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## SID and FLOSS's EASY- GOING WALKS REPTILE CENTRE.

Sat nav. coordinates                    **N 50.51.47 W 01.37.05**  
Ordnance survey coordinates   **SU 271 071**

The Reptile Centre is off the A35, 3km. (2 miles) SW of Lyndhurst. The Reptile Centre and the RSPB live webcam, which shows the nests of local birds of prey, are all accessible on good compacted gravel paths. The reptile pits are easy to view for small children and from a wheelchair. Best visited on a warm summer day when the reptiles, which are all found in the UK, are more active and easier to spot.

### FACILITIES.

**Car park** - 1 blue badge space. (*Voluntary contribution requested*).

**Reptile centre**, open 10am.- 4.30pm. from Easter to end of September. Free entry.

**Information board** for Reptile Centre.

**Picnic area** - accessible

**RSPB live Webcam** during the breeding season.

LENGTH.      To the Portuguese Fireplace 2.2 km (1.4 miles)  
                     Reptile Trail - 1.8 km (1.1 miles)

**PORUGUESE FIREPLACE WALK** - No way markers - Difficulty level **2** (**3** if wet.)

**SID** says; The track is mostly on good, compacted gravel. After the gate near the road, which has an easy access trombone latch, the track is on a grass/earth verge alongside the road. This verge can be muddy after heavy rain, and has some protruding tree roots.

This is an excellent gentle wooded walk to the Portuguese Fireplace, a World War I memorial which is set in an attractive open area.

**REPTILE TRAIL** - **Red** way markers – Difficulty level **4** (**5+** if wet)

**SID** says; This is a circular trail from the car park. The path has a 10 metre long section with a gradient up of 16-20% just after the bridge, travelling anti-clockwise. **This path is not suitable after heavy rain** as the slopes on either side of the stream can become very muddy and slippery.

For more information on the Reptile Centre go to the Forestry Commission website.  
[www.forestry.gov.uk/newforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/newforest) or [www.new-forest-national-park.com/new-forest-reptile-centre.html](http://www.new-forest-national-park.com/new-forest-reptile-centre.html)

Surveyed on 29<sup>th</sup>. August 2009.