

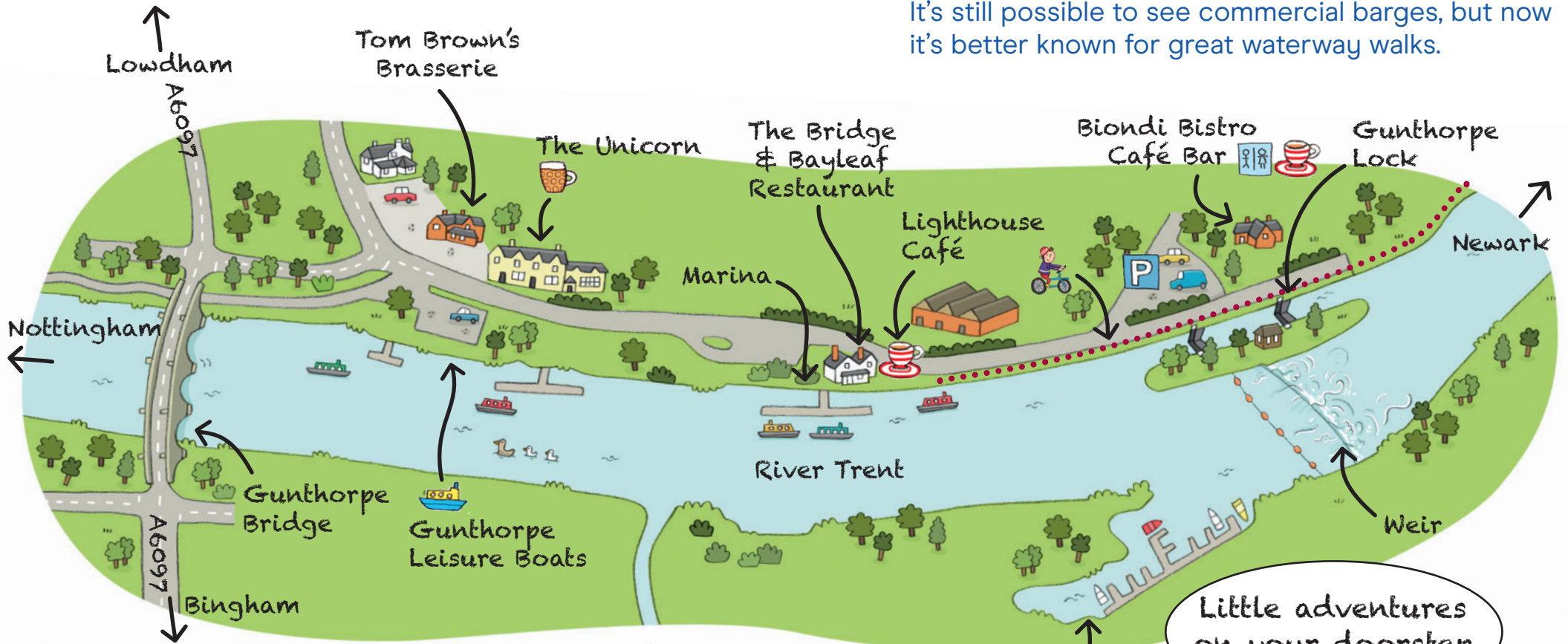


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Making life better by water

Discover Gunthorpe Lock

Gunthorpe Lock is one of the largest locks on the River Trent which was once a major trading route. It's still possible to see commercial barges, but now it's better known for great waterway walks.



STAY SAFE:
Stay Away From
the Edge



Map not to scale: covers approx 0.5 miles/0.8km



A little bit of history

The River Trent was an important trading route from earliest times. Goods were transported on flat-bottomed barges called ketches. Gunthorpe Lock was built to take up to four ketches at a time. The River Trent is still a working river but nowadays mainly used for leisure.




Best of all
it's FREE!*


Five things to do at Gunthorpe Lock

- Watch** boats as they pass through the lock. The huge bottom lock gate weighs as much as five adult elephants!
- Take** a boat trip up the river into the centre of Nottingham.
- Walk** to the historic Gunthorpe Bridge. Until it was built in the 1870s, the only way to cross the river was by ferry or ford. The present bridge was built in 1927.
- See** how many water birds you can spot and name in five minutes.
- Spot** different types of boats such as narrowboats, converted coastal cruisers and maintenance barges.

Information

Gunthorpe Lock,
Trentside, Gunthorpe
NG14 7FB

-  Parking
-  Toilets
-  Café
-  Pub
-  Cycling
-  Boat trips
-  Path


 Allow 1-1½ 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.

What to Spot


Explore the waterside together.
How many of these can you spot?




A duck quacking




The number of a bridge or lock




A fascinating insect




An interesting stone or brick



The names of two boats



A face or animal in the clouds





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