Capstone Farm Country Park







Location/Parking

Gillingham. Nearest postcode: ME7 3JG. Free parking. Main car park W3W///:divisible.tech.deform and Orchard car park W3W///:toys.originals.folk.

About the Park

Capstone covers 114 hectares of former farmland on the North Downs and boasts a variety of habitats including ancient woodlands, old orchards, a freshwater lake, meadow and hedgerows.

Facilities

Toilets, Cafe and Visitor Centre available close to the main car park. Also playpark and picnic area.

Start/Finish location

Main Car Park: Next to the Visitor Centre

Orchard Car Park: In the Orchard adjacent to the car park.

About the Map

Scale is 1:7,500 so is larger than Ordnance Survey. Map also shows more detail – fences, knolls, depressions, distinctive trees, and uses different colours to aid navigation – yellow is open land, white is runnable woodland, light through to dark green represents woodland that is increasingly difficult to pass through.

Safety & Important Information

Few hazards other than:

- trip hazards, and uneven ground
- other park users, dogs, MTB and horse riders
- some courses cross access roads to the car parks, look out for moving vehicles

<u>Please note:</u> Most fences have not been shown on the map to aid clarity.

Links to other activities

If you enjoyed the Permanent Course or the Find Your Way activity, there are many others to try in Kent - goto

https://www.findyourwayvo.org.uk/southeast/maps. For details of orienteering events in Kent visit www.saxons-oc.org

New Capstone FYW/Virtual courses will be uploaded over time. Look for announcements on social media.

Permanent Orienteering Course

The course is represented by a Start a Finish and a number of checkpoints or controls. At each control you will find a permanent marker attached to a post.

Visit as many of the checkpoints as you can in any order. Map can be printed or purchased from the Visitor Centre.





permanent marker

Find Your Way / Virtual Orienteering Courses

No physical controls - your position is recorded by your smartphone's GPS using an app called **MapRun6**. Download for free onto your Android or iOS device. Simple registration (name etc).



Select 'Events near me' or press 'Select Event' and navigate to: - UK > Find Your Way > FYW Kent > Capstone. There are 3 linear courses and a 60 min score course starting from main parking and 3 linear courses from Orchard parking.

	Main Parking	Orchard Parking
A - Short / easy	2.1km, 11 controls	2.1km, 11 controls
B - Medium	3.2km, 15 controls	3.3km, 13 controls
C - Long / more challenging	4.6km, 17 controls	4.8km, 20 controls

See "How To" pages for help and phone setup at https://www.findyourwayvo.org.uk/how (see QR code)

You can use the map on your phone, but it is easier to use a paper map Either print the maps overleaf or purchase from the Visitor Centre.

