

## Introducing IMBERBUS

In 2009, a group of bus industry professionals achieved a long standing ambition to run a vintage bus service from Warminster in Wiltshire, to the abandoned village of Imber on the Salisbury Plain. It proved to be so popular that it has now become an annual event, with most journeys continuing across Salisbury Plain to parts of Wiltshire rarely seen by public transport users. Each year the profits from operating the service are donated to The Friends of St Giles' Church, Imber, and to the Royal British Legion.

Today we will be using at least 10 former London Transport Routemaster buses (and a few modern ones as well) to provide a bus service approximately every 30 minutes from Warminster Station to Imber. From there the buses will continue to Gore Cross, then either proceed across the plain to Brazen Bottom and the Lavingtons, or turn right and carry on to Tilshead and Chitterne. There is also an hourly service from Gore Cross to New Zealand Farm Camp.

All the buses are designed to meet up at Gore Cross to allow passengers to swap between them (and to take a few photographs), so even with a short stop at Imber, it is possible to travel on our entire network in about 4 hours.

### Where can I go when I get to Imber ?

The main attraction at Imber is the 16th century St Giles' Church which is run by The Friends of St Giles who are volunteers. This is the only building open to the public in the village and is worth visiting (see [www.imberchurch.org.uk](http://www.imberchurch.org.uk) for more information). As our buses run through Imber twice an hour, most of our passengers spend about 30 minutes to an hour at Imber, then board another Imberbus to view other parts of Salisbury Plain.

Please note that whilst in the military area, access is limited to the following:

- The "main road" that runs from Warminster through Imber to Gore Cross;
- Imber Church and the path and field between it and the main road;
- The road that runs north from near Imber to Bratton;
- The road that runs south from Imber towards Heytesbury;
- The Imber Range Perimeter Path (open all year round).

Please note that all other roads, paths, buildings and fields are strictly off-limits - this particularly applies to the burnt out tanks and the "houses" at Imber, most of which were constructed by the military for training purposes and are not original.

### Where will I be able to get something to eat or drink ?

Light refreshments will be available inside Imber Church, and at Chitterne Village Hall and also at the Buffet at Warminster Station which will be open until late afternoon. You might also want to sample one of the country pubs along the route - our route to Chitterne stops right outside the Rose & Crown at Tilshead and our buses pass near to other hostelrys at Market Lavington, West Lavington and Chitterne which may be open for part of the day.

### What other facilities are available at Imber ?

The short answer is almost nothing! As Imber is normally closed to the public there are no shops, no permanent toilets and no mobile phone reception. We therefore strongly recommend that you prepare for this before you board the bus (the nearest public toilets will be at Warminster Station and alongside Warminster Central Car Park).

# Imberbus

providing a classic bus service across Salisbury Plain  
to the lost village of Imber on

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016**

## Timetable



[www.imberbus.wordpress.com](http://www.imberbus.wordpress.com)

# Imberbus 23A



## Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016 only

<b>Warminster Station</b>	0945	1015	1025	1030	1050	1120	1150	1220	1250	1320	1350	1420	1450	1520	1550	1620	1650	1720	1750	1805
Imber	1015	1045	▲	1050	1115	1145	1215	1245	1315	1345	1415	1445	1515	1545	1615	1645	1715	1745	1815	1825
<b>Gore Cross</b> arr	1027	1057	--	--	1127	1157	1227	1257	1327	1357	1427	1457	1527	1557	1627	1657	1727	1757	--	--
<b>Gore Cross</b> dep	1030	1100	--	--	1130	1200	1230	1300	1330	1400	1430	1500	1530	1600	1630	1700	1730	--	--	--
<b>Brazen Bottom</b>	1035	1105	--	--	--	1205	--	1305	--	1405	--	1505	--	1605	--	1705	--	--	--	--
Tilshhead, Rose & Crown	▼	▼	--	--	1138	▼	1238	▼	1338	▼	1438	▼	1538	▼	1638	▼	1738	--	--	--
<b>Chitterne, Church</b>	--	--	1045	--	1152	--	1252	--	1352	--	1452	--	1552	--	1652	--	--	--	--	--

### Fancy a cuppa ?

Light refreshments are being served today at Imber Church and Chitterne Village Hall both of which are opening specially for our event. The Buffet at Warminster Station will also be open until late afternoon.

If you are after something stronger, the Rose & Crown at Tilshhead is popular with many of our passengers, and there are pubs in the Lavingtons and Chitterne which may also be open for part of the day

<b>Chitterne, Church</b>	--	--	--	--	1105	--	--	1205	--	--	1305	--	--	1405	--	--	1505	--	--	1605	--	--	1705	--	--	--	--
Tilshhead, Rose & Crown	--	--	--	--	1118	--	--	1218	--	--	1318	--	--	1418	--	--	1518	--	--	1618	--	--	1718	--	--	1748	--
<b>Brazen Bottom</b>	--	--	--	1037	--	1107	--	--	1207	--	--	1307	--	--	1407	--	--	1507	--	--	1607	--	--	1707	--	--	--
Market Lavington, Park Rd	--	--	--	1047	--	1117	--	--	1217	--	--	1317	--	--	1417	--	--	1517	--	--	1617	--	--	1717	--	--	--
West Lavington, Cross Rds	--	--	--	1051	--	1121	--	--	1221	--	--	1321	--	--	1421	--	--	1521	--	--	1619	--	--	1719	--	--	--
New Zealand Farm Camp	--	--	--	--	--	--	1145	--	--	1245	--	--	1345	--	--	1445	--	--	1545	--	--	1645	--	--	1745	--	--
<b>Gore Cross</b> arr	--	--	--	1057	1127	1127	1155	1227	1227	1255	1327	1327	1355	1427	1427	1455	1527	1527	1555	1627	1627	1655	1727	1727	1755	1755	--
<b>Gore Cross</b> dep	--	--	--	1100	1130	1130	1200	1230	1230	1300	1330	1330	1400	1430	1430	1500	1530	1530	1600	1630	1630	1700	1730	1730	1800	1800	--
New Zealand Farm Camp	--	--	--	--	--	1137	--	--	1237	--	--	1337	--	--	1437	--	--	1537	--	--	1637	--	--	1737	--	--	--
Imber	1015	1045	1055	1115	1145	--	1215	1245	--	1315	1345	--	1415	1445	--	1515	1545	--	1615	1645	--	1715	1745	--	1830	1830	--
<b>Warminster Station</b>	1040	1110	1115	1140	1210	--	1240	1310	--	1340	1410	--	1440	1510	--	1540	1610	--	1640	1710	--	1740	1810	--	1900	1900	--

Codes: ▼ - Continues to Market Lavington and West Lavington after Brazen Bottom    ▲ - operates direct to Chitterne via Knook Camp, not via Imber

## Imberbus Fares

**Warminster to Imber village:**  
£2 adult single, £1 child single

**Imberbus Day tickets** (*unlimited travel on the Imberbus service*) = £10.00  
Up to 3 children may accompany an adult day ticket holder for an additional £1 each.

*Children under the age of 5 may travel free of charge. Single fares to other places along the route will also be available.  
Sorry - no reductions for senior citizens (we regret that concessionary bus passes cannot be used to travel on Imberbus)*