



Explore Rudyard Lake

Just north of the bustling market town of Leek, lies the two and half mile long Rudyard Lake. Surrounded by woods, it's a great place for a family day out in the country.



Earl of Macclesfield Boathouse



STAY SAFE:
Stay Away From the Edge

A little bit of history

Rudyard Lake is a reservoir created to provide water for the canal system. In Victorian times, thousands arrived here by railway to escape the smokey atmosphere of the Potteries and Manchester. It's still a great place to escape to the countryside and enjoy walking, cycling, fishing, sailing and watching wildlife.



Best of all
it's FREE!*

Five things to do at Rudyard Lake

- Check out** the miniature narrow gauge railway that runs alongside the lake.
- Take** binoculars and look out for birds such as heron and kingfishers and other wildlife.
- Bring** a camera – it's a great place for taking photographs. There's a good online photo gallery too.
- Watch** anglers – the lake is famous for big pike.
- Get out** on the water! Try rowing, canoeing, sailing – or take the boat trip.



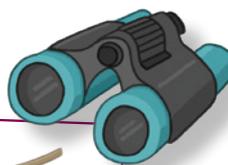
Information

Rudyard Lake
Lake Road
Leek ST13 8XB

-  Parking (pay & display)
-  Toilets
-  Café
-  Visitor Centre
-  Picnic
-  Play area
-  Boat trips
-  Path
-  Allow 2-3 hours for this visit

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



* 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 to discover lots of fun things to do with the family.



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