

Elephant, Bear and Bull 100

Some practical information to help you when reconnoitring the EBB 100 route, and to assist your supporters.

Notes: The most reasonable parking options are those suggested, ie 'proper' car parks, pubs or large lay-bys, both on or close to the EBB100 route.

Each section has a number of parking options allowing you to park at the nearest part of that particular section to home or where you are staying for recceing purposes or for supporters on event day thus reducing driving time, fuel costs and exhaust emissions.

Some car parks have charges and are 'Pay and Display'. Most pub parking is free. It is only fair to patronise pubs and support their efforts. Please buy food/drink before or after your walk.

There are several locations where it is possible to park on road verges or residential streets. When parking on residential streets please abide by any restrictions, especially Mondays to Saturdays. Look for notices. Normally, there are no restrictions on Sundays.

Always park considerately, especially on road/lane verges: do not block gates, entrances or exits. Leave sufficient space for large vehicles (lorries, tractors) to pass.

For a complete guide to parking options, including car park charges, post codes and map references refer to the downloadable [Car Parking](#) pdf document on the EBB100 website.

Where no directions are given, the place lies directly on the route.

In listing bus destinations, "X and Y" means X and Y are served by the same bus. "X/Y" means they are served by the same route number but in opposite directions from the stop in question.

Section 1 Moseley to Northfield

Parking

- Billesley Common - FREE public parking before entrance to RFC.
- Kings Norton Playing Fields – FREE, max height 1.95m.
- Westhill Road Car Park - FREE, max height 1.95m.
- Northfield Station - FREE, max height 2m.

Public Transport

- Billesley Common bus stop – routes 2 and 3 to Birmingham city centre. Directly outside HQ.
- Billesley Fire Station bus stop – routes 11A (anticlockwise) and 11C (clockwise) circular. 400m north of entrance to HQ.
- Yardley Wood station – on the Birmingham Moor Street to Stratford line. Nearest station to HQ (c1 mile). From station, TL on Highfield Road to mini-roundabout, TR on Trittiford Road, follow it to its end at the junction with Yardley Wood Road, entrance to rugby club is directly opposite.
- Haunch Lane/Yardley Wood Road bus stop – route 18 to Kings Norton and Northfield; 27 to Northfield, Rubery and Cofton Hackett (close to Lickey Hills); 76 to Northfield/Solihull.
- Warstock Lane bus stop – route 50 to Birmingham city centre. Leave canal towpath at Horseshoe Inn and TL 50m; stop for city centre is on the opposite side of the road.
- Shelfield Road bus stop – route 35 to Birmingham city centre.

- Wharf Road bus stop – route 18 to Northfield; 45 to Birmingham city centre; 49 to Rubery/Solihull. After crossing road from Kings Norton Playing Fields to Kings Norton Park, TL for 200m.
- Wychall Road bus stop – route 47 to Birmingham city centre; 49 to Rubery/Solihull.
- Wychall Farm School bus stop – route 47 to Birmingham city centre. After crossing Wychall Road, TL to junction with Staple Lodge Road then TR to bus stop.
- Northfield station – on the Birmingham New Street to Bromsgrove/Redditch line.

Food & Drink

- Pete's Pan (fish and chips) directly opposite HQ.
- Ali's Café & Curries, Real UK Fried Chicken and Michaels Supermarket all 150-200m away (cross road and TR).
- Horseshoe Inn.
- Broad Lane Chippy.
- The Camp pub. Instead of crossing road to Kings Norton Local Nature Reserve, TR into Camp Lane, pub is opposite.
- Euroessential convenience store and Wychall Fish Bar. Where the Rea Valley Route reaches Wychall Road, TL for 150m.
- Station Fish Bar and Lil's Parlour.
- Best One convenience store (in Esso petrol station).

Toilets

- McDonald's. Leave canal towpath at Lifford Lane (before Guillotine Lock), TL to mini-roundabout, straight on to Broad Meadow Lane, ahead 400m and TR.
- Northfield station.

Accommodation

- Premier Inn Hall Green, ca. 2 miles from HQ.
 - Travelodge Birmingham Maypole, ca. 1 mile from route at Alcester Road South canal bridge (by Horseshoe Inn).
 - Premier Inn Longbridge Station and Greenlands Inn, both ca. 1 mile from CP1.
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Section 2 Northfield to Rubery

Parking

- Shopping parade car park, Ormond/Arden Road, Rubery, B45 0JA – FREE.
- Lickey Banker & Shops - Ormond Road, Rubery, B45 0JD
- Waseley Hills Visitor Centre, Gannow Green Lane, Rubery, B45 9AT - £3.00 all day.
- Waseley Hills South Car Park, Holywell Lane, Rednal, B45 9AA - £3.00 all day. Height barrier.

Public transport

- Bristol Road South/Hawkesley Mill Lane bus stop – route 63 to Birmingham city centre/Rubery.
- Longbridge station – on the line from Birmingham New Street to Bromsgrove and Redditch. Instead of crossing Bristol Road South at the Hawkesley Mill Lane junction, continue on the same side for a further 500m to another junction with Job Centre ahead. TL on Tessall Lane. In 400m, ahead between bollards with “No vehicle access” sign. Road bends R and runs adjacent to station platform. Ahead for a further 200m to end, TL on Longbridge Lane and TL again into station.
- Tessall Lane/Manor Park Grove bus stop – route 61 to Birmingham city centre/Rubery.
- Hollywood Bowl bus stop – route 49 to Kings Norton and Solihull. Opposite PERIOS and Frankie and Benny’s, see directions below.
- Ormond Road/Arden Walk bus stop – routes 61 and 63 to Birmingham city centre (63 also goes via Northfield, 61 doesn’t).
- Ormond Road/Lismore Close bus stop – routes 61 and 63 as above.

CP2 has no easy public transport access; the nearest bus stops are served infrequently and/or by routes of little use for recceing. If you want to start/finish a recce here by public transport, your options are either to walk to the Gannow Road/Gannow Walk stop (¼ mile), take the hourly 144A from there and change at Longbridge, or walk to the New Road/Beverley Road stop (¾ mile) and take the 63.

Food and drink

- Magazin Romanesc convenience store
- Bella’s Pizza
- Café Munch
- The King of Desserts
- Saffron Lounge
- Little Dessert Shop
- Southside Fish Bar
- Delta Wines
- Big Bear Café
- PERIOS, Frankie and Benny’s, Brewers Fayre all in Great Park. At corner of reservoir, straight on (instead of TR on route), TL on Park Way then TR at roundabout. Carry on past Brewers Fayre and TL at the next roundabout to reach Morrisons.
- Pat’s Fish and Chips
- Nisa Local
- Greggs
- Lickey Banker
- One Stop convenience store

- Windmill Café (Waseley Hills Visitor Centre)

If you choose to walk to the New Road/Beverley Road bus stop at the end of your recce, you will also have all the culinary delights of Rubery available to you – three supermarkets, two cafés, two cake shops, two chippies, three Indian restaurants and at the last count at least six pizza takeaways!

