

GENERAL ROUTE DESCRIPTION

This is a linear path of around 2.5km that branches off to visit several bird hides facing out towards the many shallow lagoons at Rutland Water, which are home to a diverse range of waterfowl. The path is primarily compacted stone with some loose stones and some areas of tarmac and wood walkways. The route is mostly flat with some gentle slopes including ramps to hides and the Anglian Water Birdwatching Centre.

In heavy rain there may be standing water on the paths.

Access to the reserve is through low access hand gates which open to a width of at least 1 metre.



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Rutland Water Nature Reserve, Egleton

Countryside for all In Rutland



A mobility scooter is available for hire at the Anglian Water Birdwatching Centre.

Opening times: 9am-5pm March-October 9am-4pm November-February (permits are required and can be purchased from the Anglian Water Birdwatching Centre)

Location: Access to the visitors centre is through Egleton village off the A6006/A6003, Oakham

Post Code: LE15 8BT

Parking: There is a tarmac car park with a level tarmac path to the Birdwatching Centre. There are two parking spaces for the disabled outside the Birdwatching Centre.

Public transport: Public Transport: For information and timetables see www.travelineeastmidlands.co.uk

Accessible public toilets: In the Anglian Water Birdwatching Centre, please see the map

Refreshments: Available from the Anglian Water Birdwatching Centre

Further information: To find out more please visit <http://www.rutlandwater.org.uk/about-the-reserve/>

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Rutland Water Nature Reserve comprises of 1,000 Acres of globally significant wetland on the western side of Rutland Water. With over 25,000 waterfowl recorded regularly in winter, and holding SSSI, SPA and RAMSAR status, it is a haven for wildlife.

The Reserve is owned by Anglian Water, and managed by the Leicestershire and Rutland Wildlife Trust. With over 30 hides, a gift shop and regular events running from the Anglian Water Birdwatching Centre, there is plenty to see and do!



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Map Scale

100m



key

- Tarmac path
- Compacted stone track 3 metres wide
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- Wooden walkway with wire mesh overlay
- Direction
- Parking
- Disabled parking
- Pedestrian Gate greater than 1m wide
- Footbridge
- Information Board
- Bird Hide Wheelchair accessible door width 88cms
- Bench
- View Point
- Visitor Centre
- Accessible toilet
- Uphill section
1:10 max gradient of slope
6m length of slope
- Uphill Ramp with resting spaces wood and wire surface
1:10 max gradient of slope
6m length of slope
- Downhill section
1:10 max gradient of slope
6m length of slope
- Slope across path
1:10 max gradient of slope
6m length of slope
- Access Ramp
1:10 max gradient of slope
6m length of slope

Only slopes with gradients over 1:25 and cross slopes over 1:33 are shown on the maps. Paths are at least 1 metre wide unless shown otherwise.

Guide to gradients and cross-slopes:

1:4		25%
1:12		8%
1:25		4%