



Poacher Line

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RADCLIFFE TO NOTTINGHAM

3 ¼ hour walk

Starting from Radcliffe on Trent Railway Station, this walk takes you from the picturesque countryside to the vibrant, bustling city using quiet lanes and paths along the river Trent and Beeston Canal. Take in the breath-taking river views and explore the wide range of shops, restaurants and amenities along the way.



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START

Radcliffe on Trent Railway Station, Shelford Road

Public car parks in Radcliffe or Nottingham.

WALK LOCATION

East of Nottingham, South of the River Trent

Grid Reference: SK 648 394

WALK LENGTH

10 ½ km (6 ½ miles) - Up to 3 ¼ hours to complete

The walk uses surfaced paths and quiet lanes, which may be muddy and uneven in places.

REFRESHMENTS

There's plenty of choice in both Radcliffe and Nottingham

Including a restaurant at the National Water Sports Centre. Public toilets also available.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

TRAIN TIMES

National Rail Enquiries

Tel: 03457 484950

www.nationalrail.co.uk

East Midlands Railway

Tel: 03457 125678

www.eastmidlandsrailway.co.uk

BUS INFORMATION

Lincolnshire County Council

lincolnshire.gov.uk/busrailtravel

Lincsbus.info

Traveline.info

TOURIST INFORMATION

Tourist information Centre

Tel: 01522 526450

www.visitlincolnshire.com

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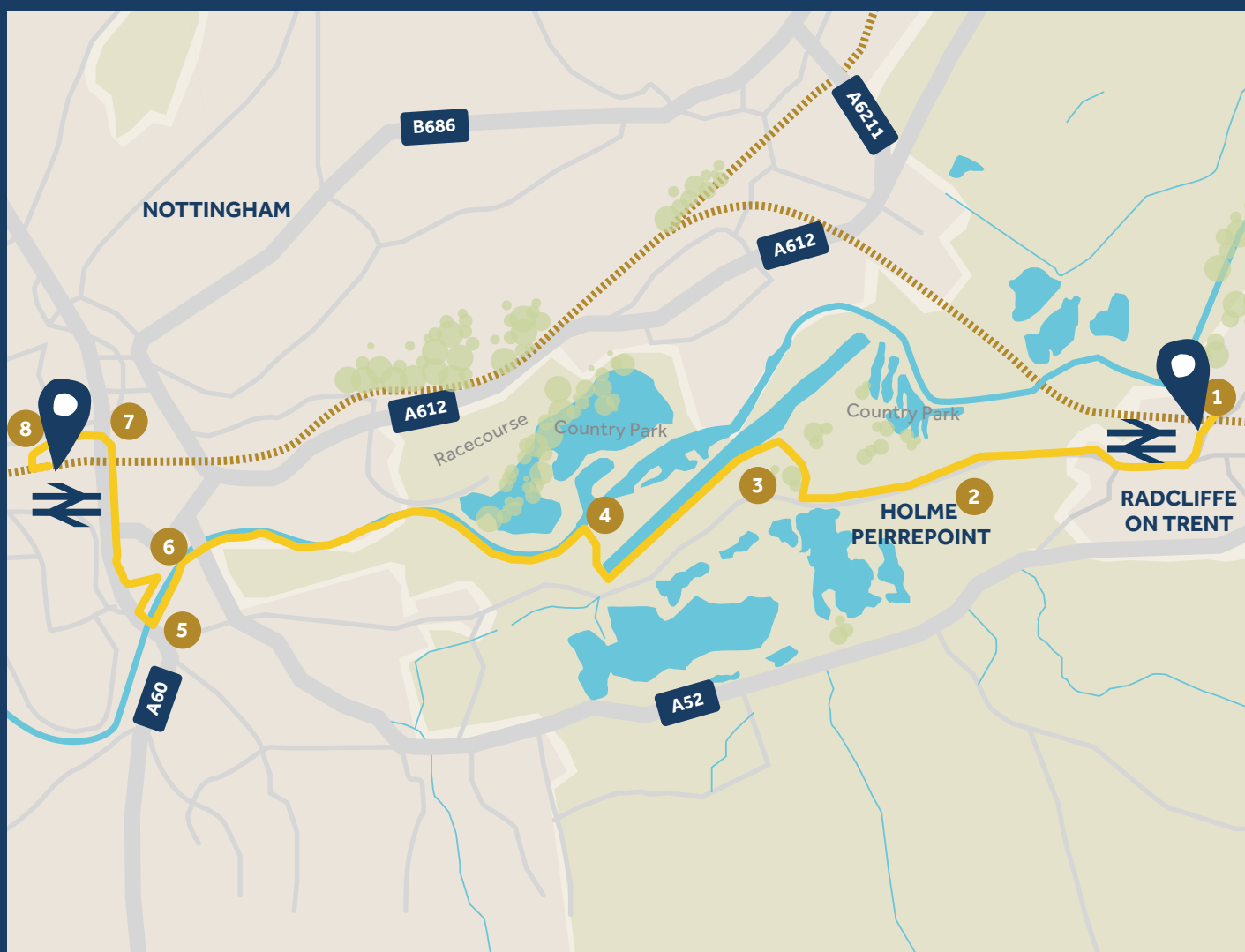