Toilets

- Rubery Morrisons, see directions to Great Park food outlets above.
- Waseley Hills Visitor Centre

Accommodation

- Travelodge Frankley, Moto Service Area, Illey lane M5, Birmingham B32 4AR - ca. 2½ miles from route at Tessall Lane.
 - Premier Inn Longbridge Station, 1 High Street, Longbridge, Birmingham B31 2UQ – ca. 1 mile from route at Rubery Great Park.
 - Greenlands Inn, 105 Longbridge Lane, Longbridge, Birmingham B31 4LF - ca. 1 mile from route at Rubery Great Park.
 - Premier Inn Rubery, ¼ mile from route at Rubery Great Park.
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Section 3 Rubery to Alvechurch

Parking

- Beacon Hill car park, Monument Lane, Lickey, B45 9QJ - FREE
- Lickey Hills Golf Course car park, Rose Hill, Lickey, B45 8RR – FREE
- Lickey Hills Visitor Centre car park, Warren Lane, Cofton Hackett, B45 8ER – FREE
- Barnt Green Social Club, Blackwell Road, Barnt Green B45 8BT – FREE
- Crown Inn, Withybed Lane, Alvechurch B48 7PN - FREE
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Public transport

- Rose and Crown bus stop. Little use for recceing as the only bus from this stop which serves other places on the event route is the S45 to Barnt Green and Alvechurch – but although the public can use this service, it's primarily a school bus so you'd have to time your recce to fit in with the school day.
- Rednal Island bus stop. Route 145 to Rubery/Barnt Green. After crossing road from golf course, instead of taking path to hills, continue on RH pavement and at roundabout TR for 100m to bus stop.
- Barnt Green station. On the line from Birmingham New Street – the lines to Bromsgrove and Redditch divide here. Only Redditch-bound trains call at Alvechurch.
- Hewell Road/Sandhills Lane bus stop. Route 145 to Rednal Island and Rubery. At end of Hewell Lane, instead of TR as in route description, TL under railway bridge to bus stop.
- Sandhills Road bus stop (different from Sandhills Lane) – see above comment re the S45 route.
- Red Lion bus stop – see above comment re the S45 route. Instead of crossing road and going up steps to Ark, stay on same side and TL on Bear Hill. At end, TL onto Red Lion Street.
- Alvechurch station. On the line from Birmingham New Street to Redditch. Arriving at the Ark up the steps from Bear Hill, TR in front of it onto driveway from car park and ahead to join School Lane. Ahead to junction with Station Road where keep ahead on left-hand verge. In 100m, at gap in hedge, TL onto enclosed footpath to station car park.

Food and drink

- Duckpond Café, Lickey Hills Golf Course
- Old Rose and Crown
- Lickey Hills Café (in Visitor Centre)
- Various cafés/restaurants, a Tesco Express and the Victoria pub on Hewell Road, Barnt Green. Instead of turning off the railway bridge down to the middle platform, continue to the end and down to the station car park, TL onto Station Approach, follow to the end and TR onto Hewell Road.
- The Crown Inn
- Two cafés, an Indian restaurant, a fish and chip shop, a Co-op, Gin and Pickles deli and three pubs (Red Lion, Swan Inn, Alvechurch Inn) on Red Lion Street/The Square/Swan Street, Alvechurch. Instead of crossing road and going up steps to Ark, stay on same side and TL on Bear Hill. At end, TL into Red Lion Street, cross road ahead for The Square or TR into Swan Street.

Toilets

- Lickey Hills Visitor Centre

Accommodation

- Old Rose and Crown Hotel, Rose Hill, Lickey, Birmingham, B45 8RT. Directly on route.
 - Hillscourt, Rose Hill, Lickey, Birmingham B45 8RS. At exit from golf course car park, TR on pavement for 250m to reach entrance to hotel on R.
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Section 4 Alvechurch to Tanworth

Parking

- Rowney Green Village Hall, Rowney Green Lane, B48 7QP – from VH, head north for 600m on lane to join route.

Public transport

- Bransons Cross Roundabout bus stop. Route 150 to Kings Heath (change there for elsewhere in Birmingham); also 519 to Tanworth/Solihull and 517 to Tanworth, but these only run once per day each. On reaching B4101, do not cross as in route description but keep to LHS. Bus stop is directly on roundabout.
- Wood End station. On the line from Birmingham Moor Street to Stratford. No trains on Sundays, and a request stop only the rest of the time – if you're finishing a day's recce here, stand near the edge of the platform and stick your arm out; if you're planning to start here, make sure you tell the ticket inspector your intended destination so they can ask the driver to stop. Instead of turning right onto Blind Lane as in route description, continue on Broad Lane for a further 1.8km and TL to station (if you have a while to wait until the next train, The Warwickshire Lad pub is 150m further on). There are two further bus stops on Broad Lane, but these are only served by the 517 and 519.

Food and drink

- Rowney Green Village Hall hosts a café on Monday mornings and a pop-up pub (the Goat and Trousers) on Friday evenings. 600m south from route on Rowney Green Lane.
- Straight from the Cow farm shop, Carpenters Hill Farm. Continue on Carpenters Hill for a further 300m after the event route turns off it.
- Bransons Cross Truck Park café.

Toilets

- Bransons Cross Truck Park café.

Accommodation

- Beoley Lodge, Alcester Rd, Gorcott Hill, Redditch B98 9EP - c³/₄ mile south of Bransons Cross on A435
 - Various options in Redditch, ca. 2 miles from route
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Section 5 Tanworth-in-Arden to Henley-in-Arden

Parking

- Bear Lane, Henley-in-Arden B95 5JJ – FREE, under railway bridge.
- Henley-in-Arden station, Station Road, Henley-in-Arden - £3 all day. From station car park, down to road (or down footpath from platform). Ahead 150m to join route.

Public transport

- Tanworth church bus stop. Only served by the once daily 517 and 519. There is no sign, but the stop is directly in front of the church facing the village green.
- Danzey station. On the line from Birmingham Moor Street to Stratford. No trains on Sundays, and a request stop only the rest of the time – if you're finishing a day's recce here, stand near the edge of the platform and stick your arm out; if you're planning to start here, make sure you tell the ticket inspector your intended destination so they can ask the driver to stop. Instead of descending to bridge over stream, keep to top (LH) edge of field to go through gate and ahead through farmyard to road. Cross road and TL for 200m to station.
- Henley-in-Arden station. On the line from Birmingham Moor Street to Stratford. At end of Bear Lane, TR on Station Road for 150m to station.

