacon End video		St Mary's church, Great Dunmow
Three Churches and a Windmill	5.7	Circular	2.5 - 3	Three Churches GPS		Three Churches video		Church
High Roding Circular	5.9	Circular	2.5 - 3	High Roding GPS		High Roding video		Church
Philpot End -High Rodingbury Wood	6.2	Circular	3 - 3.5	Philpot End GPS		Philpot End video		Church



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Flitch Way Circular 2	6.7	Circular	3 - 4	Flitch Way 2 GPS		Flitch Way 2 video		Village Hall
Hatfield Broad Oak (Duke's Head) Circular	7.1	Circular	3.5 - 4.5	Hatfield Broad Oak GPS		Hatfield Broad Oak video		Village Hall
Flitch Way Circular 1	7.5	Circular	3.5 - 4.5	Flitch Way 1 GPS		Flitch Way 1 video		T junction to High Roding
To the Roding's Source (and the Three Horseshoes)	8.1	One Way	4 - 4.5	Rodings Source GPS		Rodings Source video		Church
Hope End to Hatfield Forest and back	9.6	Circular	4 - 5	Hatfield Forest GPS		Hatfield Forest video		Hope End

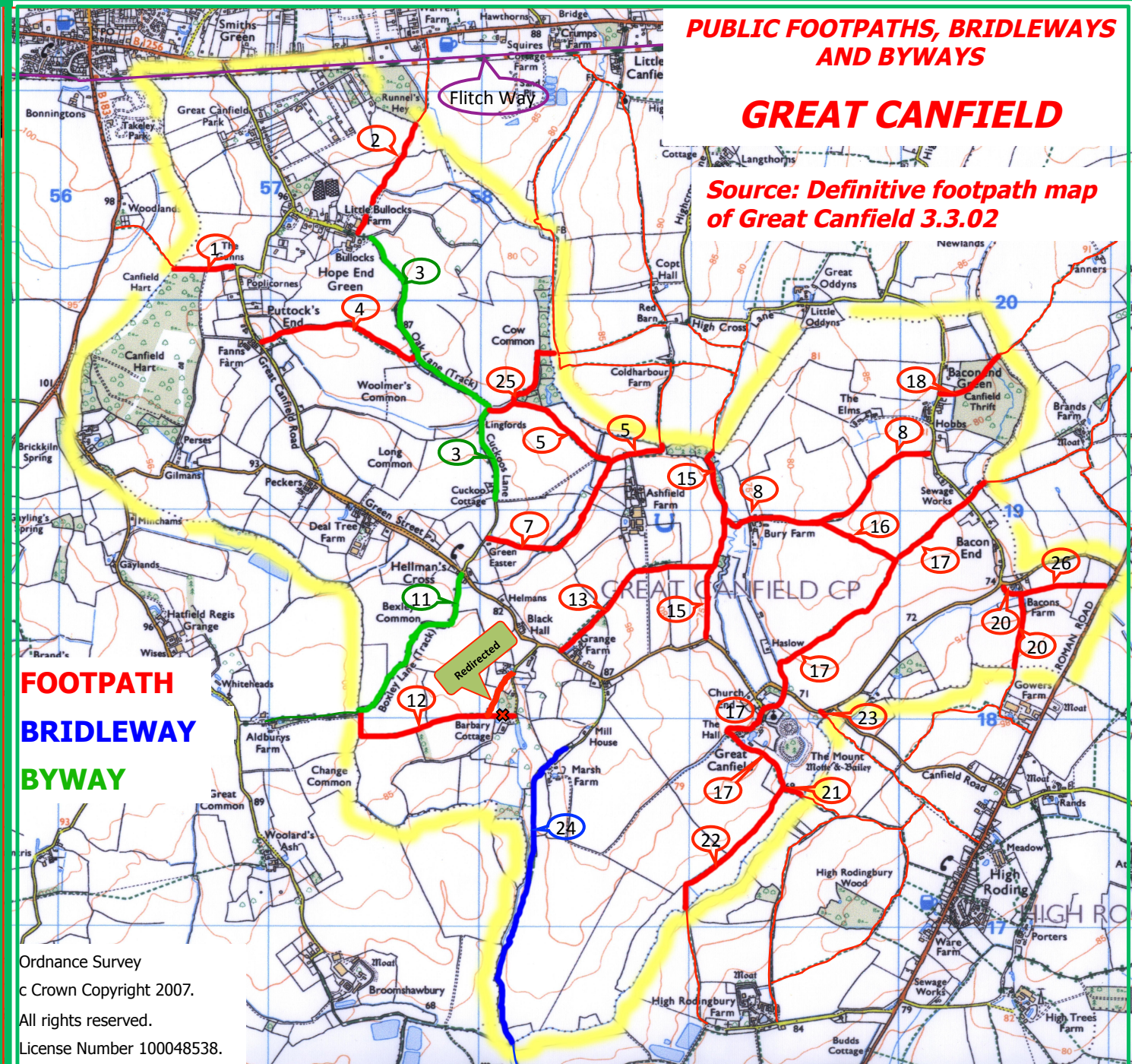


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“The village is criss-crossed with Public Rights of Way, most established long ago. The unsurfaced parts cover over ten miles and whilst the majority are footpaths there is also a mile of bridleway and a mile and a half of byway. Most continue through neighbouring parishes, and to the north connect with the Flitch Way Long Distance Path.

“Older maps – for example those of 1881 and 1900 – show many of the same routes that are enjoyed today. Footpaths give everyone the opportunity to appreciate the wonderful unspoilt views of a truly rural landscape and perspectives not seen from the car”.

