

Kingsbury Water Park Club

Site – Longer Walk

Camping and Caravanning



Route Summary



Kingsbury Water Park attracts about 200,000 visitors a year and its network of paths wind around more than 30 lakes and pools. Linking them all together can be a bit confusing on a first visit but this pleasant walk gives a good overview of the park and real flavour of the landscape.

Route Overview



Category: Walking

Rating: Unrated

Surface: Moderate

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Difficulty: Easy

Length: 5.870 km / 3.67 mi

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Description



KINGSBURY WATER PARK CIRCULAR



The delightful walk around Kingsbury Water Park

This pleasant route helps you find your way around the maze of paths, pools and lakes that make up wonderful Kingsbury Water Park. During the walk you'll see lots of water, meet other walkers and dog walkers as well as have the chance to call in at the Visitor Centre and Café. You'll also see – and can take a ride on, if you fancy – Echills Wood Miniature Railway.

The going is mainly easy but there are paths heading off in all directions so take your time and make sure you are heading the right way each time you change direction. It might be worth carrying Ordnance Survey Explorer Map 232 - Nuneaton and Tamworth to help with this. Kingsbury Water Park also produces a good guide and map that's available from the Visitor Centre or from reception at the Club Site.

Take care with children and supervise them closely with all the water around. There is a small section of road walking involved, and if using a GPS you will find it gives a reading of 4 miles for the walk. The route should take you about 2 to 2.5 hours to complete.

THE ROUTE



A typical view of Kingsbury Water Park

START - Leave Kingsbury Water Park Club Site on the approach lane and go right, passing the entrance to the Outdoor Adventure and Education Centre and continuing up the lane. Pass a pool on your right and follow the road as it bends sharply right at a junction by a sign for Broomey Croft Children's Farm. Go left at a 'Dead End' sign by ornamental gates and walk to the main road. Cross over to the pavement and go left. Cross the motorway bridge. Continue ahead on the pavement to reach the entrance for Kingsbury Water Park to your left. Cross the road to enter the park. Bear left down to the main car park and Visitor Centre.

2 - Go right of the Visitor Centre to reach a large directional signpost.



Signpost in the car park

Follow the direction for Waymarked Walks and go around the car park to reach Echills Wood Miniature Railway Station and another signpost. Go right of the signpost and the station, following a surfaced track that soon runs next to

the railway line. This is Heart Of England Way. At a junction after a play area go left, signposted Pedal Boats. At the next junction go left again and at a further junction (with a blue marker post) go right. Cross a bridge and continue walking with a large pool (Bodmoor Heath Water) on your left.



Walking in Kingsbury Water Park

At the next junction the path bends left. Follow it into the trees. At a road and crossing point (where the orange route goes ahead) go left, following the road to Tamworth Sailing Club. Follow the lane with lakes now on both sides and pass a car park. At the next crossroad of tracks, by a blue marker post (and with a lake on the left), go left then immediately right and walk to another road. Go left for a short distance to reach a junction and here take the Blue Route and Permissive Bridleway past another lake.



Information board on the lakeside path

Go right at the next junction. You'll reach a track. Go right on it past a barrier to reach a lake. In a few paces, by some large gates, go left to pass between bushes to a surfaced track.

3 - Go right and at the next junction go left on the blue route and walk to the right of Swann Pool. At a junction head around to the left and pass Pine Pool, which will be on your right. At the next junction curve left next to a road (the

A4097). Continue straight on with the road on your right.



Walking in this area of Kingsbury Water Park

Continue on this path, passing odd blue markers but always staying ahead on the Blue Permissive Bridleway. The path keeps near the road and goes up and down a bit. The path eventually reaches an open area and heads towards a bridge following the River Tame. When the path forks near a lane take the right fork to reach a lane by a bridge. Cross the track and continue ahead on a surfaced track (Permissive Bridleway) passing a barrier. Continue on past another lake. After Kingsbury Village (to the right), you'll reach a junction by another bridge.

4 - Go left to cross a bridge and reach a path junction. Go right and immediately curve left around a lake. At the next junction (at a sign for Pedal Boats) go right, staying right at the junction. Continue to a crossroads, heading left to a large car park/lane. Go through this past some toilets to reach a junction by a barrier and another Pedal Boats sign. Go right and at the next junction go left (by a dog bin) and continue past Club Pool. At a junction follow the path left and head straight on at the next junction towards a bridge under the motorway.



Heading towards the bridge under the motorway

Follow a sign saying 'Campsite 1/3 mile' to reach the underpass.

5 - Go under the underpass, carrying straight on. Pass between Moor Ash Pool (left) and Gibsons Pool (right). Carry straight on at the next junction and at the following junction (by a sign), go half right to reach a lane. Go left to walk back to the Club Site entrance and your pitch.

Waypoints

