SUCCOMBS PLACE DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Driving directions to Junction 6, M25:

From the west: meander anti-clockwise around the M25 to Junc 6. Junc 7 is the M23 down to Gatwick and Brighton. As soon as you are past Junc 7, move across to the inside lane. It is about 3 miles to the exit at Junc 6.

From the east: Junc 6 is the exit after Clacket Lane services. It is also signed to Chartwell and Hever Castle.

The commuting tide seems to flow clockwise in the morning and anti in the evening. Opposite at weekends. For real time information on the state of the M25, try these two Highways Agency real time sites:

http://www.realtime-traffic.info/

http://www.highways.gov.uk/traffic/traffic.aspx

IF YOU OVERSHOOT JUNC 6: -

If you sleep past Junc 6 going anti-clockwise, and you wouldn't be the first to do so, you have to proceed to Junc 5, which is miles further on, and turning requires concentration. Once on the A21 take the first exti and follow the signs to Sevenoaks. Then follow the signs back to the M25 and Gatwick.

If you sleep past June 6 going clockwise, go straight on at June 7. Exit at June 8 and U turn there! So the moral is

Driving directions from Junction 6, the A22/Godstone exit, to Succombs Place:

Take the exit off the roundabout onto the northbound A22 towards London, Purley and Caterham. Follow the dual carriageway for about 2.5 miles to the first roundabout. Ignore the left filter to Caterham at the traffic lights. Well, don't completely ignore the traffic lights but you know what I mean.

When you get to Wapses Lodge) roundabout, you will find that 6 roads feed off it. The roundabout is in fact a very large deep hole surrounded by a white wall so don't be tempted to take any short cuts. The third exit is the continuation of the dual carriage way and the 4th is Succombs Hill which you take. Except that it is not called Succombs Hill at the bottom. It is narrow (6ft 6in/2 metre width restriction) and steep (25%) hill. Take it gently in second gear.

About 300 mtrs up the hill from the bottom, you will see Succombs Place on the left. Some say we look like a Scandinavian holiday village. Turn off the hill into

Southview Road immediately after a 2 metre long Succombs Place sign. Proceed another 100 metres and you will find a signed entrance to Succombs Place.

If you take more than 10 mins to get to Succombs Place from the motorway, you are lost!

A22 from London, Croydon and Purley

Follow the A22 through Purley and follow the signs for the M25. After about 10 minutes, you will pass through Whyteleafe and the road will widen to what used to be a dual carriageway before they restricted it back to a single lane. After about 300 metres of this wide road, you reach the Wapses Lodge roundabout. Take the first exit left up Succombs Hill.