Great Canfield VDS, March 2010

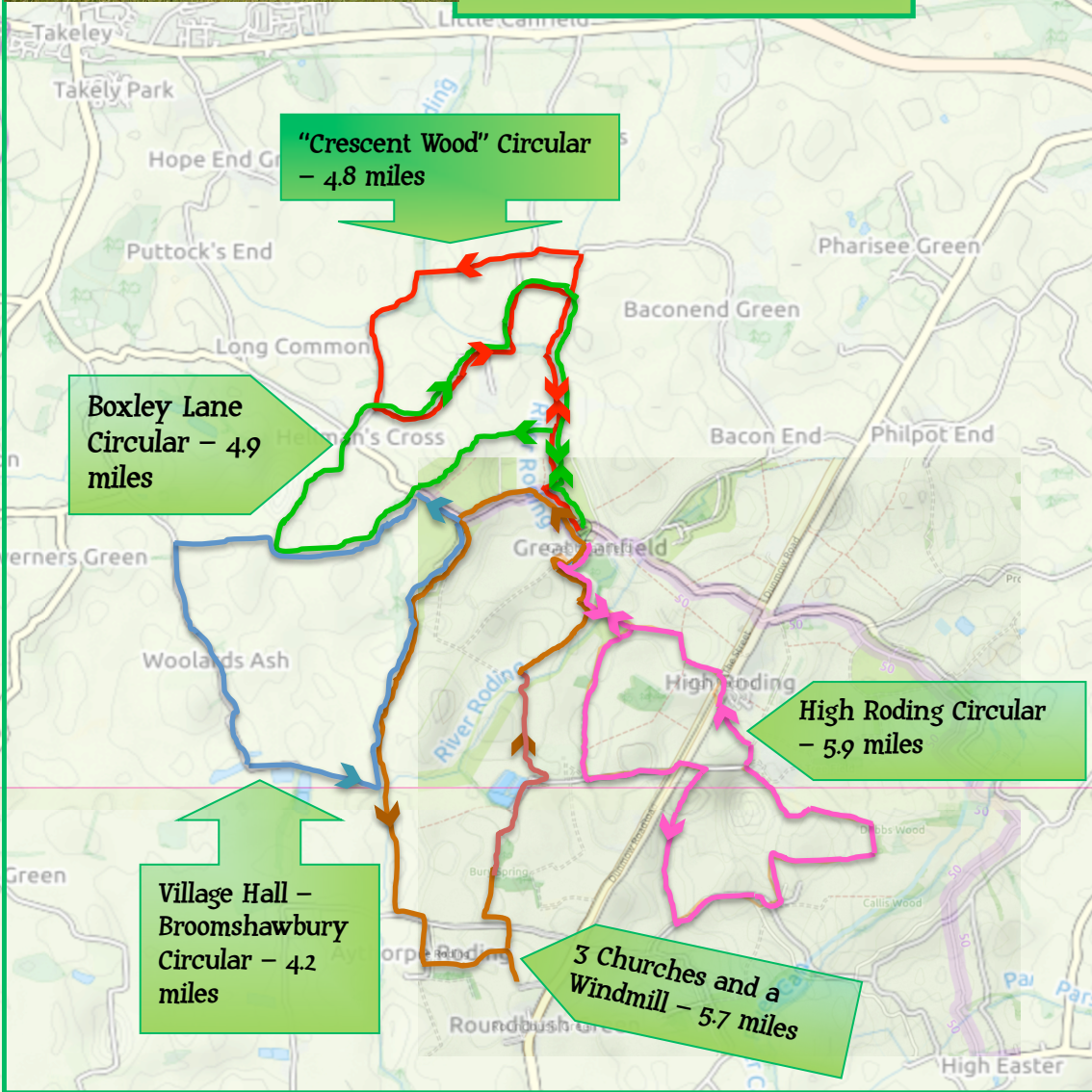




