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Audlem along the tranquil Shropshire Union Canal from Wrenbury

Cruise this route from : Wrenbury

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Cruising Days : 4.00 to 0.00

Cruising Time : 16.00

Total Distance : 28.00

Number of Locks : 28

Number of Tunnels : 0

Number of Aqueducts : 0

Cruise along the lovely Shropshire Union Canal to the historic Cheshire Market town of Nantwich with its fine Tudor buildings and enjoy the tranquil landscape along this canal to Audlem.



Cruising Notes

Day 1

From Wrenbury marina turn east you will soon encounter your first Lift bridge, if it is down you need to get your windlass out and let someone off the boat to open it up.

There are 3 locks at Baddiley but apart from that the countryside is flat, rich farmland.

You can moor up after a couple of hours cruising by Halls lane bridge 12, and take the track to Ravensmoor where you will find the Farmers Arms serving real ale & meals.

Day 2

There are 2 locks at Swanley but no more until you reach the end of the Llangollen canal at Hurleston, where there are 4 in quick succession. Hurleston reservoir is off to the left.

Turn right down the Shropshire Union canal at Hurleston Junction.

Nantwich will soon be off to your right, the Canalbasin is busy, the old canalside cheese warehouses are still in existence.

Nantwich has been prosperous since Roman time because of its Salt springs. The town in in fine Tudor style, the Cheshire cat inn is an interesting building. Nantwich museum in Pillory Street gives an insight into the life and times of an historic market town. The Players Theatre in Love lane, has regular productions throughout the year. There are numerous pubs and restaurants and shops etc in this busy market town.

It is 3 hours cruising from Halls Lane bridge 12 to here.

The rural countryside continues and you can moor up and turn before Hack Green Locks and walk along the canal to Bridge 85 where the Secret Bunker is signposted from the canal.

The Bunker is described as a unique and exciting day out, discovering the secret world of Nuclear government, as the bunker would have become home to the select few in the event of a Nuclear strike. It is too sinister for some, but it is the chance to see the underground paraphernalia required to support existence in the face of a nuclear holocaust. Tel 01270 629219.

After visiting the Bunker you might like to cruise onto the village of Audlem, which is a well kept canalside village with a few pubs and stores.

You can turn around just before Moss hall bridge 79 just before the village, to avoid the Audlem flight of locks , you can walk into Audlem which is off to your left, with pubs canalside and by bridge 78. Audlem village is a place to get supplies in, just a short walk from the Shroppie, with most shops available along with a tourist information and post office.

It is 6 hours cruising from last nights stop to here.

Days 3 & 4

Cruise back to Wrenbury

Useful Links

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