




- 1** From the bus stop by Shireoaks Marina, walk up Marina Drive and turn left onto foot-way along the edge of the marina. Turn right over the footbridge and join the towpath. Follow it, crossing the road with care, and continue on to the bridge (no 37) below Cinderhill Lock. Turn right and follow the path going under the railway line and around the field edge to join the access track at Brancliffe Grange.
- 2** Turn left and follow the track round to the right for a few yards as far as the signposted path off to the left. Follow this alongside a mini canal (a feeder channel carrying water from the River Ryton to the canal). Continue over the railway line, first checking carefully it's clear, and continue alongside the feeder to the pretty hamlet of Turnerwood. There's a small seasonal tea and ice cream kiosk here.
- 3** Turn left along the towpath and pass several locks along a very scenic stretch of canal back to Cinderhill Bridge (hard to imagine that it was only reopened in 2002 after restoration). Cross and take the canal side path, then turn right onto the clear path to Shireoaks village passing fishing ponds on the way.
- 4** Turn right over the bridge then left along the wide track leading past more fishing lakes and the Hewett Arms pub, though opening hours are limited. This is a very picturesque area and ahead there are 2 French style lodges, now in a state of disrepair, leading to Shireoaks Hall. Continue round the pond, then keep left and continue to the road.
- 5** Cross the road and continue on the field path. Go left over the footbridge and up the drive of the sports club. Turn right at the road and then left onto Marina Drive once more. A few yards on, take the bridleway off to the right, then turn quickly right again. Continue on the clear path, bearing right at each fork in the path, then down the flight of steps (the fitness trail on the way is optional!).
- 6** Cross the road and go left on the towpath, pass Doefield Dun Lock and several others on the way back to the centre of Worksop. The large Lock Keeper pub/restaurant is next to Deep Lock. At Town Lock, continue under the road to the wharf, with the splendid straddle warehouse ahead (there's a coffee shop here). Turn right to join the main shopping street and the end of the walk.

**MAP KEY**

-  Route
-  Bus Stops
-  Refreshments



Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs  
 Leave gates and property as you find them  
 Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home  
 Keep dogs under close control  
 Consider other people

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## SHIREOAKS MARINA AND COLLIERY

The marina houses one of the largest collection of boats on the canal. It was built on the site of the basin where coal from the nearby colliery was loaded onto boats; the last load left in 1949 and the colliery closed in 1990. The surrounding area has been reclaimed into an attractive country park.

## DAWN ROSE

Usually moored beside the marina footway is a replica of the unique style of working boats that used the canal; they were always horse drawn. The boat was constructed by volunteers using original tools and materials and it's towed along the canal on some summer Sundays.

## BRANCLIFFE GRANGE

The farm was once an outpost of Roche Abbey near Maltby and visited by Cistercian Monks.

## WATER SUPPLY

Canals use lots of water, especially for locks. The canal feeder near Brancliffe Grange carries a steady flow of water to the canal from the River Ryton almost a mile away. It's sometimes compared to the extensive network of levadas, well known to walkers on Madeira.

## TURNERWOOD

A picturesque cluster of canal-side cottages alongside a basin once used for loading stone from nearby quarries.

## GIANT'S STAIRCASE

There are 23 locks up from Boundary Lock through the Turnerwood and Thorpe flights, with more in a mile than any other canal in England. It was named the Giant's Staircase in Victorian times when it was a tourist attraction. Scenery hereabouts is a delight.

# About Bus Walks

## Lincolnshire InterConnect bus walks

- 1** Faldingworth Market Rasen (linear) 7.25 miles
- 2** Nettleton Market Rasen (linear) 7.75 miles
- 3** Cabourne Laceby (linear) 7.5 miles
- 4** Hagworthingham Fulletby Horncastle (linear) 8.5 miles
- 5** Candlesby Gunby Hall Bratoft Burgh le Marsh (linear) 4.5 miles
- 6** Burgh le Marsh Skegness (linear) 5 miles
- 7** Gainsborough Knaith Park Willingham Stow Minster (linear) 8 miles

## Nottinghamshire bus walks

- 8** Wakeringham Gringley on the Hill (linear) 8.5 miles
- 9** Babworth Retford (linear) 6.5 miles
- 10** Retford Clarborough Hayton Clayworth (linear) 7 miles
- 11** Shireoaks Worksop (linear) 5.5 miles
- 12** Worksop Retford (linear) 10.5 miles

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for walk information

The Bus Walks provide a series of suggested walks across the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire countryside. Bus stops are located at the start and finish of these walks, delivering you to some of the most beautiful spots Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire have to offer.

The walks appeal to all types of people, from families and occasional walkers to the lone traveller and experienced ramblers. You can explore the stunning scenery, discover wildlife havens or simply enjoy a picnic in a picturesque spot. Whatever your age, group size or motivation, the Bus Walks provide a great way to get outdoors and enjoy an active lifestyle.



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# Bus Walk Information

- Distance** 5.5 miles, 8.75 km
- Time** Approx. 2.5 - 3 hours at a leisurely pace
- Maps** OS Landranger 120
- Terrain** Surfaced towpath and good tracks, one flight of steps

### Refreshments

Sandwich bar and convenience shop in Shireoaks, seasonal tea/ice cream cabin at Turnerwood, Lock Keeper pub restaurant, Cuckoo Wharf Coffee Shop at finish

### Toilets

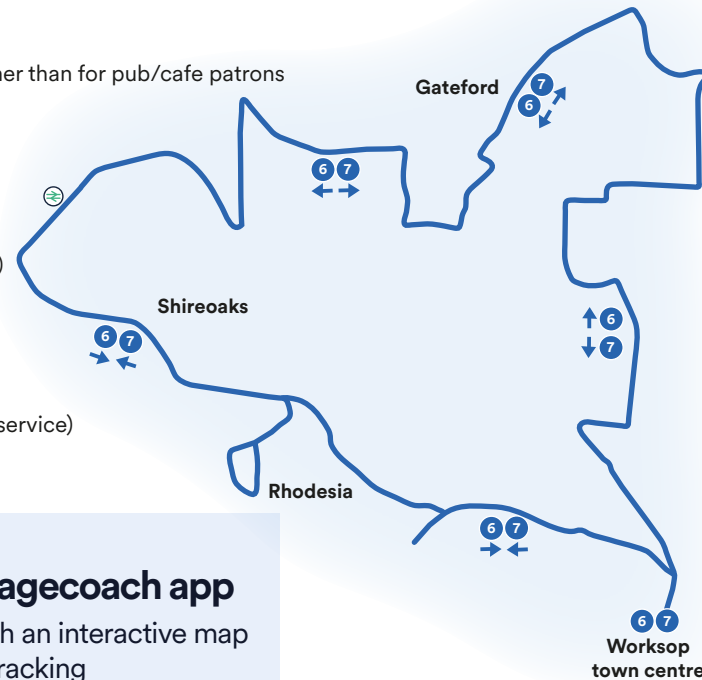
Worksop town centre only, other than for pub/cafe patrons

### Bus Route

7 - fastest - or 6 from Worksop bus station (not Sundays or Bank Holidays)

### Train

Shireoaks station is close to the start point (Sheffield -Lincoln line; 7 day service)



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# Bus Walks

Shireoaks Worksop

5.5 miles  
Linear Route  
**Walk 11**

