

FOLKESTONE LABYRINTH

Labyrinths sometimes refer to a complex maze, like that in Greek Mythology or in the 1986 Jim Henson film, but most often the term refers to a serpentine path that leads to - and snakes around - a singular point without crossing itself. Labyrinths create maze-like patterns but there is only one path with no forks.

Walking a labyrinth has been used as a method of meditation for a host of spiritual practices and belief systems throughout history, a way to help the walker centre their thinking. You cannot get lost in a Labyrinth, but for centuries people of religious and spiritual persuasion (orthodox and not) have used labyrinth's to find themselves, or to find a sense of something greater.

The labyrinth is a journey, its palimpsest pattern ensures that the longest possible route is taken to the centre because what is at the centre is not important, it is all about the walking and the journey.

THE FOLKESTONE LABYRINTH is a socially distanced art project in which you are invited to participate. A labyrinth has been plotted on the streets of Folkestone that passes through places of cultural and social importance; residential streets; community and religious centres; and some of the towns hidden gems. It passes by spots of beauty & regeneration and deprivation & need.

You are invited to download the directions and follow the route of the labyrinth. As you walk you may see Folkestone in a light you had not considered before.

Feel free to document your journey in whatever way you'd like and share your experiences on the Folkestone Labyrinth page.

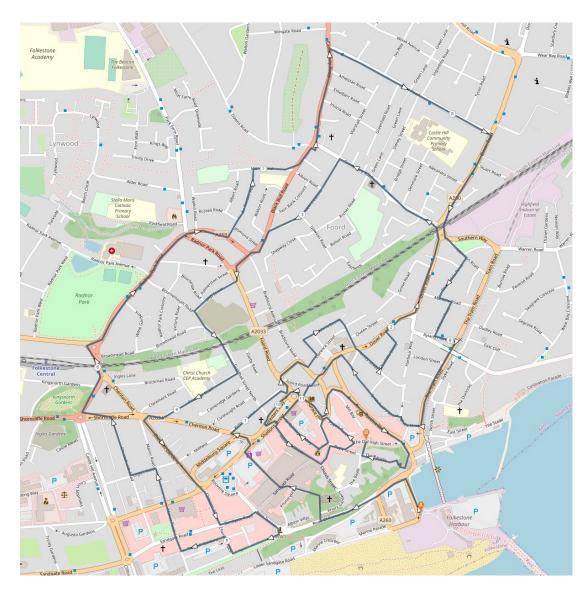
FAQs

- Can I plan my own Labyrinth route? YES, please share your route so others can try it too!
- 2. How long is the Folkestone Labyrinth? About 7 miles, but there are many nice places to stop for lunch or a rest. You may wish to complete the labyrinth in stages.
- 3. I don't live in Folkestone, can we have a labyrinth in my town? Yes, why not design one and make a page for it. We'd love to hear about it so be sure to let us know... also please give credit to the original. Alternatively get in contact should you need assistance.