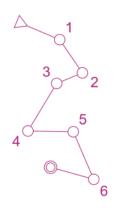


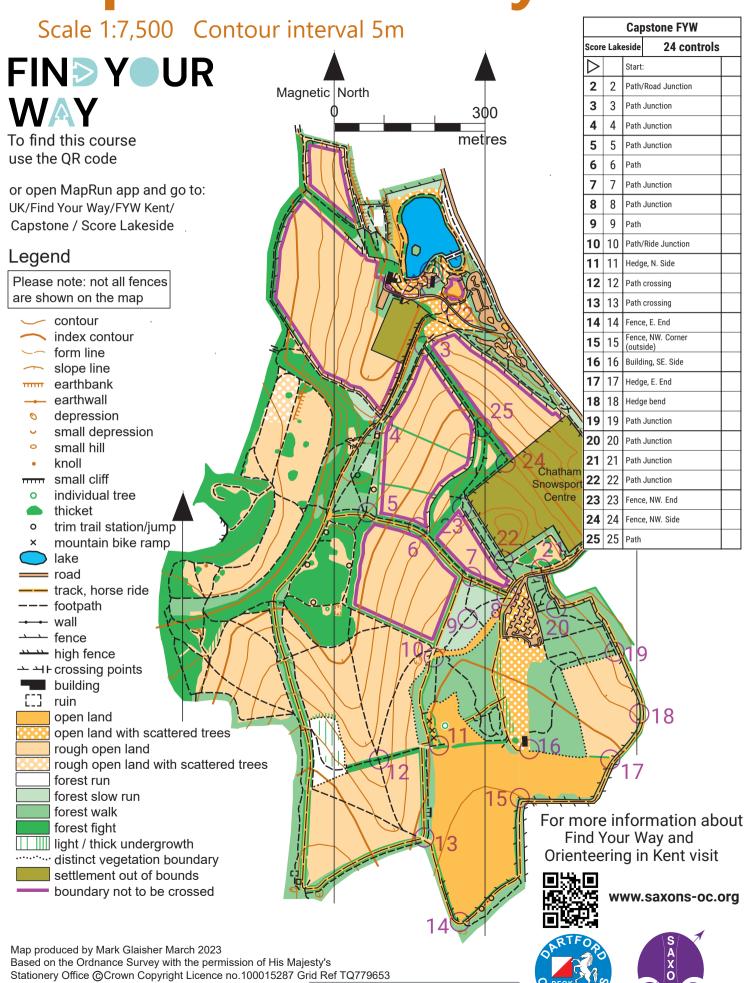
Once the course is selected, click 'Go to Start' and head to the red triangle. The triangle will go green and your phone will bleep to register you have started.

Make your way to Checkpoint 1 (the virtual control) and each of the other controls <u>in number order</u>. The circle will go green and your phone will bleep each time you successfully find the control. Once you have visited all controls, head to the finish, (the double circle) for your final bleep.

Note: the Start and Finish are in the same place, so the triangle and double circle are on top of one another.

Click on "Show Results" on the app and you can see how you did! Can you complete the course faster or try a longer, more difficult course?

