

UK Canal Boating

Escape with a canal boating holiday!

Lapworth Flight from Alvechurch

Cruise this route from : Alvechurch

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Cruising Days : 4.00 to 0.00

Cruising Time : 14.00

Total Distance : 32.00

Number of Locks : 0

Number of Tunnels : 4

Number of Aqueducts : 0

Briefly heading north, then turning down on the Stratford Canal towards Stratford, this relaxing route involves no locks at all, so ideal for novices who don't want a city route but lovely peaceful scenery.

The views around the "Lapworth Flight" (of 18 locks) are stunning, and a leisurely walk along the canal side from the top lock allows you to take in the atmosphere without the effort of travelling through yourself!

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Cruising Notes

Day 1

Once setting off from Alvechurch, you soon leave the traffic behind and cruise through lovely Worcestershire countryside to your 1st Tunnel at Wast Hills which at 2726 yards is one of the longest in the country!

For your 1st nights stop it is nice to cruise for an hour to Hopwood & then stop by Bridge 67 where there is a convenient pub- The Hopwood House, by the Canal.

Day 2

Continuing on through the Tunnel, for those with children you might want to make a short detour to Cadbury World which is 1 mile north of the Kings Norton Junction (booking is advisable) (You will need to moor up at the Kings Norton Junction).

Before you turn off at the Kings Norton Junction, onto the Stratford on Avon canal, there is an old Canal House on your left, and as you turn you will see the interesting guillotine mechanism of the now disused Stop Lock which was balanced by chains & counterweights.

The Canal briefly passes through a small tunnel & the quiet residential outskirts of Birmingham before leaving it behind and passing out into open country.

There are very few villages along this stretch, but there is a steel lift bridge which is lowered & raised electrically, and you will need your British waterways key for this. One button does all!

The Canal continues through the countryside until you get to Hockley Heath where you can moor up & get refreshment at the nearby Wharf Inn. Tomorrow you can turn around just after Bridge 27.

Day 3

Day 4

It is 7 hours cruising back to Alvechurch,

Useful Links

Description : Cadbury World

Website : <http://www.cadburyworld.co.uk/>

Telephone : 0844 880 7667

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