Food and drink

- The Bell, Tanworth

Toilets

- None before Henley checkpoint, but those on Station Road are immediately after it.

Accommodation

- The Bell, The Green, Tanworth in Arden, Solihull B94 5AL.
 - Chapel Gate Lodge, Ullenhall, Henley-in-Arden B95 5RU. 150m from route.
 - Hidden Cottages, Blunts Green, Henley-in-Arden B95 5RE. ca. 1 mile from route at Ullenhall.
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Section 6 Henley-in-Arden to Aston Cantlow

Parking

- Town centre car park, The Croft, Henley-in-Arden B95 5DY - FREE. Return to junction of The Croft with High Street and TL for 30m to join route. Restricted parking also available on High Street.
- Medical Centre car park, Prince Harry Road, Henley-in-Arden B95 5DD - FREE. Follow walkway to High Street and TR for 150m to join route.
- Lay-by on Pettiford Lane, B95 6ET – FREE. Follow bridleway for 200m to join route on canal towpath.
- Navigation Inn, Stratford Road, Wootton Wawen B95 6BZ – FREE. By canal aqueduct, although there are no steps up to it – you have to go down Pennyford Lane and join the route where it leaves the canal.
- Yew Tree Farm Shopping Village, Pettiford Lane, Wootton Wawen B95 6BY – FREE. Down Pennyford Lane to join route – NB Pettiford Lane and Pennyford Lane are almost directly opposite each other on either side of Stratford Road, so be careful not to confuse the two!
- Lay-by on White House Hill, near Little Alne B95 6JU - FREE.

Public transport

- Three Tuns bus stop. Routes X20 to Solihull/Wootton Wawen and Stratford, 503 to Wootton Wawen and Aston Cantlow/Hall Green.
- Wootton Wawen Church bus stop. Route X20 to Henley and Solihull/Stratford, 229 to Aston Cantlow, Wilmcote and Stratford/Ullenhall. After crossing River Alne bridge, instead of turning L along river as in route description, T½R on path between trees, which after 300m emerges onto Stratford Road. Stop is in front of church opposite.
- Wootton Wawen station. On the line from Birmingham Moor Street to Stratford. No trains on Sundays, and a request stop only the rest of the time – if you're finishing a day's recce here, stand near the edge of the platform and stick your arm out; if you're planning to start here, make sure you tell the ticket inspector your intended destination so they can ask the driver to stop. Follow same directions to bus stop above, but on reaching Stratford Road TL for 170m, at RH bend TL on Alcester Road for 370m. Just before reaching railway bridge, TL to station.
- Kings Head bus stop. Routes 229 to Wilmcote and Stratford/Wootton Wawen and Ullenhall, 503 to Wootton Wawen, Henley and Hall Green.

Food and drink

- Various pubs, cafes, convenience stores etc. on Henley High Street, and the highly recommended Henley Ice Cream on the corner of School Road.
- Navigation Inn, Cowshed Café, The General Store and The Bull's Head, all on or just off Stratford Road in Wootton Wawen – on reaching Pennyford Lane after leaving the canal path, TR for 400m to junction with Stratford Road. TR for Navigation Inn, TL for the others.
- The Kings Head, directly opposite Aston Cantlow Village Hall.

Toilets

- Station Road, immediately after the Memorial Hall.

Accommodation

- White Swan Hotel, 100 High St, Henley-in-Arden B95 5BY – on route.
- Bridge House Hotel, 289 High St, Henley-in-Arden B95 5DH – at crossroads, ¼ mile south of route along High Street.

- Ashleigh House, Whitley Hill, Henley-in-Arden B95 5DL – 120m from route at Warwick Road/Pettiford Lane junction.
 - Preston Bagot Coach House B&B, Preston Bagot, Henley-in-Arden B95 5ED – ½ mile from route at Warwick Road/Pettiford Lane junction.
 - Wootton Park Glamping Pods and Farmhouse B&B, Wootton Park, Alcester Rd, Henley-in-Arden B95 6HH – ½ mile from route where path along River Alne meets road by railway bridge.
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Section 7 Aston Cantlow to Stratford-upon-Avon

Parking

- Wilmcote Sports and Social Club, Aston Cantlow Road CV37 9XX – FREE. TL out of car park for 200m to join route where footpath reaches road by Mary Arden's Farm.
- Mary Arden Inn, The Green, Wilmcote CV37 9XJ – FREE. Parking at rear. Directly on route.
- Mary Arden's Farm and House, Station Road, Wilmcote CV37 9UN – FREE. Check opening times. TR out of car park for 150m to join route at junction of Station Road and Church Road.
- Stratford-upon-Avon Park and Ride, Bishopton Lane CV37 0RJ - £3 all day. Height barrier. Follow footpath from car park (don't leave at vehicle exit) onto Bishopton Lane, TR for 300m, keeping ahead at mini-roundabout, to join route at canal bridge.
- Premier Inn Stratford-upon-Avon, The Waterways, Birmingham Road CV37 0AZ - £6/24 hours. Horizonspaces.co.uk. Directly on route next to canal.
- Church Street Car Park, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6HB - Max height 1.8m. Charges scale. Directly on route. Long stay.
- Chestnut Walk street parking, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6HG - Mon-Sun 08:00 - 18:00 max 2 hours, max £2.20; free outside these hours. Join route at junction of Chestnut Walk/Church Street/Old Town.

Public transport

- Wilmcote Post Office bus stop. Route 229 to Stratford/Aston Cantlow, Wootton Wawen and Ullenhall.
- Wilmcote station. On the line from Birmingham Moor Street to Stratford. At junction opposite Mary Arden Inn, TL for 500m on Station Road and TR to station.
- Stratford-upon-Avon Parkway station. On the lines from Birmingham Moor Street to Stratford and from Stratford to Leamington Spa. At canal bridge, TL on Bishopton Lane for 300m, passing mini-roundabout, to TL into station car park.
- Stratford-upon-Avon station. Terminus of lines from Birmingham Moor Street and Leamington Spa. Bus stop outside station for route 229 to Wilmcote, Aston Cantlow and Snitterfield, and X20 to Wootton Wawen, Henley and Solihull. On reaching Henley Street by Shakespeare's Birthplace, ahead down Meer Street. At end (opposite Shakespeare Memorial Fountain) TR onto Rother Street. Ahead 350m to junction with Brunel Street where fork R on footpath to station.

