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- ▲ Distance: 15 km/9¼ miles
- ▲ Walk ID: 667 Barrie England

Difficulty rating



Time

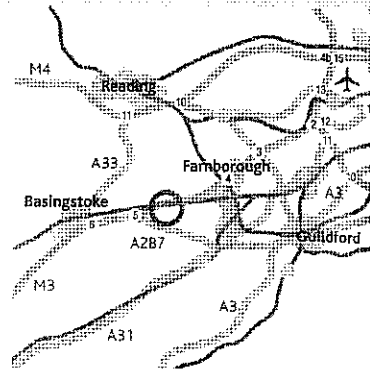


▲ Lake, Pub, Birds, Great Views

## Basingstoke Canal and Surrounding Countryside

### access information

Winchfield is on the B3016 south of the M3, off the A30 between Basingstoke and Camberley. The walk starts at the Barley Mow pub. Parking is available at the canal bridge.



Beginning and ending at Winchfield's Barley Mow pub, this walk follows part of the Basingstoke Canal and crosses open countryside. The stretch at Step 6 can be difficult after heavy rain, so an alternative is given in the 'further information'.

### further information

After heavy rain, at Step 6 continue walking to the main A287. Turn right and walk with great care on the right side of the road. After 750 m take the first right at the roundabout and follow this narrow road through Broad Oak to the bridge over the canal.

- 1 From the car park, turn left and follow the canal, walking under Blacksmith's Bridge and Double Bridge. Immediately before Chequers Bridge turn left, walk through Crookham Wharf car park, cross the road carefully and turn left, facing the oncoming traffic.
- 2 Turn left into Stroud Lane. After Willow Cottage, turn left and cross a stream and a stile. Cross the field diagonally left. Cross another stile. Follow the path up across the field, between the pylon and the woods, then down into woodland and across a stream to join a track.
- 3 Follow the track between the houses. Turn left over a stile and follow the signposted path across the field to two stiles among trees, then onto a track. Continue over another stile. Follow the narrow path between two fences. Cross a left-hand stile into a field and head to the right of a pylon. Follow the path to the road.
- 4 Cross over and follow the path opposite, beside Double Bridge Farm. Cross a stile and follow the track over Blacksmith's Bridge and down to climb another stile. Turn right, then left to walk beside Tundry Pond. At the bridge, bear left. Cross a stile and after a short distance cross another stile on the right.
- 5 Fork left and follow the path up across a field towards the barn on the horizon. Follow a track past the barn to the summit, then down past woods and Dogmersfield Lake on the right. Go slightly uphill and across another track to reach two lodges.
- 6 Turn right immediately after the lodges and follow the path through the woods to the canal. Turn left and follow the path to turn right across the canal bridge. Turn right again and down to follow the canal all the way back to Barley Mow Bridge. Walk under it and turn left to the car park.

