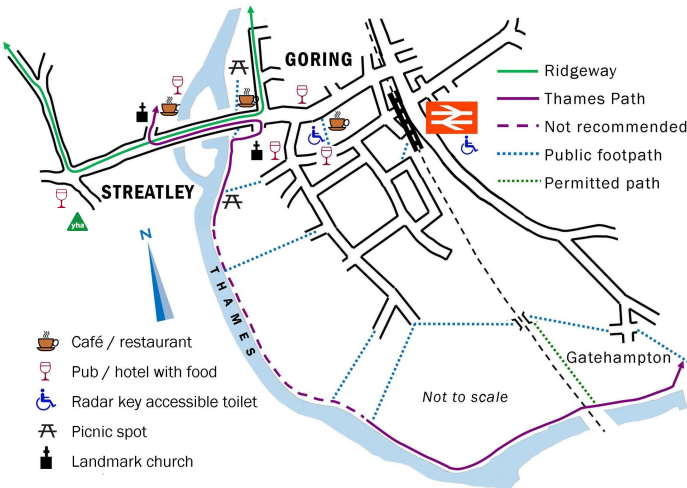


Visitor facilities in Goring and Streatley

Goring & Streatley station has lifts to all platforms and a Radar key accessible toilet. It's also the hub of local bus services.



Within easy walking distance are an accessible riverside with picnic areas, accessible countryside paths, historic churches, restaurants, cafés, pubs, a post office, a youth hostel, fully accessible hotel accommodation, an accessible surgery and pharmacy and shops selling groceries, newspapers, household goods, antiques and gifts. In the historic centre of Goring there's an ATM and an accessible toilet.



There are also summer steamer services from Goring lock passing Beale wildlife park and Mapledurham House.

Train services to and from Goring & Streatley

Goring & Streatley is served by regular GWR trains from London Paddington, Oxford, Maidenhead, Reading, Didcot Parkway, Slough and intermediate stations. Lifts are available to all platforms.

Travel with confidence

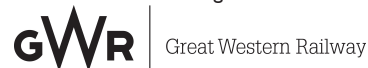
If you use a wheelchair, mobility scooter or other mobility aid, are elderly or have a non-visible disability the GWR mobile customer assistance team is on hand to ensure you get all the help you need for the journey. This includes boarding and alighting and changes and connections that involve other train operators. The service is free.

You can pre-book assistance and buy travel tickets in a single transaction, including cheaper advance fares where available. Contact the team between 6am and 11pm on 0800 197 1329 and at least six hours before you want to travel. If you are deaf or hard of hearing add 18001 before the number to use RelayUK (www.ngts.org.uk).

Book at any time online at: www.gwr.com/travel-information/passenger-assist



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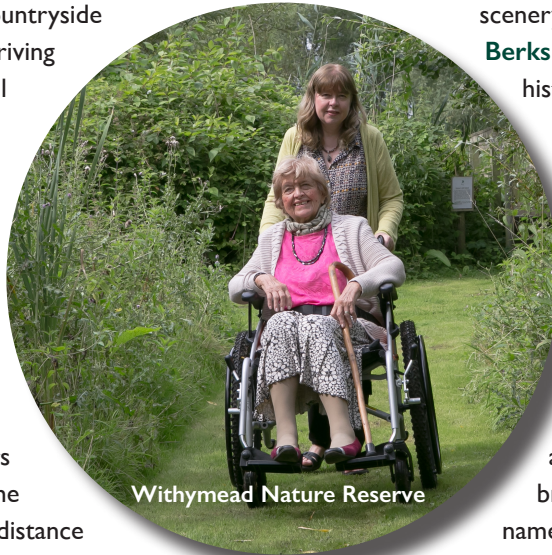
Take the Great Western Railway to Goring & Streatley

A fully accessible station in picturesque countryside

Goring Gap and its areas of outstanding natural beauty

Goring & Streatley station is the gateway to the Goring Gap, a natural corridor carved through the chalk some 12,000 years ago. With its fully accessible facilities the station is the ideal starting point for visitors with limited mobility to sample the river and countryside of the **Thames Valley**. Arriving by train across the graceful **Brunel bridge at Moulsoford**, or its **sister bridge at Gatehampton** offers a tantalising glimpse of the delights in store.

The twin villages of Goring and Streatley are unique as a leisure destination for weekenders and day trippers. They're the meeting point of the long distance linear trails called the **Thames Path** and **Ridgeway National Trails** and two Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs), the **Chilterns** and the **North Wessex Downs**. Prominent among their landmarks are Lardon Chase, Streatley Hill and other ancient, open landscapes protected by the **National Trust**.



Withymead Nature Reserve

Miles of towpaths and level or gently graded footpaths, many accessible to wheelchairs and mobility scooters, enable the visitor to explore the **Thames** and enjoy magnificent views of the unspoilt scenery on its **Oxfordshire** and **Berkshire** banks. Linking these historic counties is the picturesque **Goring bridge**. Its adjacent river **lock** and nearby open spaces are ideally accessible spots for the perfect summer picnic. Kenneth Grahame and Jerome K Jerome found inspiration in the Goring Gap for their classic tales, *The Wind in the Willows* and *Three Men in a Boat*. Oscar Wilde, who lived briefly in Goring, was inspired to give local place names to six of his characters in *An Ideal Husband*. Today's visitors find inspiration in the scenery, the warm welcome and the unrivalled hospitality. For **what else to see and do and where to stay** in the Goring Gap go to:

- ❖ www.visitgoringandstreatley.co.uk ❖
- ❖ www.withymead.org ❖ www.bbwt.org.uk/nature-reserves/hartslock ❖ www.visitthames.co.uk/about-the-river/river-thames-locks/goring-lock



Goring bridge and lock

Find out more

Eleven **Chilterns AONB** sites are featured in a *Countryside Walks for All* pack comprising routes likely to be suitable for people with impaired mobility. See also: *Miles without stiles*.

The **North Wessex Downs AONB** promotes accessibility for visitors of all abilities.

Long distance rambling with mobility scooters can be enjoyed along the wide track of **The Ridgeway** heading west from Streatley along Rectory Road. From here there are panoramic views of the **Thames Valley** and the **Chilterns** beyond. The **Thames Path** and **Ridgeway** are being improved constantly to make them more accessible. **The latest accessibility details** can be found online at:

- ❖ www.nationaltrail.co.uk/ridgeway and
 - ❖ www.nationaltrail.co.uk/thamespath ❖ See also:
 - ❖ www.chilternsaonb.org ❖ and the **interactive map** at: www.northwessexdowns.org.uk
- Search “public rights of way” at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk and www.westberks.gov.uk. ❖ For other detailed options see: www.walkinginengland.co.uk/oxfordshire/goring.php

