

### **A Walk to Mouldon Hill**

1. Starting at the Manor Farm pub SN25 4JE walk a few yards along Blunsdon Rd and cross the bridge over the Haydon Stream. Turn right immediately and follow the stream underneath Westfield Way, walk along Charlock Path and the dust path until you cross the stream by a wooden bridge. After the crossing walk parallel to the course of the stream until you reach Taw Hill.

2. Now cross Queen Elizabeth Drive to pick up the path on the other side of the stream by the Tawny Owl pub and the sewage pumping station that looks like it ought to be anything other than what it is.

3. Passing under Thamesdown Drive follow the path away from the houses. On your right is a short section of rail which marks the site of the future Mouldon Hill station for the Cricklade & Swindon Steam Railway. Keep going until you reach Mouldon Pond beyond which the Haydon Stream joins the River Ray and flows onwards to the Thames at Cricklade. To your left is Mouldon Hill, covered for the most part with bushes and scrub it forms part of the cultivated Great Western Forest. Access to the hill is via any number of openings in the boundary.