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MAP & DIRECTIONS

Please note: All our walks can be done in the reverse direction if required



Nottingham to Skegness Take the Poacherline

- Nottingham
- Netherfield
- Radcliffe
- Bingham
- Aslockton
- Elton & Orston
- Bottesford
- Grantham
- Ancaster
- Rauceby
- Sleaford
- Heckington
- Swineshead
- Hubberts Bridge
- Boston
- Thorpe Culvert
- Wainfleet
- Havenhouse
- Skegness

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- 1 Leave Radcliffe on Trent railway station and turn left at the main road (Shelford Road). Continue straight on and at the mini roundabout turn right, signposted to Nottingham.

Walk past St Mary's Church and then take the second road on the right called "The Green" and signposted Sustrans Route 15 Nottingham (via Holme Pierrepont).

Follow the road as it leads out of Radcliffe and becomes Holme Lane. The lane passes under the railway bridge and continue straight along for approximately 1 km (3/4 mile).

- 2 Just before Holme Pierrepont Hall a lane bears to the right but continue straight on along Holme Lane, which is signed "Private Road unsuitable for motor vehicles". From this point the lane is unsurfaced for a short distance.

Look out for St Edmunds Parish Church on the right and then Hackett Lake on the left. Immediately after the Blotts Country Hotel turn right onto a surfaced track that runs between a lake (to the right) and woodland (to the left).

At the T-junction turn left, over a small rise that reveals the water sport lake ahead. Continue along the path to the water's edge and turn left.

- 3 Follow the path along the waterside; go past the National Water Sports Centre to the end of the lake. Turn right following the water's edge along the end of the lake and then go up the steps to the road.

At the road turn right and follow the road to the car park entrance. Beware of traffic along this section.

- 4 Bear left through the car park to the Trent river bank, there is a Trent Valley Way waymark at the river's edge. Turn left and follow the Trent Valley Way along the river bank.

The Trent is approximately 274km long from its source at Biddulph Moor in Staffordshire to the Humber Estuary and is the nation's third longest river.

It is one of only two tidal rivers in England, the other being the River Severn.

The route is unsurfaced past the sailing club but continues along the river bank through a gate where the path is surfaced, again continuing along the river.

Look out for the buildings on the opposite bank that have been painted to look like a ship. Continue to follow the path along the river bank; do not follow paths that lead away from the river.

The path then passes under a road bridge and then over a small canal footbridge.

Pass under the football stadium (the Brain Clough Stand) and then the rowing clubs to the left, leaving the Trent path before the road bridge along the road that leads to the main road at the top of the bridge.

- 5 Turn right and cross the bridge and immediately on the other side of the bridge turn right and take the path back down to the river side.

Turn left towards the football stadium now on the opposite bank and follow the river bank path to Meadow Lock on Beeston Canal.

- 6 Now follow the towpath to the right of the canal that provides a route to the city centre. Pass under several road bridges - the path appears to come to an end but follow the path over the bridge and back down to the opposite bank of the canal and continue. The canal turns sharp left and passes under London Road Bridge.

- 7 Continue straight along the canal towpath, there are now residential high-rise dwellings to each side. Pass under Trent Street Bridge and then Carrington Street Bridge.

Immediately after Carrington Street Bridge turn left and exit from the canal up to Carrington Street.

- 8 Turn right at the road and then cross over at the pedestrian crossing, keep heading in the same direction and cross Station Road pedestrian crossing to the Railway Station straight ahead on the left.



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Poacher Line Railway Walks

This linear walk links Radcliffe and Nottingham railway stations on the southern Lincolnshire edge. The 78 miles of railway line between Nottingham and Skegness is known as the Poacher Line and is a community rail line/service. Community rail lines aim to involve local people in the development and running of local and rural routes, services and stations.

This is one of five linear walks linking stations on the Poacher Line. If you have enjoyed this walk why not try the others:

1) Radcliffe to Nottingham	10½km	(6½ miles)
2) Bottesford to Aslockton	10 km	(6 miles)
3) Grantham to Bottesford	15 km	(9½ miles)
4) Ancaster to Sleaford	10½ km	(6½ miles)
5) Skegness to Wainfleet	12 km	(7½ miles)

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Please remember the countryside is a place where people live and work and where wildlife makes its home. To protect the countryside for other visitors please respect it and on every visit follow the Countryside Code. Thank you.

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

**Most of all enjoy
your visit to the
countryside!**

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If you would like to request a copy of this leaflet in an alternative format or a different language please contact Lincolnshire County Council Countryside Access Team: **Tel: 01522 782070**
Email: countryside_access@lincolnshire.gov.uk

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