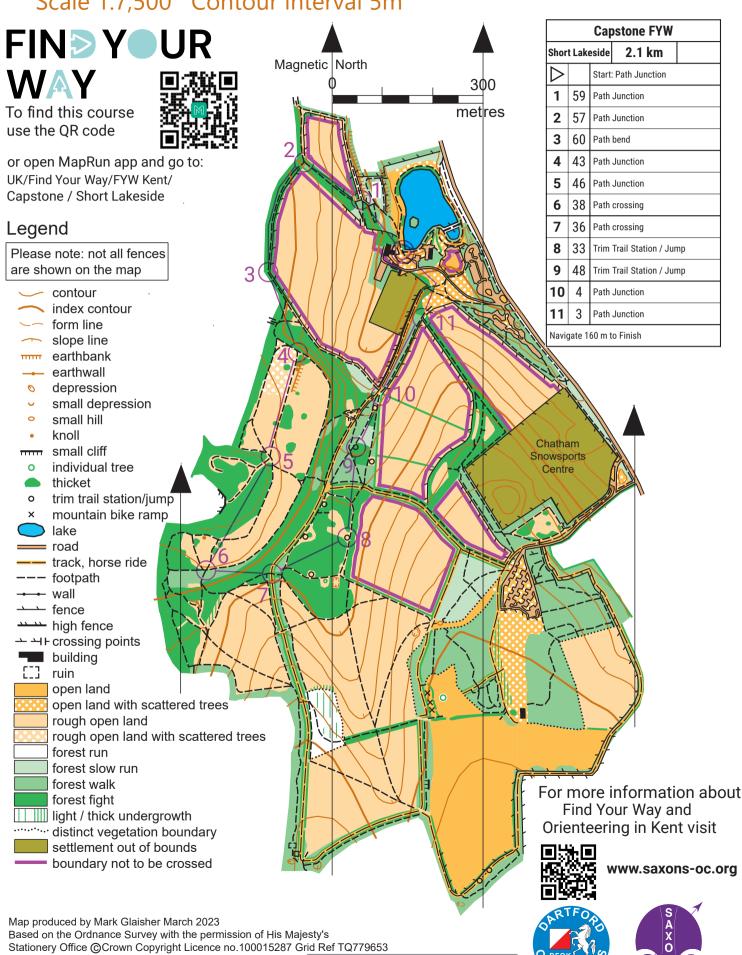




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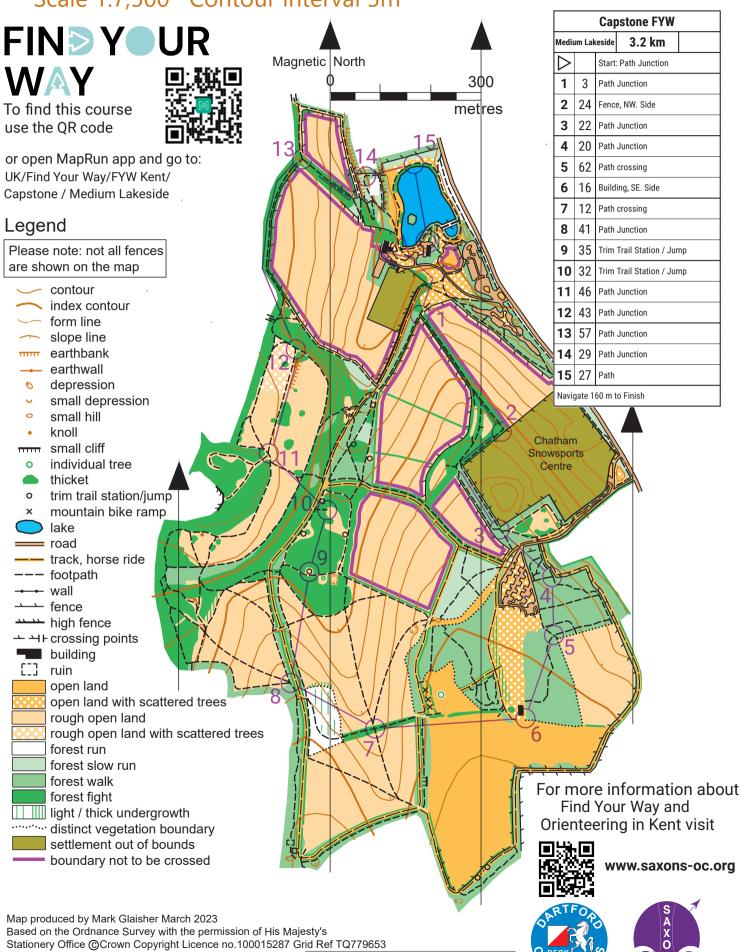
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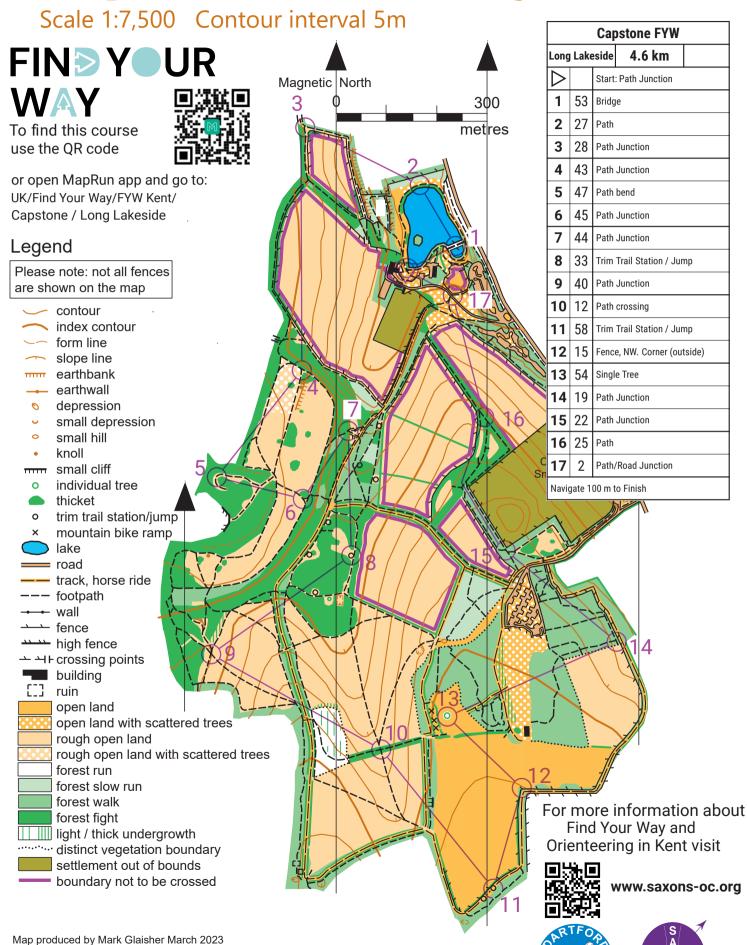
