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Main Route



Point of interest



Description: Meander along the Grand Union Canal, whilst stopping and spending time to view art murals stretched along the waterway. As part of the Local Growth Fund, art murals have been welcomed along Leicester's waterways, taking inspiration from wildlife and Leicester, brightening up the canal for all to enjoy. The route also takes a detour through Abbey Park, Leicester's premier park which lies approximately one mile north of the city centre. This trail has been brought to you with the help of GraffWerk, the Leicester based street art agency, and the Canal & River Trust.



Canal Art Walk GraffWerks. Canal & River Trust

Start location: Charter Street Bridge, Charter Street, Grand Union Canal, Leicester, LE1 3UD

Time taken: 40 minutes

Distance: 2 kilometres / 1.2 miles

Directions:

1. From Charter Street Bridge (1) turn left onto the Grand Union Canal Towpath.
2. Continue straight ahead, keeping the canal on your left.
3. When you reach St Margaret's Way (2) art mural turn 180 degrees and begin to re-trace your steps back along the canal towards Charter Street Bridge.
4. Exit the canal towpath at Charter Street Bridge and turn left into Abbey Park (3).
5. Bear left, before turning right onto the path that runs parallel to the Grand Union Canal, passing the boating lake on your left.
6. Continue ahead on the path, passing the park's bandstand on your left.
7. Turn right at Park House (4), and exit Abbey Park through Gate A.
8. Turn right onto Abbey Park Road, being careful of the passing traffic.
9. On Abbey Park Road (5) turn right onto the Grand Union Canal towpath.
10. Continue straight ahead, keeping the canal on your left.
11. On your left you will pass Lime Kiln Lock (6) art mural.
12. Continue straight ahead.
13. On your left you will pass Morningside Arena (7) art mural.
14. Continue straight ahead until you reach Charter Street Bridge, your end destination.



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Points of interest:

1. Charter Street Bridge
2. St Margaret's Way art mural
3. Abbey Park
4. Park House
5. Abbey Park Road, entrance to canal towpath
6. Lime Kiln Lock art mural
7. Morningside Arena art mural

Safety tips:

- Be aware that surfaces may be uneven, please keep aware of the terrain below your feet
- Surfaces may change due to weather so make sure to bring along appropriate footwear and anything further you may need to enjoy your walk
- Be aware of surrounding traffic
- Remember to observe the guidance on social distancing
- Pavements and paths are used and enjoyed in different ways, please be considerate to other users