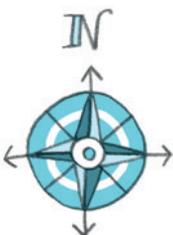




## Discover Woolsthorpe Locks

Woolsthorpe Locks at Woolsthorpe by Belvoir were designed by William Jessop, one of the finest early canal engineers. After falling into disrepair, these magnificent locks have now been restored. Take a great country walk and check them out!



  
Little adventures on your doorstep

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

## A little bit of history

The Grantham Canal was built 1793 -1798 to link the River Trent to Grantham. A successful canal, narrow boats and barges transported coal, building materials and groceries to Grantham and made the return journey with agricultural produce and wool. Woolsthorpe Locks are just part of the canal currently being restored.

Best of all  
it's FREE!\*

### Five things to do at Woolsthorpe Locks

- **Take** a boat trip and explore the Grantham Canal on the Grantham Canal Society's trip boat The Three Shires. It operates from the landing stage at Lock 18, offering 2, 3 or 4 hour cruises  
[www.granthamcanal.org/trip-boat](http://www.granthamcanal.org/trip-boat)
- **Pack** a picnic, sit by the locks and soak up 200 years of canal history
- **Explore** the local countryside: the canal features in the Grantham to Bottesford railway walk. Visit [canalrivertrust.org](http://canalrivertrust.org) for further details and search for 'Grantham Canal'.
- **Spot** dragonflies and swallows skimming the water in late spring and summer. In autumn and winter look out for buzzards
- **Visit** nearby Belvoir Castle. In 1793, the Duke of Rutland built a private tramway between the wharf at Muston Gorse and Belvoir Castle.

### Did you know?...

Coots have a **white spot** on the front of their head and moorhens have a **bright red beak tipped with yellow**, and a white stripe on their side.

### Information

Duck Lane  
Woolsthorpe by  
Belvoir Grantham  
NG32 1NY

 Parking (limited - please don't block gates/ access points)

 Café

 Pub

 Boat trips

 Path

 Allow 1-2 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 businesses before setting out.

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

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