Parking instructions for Nightingale and Butterfly Walk.

The woodland is generally not easily accessible. The public are welcome to visit and it is crossed by many paths and tracks but numbers are always low due to lack of parking and remoteness. NOTE: This is popular walking country and Botany Bay will fill up quickly especially after say 10.00 a popular meeting time. Go early if you can, the earlier the better to park and to hear the nightingales. If you want to return in the butterfly season the afternoon may be a better time. There are no formal parking places so I have used some searching and imagination to find some. This is my order of preference.

1. Botany Bay

This direct entrance to the woodland on a road called Highstreet Green, is the only one without 'No Parking' signs. Hence it is popular. There is room for maybe 6 or 7 cars. Park either side of the gate entrance leaving the middle open in case access to the woodland is needed.

2. Pignuts Copse

This is about the same distance from the start of the walk. From Botany Bay instead of turning left into White Beech Lane continue along Highstreet Green. On the right there are sporadic buildings and as you approach a right hand bend you see woodland on both sides. A parking space for a couple of cars is on the left. There is an unused barrier/gate beyond so the access is not used.

3. White Beech Lane

This is a gateway on White Beech Lane with plenty of room for a car to park. Pass Botany Bay heading east and continue past Dunsfold Ryse where the walk leaves the road. Take the first small lane on the left. A short way along the lane you see some white concrete posts and railings as you cross a stream. As the road bends there is a gate on the left with space for one vehicle without blocking the gate. You will need to walk back down the lane, turn right and join the walk at Dunsfold Ryse (0.6 miles)

4. Fisher Lane

The postcode for the nearest property is GU8 4TE. You will see gateways both sides of the road. Both have 'NO Parking' signs. This is not for fining people, it is to ensure access for the forestry management. Cars park here leaving room for large lorries to pass them. I prefer the left hand side of the south side because there is no ditch to avoid and there is plenty of wide driveway to get a large lorry through. On the north side there is room for a car but the sides of the track are quite steep.