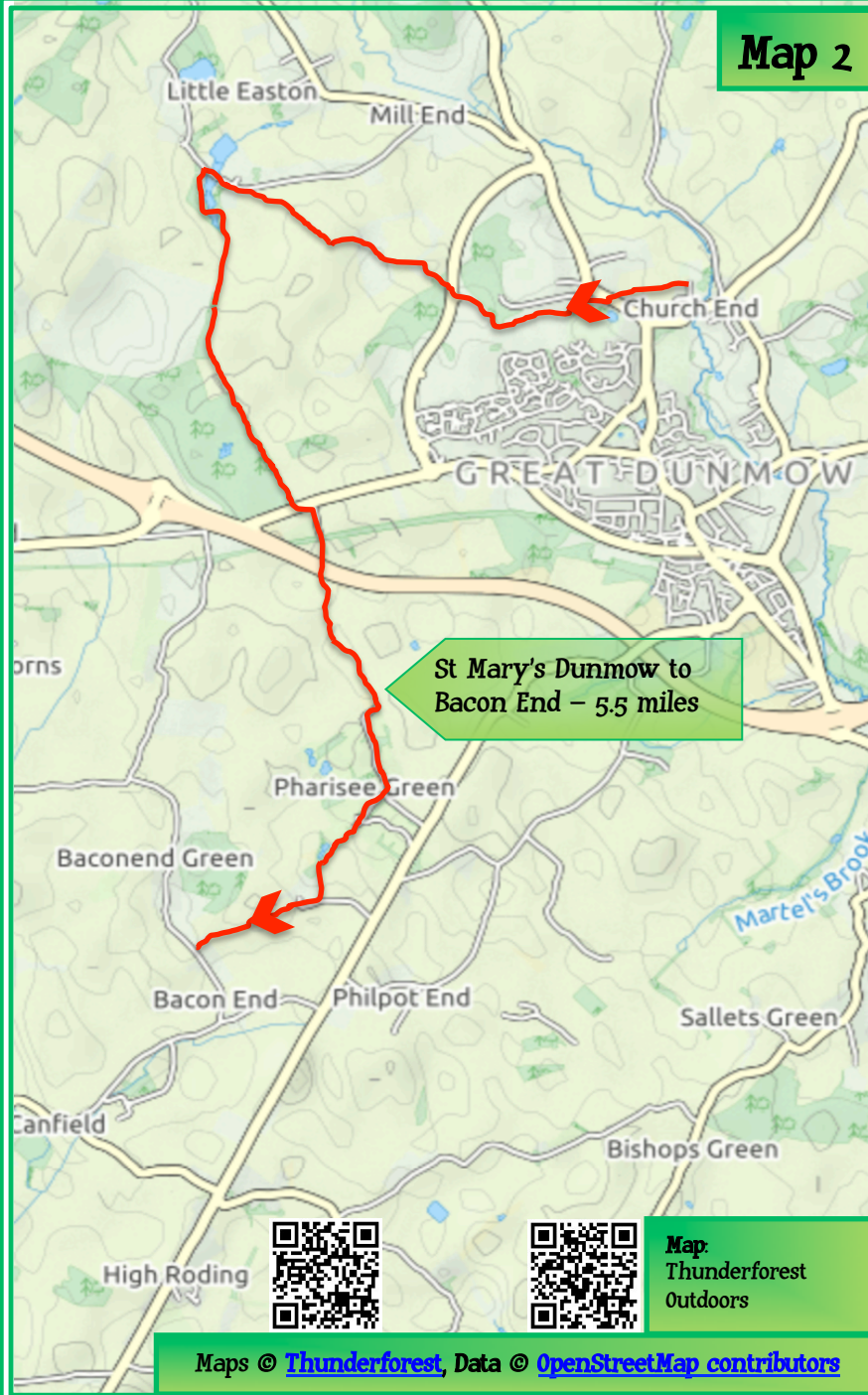
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Under 6 miles

