



Explore the Cam Valley Cycle Route

Explore the Cam Valley by bike with this detailed circular map, highlighting routes, stations, attractions, and refreshment stops along the way.



Cycle the whole loop or one or more station to station sections.



Distance: 40 Miles



Taking your bike on the train



Combining cycling with rail travel is an easy and rewarding way to explore the Cam Valley and beyond.

Train companies have different policies on carrying bikes, including travel times, reservations and limits on numbers. Before you travel, check the latest guidance for your journey to avoid any surprises. Full details are available on the relevant train operator's website, see links below.

More info

greateranglia

greateranglia.co.uk/travel-information/your-journey/cycling



Great Northern

greatnorthernrail.com/travel-information/onboard-travel/bringing-a-bike



crosscountry

crosscountrytrains.co.uk/travel-information/on-board/bikes-and-cyclists



CAM VALLEY
Community Rail Partnership

The Cam Valley Community Rail Partnership works to connect people with their local railway and the places it serves, as well as showcase the Cam Valley as a place to visit, live and work.

More info

Find out more on our website:

camvalleycrp.org.uk



Look out for walks from nearby stations. GPX files for all routes are available to download so you can explore more of the Cam Valley.

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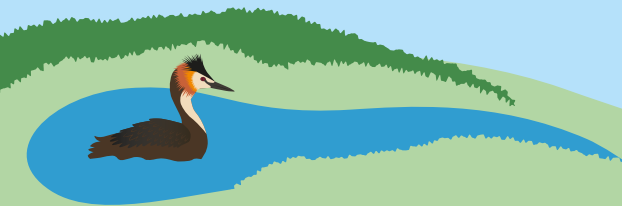
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The Guildhall,
Whittlesford

The Cam Valley

Set out to explore the Cam Valley, where the rivers and streams wind through open countryside and charming villages beneath wide expansive skies.

With its flat terrain and quiet routes, it's perfect for relaxed riding, but there's plenty to discover along the way.

Attractions on the way

Cycling through the Cam Valley might be your main goal, but there are great places to visit along the route.

Shepreth Wildlife Park

Just a short walk from Shepreth Station, Shepreth Wildlife Park offers a chance to see a wide range of animals, from meerkats and primates to reptiles and birds of prey, making it a great stop for all ages.

RSPB Fowlmere Nature Reserve

RSPB Fowlmere Nature Reserve is a peaceful and wildlife-rich escape, where reedbeds, ponds and grassland attract a variety of birds, offering a relaxing place to pause and explore.

Imperial War Museum Duxford

Imperial War Museum Duxford, set on a historic airfield, is Europe's largest aviation museum, showcasing an impressive collection of aircraft and exhibitions.

Wimpole Estate (National Trust)

Wimpole Estate combines parkland, farmland and a grand country house, with miles of traffic-free paths making it an ideal place to extend your ride or take a break.

Cycling the route

This flexible circular route can be enjoyed your way! Ride the full loop for a rewarding day out or dip in and out using stations along the route. Whether you're tackling the whole journey or exploring shorter sections, it's easy to shape your own adventure in the Cam Valley.

Most of the route is gentle, but Chapel Hill between Barrington and Haslingfield adds a short, steeper climb with wide countryside views. For a flatter option, follow the alternative route via Shepreth and Foxton. Take it at your own pace and enjoy the ride.

Public toilets are limited along the route. Facilities are available at Trumpington Park and Ride, and at attractions, cafes and pubs, so plan ahead before you set out.

Wimpole Estate



The Rose, Staplesford

With railway stations located around the route, cyclists can combine train and bike to enjoy the route as a longer loop or a series of shorter, car free journeys.



Cambridge South to Shelford

Approximately 2 miles

From Cambridge South Station, ride south along Francis Crick Avenue through the Cambridge Biomedical Campus. Join the DNA Path, a distinctive off-road route alongside the railway, marked by double-helix sculptures, which leads directly to Great Shelford.

Shelford to Whittlesford

Approximately 4.8 miles

Leave Great Shelford via London Road towards Sawston. At the Rose Pub you can turn left to reach Stapleford Granary, an arts centre with café. Opposite the pub, cross Cambridge Road onto the off-road path to Sawston.

At New Road turn right, cross the A1301 and the railway, then follow the largely off-road Sawston to Whittlesford cycle path through meadows, crossing the River Cam. In Whittlesford village, Duxford Road leads to Whittlesford Parkway Station. Note that only the Cambridge Platform is accessible from Station Road without steps.

Whittlesford to Meldreth

Approximately 15 miles

Leave Whittlesford via High Street and Whippetree Road, cycling on quiet country roads through Cam Valley villages, each with its own traditional pub. At Thriplow, site of the Daffodil Festival each March, a quiet route leads to IWM Duxford.

At Fowlmere, there is an optional detour to the RSPB nature reserve. Join the segregated cycle path at Melbourn before continuing to Meldreth.

Meldreth to Shepreth

Approximately 10 miles

Note that only the Cambridge-bound platform at Meldreth Station is accessible without steps.

Follow Meldreth High Street to Malton Road and onward to Orwell, with an optional detour to the National Trust's Wimpole Estate. From Barrington, either turn left through the village and over Chapel Hill, the highest point on the loop, rejoining at Harston, or turn right to Shepreth.

Shepreth to Foxton

Approximately 1.5 miles

The cycle path beside the A10 gives a smooth ride to Foxton railway station.

Foxton to Cambridge South

Approximately 6 miles

Continue north on the A10 cycle path through Harston. An off-road option through Trumpington Meadows Country Park links to the Guided Busway cycle path, returning you to Cambridge South and completing the loop.

Refreshments on the way

Cambridge South

- The Hub, AstraZeneca
- Stir

Great Shelford

- Shelford Deli
- Days Bakery
- Brunch Base
- The Square & Compasses
- The Plough

Stapleford

- The Three Horseshoes
- The Granary Café
- The Rose

Whittlesford

- The Tickell Arms
- Red Lion Inn
- Bees in the Wall

Newton

- The Queens Head
- Days Bakery

Thriplow

- The Green Man

Fowlmere

- The Chequers
- Café Amigo

Melbourn

- Hot Numbers
- Jamaica Blue
- Melbourn Community Hub
- The Dolphin
- The Black Horse

Meldreth

- The British Queen

Orwell

- The Chequers

Wimpole Estate

- Courtyard Café
- The Old Rectory Restaurant

Barrington

- The Royal Oak

Shepreth

- The Plough
- The Green Man

Foxton

- The White Horse
- Printworks Café

Haslingfield

- Mohak Café

Harston

- The Queens Head
- Nadia's Café
- Fitzbillies