## **FROME VALLEY CYCLE TRAIL**

## Evershot – Dorchester



Car park: Grid ref: Local transport: Distance: Average time: Terrain: Countryside type: Refreshments:

**Evershot Village Hall** (SY) 6892 9064 (OS Explorer 117) Train from Maiden Newton - Dorchester: contact Traveline 14.3 miles (23 km) 3 hours Degree of difficulty: Moderate/easy - all gates (no stiles) Country roads, farm tracks, crossing the A37 Downland, riverbank, watermeadow, woodland Evershot, (Cattistock), Maiden Newton, Charminster, Dorchester

Evershot

Maiden Newton





Dorchester



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public transport info 0870 608 2 608 Follow the Frome Valley Cycle Trail waymarkers from the car park. Evershot stands on the stream that rises at St John's Well and forms the River Frome. It is a chalk stream which runs 35 miles from Evershot to Poole Harbour. Enjoy the full countryside experience of offroading on Wraxall Lane down this hedged track. (If the ford is in flood follow the dry route through Cattistock and on to Chilfrome.) Watch out for the blind top near the end of the track as vehicles may be approaching to access their properties.

At Maiden Newton the cycle trail merges with the National Cycle route as far as Bradford Peverell.

Look out for the sharp turn right at Southover and cycle along the track through Frampton Parkland to Muckleford.

At Bradford Peverell carry on through the village and turn left at Giles Cross, over a couple of small bridges and on to meet the A37. Cross the main road here and follow the waymarked route through Charminster to the old Sherborne road. This takes you down to the Mill Stream on your left, opposite the petrol station. Take time to enjoy the banks here, before carrying on past Hangman's Cottage up the hill to Dorchester. Don't forget you may be able to catch the train back to Maiden Newton if you want to prolong your visit in Dorset's County Town.