

DID YOU KNOW?

DUKES DRIVE NATURE RESERVE

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Built in 1893 the Manchester Ship Canal generally follows the original route of the rivers Irwell and Mersey. Shipping cargo from abroad then had direct access to Manchester, which became one of the busiest ports in Britain.

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HIDDEN WALKING GEMS

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The Bridgewater Canal was built by Francis Egerton, Duke of Bridgewater, to transport coal from his mines at Worsley to the industrial areas of Manchester. It met with huge support from the traders of Salford and Manchester, as it reduced the price of coal.



HIDDEN WALKING GEMS in Salford

DID YOU KNOW?

The valve house at Langland Green is for the underground Thirlmere Aqueduct bringing water from the Lake District to Manchester.





FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information contact Salford Ranger Team.

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Clifton Country Park Visitor Centre, Clifton House Road, Swinton, M27 6NG

Worsley to Barton

WALK 5 FREE ROUTE MAP

APPROX 6m/9.5k

CIRCULAR WALK

WORSLEY TO BARTON HIDDEN GEMS TO EXPLORE



From Worsley courthouse walk along Barton Road downhill into Worsley village. Cross Barton Road at the pedestrian crossing



Road at the pedestrian crossing and carry on to the Bridgewater Hotel. Turn right down Farm Lane, continue walking on and then bear left onto Edenfield Lane. At the end of this road, step onto the Port Salford Greenway.



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The path winds around, keep on the main path with Monton FC pitches on your left, motorway to your right. Soon you emerge onto Grange Road. Walk straight down this road, almost to the end, turn right just before the bridge over the brook.

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Follow the path keeping the brook on your left, you'll soon find open playing fields to your right. At the end, cross the car park, walk under the motorway tunnel along Cleavley's Road. Keep to the left, inside the red line, to avoid traffic. Then continue alongside the brook along the Greenway.



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If you have time – and it's open, you can wander into the Cleavley Community Forest Garden and explore their mud kitchen, woodland walk and edible garden. Otherwise, keep going. About 50 yards on, you can cross over the brook and have the option of visiting the lovely Winton Park.

PORT SALFORD GREENWAY IS A 3K WALKING/CYCLING ROUTE BETWEEN WORSLEY VILLAGE AND PEEL GREEN

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Follow the winding road for a while, then after the second block of flats on your right, take an unmarked path down the right just before the convenience store. Follow this path as it winds around between the back of the houses and a stream to your right. Eventually you come out at Langland Green.

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Walk around the railings of the big stone building, a valve house, bear right, and take the path behind the houses. When you exit the path onto a



disused road, turn left, walk back towards the houses, and then and at the gate take a path on your right. You are now standing at the edge of the Manchester Ship Canal. Walk up here, between houses and canal. At the end, return to Langland Road, then turn right and right again back onto Peel Green Road. Continue along Peel Green Road until you reach the traffic lights and cross Barton Road. Turn right and head towards Barton Swing Road Bridge. Just before the bridge there are steps down into Barton Pocket park where you get a view of Barton Swing Aqueduct, a unique structure carrying the Bridgewater



Canal over the Manchester Ship Canal. Also here are the remains of the original stone aqueduct over the River Irwell (now the ship canal).

LOOK OUT FOR THE OLD STONEMASONS' MARKS IN THE ORIGINAL STONEWORK OF THE BARTON AQUEDUCT

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After viewing the aqueduct turn left along the wooden decked path and onto the road. Turn left and then cross to the right at the traffic lights. Walk up Barton Road until you can step onto the Bridgewater Canal towpath on the right. Keep to the Bridgewater Canal towpath for about a mile. When you get to the lighthouse, come up onto Parrin Lane, cross over the canal, look for the turning left into Dukes Drive Car Park.

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If you visit the park return to this point to continue the walk. Otherwise, keep on straight, brook on your left, green railings on your right, then after some time passing trees and wildflowers and more playing fields on your right, go underneath the railway tunnel. At the other end of the tunnel, turn right. Soon after, bear left, along the main path, following signs to the AJ Bell Stadium.

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Keep walking straight along the main path. After some distance, you should pop out onto a small road, where you turn left, cross the brook, walk into the housing estate. Continue straight along Hallsworth Road, then turn right onto Schofield Road, follow this to the end onto the main road. At the main road, turn left and cross via the pedestrian crossing. Carry on in the same direction and turn right onto Peel Green Road.

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Walk up through Dukes Drive nature reserve, keeping the canal to your left (although it is out of sight for a while) cross a boardwalk and then pick up the towpath. Follow this path with open fields on your right, until it exits onto Worsley Road by the thatched cottages opposite the school. Turn left onto Worsley Road, pass the rows of cottages until you reach Worsley Green. Cross the green and head for the stone monument at the bottom corner of the green, cross the canal by the iron bridge which will bring you back to Worsley Village. Turn right, back to the courthouse.