



One of our Hidden Gems



## Explore Pocklington Canal

Most of Pocklington Canal lies within a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). It's one of the best places on the canal system to spot birds, insects, small mammals and plants.




**STAY SAFE:**  
Stay Away From the Edge

## Melbourne to Canal Head



Map not to scale:  
covers approx 4½ miles/7.2km

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# Inspire me

Pocklington Canal is a broad canal that runs for almost ten miles (15.3 km) through nine locks. It was built to allow Yorkshire keels, which operated on the River Derwent, to use it. In the 1960s, the canal was in serious decline but thanks to a team of dedicated volunteers, much of it has been restored.



Best of all  
it's FREE!\*

## Five things to do at Pocklington Canal

- Take** a boat trip and discover more about the Pocklington Canal.
- Look for** swing bridges, quaint hump-backed bridges, restored and unrestored locks.
- Bring** binoculars to look out for uncommon wildlife such as water voles and damselflies.
- Have** a picnic on the banks of the canal and watch out for nesting birds in the reeds.
- Pack** wellies and find puddles to splash in.



## Information

Melbourne YO42 4QJ  
&  
Pocklington YO42 1NW



Parking



Information  
(Sunday &  
bank holiday  
afternoons)



Picnic



Boat trips  
(Sunday &  
bank holiday  
afternoons)



Path



Allow 3-4 hours  
for this visit

### \* Don't forget:

Although the site is always open the facilities and boat trips may not be and some may be chargeable. Please check with local business before setting out.

## Share your adventure

**Post a picture** on our Facebook page [facebook.com/canalrivertrust](https://www.facebook.com/canalrivertrust) and tell us about your best discovery.

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Family Friend!



## Explore further

Go to [canalriverexplorers.org.uk](https://www.canalriverexplorers.org.uk) to discover lots of fun things to do with the family.



“ The Canal is where I bagged my very first pet, Tommy Tadpole. And today it's where I teach my grandchildren about the simple wonders of nature. We must all look after our canals and rivers. If we don't they'll be gone. Forever. What a waste. ”

Carol, aged 56 (and still on the hunt for frogspawn).

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