FOLKESTONE LABYRINTH THE FIRST LABYRINTH

- 1. Begin on Folkestone Harbour Arm.
- 2. Proceed to Harbour Approach Road and head north
- 3. At the junction head west on Lower Sandgate Road
- 4. Continue onto the road of Remembrance.
- 5. Turn right at the footpath, which leads up to St. Eanswythe's Church.
- 6. Proceed west from St. Eanwythe's church footpath onto West Cliff Gardens.
- 7. At Sandgate Road turn left, then right onto Alexandra gardens heading north
- 8. At the Junction with Middleburg Square turn right and follow Middleburg Square around until you reach Cheriton Road.
- 9. Head north on Cheriton road and take the first right onto Victoria Grove.
- 10. Follow Victoria Grove and continue onto Copthall gardens, descend the steps at the end, and turn left.
- 11. Head north on Grace Hill and take your first right onto New Street.
- 12. Turn right at the end onto bradstone road.
- 13. Take the first left to Clarence Street.
- 14. Take the first left onto Mount Pleasant Road.
- 15. Turn right at St. John Street and follow the road.
- 16. At Dover road cross over onto Harvey street and continue South East.
- 17. Turn left at Charlotte street and follow it around till you reach Dover Road once more.
- 18. Head North East on Dover Road, keeping the road on your right hand side.
- 19. After the roundabout turn left onto Canterbury road.
- 20. Follow Canterbury Road until you reach Linden Crescent, turn left.
- 21. At the end of Linden Crescent turn left onto Black Bull Road.
- 22. At the junction turn left onto Foord Road then take the first right onto Ship Street.
- 23. At the Junction take Broadmead road heading south (left) and continue onto Guildhall Street North.
- 24. Turn Right onto Coolinge Road and follow its length
- 25. At Cheriton road turn right, heading west.
- 26. Then take the left turn at BREW to head south on Cheriton Gardens.
- 27. At middleburg Square continue south onto Cheriton Place.
- 28. At The Chambers, turn left onto Sandgate Road
- 29. Take the first right onto West Terrace heading toward the war Memorial
- 30. At the War Memorial head West along The Leas.
- 31. Turn right At Cheriton Place then take a left at Playdell Gardens.
- 32. Turn Right and walk north on Shakespeare Terrace, proceeding to head north on Manor Road.

- 33. Turn Left on Ingles Road
- 34. Take the first right onto Christchurch Road and head North.
- 35. Turn Left on Shorncliffe Road.
- 36. At the roundabout head North toward Radnor Park and Cheriton Road.
- 37. At the Trainstation Roundabout continue north onto Radnor Park Road.
- 38. Follow Radnor Park Road continuing onto Pavilion Road
- 39. Turn left onto Garden Road.
- 40. Follow the full length of Garden road then turn right onto Mead Road.
- 41. At Black Bull Road head North and follow it onto Canterbury Road.
- 42. Follow Canterbury Road North and turn Right on Joyes Road.
- 43. Walk the Length of Joyes Road then turn right and head south on Dover Road keeping the road on your right.
- 44. At the roundabout turn Left onto southern way and cross over onto Morrison road (south side of the small park)
- 45. Turn Right onto Rossendale Road.
- 46. At the end of Rossendale Road turn left, then turn right onto Lennard Road.
- 47. At the end of Lennard Road Place turn left onto Ryland place, then turn right onto Tram Road.
- 48. Follow Tram Road South until you reach Harvey street, Turn right and follow Harvey Street.
- 49. Take the second left onto St. Michael's Street.
- 50. Follow the length of st. michael's Street and at the end turn left onto Dover Road.
- 51. At the Junction with Bradstone Road take Foord Road South and ascend the steps onto Grace Hill Roundabout. Take Guildhall street North heading west (parallel to Foresters way) and head to the crossing next to Our Lady Help Of Christians Catholic Church.
- 52. Cross both sets of lights and head south on Guildhall Street.
- 53. At Rendezvous street turn left, then take a right onto Bayle Street.
- 54. Turn Left onto the Old High Street.
- 55. Take the footpath left and head into Upper Payer's Park.
- 56. Head out of the North End of Payers Park walk around to the Top of Rendezvous Street and make your way south.
- 57. Take the footpath between Django's and Market square, turning right onto St. Eanswythe Way.
- 58. At the end of the road turn right onto Shellon's Street.
- 59. Follow the road around and head south onto Grace Hill. Use the crossing at the library to cross the road and follow the path onto Dover Road
- 60. Join Tontine Street and head south.
- 61. Continue onto Harbour street and take the foothpath between the Harbour Inn and what was once the Princess Royal.
- 62. Take the Parade steps up to The Parade.
- 63. Turn Right onto the Bayle steps and head down to The Old High Street.
- 64. Turn right then take the short footpath on your left to head onto Mill Bay.
- 65. Finish at the Lower Leas Coastal Park.



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