Map 1



Map 2



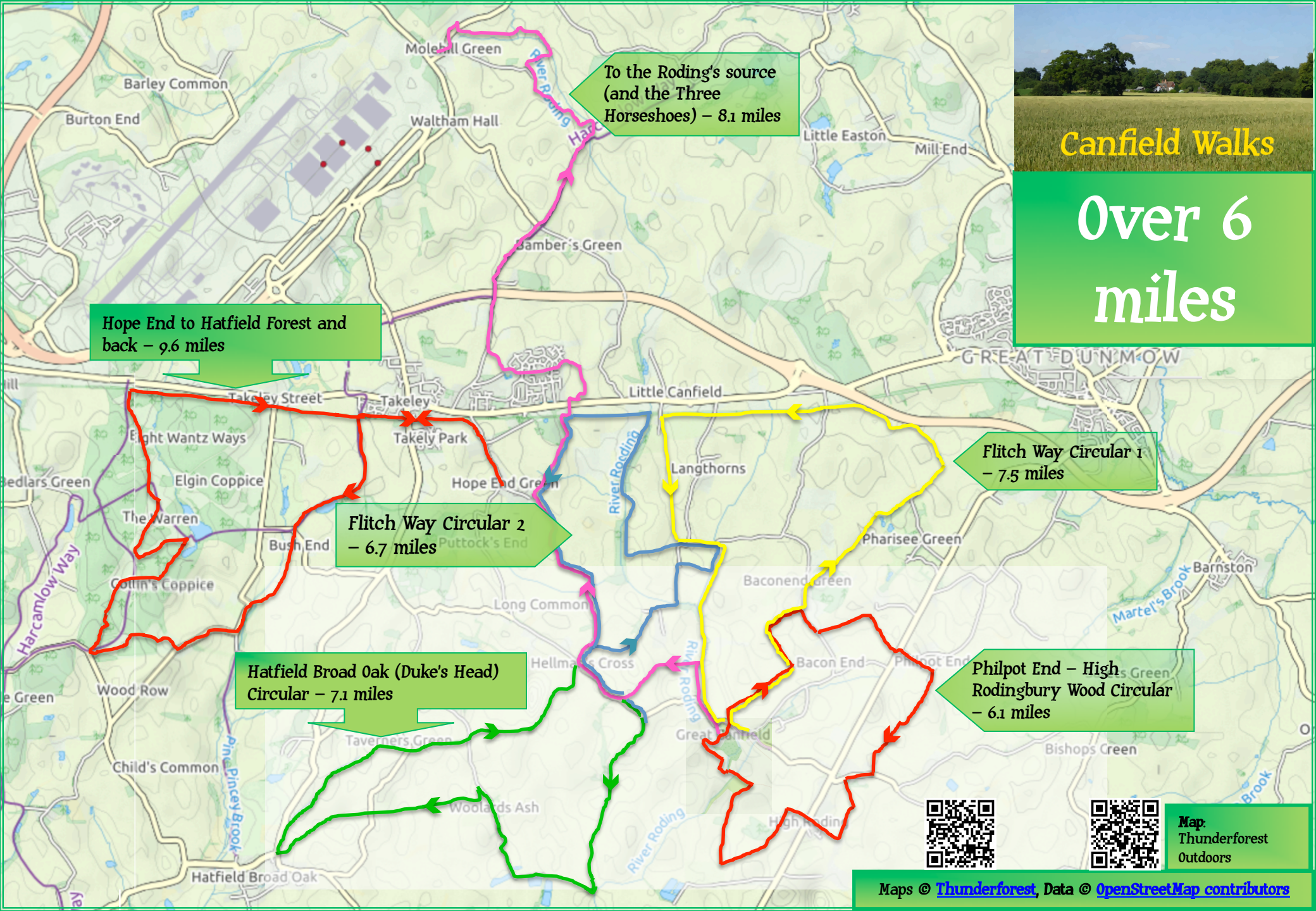


 Map: Thunderforest
 Outdoors



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(and the Three
Horseshoes) – 8.1 miles

Hope End to Hatfield Forest and
back – 9.6 miles

Flich Way Circular 1
– 7.5 miles

Flich Way Circular 2
– 6.7 miles

Hatfield Broad Oak (Duke's Head)
Circular – 7.1 miles

Philpot End – High
Rodingbury Wood Circular
– 6.1 miles



Map:
Thunderforest
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