Food and drink

- Wilmcote Stores
- Mary Arden Inn.
- McDonald's (opposite side of canal from Premier Inn).
- Lots of cafes and restaurants along Henley Street, High Street, Chapel Street and Church Street in Stratford.

Toilets

- Ely Street (gents' only). TR off High Street, toilets are on the RHS in 25m.

Accommodation

- Island Meadow Caravan Park and glamping pods, Aston Cantlow Rd, Aston Cantlow, Henley-in-Arden B95 6JP. c½ mile from checkpoint.
- The Holding Stables caravan park, Wilmcote, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9XX. c¼ mile from route where footpath reaches road by Mary Arden's Farm.

- Mary Arden Inn, The Green, Wilmcote, Aston Cantlow Rd, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9XJ
 - Pear Tree Cottage, 7 Church Rd, Wilmcote, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9UX
 - Harpe Cottage, 2 Old School Ln, Wilmcote, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9UZ
 - Skegness Caravan Hire, 17 Church Rd, Wilmcote, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9UZ (if trying to find your way here, do NOT just enter "Skegness" into your satnav!)
 - Victoria Spa Lodge, Bishopton Ln, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9QY
 - The Cottage, Bishopton Ln, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 9QY
 - Premier Inn Stratford-upon-Avon, The Waterways, Birmingham Rd, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0AZ
 - Shakespeare and Company Holiday Home, Court, 41 Brewery Street Rooke, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0BQ. 100m from route at Clopton Road canal bridge.
 - Bard's Nest, Crucible House, 12-20 Birmingham Rd, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0BB. 200m from route at Clopton Road canal bridge.
 - Kerns Cottage, 9 Kerns Terrace, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6SB. 50m from route at Great William Street.
 - Many more choices in Stratford – those slightly out of the centre are likely to be cheaper than ones right next to the main sights.
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Section 8 Stratford-upon-Avon to Norton Lindsey

Parking

- Stratford town centre – see <https://www.stratford.gov.uk/parking-roads-transport/car-parks-in-stratford-upon-avon.cfm>
- Stratford Leisure Centre, Bridgeway CV37 6YY – charges scale. Long stay. Motorhome parking at rear of car park. TL out of car park then TL again on other side of hedge after Crowne Plaza hotel to join route at far corner.
- Fisherman's Car Park, Warwick Road (A439) CV37 7BD – FREE. Locked overnight. Height barrier. Directly on route.
- Maidenhead Road CV37 6XT (top of road) – FREE Mon-Sat 8-6 max 2 hours. Sunday no restrictions. Through gate on R 50m before end of road and ahead to join route along far edge of field.
- Small unsurfaced parking area off Ingon Lane CV37 0QE (outside Welcombe Bank Farm) - FREE. Follow farm drive to join route to R of obelisk.
- The Apple Farm, Kings Lane, Snitterfield CV37 0QA – FREE, check opening times. Directly on route.
- Snitterfield Methodist Church, Bearley Road CV37 0JH – FREE. Directly on route opposite primary school.
- Snitterfield Arms, Bearley Road CV37 0JH – FREE. TR out of car park for 100m to join route at junction with primary school on corner.
- The New Inn, New Road, Norton Lindsey CV35 8JA – FREE. Directly on route. Community pub.

Public transport

- St Gregory's Road bus stop. Route X18 to Warwick, Leamington and Coventry. After crossing Bridge Foot by the Gower Memorial, ahead on Bridgeway to end, passing leisure centre on R. TR 50m to bus stop.
- Snitterfield Primary School and Norton Lindsey main road bus stops. Each of these locations has a structure that looks like it was intended as a bus shelter, and rumour has it that they are served by very occasional routes to other villages in the area – but this has never been confirmed by a definite sighting of one. In practice, once you've left Stratford, the next place where you'd have a reasonable chance of any public transport actually turning up is Warwick Parkway station.

Food and drink

- Various pubs, cafes and restaurants along Waterside, Sheep Street and Bridge Street. Barges in the canal basin serve ice cream.
- La Marina tapas bar and restaurant
- Trevalyan Restaurant in Welcombe Hotel
- Apple Farm café, shop and The Slabb Chocolate
- Snitterfield Village Stores
- The Snitterfield Arms, 100m from route up Bearley Road
- The New Inn

Toilets

- Old Town. After leaving Holy Trinity churchyard, TL on path away from river to toilets.
- Waterside - opposite canal basin.
- Apple Farm

Accommodation

- Arden Hotel, Waterside, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 6BA. 50m from route opposite Swan Theatre.
 - Welcombe Hotel, Warwick Road, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0NR. 300m from route – follow hotel drive to end, then up footpath to join route in corner to L of obelisk.
 - The Stratford Park Hotel & Golf Club, Ingon Lane, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0QE. 500m from route on opposite side of golf course.
 - The Apple Farm Camping and Glamping, King's Lane, Snitterfield, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0QA. Directly on route.
 - Prestige Cottages, King's Lane, Snitterfield, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0QA. Next door to Apple Farm.
 - Green Gates Caravan and Motorhome Site, King's Lane, Snitterfield, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0QB. Directly on route.
 - Shakespeare's View, King's Lane, Snitterfield, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0QB. Directly on route.
 - The Hill Cottage B&B, King's Lane, Snitterfield, Stratford-upon-Avon CV37 0QA. Directly on route.
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Section 9 Norton Lindsey to Warwick

Parking

- St Michael's Church Centre, Church Lane, Budbrooke CV35 8QL – FREE. Directly on route.
- Warwick Parkway Station, Old Budbrooke Road, Warwick CV35 8RH - Mon-Fri £9.00, Sat-Sun £6.00. Exit car park and TR on Old Budbrooke Road to join route.
- Saltisford Canal Centre, Budbrooke Road Industrial Estate, Warwick CV34 5RJ - £2.00 payable in the shop. Directly on route.
- Bread and Meat Close Car Park, Warwick CV34 6HN - 8am-6pm max 4 hours, max £3. Max height 2m. 100m south from car park to join route at racecourse entrance.
- Warwick Railway Station, Station Road, Warwick CV34 4LA - £5.50 all day. At end of Station Road, TR onto Coventry Road (A429). Follow to junction and TL on Coten End to join route.

Public transport

- Warwick Parkway station. On lines from Birmingham Moor Street to London Marylebone and Leamington Spa to Stratford. Where route exits overflow car park to road, cross road and ahead to station.
- St Paul's Church bus stop. Route X18 to Stratford/Leamington and Coventry.
- Warwick station. On lines from Birmingham Moor Street to London Marylebone and Leamington Spa to Stratford. At junction with Castle Limes Hotel on corner, TL onto Coventry Road (A429). Follow for 200m, TL onto Station Road and ahead to station.