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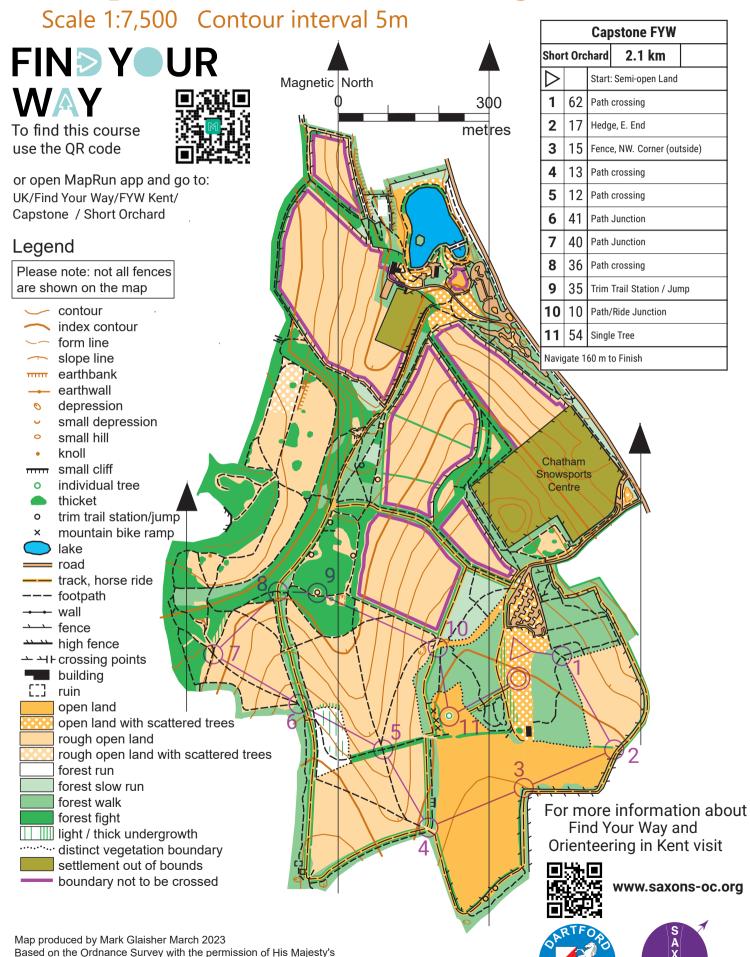
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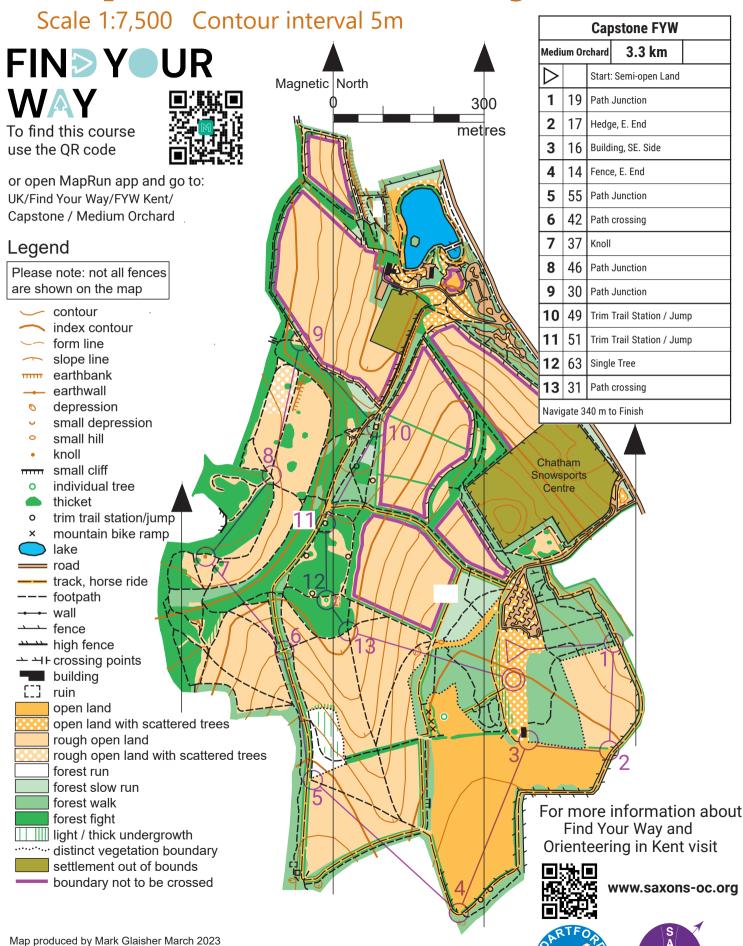


