

Important Information

Salisbury Plain Wiki	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Salisbury_Plain
Salisbury Plain Training Area	<p>Much of “the plain” is a military training area (known herein as the SPTA)..</p> <p>The SPTA covers about half of the plain (150 of the 300 square miles available).</p> <p>Some of the routes will pass military places and objects of interest. We will pass rusting tanks and mock afghan compounds, a German village used for fibua training, old train carriages, helicopters and other paraphernalia the military use to practise attacks on.</p> <p>WE WILL TELL YOU WHAT YOU CAN GET OUT TO VIEW, PHOTOGRAPH AND TOUCH.</p> <p>You are strongly advised not to pick up any military items. They can explode and kill you.</p> <p>WE WILL TELL YOU WHEN WE ARE PASSING THROUGH A LIVE FIRE AREA - YOU SHOULD NOT LEAVE THE TRACK OR YOUR VEHICLE IN THESE AREAS.</p>
Government Leaflet on the area	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/245198/SPTA_Greenlaning_Practice_Guide.pdf
Speed Limit on the Plain Green Lanes	30mph MAXIMUM
CB Radio Channel	The Overland Adventure Club channel is 22
About the Routes	<p>ALL the routes we will be covering have been traversed using a stock Land Rover Discovery 3 with AT tyres.</p> <p>Many of the routes I have also done in a stock Freelander 1 with AT tyres.</p> <p>In the extreme wet - vehicles with road tyres may find some of the climbs challenging.</p> <p>All the tricky parts have route alternatives. CHOOSE YOUR ROUTE WISELY and within the capability of your vehicle.</p> <p>You will not encounter routes where you will experience tree rash.</p> <p>Some of the routes contain deep ruts.</p>

<p>Vehicle Preparation</p>	<p>It is wise though not necessary to have recovery points front and rear.</p> <p>If you intend to attack the deeper water obstacles you are highly recommended to attach ropes before we begin each day. If you do not and require recovery, it will be you going in to attach ropes and not me!</p> <p>Some of the water features are deceptively difficult and if you have not satisfied yourself of the route and the depth you are advised to drive around.</p> <p>Some of these water holes are notorious vehicle killers.</p> <p>We will warn you and advise of dangerous holes as we approach them.</p>
<p>What to bring</p>	<p>Fuel You should ensure you have enough fuel for the day. The location of key petrol stations can be found in the briefing folder.</p> <p>We will be out from around 10am-4pm each day covering around 50-70 miles each day.</p> <p>Food & Drink We will stop several times for drink and comfort breaks, lunch, etc.</p> <p>Toilets We will, generally speaking, be “off-road” and nowhere near civilisation. The SPTA does have portaloos scattered over it, the quality and cleanliness of these can be judged against those provided at some of the events we have been to!</p> <p>You should carry your own loo roll and anything else you think you may need in this respect!</p>
<p>Byeways in the area</p>	<p>There are three main types of byeway that we will be using and feature on the routes.</p> <p>Byeway Open to All Traffic (BOAT) On Salisbury Plain these are often signed in either brown or green.</p> <p>Permissive Byeway These are the routes that cross the live firing areas. If you encounter a red route that is marked with a red flag and/or the gate is closed you should turn around immediately.</p> <p>You are crossing a live fire area and could end up on the receiving end of an artillery barrage!</p> <p>The Live Fire Calendar is normally issued three weeks ahead.</p>

	<p>WE WILL PLAN ALL ROUTES TO AVOID RED FLAGS - NEARER THE TIME.</p> <p>Military Gravel Roads From time to time, you will find a gravel military road running alongside a marked byeway. The military use these to get around the SPTA quickly and also to stop the tracked vehicles (tanks!) chopping up the byeways. If you prefer, you may use these also - unless they are specifically signed that access is not granted.</p>
Rules and Disclaimer	<p>We will be travelling on lawful byeways. All vehicles must therefore be road legal - MOT, tax and Insured.</p> <p>Please only drive sections commensurate to your ability and that of your vehicle.</p> <p>Show due care and consideration to other people in the area. You will frequently see people on foot, bikes, horseback, dog walkers, cows, sheep, pigs, bulls, etc.</p> <p>If you need to get out of the vehicle to inspect an obstacle please be aware of other vehicles coming from behind hills and trees.</p> <p>Please respect the locals and other users especially when arriving and leaving. No HORNS or shouting PLEASE.</p> <p>Drivers – please be aware you are responsible for the safety and behaviour of your passengers while you are on this site.</p> <p>All drivers accept full responsibility and liability for any injury, damage or loss to your vehicle, yourself or members of your party, or other third parties arising directly or indirectly from your actions, and will not hold the Overland Adventure Club responsible in any way for any injury, damage or loss.</p>