Food and drink

- Foresters Arms. Instead of turning left out of racecourse on Friars Street, cross road and ahead on Crompton Street.
- Westgate Stores.
- Various cafes, restaurants and takeaways on High Street/Jury Street/Smith Street/Coten End.
- One Stop convenience store.
- The Black Pug, next door to checkpoint.

Toilets

- Market Place. On approach to West Gate, TL on Bowling Green Street (instead of TR on route) for 250m. TR under archway and up slope/steps to marketplace. Toilets are immediately on L next to Rose and Crown pub.
- Pageant Garden. TR off route on Castle Street (immediately before tourist info office), toilets signposted through gateway in wall on L.
- St Nicholas Park. Instead of continuing along Smith Street/Coten End to checkpoint, TR at East Gate onto Castle Hill. Keep ahead at roundabout. Cross vehicle entrance to park and TL on footpath parallel to it. After 100m, path bends R to junction with main path through park. TL, and the toilets are on the L in a further 60m.

Accommodation

- Lock Keeper's Cottage, Old Budbrooke Road, Warwick CV35 8RH. Directly on route.
- Warwick Arms Hotel, 17 High Street, Warwick CV34 4AT. Directly on route.
- Eastgate Warwick Holiday Home, The East Gate and St Peter's Chapel, The Butts, Warwick CV34 4ST. Directly on route.
- Castle Limes Hotel, 2-4 Coventry Road, Warwick CV34 4LJ. Directly on route.

- Tudor Cottage (Spa Town Property), 17 Coten End, Warwick CV34 4NT. Directly on route.
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Section 10 Warwick to Kenilworth

Parking

- St Nicholas Park, Banbury Road, Warwick CV34 4QY - 8am-6pm, max 10 hours, max £5, max height 2m. From car park, follow main path through park for 350m to join route at junction with cycle path from Emscote Road.
- The Saxon Mill, Coventry Road, Guy's Cliffe, Warwick CV34 5YN – FREE. Directly on route.
- The Warwickshire Golf, Hotel & Country Club, Leek Wootton CV35 7QT – FREE. From car park barrier, backtrack 100m to gap in fence with FPSP. TL through gap to join route.
- Lay-by on Rouncil Lane, Kenilworth CV8 1NN – FREE. Directly on route.
- Kenilworth Castle, Castle Road, Kenilworth CV8 1NG – free for English Heritage members, £5 for non-members. Directly on route.
- Kenilworth Castle, opposite Castle Green – FREE. Get there early! Cross green and ahead 180m on Castle Street to “Welcome to Abbey Fields” sign. TL into Abbey Fields to join route.
- Queen and Castle, Castle Green, Kenilworth CV8 1ND – free for customers, charges for non-customers. Directions to route as above.
- Abbey Fields Car Park, Bridge Street, Kenilworth CV8 1BP - 2 hours free. Mon-Sat 8-6 max £4.50, Sundays free. Overnight £1.50. From car park, follow edge of Abbey Fields parallel to road on L. Down stone steps and under bridge to join route.
- Park House, 46 Park Road, Kenilworth CV8 2GF – FREE. Small car park. Directly on route.

Public transport

- Broad Street bus stop. Route X17 to Coventry. Directly outside checkpoint.
- Saxon Mill bus stop. Route X16 to Stratford/Kenilworth.
- Kenilworth Castle bus stop. Route 24 to Coventry, but this goes rather a long way round via Stoneleigh, Bubbenhall and Baginton – easier to get the number 11 from the opposite side of Abbey Fields.
- Kenilworth station. On the line from Coventry to Leamington Spa. No trains on Sundays. At the swimming pool in the middle of Abbey Fields, TR for 250m to war memorial. Ahead on Abbey End then Warwick Road, passing clock tower. At Zizzi on corner, TL onto Station Road for 400m. TL onto Priory Road then TR into station.
- Bridge Street/Abbey Fields bus stop. Routes 11 to Coventry/Leamington Spa and U1 to Warwick University. After passing tennis courts, instead of bearing right across grass towards steps under bridge, continue ahead to road. For buses to Leamington, cross road; for Warwick University and Coventry, TR on pavement for 100m.
- Tainters Hill bus stop. Routes 11 to Coventry/Leamington Spa, U1 to Warwick University and X16 to Warwick and Stratford. At junction of Tainters Hill with Coventry Road, TL for 30m to bus stop.

Food and drink

- Lidl. Instead of turning off road onto cycle path, continue on Emscote Road for a further 250m.
- Tesco. Take left fork at Emscote Nature Reserve noticeboard after passing under railway bridge.
- The RiverCross Warwick. Where riverside path meets Emscote Road adjacent to bridge, TL for 70m.
- Saxon Mill

- Kenilworth Castle restaurant (in castle grounds).
- Queen and Castle and Clarendon Arms, both 200m from route – continue on Castle Road instead of turning into Abbey Fields.
- Various pubs (including the Bear and Ragged Staff!), cafes and supermarkets along Abbey End/Warwick Road (see above for directions).

Toilets

- Abbey Fields. Directly on route - currently temporary toilets during refurbishment of swimming pool.
- Abbey End (see above for directions).

Accommodation

- Park House Guest House, 17 Emscote Road, Warwick CV34 4PH. 70m from route along Emscote Road.
 - Cambridge Villa Hotel, 20a and 20b Emscote Road, Warwick CV34 4PP. 140m from route along Emscote Road.
 - The Warwickshire, Leek Wootton, Warwick CV35 7QT. Directly on route.
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Section 11 Kenilworth to Coventry

Parking

- War Memorial Park Park & Ride, Kenilworth Road, Coventry CV3 6PT - Free for first 3 hours. £5 for over 5 hours. Open 6am-10pm. Directly on route.
- Coat of Arms Bridge Road, Coventry CV3 6PY - Free for first 3 hours. £5 for over 5 hours. On southern edge of War Memorial Park.
- Leamington Road, Coventry CV3 6GF - Free for first 3 hours. £5 for over 5 hours. On eastern edge of War Memorial Park.
- Central Six Retail Park, Warwick Road, Coventry CV3 6TA - Max 3 hours free in main car park, max 2 hours free in small car park. Follow under railway footbridge to join route at end of bridge at Grosvenor Road/Westminster Road junction.
- Coventry Railway Station, Station Square/Eaton Road, Coventry CV1 2GT - Mon-Fri £12 all day, Sat/Sun £5. Multi-storey. Ahead on tree-lined pedestrian area, over ring road, then fork L to pedestrian crossing over Warwick Road and ahead to join route at James Starley statue on Greyfriars Green.
- For Coventry city centre car parks, see <https://carparkmaps.co.uk/carparks/Coventry>
- Coventry Rugby Club, Butts Road, Coventry CV1 3GE - Mon-Fri max £4, Sat-Sun £1 per hour. TL to pedestrian crossing, cross Butts Road and join route at junction with Upper Spon Street.

