

EATING OUT

Local Pubs

The Packhorse Inn, Crowdicote, SK17 0DB 01298 83618

A small, very old pub, originally built as a coaching inn. Situated in a very rural location with stunning views. They serve good homemade pub food and locally brewed ales. Weekly pub quiz on Thursday nights at 9.30pm. Friendly host. Not open on Monday & Tuesdays.

Directions: go to the top of the farm lane, turn right and go to the T junction at Glutton Bridge (about 1 ½ miles); turn right towards Longnor, after about 1 ½ you will be in Longnor, go left at the crossroads and carry on this road towards Crowdicote, the pub is on your right. Time: approx. 15 mins.

The Knights Table, Quarnford, SK17 0SN 01298 23695

This country pub has a medieval knights' theme running throughout. They have an outside patio area which is ideal on sunny days to take in the fabulous views and on colder days they have a real fire burning. Good pub food. Not open Mondays and Tuesdays.

Directions: go to the top of the farm lane, turn left and after about 1m turn left again at the T junction. Go along this road until you come to the A53, turn left here and go along this road for about 2m where you will find 'The Knights' Table on your left (on a corner). Time: approx. 15 mins.

The Royal Oak, Hurdlow, SK17 9QJ 01298 83288

Large menu, reasonably priced, friendly service. They serve huge portions so this is the place to go if you're feeling particularly hungry! Open 7 days.

Directions: go to the top of the farm lane, turn right and go to the T junction at Glutton Bridge (about 1 ½ miles); turn left and go to the crossroads (about ¼ mile); turn right into Earl Sterndale and drive through village and then turn left; go up to another crossroads (about 1 ½ miles); turn left and the Royal Oak is on your left about 1 ½ miles down here. Time: approx. 15 mins.

The George, Alstonefield, Ashbourne, DE6 2FX 01335 310205

The George is a cosy, country pub serving up posh food, more like restaurant food really, but in a pub setting in the beautiful village of Alstonefield. They use local ingredients and actually have a farm shop on site. Open 7 days.

Directions: go to the top of the farm lane, turn right and go to the T junction at Glutton Bridge (about 1 ½ miles); turn right towards Longnor, after about 1 ½ you will be in Longnor, go left at the crossroads and then as you leave the village turn right for Sheen. As you leave the village of Sheen turn left for Hulme End, where you will come to a staggered crossroads, go straight over towards Alstonefield, The George is in the centre of the village. Time: 20-25 mins.