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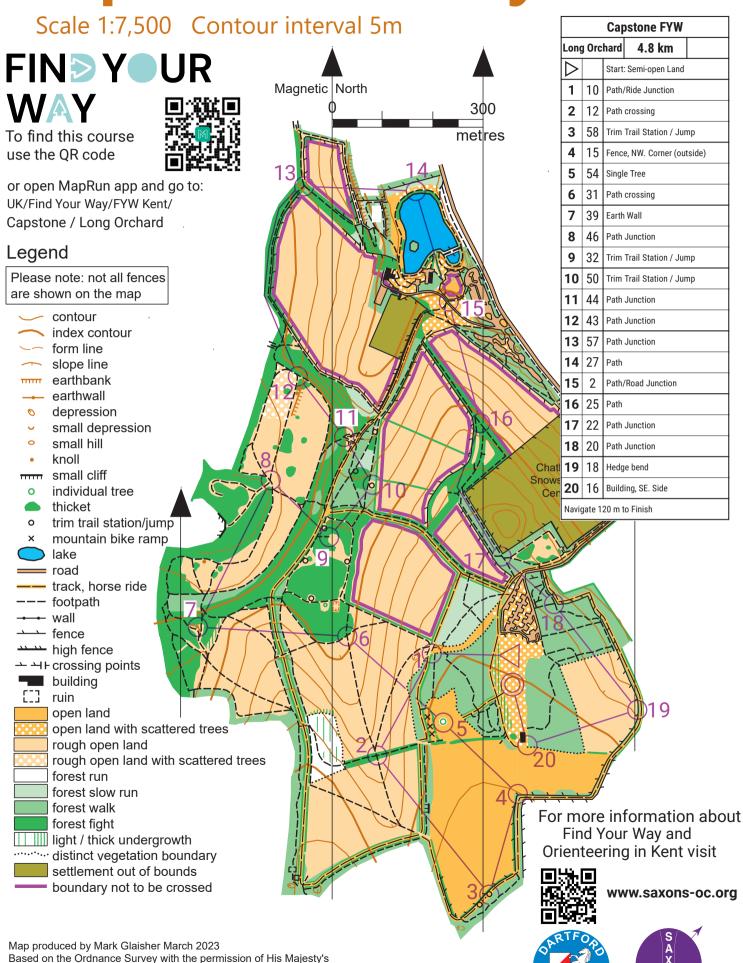
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