Public transport

- Warwick University bus interchange. Routes 11 to Coventry/Kenilworth and Leamington; 12X and 14 to Coventry; and U1 to Leamington. At path junction between lakes, instead of TR as in route description, TL on tarmac path between halls of residence, then under passageway between buildings. Cross Piazza and ahead on University Road to bus stops.
- Cannon Hill Road/The Shrubberies bus stop. Route 19 to Coventry.
- Top Green Park bus stop. All buses from the stop on the same side of the road as the route go to Coventry. From the other side (stop 60m further along road) routes 12X to Warwick University; 87 and 87A to Solihull; 89 (infrequent) to Warwick University, Berkswell, Meriden, Hampton-in-Arden, Catherine de Barnes and Solihull; and X17 to Kenilworth, Leamington and Warwick. Other routes which stop here aren't useful for recceing (the 24 runs to Kenilworth, but goes the long way round and takes ages).
- King Henry VIII School bus stop. Route 11 to Coventry/Warwick University, Kenilworth and Leamington.
- Coventry station and bus stop. On the lines from Birmingham New Street to London Euston, and to Kenilworth and Leamington; routes 11 to Warwick University, Kenilworth and Leamington, and X17 to Kenilworth, Leamington and Warwick. For bus stop, instead of continuing on footbridge all the way to the end, take steps down to retail park. From there to the station, follow path alongside railway line and under bridge.
- Pool Meadow Bus Station. Routes to pretty much everywhere in Coventry itself, as well as nearby towns/villages and X1 to Meriden, Solihull and Birmingham. At Sainsbury's on corner, TR to pedestrian crossing on Fairfax Street and cross road to bus station opposite.
- The Arches bus stop. Routes 6 and 18 to Coventry, 14 to Coventry/Warwick University.

Food and drink

- Various cafes and bars on Warwick University campus – mostly in the Rootes Building (on the left as you reach the Piazza following the above directions), Students Union (on the right) and Arts Centre (directly ahead across road).
- Starbucks in Esso garage on A45.
- War Memorial Park - café in visitor centre, Park Gelato 200m further along on L.
- Burger King. Instead of continuing on footbridge all the way to the end, take steps down to retail park. At bottom of steps, turn around, then ahead for 100m, passing American Golf.
- Loads of pubs, cafes and restaurants in Coventry city centre. Not so many self-catering options – Trinity Street Sainsbury's and the Nisa convenience store opposite it are the main ones.
- Old Dyers Arms
- Spon End Fish Bar
- Railway Bar and Grill

Toilets

- Warwick University – toilets in Rootes Building, Students Union and Arts Centre, see directions above.
- War Memorial Park – toilets behind visitor centre.
- Pool Meadow Bus Station

Accommodation

- Warwick University offers rooms on campus during student holidays, and in the conference centres year-round.
 - Hylands Hotel, 151-153 Warwick Road, Coventry CV3 6AU. Directly on route
 - Many options in Coventry city centre
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Section 12 Coventry to Meriden

Parking

- Shopping Parade, Holyhead Road, Coventry CV5 8HU – FREE (not Tesco – 30 mins max!). Directly on route.
- The Queen's Head, Old Road, Meriden CV7 7JP – FREE. TR out of car park for 250m to join route where path reaches road at metal kissing gate.
- Village Hall car park, Main Road, Meriden CV7 7NG – FREE. Directly on route.
- Manor Hotel (Best Western), Main Road, Meriden CV7 7NH – FREE. Directly on route.

Public transport

- Holyhead Road/Grayswood Avenue bus stop. Routes 7 and 7B to Coventry; 82 to Coventry/Meriden, Hampton-in-Arden, Catherine-de-Barnes and Solihull; X1 to Coventry/Meriden and Birmingham.
- The Windmill Hill/Bree Close bus stop. At end of Butt Lane, instead of continuing ahead into Washbrook Lane as per route description, TL on The Windmill Hill for 40m. Routes 7 and 7B to Coventry.
- Main Road/Church Lane bus stop. Routes 82 to Coventry/Hampton-in-Arden, Catherine-de-Barnes and Solihull and X1 to Coventry/Birmingham.

Food and drink

- Kan San (Chinese takeaway)
- Tesco Express
- Coundon Fish Bar
- Queen's Head
- Marco Pierre White Steakhouse, Bar & Grill
- If you detour from the route to see the National Cyclists Memorial and Meriden Cross, there are two convenience stores and a fish and chip shop on the Green.

Toilets

- Nursery Tavern, Lord Street – from Coventry checkpoint, double back to Spon End, TR for 400m, TL and the pub is on the right in 50m.

Accommodation

- The Jacobean Hotel, Holyhead Road, Coventry CV5 8HX. 100m from route – path from back of hotel joins route along River Sherbourne.
 - Manor Hotel (Best Western), Main Road, Meriden CV7 7NH. Directly on route.
 - Bulls Head, Main Road, Meriden CV7 7NN. 230m from route along Main Road.
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Section 13 Meriden to Barston

Parking

- The Barn at Berryfields, Berkswell Road, Meriden CV7 7LB – FREE. Check opening times. On same road as checkpoint, 500m to south.
- Church Lane layby, Meriden CV7 7HX – FREE. By Church Farm – join route at corner of lane, where footpath meets it.
- Lavender Hall Lane, Berkswell CV7 7BL – FREE. Join route on Church Lane. Signposted.
- Meriden Road layby, Berkswell CV7 7BE - FREE. TR onto Lavender Hall Lane then down Church Lane to join route.
- The Bear Inn, Spencer's Lane, Berkswell CV7 7BB – FREE. From pub, TR on Spencer's Lane to junction, TL to cross road then down Lavender Hall Lane and onto Church Lane to join route. Car park access on Coventry Rd.
- Laybys at end of Marsh Lane, Hampton-in-Arden B92 0AW – FREE. Closed dusk till dawn. Directly on route.
- The Bulls Head, Barston Lane, Barston B92 0JU - FREE. Directly on route.

