



# Canal & River Trust

Making life better by water

## Discover Hatton Locks

Boaters call Hatton Locks 'The Stairway to Heaven'. 21 locks lift boats two miles up the steep Avon Valley from Warwick, so it's easy to see why!



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

## A little bit of history

State-of-the-art locks were built at Hatton to fight off stiff competition from the roads and railways in the 1930s. When the locks were completed bands played and crowds gathered to watch the Duke of Kent arrive by boat and cut the ribbon.



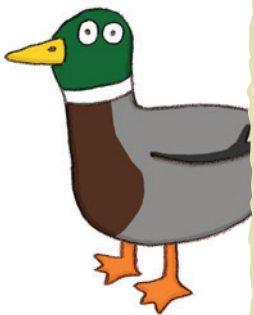
Best of all  
it's FREE!\*

### Five things to do at Hatton Locks

- **Look for** the old brick narrow locks alongside the 1930s concrete locks. The old locks were kept working during building works so trade wasn't held up.
- **Watch** boats and spot the paddle gear unique to this area. The mechanism for opening the locks is inside the paddle.
- **Go** for a family bike ride or take wellies and splash in puddles along the towpath.
- **Check out** the amazing steel sculpture of a dragonfly in the side pond.
- **Explore** the nature trail and keep an eye open for damsel and dragonflies in the summer.

### Did you know?...

Our lock gates are handbuilt by skilled carpenters in our workshops in the West Midlands and Yorkshire, from FSC Green Oak. Each one is unique and can take up to a month to make. Once built they last for about 25 years.



### Information

Hatton Locks  
Canal Rd  
Warwick CV35 7JL

-  Parking +   
(pay & display)
-  Toilets (at café)
-  Café
-  Pub
-  Information
-  Picnic
-  Cycling
-  Path
-  Allow 2-3 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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