

straight through the traffic lights and over the road bridge and continue straight across the crossroads with **Southgate** and **Applegate** on to **Peacock Lane**.

9 Peacock Lane → St Martins → Grey Friars

Peacock Lane becomes **St Martins**. You will pass **Leicester Cathedral** on your left and the **King Richard III Visitor Centre** on your right. Take your next right onto **Grey Friars**.

10 Grey Friar → Millstone Lane → Horsefair Street → Leicester Bike Park

Continue on **Grey Friars**, crossing straight over at the cross roads. Take the next left onto **Millstone Lane**, which becomes **Horsefair Street**. Use the cycle lane. After approximately 100 metres, you will find the **Bike Park** on your right.



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Arrival at Leicester Bike Park

Park your bike safely at the Bike Park and from here you can explore the city centre.

Return Route

Retrace steps back to **Everards Meadows** along **Great Central Way/National Cycle Network Route 6**.

Route Highlights

- **Everards Meadows:** Open green space with Everards Beer Hall and Jenno's Coffee Shop.
- **Great Central Way:** A traffic-free former railway line — ideal for relaxed cycling.
- **Aylestone Meadows:** A peaceful riverside nature reserve with wide, traffic-free cycle paths close to the city centre.
- **Leicester City Centre:** A vibrant mix of historic landmarks, independent shops, a lively market and modern eateries.
- **King Richard III Visitor Centre:** An award-winning museum telling the story of Richard III's life, death and rediscovery.
- **Jewry Wall:** A Real Roman Experience: The remains of one of Britain's largest Roman bathhouses, revealing Leicester's Roman past.
- **New Walk Museum & Art Gallery:** Leicester's main museum, featuring art, natural history and Ancient Egyptian collections

Practical Information and Safety Tips

- Cobblestones on Castle View can be slippery when wet, so take extra care in rainy weather
- Shared paths; be considerate around pedestrians and dogs
- Some roads so watch out for traffic
- Industrial estate after Aylestone Meadows, watch out for vehicles
- For more information on what to see and do in the Leicester City Centre visit www.visitleicester.info

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Cycle Routes

This route is part of a series of themed routes planned for Blaby District, suitable for all abilities, from beginners to confident riders. It includes many of the area's landmarks and points of interest. Leaflets are available at Specialized Leicester at Everards Meadows or via the website www.visitblaby.org.uk/cycle-routes

Cycle Hire

If you're visiting Blaby District without a bike, you can still enjoy local trails and routes by hiring one from Specialized Leicester at Everards Meadows. Bikes for all ages and abilities are available. With ample parking and direct access to the Great Central Way, it's easy to ditch the car. Pre-book in store, by phone, or online.