Public transport

- Despite the name, Berkswell station is actually in Balsall Common, 1.7km south of the route.
- Hampton-in-Arden Church bus stop (for buses towards Solihull)/White Lion bus stop (for buses towards Coventry). Continue on footpaths into village instead of turning south towards Barston. Route 82 to Coventry/Catherine-de-Barnes and Solihull.
- Hampton-in-Arden station. Continue on footpaths into village instead of turning south towards Barston. On line between Birmingham New Street and Coventry.
- Barston is not served by public transport – the nearest bus stop is in Eastcote, 1.7km away along Barston Lane.

Food and drink

- The Barn at Berryfields, 500m south of checkpoint on Berkswell Lane.
- The Bear Inn
- Store & Stove deli
- Tap in Berkswell churchyard
- Lincoln Farm Truck Stop
- Hampton-in-Arden has two restaurants, a café, convenience store and bakery.
- The Bulls Head

Toilets

- No standalone public toilets – your best option is to stop at one of the pubs and use the toilets there.

Accommodation

- Broadwell Guest House, Berkswell Rd, Meriden CV7 7LB. On same road as checkpoint, 200m to south.
- Fentham House, Church Lane, Meriden CV7 7HX. 250m from route at corner of Church Lane.
- Bilbury House Guest House, Kenilworth Road, Hampton-in-Arden B92 0LR. Close to where route crosses A45. There are other options further south towards Balsall Common on the same road.

- White Lion, 10 High Street, Hampton-in-Arden B92V0AA and Hampton Manor, Shadowbrook Lane, Hampton-in-Arden B92 0EN. Respectively 350m and 550m from route; continue on footpaths into village instead of turning south towards Barston.
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Section 14 Barston to Solihull

Parking

- The Boat Inn, Hampton Lane, Catherine-de-Barnes B91 2TJ – FREE. Nisa shop opposite. From pub, TR for 80m to cross canal bridge. Immediately after bridge, TR on track then TR again down steps. At bottom, TR again on towpath to join route.

Public transport

- Warwick Road/Jacobean Lane bus stop. Approaching canal bridge 75, FR off towpath then TL up steps, at top through gap and TL to cross bridge. AH on enclosed path, then cross stile and along RH edge of field to exit at WKG in far corner onto farm drive. TL on drive, cross stile to L of gates to reach farm exit at corner of Jacobean Lane. AH on lane 270m to junction and TR to bus stop. Routes 87 and 87A to Solihull/Warwick University and Coventry, 88, 88A and A8 to Solihull; stop for buses towards Coventry is 20m from the junction on the same side of the road, for buses towards Solihull a further 20m along on the opposite side.
- Boat Inn bus stop. Directions as for pub (below). Route 82 to Solihull/Hampton-in-Arden, Meriden and Coventry; 223 to Solihull. Stop for buses towards Coventry is directly opposite the pub, for buses towards Solihull on the same side of the road as the pub 70m further on.
- Damson Lane/Lugtrout Lane bus stop. Approaching canal bridge 78B, FR off towpath, up steps. and TL to cross bridge. Routes X12 to Birmingham/Solihull and A1 to Solihull. Stop for buses towards Solihull is on the same side of the road 20m after crossing the canal bridge, for buses towards Birmingham on the opposite side 50m further on.
- Lode Lane/Henley Crescent bus stop. Directly on route. Routes 58 to Olton/Solihull, 72 and 73 to Solihull, and X2 to Birmingham/Solihull.
- Note that buses advertising “Solihull” as their destination usually terminate at either the station or the shopping area in the town centre. To reach the route from there you need to connect to one of the bus stops listed above – 87, 87A, 88, 88A or A7 to Jacobean Lane; 82 or 223 to Catherine-de-Barnes; X12 to Lugtrout Lane; or 58, 72, 73 or X2 to Henley Crescent.

Food and drink

- The Boat Inn. Approaching canal bridge 78, FR off towpath to road, TL over bridge and AH 80m to pub on L.
- Nisa convenience store – opposite Boat Inn.
- Silhill Brewery – FR off towpath to road as above, but TR away from bridge for 80m and TR down drive to brewery.
- The Kitchen – on corner of Damson Lane/Lugtrout Lane, directions as for bus stop.

Toilets

- Renewal Solihull Family Centre. On reaching gates to Scout Hall drive, continue on Lode Lane for a further 400m to pedestrian crossing at junction. Cross road, TL then TR into Boulton Road (Renewal Conference Centre with cross on R). Ahead 100m to junction where TR into Vulcan Road. AH 100m and cross road to Family Centre at end.

Accommodation

- Various options in Solihull, mostly around 2km from the rou
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Section 15 Solihull to Hay Mills

Parking

- Olton Railway Station, Warwick Road, Solihull B92 7AR - FREE. Max 3 hours. Down steps from car park, cross road at pedestrian crossing. TL by Saxon King on Horse sculpture outside station, past bus stops, down Station Drive to mini-roundabout. TR on Richmond Road, under railway bridge, cross side road Braemar Road, cross canal bridge then immediately TR down sloping path to join canal towpath. TR under bridge to join route.

Public transport

- Olton station and bus stops. On lines from Birmingham Moor Street to Warwick and Leamington, and to Stratford-upon-Avon; bus routes 58 and A12 to Solihull. Approaching canal bridge 84, FR off towpath up sloping path. At top, TL on pavement of Richmond Road, cross canal bridge, cross side road Braemar Road, under railway bridge and at mini-roundabout TL on Station Drive to station.
- The Avenue/Lincoln Road North bus stop. Route A12 to Olton and Solihull. After canal bridge 85, TR up steps then at top TR on pavement between blue railings. At end of railings cross road, TR to junction, cross road ahead and TL to bus stop.
- Acocks Green station. On lines from Birmingham Moor Street to Warwick and Leamington, and to Stratford-upon-Avon. Approaching canal bridge 86, TR off towpath up zigzagging steps. At top TL between bollards and over bridge. Before path reaches end of cul-de-sac, TR up step through gap in metal fence. Ahead on path through trees, canal below to R. Path bends L away from canal. Down steps, pass bench on L. At path junction with green bench, ahead (SP The Avenue/The Millennium Main Gate). Cross bridge over brook, passing hand sculpture on L. At next path junction, TL with green metal fence on R. Ahead on path, past animal and bird murals on L (*these are part of the Arts in the Yard project, which also administers St Cyprian's Memorial Hall*), round barrier to L of "Westley Vale Millennium Garden" gate to pavement. Cross road and ahead on RH pavement of Roberts Road. Under railway bridge and immediately, TR up access road to station car park.
- Yardley Road/Mansfield Road bus stop. Route 11A to Sarehole Mill and Billesley (near HQ) – although it's the same route number, you have to change buses in Acocks Green. Approaching canal bridge 86A, double back to R up zigzagging path. At top TL onto foot/cycle path and around green metal barrier to pavement. Bus stop is on R.
- Kings Road/James Road bus stop. Route 41 to Sparkhill (near River Cole path). On reaching Kings Road, instead of going ahead on pavement, TL on pavement over canal bridge. Bus stop is on L 80m after crossing bridge.
- Tyseley station. On reaching Kings Road, instead of going ahead on pavement, TL on pavement over canal bridge. In 330m, at junction, cross Redfern Road and continue on LH pavement of Kings Road. In a further 350m, at junction, TR to cross road and ahead into Wharfedale Road. Station entrance is on R in 40m.
- Coventry Road/Kings Road bus stop. Routes 60 to Birmingham; X1 to Birmingham/Meriden and Coventry; and X2 to Birmingham/Solihull. On reaching A45, TR for 25m to stop for buses towards Birmingham; continue a further 60m to pedestrian crossing, cross road and on opposite side TL for 75m to stop for buses towards Meriden, Coventry and Solihull.

