





Lady Hill

Orienteering Course

Welcome to Cannock Chase Forest Orienteering courses.
They have been planned by Walton Chasers orienteering club, in association with Forestry England.

Orienteering is a sport where participants navigate on foot using a special map (and optional compass) to find fixed points, or controls. These are marked on the map within the circles.

Cannock Chase is a working Forest and the orienteering course have been planned to maximise enjoyment of the forest, to keep you safe and avoid disturbing sensitive wildlife.

Maps are available from our Forestry England Welcome Point and off our website, for free.

Always check the local Forestry England webpages before visiting, as the course or forest may be closed for Forest Operations and extreme weather events.

Courses are colour coded, and increase in length and technical difficulty (TD), with white (TD1) being the easiest and light green (TD4) being the toughest course offered here at Birches Valley.

	2.2 miles 28 3.54 km mins	4	Light Green
28 mins	1.4 miles 2.25 km	ω	Orange
20 mins	1.0 miles 1.5 km	2	Yellow
12 mins	0.6 miles 1.0 km	1	White
Approx. Walking Time	Minimum Distance	Technical Difficulty	Course

Orienteering maps have a special key, and it is important to take time to learn the map colours and symbols. Map colours are suggestive of how easy it is to pass through that part of the forest, white is open and runnable, dark green means impenetrable.

On the map, the start is shown as a red triangle and the finish is shown as a double red circle on the map. You must visit the control points in the order listed on this sheet.

At each control point is a wooden post (1m tall) with an orange and white square plate affixed, with a two lefter code for you to input onto your table (to the right). Each control post has corresponding control location description.

White Course .6 miles - 1.0 km

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This course starts outside Go Ape and finishes near the play area. The map is 1:5000 scale, which means I cm on the map equals 50 metres on the ground.

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	Path Junction	57	ഗ
	Path Junction	4	4
	Path Junction	ω	ω
	Boundary Stone	2	2
	Path Junction	_	_
	Near Go Ape	Start	Triangle
Letter Code	Description	Post Number	Order on Map

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