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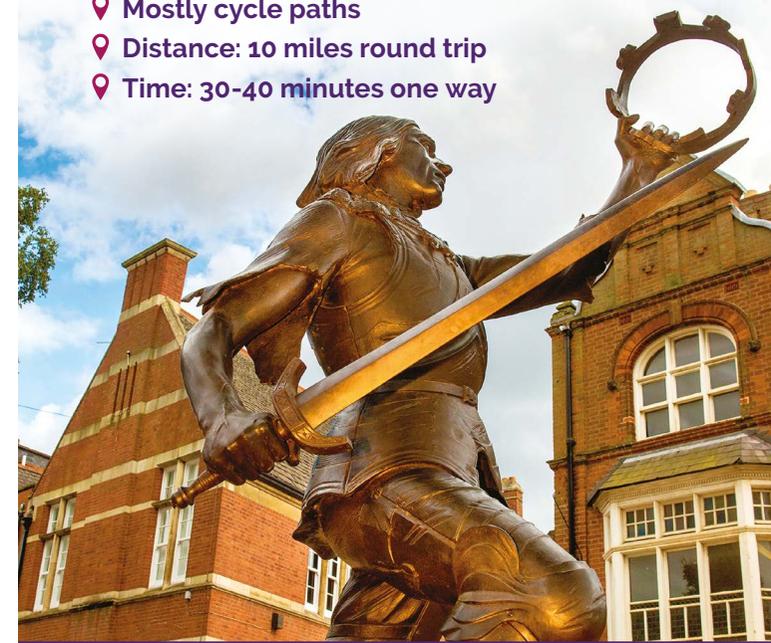
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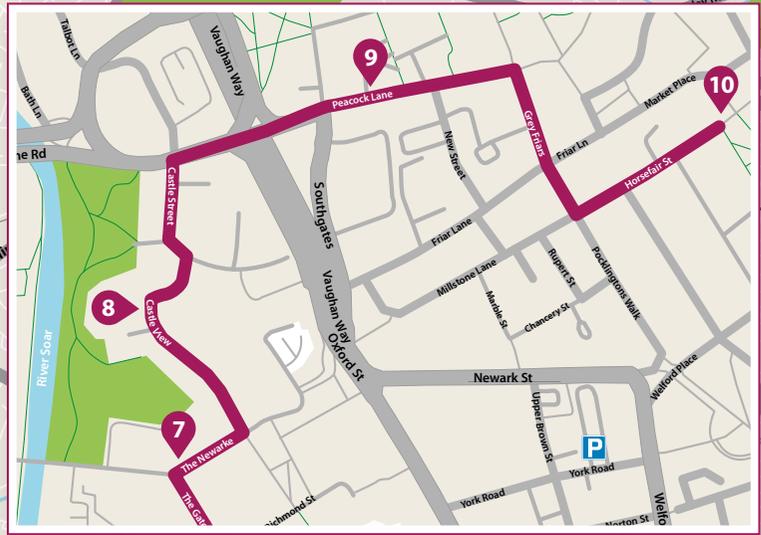


Everards Meadows → Leicester City Centre Cycle Route

A mostly traffic free route along
National Cycle Route 6 from Everards
Meadows to Leicester City Centre

- 📍 Easy
- 📍 Mostly cycle paths
- 📍 Distance: 10 miles round trip
- 📍 Time: 30-40 minutes one way





**Everards Meadows to Leicester City Centre:
Step-by-Step Directions**
Starting point: Everards Meadows



- Bike hire
- Parks
- Parking
- Coffee shops
- Pub/Restaurant
- Shopping



1 Everards Meadows → Great Central Way
Exit the Specialized shop and head left across **Everards Meadows**, following the paths round to the right and then bend to the left towards the waterways. First, cross **Meadows Bridge** over the **River Soar**, then continue to cross the **Blue Bank Bridge** over the canal. Take care at both crossings and watch for pedestrians and other path users. After the bridges, turn left onto the **Great Central Way** (part of National Cycle Route 6), following the blue cycle signs towards **Leicester city centre**.

2 Great Central Way → Aylestone Meadows
Follow the **Great Central Way** and continue along the traffic-free path, passing under **Soar Valley Way**. The route runs alongside **Aylestone Meadows**, stay on the path as it curves northeast toward **Leicester city centre**.

3 Aylestone Meadows → Midland Railway Bridge
Continuing straight ahead. You will cross three minor roads into the industrial estates – take care and watch for vehicles. You will pass under the historic **Midland Railway Bridge** from the former Great Central Railway line. After the bridge, continue towards the city.

4 Cross Upperton Road → Bede Park
At the end of the path, carefully cross **Upperton Road** at the pedestrian/cycle crossing. Continue along the cycle path until you reach the mini roundabout at the entrance to **Bede Park**.

5 Bede Park → Mill Lane
At the mini roundabout, turn right following signs for the city centre, keeping the park on your left, towards the **De Montfort University Campus**. Cross **Mill Lane Bridge** over the River Soar and continue onto **MILL LANE**.

6 Mill Lane → The Gateway
Continue straight into the **university campus**. Turn left between the **Food Village** and **Mill Studios** onto **The Gateway**.

7 The Gateway → The Newarke → Castle View
Follow **The Gateway** to the T-junction. Turn right onto **The Newarke**, then take your first left into **Castle View**.

8 Castle View → Castle Street → Peacock Lane
Follow the cobbled road through the archway. You will pass **St Mary de Castro Church** on your right. At the end of the road turn left onto **Castle Street**, continue to the main road. Turn right onto the cycle path and continue