Rail Trails Worcestershire

COTSWOLD & MALVERN LINE > Circ Walk 03 | 5.4 kms / 3.4 Miles | > 2.0 Hrs | Climb

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Worcester Circular Walk

0-500 ft

Easy

Worcestershire Rail Network



The Wyre Valley Line



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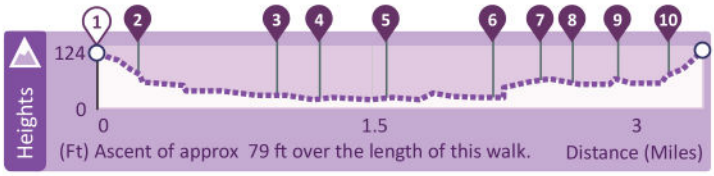
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SHORT

EXTENDED

Map Key

- Road/track
- Bridleway
- Footpath
- Route keypoints
- Public house
- Ascent/Descent
- Picnic site
- Viewpoint
- Take care!
- Click for live link
- Information
- Landscape feature
- Cafe
- Parking
- Church



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Lowesmoor railway bridge



Lowesmoor railway bridge
In 1815, a canal connecting Birmingham to Worcester revolutionised freight transport, but railways soon supplanted canals. Around 1860, a railway from Worcester to Hereford was constructed including this bridge.

Commandery
The Commandery is a beautiful building and garden. It is most famous for being the Royalist Headquarters during the deciding battle of the English Civil War, the Battle of Worcester 1651.

Worcester Cathedral
Although founded in 680, the present building was begun in 1084. Built on the banks of the River Severn, it is famous for its Norman crypt and a striking chapter house. King John, who died in 1216, is buried there.

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Directions

1. From station L to follow access road. At traffic lights cross to pedestrian refuge then L over another set of traffic lights to a high brick wall. R here to follow pavement down to canal.

2. At bridge L to join canal towpath. Follow towpath until just after The Anchor pub. Pass between two buildings with Diglis Basin Marina straight ahead.

3. R on path with marina on both sides to cross a swing footbridge. Immediately R to cross another swing bridge then L along canal towpath passing two large locks to the River Severn. **At this point the longer route continues L and the shorter route continues R.**

4. To follow the shorter route. R over swing bridge to continue alongside the river passing Diglis Hotel then a tree covered section to where there's an archway between two high stone walls on the R. (This is an access point for the Cathedral).

4. Continue by river on Kleve Walk to the City's main road bridge. Cross the road with care. Continue with river on your L to drop down steps then under the railway viaduct.

4. After passing under the viaduct R to cross road and on cycle footway next to racecourse on L. Continue over pedestrian crossing with the viaduct on your R. Pass R under the fourth arch then immediately L to follow walkway with viaduct now on your L.

5. Where second road crosses L underneath the viaduct and follow pavement around to the R. Where the road turns L continue straight on an alleyway between tall building to pedestrian crossing. (Foregate Street station is to the R. If joining from Foregate St station R out of the station to follow directions from point 8).

6. Continue straight on Pierpoint Street then R. After passing under railway bridge L on Sansome Place. At end of Lion Court continue on footway then up steps to canal.

7. R over bridge to drop down L onto canal towpath. After passing under modern pedestrian bridge follow ramp up to road.

8. L here to follow the outward route on the L side of the road to the traffic lights and back to the station.

At point 4 to follow the longer route L on riverside path.

A. Climb up and over pedestrian bridge. Continue, passing locks on your R, to ramp up to cycle foot bridge.

B. R over bridge then R again to follow path on the opposite side of the river. Continue passing the new Fish Ladder on Diglis Weir to the City's main road bridge.

C. Use the pedestrian crossings to continue on the riverside path to a second cycle foot bridge over the river.

D. R to cross the river and drop down to Point 6 on the shorter route. Cross the road L to follow the shorter route to pass Foregate Street station and back to Shrub Hill station.

Diglis Basin
The Diglis Basin and Marina in Worcester holds a rich history intertwined with the city's industrial past and its connection to water transport.

Originally constructed as part of the Worcester and Birmingham Canal in the late 18th century, the basin served as a vital hub for the transportation of goods, particularly coal and other raw materials essential to the region's industries.

Over time, as Worcester's industrial landscape evolved, the basin adapted, eventually transitioning into a marina for leisure craft and boats.

Diglis River Lock
This is the gateway to the Severn, and the largest and deepest river lock on the English inland waterways. It could take boats up to 42m long and 7m wide, the maximum size to fit into Worcester Lock, with the ability to carry 450 tons of oil.

Worcester Cricket ground
The home of Worcestershire County Cricket Club since 1896. It is often flooded in winter by the nearby river, and news photos have featured canoeists paddling through.



Barges moored up at the modern Diglis Marina.

Key L = Turn Left | R = Turn Right | FP = Footpath

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