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Along the way

This section starts a Nicholas Everitt Park beside Oulton Broad, a perfect place to picnic in the gardens, enjoy brass band concerts, the play areas or for a something a bit noisier, a place to watch regular powerboat racing.

After leaving Oulton Broad, the walk passes through Carleton Marshes, a Suffolk Wildlife Trust reserve with over 120 acres of grazing marsh, fens and peat pools. Flower studded marshes drained by a system of dykes and grazed by cattle in summer, creates a paradise for marshland birds. Water vole may be seen and around the dykes along with special plants including the rare and protect water soldier.

On reaching the River Waveney after Carleton Marshes, look out for the sign beside the river to the ferry crossing the river to the Waveney River Centre, on the north side of the river.

This section is within the Suffolk Wildlife Trust's Suffolk Broads Living Landscape. This is a project to develop a rich landscape of wetland habitat from Lowestoft to Beccles which will be home to a host of unique Broadland species such the rare Norfolk Hawker dragonfly. Look out for Broadland birds such as marsh harriers and little egret.

Beccles is an historic market town. At one time it was a busy Saxon fishing port reputed to have been founded in 960AD. It was granted its charter in 1584 by Queen Elizabeth I. Today, Beccles is a thriving modern community but still very much in touch with its history with a well preserved square, narrow streets and fine Georgian Buildings.

Further information on this walk is available in two short sections, including more detailed maps. See Short Sections S5; Oulton Broad to North Cove and S6; North Cove to Beccles at www.norfolk.gov.uk/anglesway

Walk summary

Enjoy a quiet 10 mile river walk beside the winding, reedbed fringed River Waveney between Oulton Broad and Beccles, passing a couple of Suffolk Wildlife Trust reserves along the way.

Getting started

This section is between Oulton Broad North Station, Bridge Road, Oulton Broad (TM522930) and the Old Market in Beccles (Bus Shelter) (TM421905)

Getting there

Train: Lowestoft to Ipswich line. Oulton Broad North Station, Bridge Road, Oulton Broad and Beccles Station, Station Road, Beccles

National Rail enquiries: 08457 484950.

www.nationalrail.co.uk/

Traveline enquiries: 0871 200 22 33. www.travelineeastanglia.org.uk

Ferry cross the river from the Waveney River Centre on the north of the river to Angles way on the south of the river. Enquiries: www.waveneyrivercentre.co.uk

Maps and guides

Ordnance Survey Explorer Map OL40, The Broads, available from Ordnance Survey shop www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/oswebsite

What to expect

Riverbank footpath, marshland, several stiles, urban pavements in Oulton Broad and Beccles.

Facilities

Parking and toilets

Accommodation, camping, pubs, cafes, restaurants, shops

Further information about planning a break in this area is available from www.enjoythebroads.com and www.visit-sunrisecoast.co.uk





