

# **Dorchester Quiz & Treasure Trail**

### Important notes – read before setting off

- Follow the red instructions carefully and answer the questions in black
- All the answers can be found without having to divert from the route
- The route is all on hard, flat and level surfaces, mainly roads and paths but just a little bit on grass (optional). It is just about 2.5 miles – depending on how much doubling back you do!
- Questions range from very simple to diabolical. There are a lot of them so you may need to be a bit selective if you want to finish in a reasonable time.
- If you have small children with you then look out for the painted flowerpots positioned next to the clues where shown. Almost every flowerpot has a letter inside it and the letters can be put together to make a word. Please leave the flowerpots where you find them.

Dorchester was once an important coaching stop between London and Oxford and the High Street was the main road before the by-pass was built in 1982. The village was largely self-sufficient in food and services and many of the trades reflected the needs of the main occupation – agriculture- and tourism. There were many more pubs in the village – most of them down the High St – see how many you can spot!

## Start at the beginning of Bridge End next to the Bridge In which country of the United Kingdom might you be 1 Proceed back towards the village centre staying on the left hand side. What direction to go at the bus stop Take the first left into Rotten Row Pray for your Model There 3 Where did Zebedee live Who wrote about them progressing along here Return to the High Street and continue into the village You could get two pairs of shoes fitted here 6 The galleried yard of the George Hotel dates from 1495 and the building became a coaching inn much later The Hotel was featured in three Midsomer Murder Episodes. Which building close by shares the same honour

	8	Direction of a story				
	Pass t	the Co-op, Malthouse Lane and Beechcroft & stop at the War Memorial				
Page 1	9	How many kings are named here				
216	10	Probably needs a plumber to pacify the loo (he may be behind a wreath!)				
	From	the Monument turn left and go down Watling Lane				
	11	What colour is the end of the roof				
	12	Where could you have reasonably expected to see more wood				
	13	What is held on the wall by a button				
	14	Where the cruise ships arrive could be confusingly named. Why?				
Date of	15	Which Dorothy starred in Carmen Jones in 1954				
otto	16	On which farm would you add an H to get Pete, the musician				
	Pass t	the allotments and follow the lane round to the left				
	The allotments were the site of the original Roman fort. Excavations have uncovered a stone					
		wall and several buildings in addition to the fort				
	17	Where would Doris have been raised (and lowered!)				
	18	How much would this lane cost – in 'new' money				
		nue past Samian Way				
David Co	19	How far to Wittenham – in feet				
print.	20	What should you not do at the two little ducks				
	grasse The R	to the left. At the bottom left corner of the green continue across a small public ed area to reach the river bank omans needed to build a bridge across the Thames to move their legions and the ins of it are still visible here to those in the know. But it was a complete failure.				
Page 4	21	Why?				
alle		gh the village. It was demolished in 1816 when the current bridge was constructed.				
		nue around the green and head back to Bridge End				
	22	A small duck of the Merganser group is clearly				
	22	at home – but where				
	Conti	nue towards the Abbey				
	23	Where could a crook be found				
	24	Where might you find the locals 'sitting on the fence' (or wall!)				
	25	Could use this as a warning of an attack by toilets				
arte.		our starting point and cross over the High Street to the Toll House and continue up				
	the right hand side of the High St					
		ctagonal toll house was built around 1820 and collected from those using the new				
		e until 1873. It is now a private house				
	26	What date in the stonework of the Toll House shows high flood marks				
	27	Which angry Billy, film director, lays below				
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#### Turn right through the Lych Gate and head towards the Abbey

If it's a weekend, Wednesday or Thursday you could stop now for tea and cake at the Abbey tearoom!

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28 This lad seems to have too many Os

Have a look around the Abbey if you wish (no clues inside) but then go left between the tower & Guest House

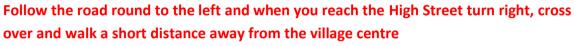
29 Dangerous Peter's surname underfoot

Follow a short gravel footpath which eventually swings left into a tree-lined road.

- 30 What colour building has castellations
- 31 What might you send you in the wrong direction

#### At the end of this road turn right into Queen St

- How long has the Star of David been there
- 33 Might get some apples here
- A look down for yellow card for the H<sub>2</sub>O perhaps
- One way of keeping your kippers warm I suppose





36 Cosy and warm on the farm

Turn around, cross back over and head back towards the village centre keeping on the left

- 37 Couldn't make chair legs here then
- Name the four creatures featured on front doors
- 39 Who sung about the café albeit of a different colour

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Hooray! You made it to the end!

But have you got the answers right?

You can buy the answer sheet for £3 from the teas in the Festival tent – open all weekend days.

Thank you to The Rotary Club of Reading Maiden Erleigh for the quiz and to Dorchester St Birinus Primary School for painting such lovely flowerpots.