Food and drink

- Oriental Jade Café. Approaching canal bridge 83, FR off towpath up steps with green railings on both sides. At top, TR on pavement of Castle Lane for 60m to corner of Knightsbridge Road.
- Happy Heart Café. Approaching canal bridge 84, FR off towpath up sloping path. At top, TR on pavement of Richmond Road for 15m, café is on R.
- Lincoln Fish Bar and Balti Pickles Indian takeaway. After canal bridge 85, TR up steps then at top TL on pavement. Ahead 130m to junction with Pierce Avenue. Chippy is on L, takeaway on opposite side of road after junction.
- Marshall's Coffee Shop and Bar, The Great Western pub, and Big John's fish and chips. Approaching canal bridge 86, TR off towpath up brick steps. TL between bollards and over bridge. Ahead on path to emerge at end of cul-de-sac (Woodcock Lane). Ahead on pavement 150m to junction with The Avenue. TR and ahead 400m to junction with Yardley Road. TL at junction for coffee shop and pub, or TR for chippy.
- Terry's One Stop convenience store.

Toilets

- Renewal Solihull Family Centre close to Solihull checkpoint, as per directions in Barston to Solihull section.

Accommodation

- Elmdon Lodge Hotel, 20-24 Elmdon Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham B27 6LH and Night Stay – Beta House, 61 Cottesbrook Road, Birmingham B27 6LE. Respectively 200m and 25m from route as the crow flies, but 750m and 1km on foot due to lack of a canal bridge in the right place! Follow directions for Acocks Green station above as far as the path junction after the hand sculpture, then instead of turning L, ahead up steps to end of Malvern Road. Ahead to end and TR on Yardley Road; Elmdon Road is the next turning on the R, Cottesbrook Road the one after that.
 - Yardley Lodge, 224a Yardley Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham B27 6LR. 200m from route.
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Section 16 Hay Mills to Moseley

Parking

- Sarehole Mill, Cole Bank Road, Birmingham B13 0BD – FREE. Locked overnight. Directly on route.
- Moseley Bog, Yardley Wood Road, Birmingham B13 9JX - FREE. Follow paths through bog to emerge at end of cul-de-sac Pensby Close. Ahead to junction, TR then TL onto Thirlmere Drive. At junction with main road (Wake Green Road), cross and through gap to L of green metal barrier onto path. Ahead 150m across grassed area to path at far end, and TR on path to join route.
- Yardley Wood Station, Highfield Road, Birmingham B28 0BY – FREE. From main station car park, TL for 240m (from secondary car park, TL for 150m). Cross road via traffic island before mini-roundabout. TL for 20m on path which forks R away from pavement, then at path junction TR. In 50m, at next path junction, TL and cross road to bus stop to join route.
- Billesley Common, Yardley Wood Road, Birmingham B1 0HN - FREE public parking before entrance to RFC. Plenty of parking at RFC during event.

Public transport

- Small Heath station. On lines from Birmingham Moor Street to Warwick and Leamington, and to Stratford-upon-Avon. Instead of leaving canal towpath at the Ackers, continue on it for a further 700m to next bridge. After passing under bridge, TR up steps to road. TL on pavement for 80m, cross road at pedestrian crossing, TL on RH pavement and AH 110m, crossing side road, to station entrance on R.
- Warwick Road/Manor Farm Road bus stop. Routes 4 and 4A to Birmingham/Solihull. On reaching Warwick Road pedestrian crossing, continue past it for stop for buses towards Solihull. Stop for buses towards Birmingham is on the other side of the business park entrance, in front of the plane.
- College Arms bus stop. Route 6 to Birmingham/Solihull. Stop for buses towards Solihull is outside the pub on Stratford Road; for buses towards Birmingham it's just after the path to Greet Mill Meadows.
- Sarehole Mill bus stop. Routes 5 to Birmingham/Solihull, 11A anticlockwise circular to Acocks Green (change there for Mansfield Road stop near GUC) and 11C clockwise circular to Billesley (near HQ). Stop for buses towards Solihull and Acocks Green is 30m to L of exit from car park; for buses towards Birmingham and Billesley it's 60m to R on opposite side of pedestrian crossing.
- Hall Green station. On line between Birmingham Moor Street and Stratford-upon-Avon. From Sarehole Mill car park, TL on Cole Bank Road, crossing River Cole Bridge. Straight on at roundabout, then in 500m, at junction, cross road at pedestrian crossing and TL on Stratford Road. In 80m TR into Welby Road, then in a further 80m station entrance is on L.
- Yardley Wood station. On line between Birmingham Moor Street and Stratford-upon-Avon. Where River Cole path emerges on Tritford Road, TL to junction, TL again onto Highfield Road and at end of barrier cross road via traffic island. On opposite side TL, cross side road Brookwood Avenue, and station entrance is on R in 240m.
- Chinn Brook bus stop. Routes 3 to Birmingham; 27 to Northfield, Frankley and Rubery; and 76 to Northfield (long way round)/Solihull. Directly on route.
- Haunch Lane/Yardley Wood Road bus stop. Routes 18 to Kings Norton and Northfield; 27 to Northfield, Frankley and Rubery; and 76 to Northfield (long way round)/Solihull. Directly on route.

Food and drink

- The College Arms. To L of where route crosses Stratford Road.
- Sarehole Mill café
- Beholden Cantonese and Chinese takeaway. At path junction by Chinn Brook, TR on path away from brook; takeaway is directly opposite exit from park.

Toilets

- Sarehole Mill museum

Accommodation

- None close to this section of the route, but many options in central Birmingham accessible by bus/train.

See Section 1 for public transport, food and accommodation close to HQ.