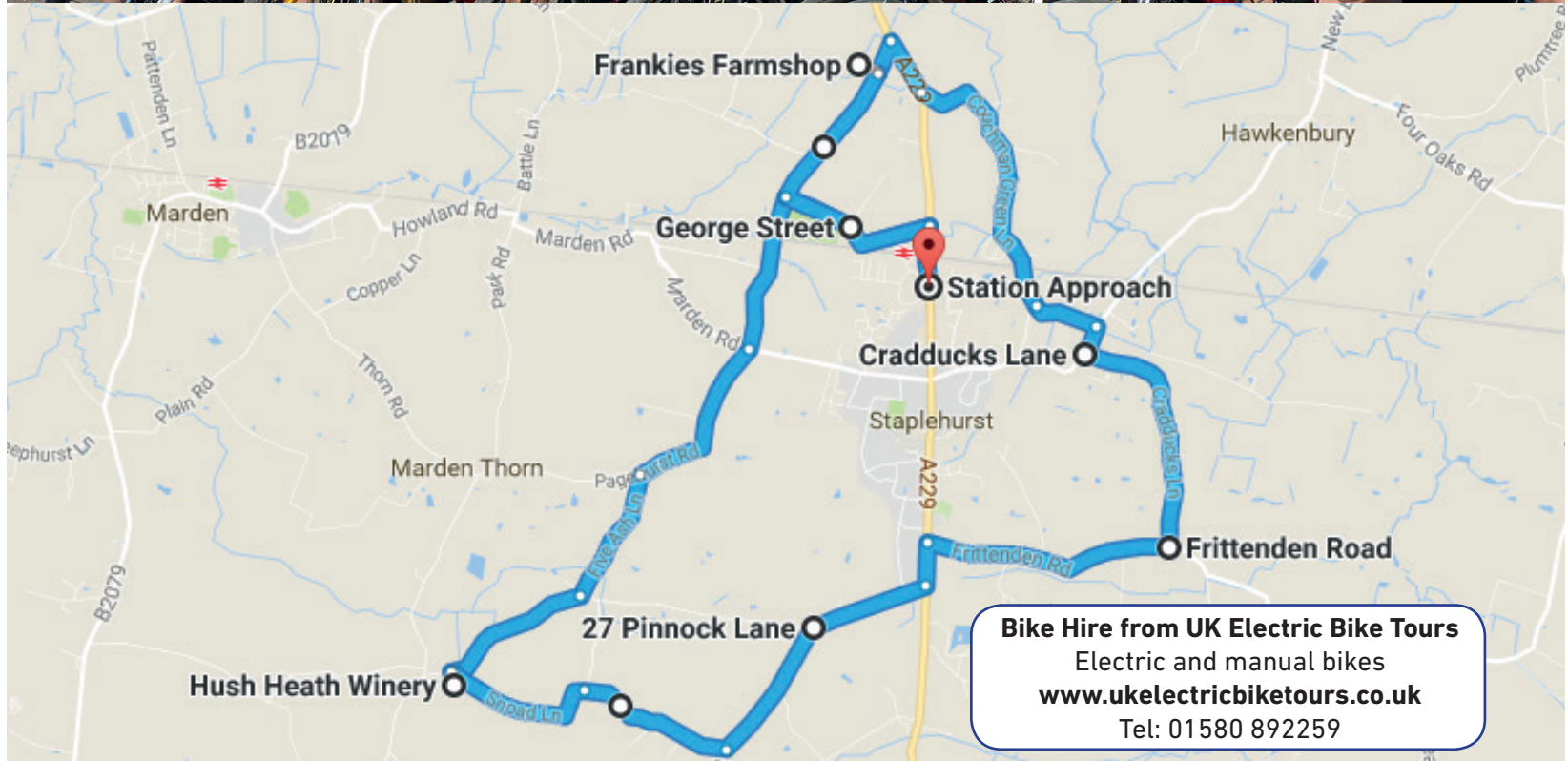


🚲 Cycle Route from Staplehurst Station to Hush Heath Winery

There are some short sections on the main A229 so please take extra care on the busy roads. Cycle helmets and hi-viz are highly recommended. Panniers or a good ruck sack are also advisable on this trip as no visit to the winery and farm shop is complete if you cannot carry home your hoard of goodies!



The Cycle Route

1. With the station behind you head out around the left hand bend into Station Approach.
2. Turn left on to the High Street and go over the railway bridge. This is a fast and busy road but there is a footpath.
3. Take the first lane on the left into George Street. Go out past the houses and into the countryside. At the end of George Street turn left.
4. This is Clapper Lane. Follow this to the end. Take care and cross Marden Road.
5. This is Pagehurst Road. Pass Tudorhurst B&B on your right hand side and turn left into Five Ash Lane.
6. Continue to the next junction and turn left into Five Oak Lane signposted to Staplehurst and Cranbrook.
7. Continue along Five Oak Lane until you reach Snoad Lane which is the first lane on the left. Look slightly ahead of you and you will see a brown tourist sign with grapes on it. This is the entrance to Hush Heath Vineyard.

Detour: Hush Heath Vineyard is well worth a visit. Head toward the rear of the modern building which is where you will find the cellar door. Tastings are always on offer and the staff are wonderfully helpful. In addition to their delightful Balfour Brut award-winning wine, there are some other very good wines and delicate ciders, all made by Hush Heath. Highly recommended is Jake's Orchard, which is a cider, but the apples are treated like grapes and the champanoise method is used to create the most beautiful, delicate cider. This is an interesting place to visit, and a walk around the vineyard and orchard is always a delight.



8. On returning to the gate of Hush Heath Vineyard turn right and immediately right into Snoad Lane.
9. Go all the way along Snoad Lane, which turns into Pristling Lane. Pass the junction on your left.
10. Pass through a farm and continue to the next junction.
11. Turn left into Goudhurst Road, signposted to Staplehurst.
12. At the end of Goudhurst Road turn right into Pinnock Lane.
13. At the end of Pinnock Lane you arrive on the A229 which is a very busy road. There is a footpath. Pass the large Esso petrol station. Please be very careful on this road.
14. Take the first road on the right into Frittenden Road.
15. Continue along Frittenden Road taking the left turn into Cradducks Lane.
16. Turn right into Headcorn Road then, after a short distance, left into Sweetlands Lane. Pass Pile Lane on your left. Sweetlands Lane changes into Couchmans Green Lane.
17. Continue along Couchmans Green Lane until you reach the main A229 again. This is a busy road and there is no footpath on this section. (About 500 yards)
18. Take the first turning on the left into Clapper Lane.

Detour: After 200 yards there is Frankie's Farm shop. This is an excellent place to find refreshments or lunch. There is also a good farm shop with local produce, artisan bakery and a plant nursery. It usually closes at 5pm on week days and 4pm on Sunday's so just be aware.

19. Return to Clapper Lane and head south. Take the first turning on the left into George Street and return to the A229 over the railway bridge and turn right into Station Approach and back into the station.



This circular route is 10.7 miles