



Canal & River Trust

Making life better by water

Discover Standedge Tunnel



Standedge Tunnel is the longest, highest and oldest canal tunnel to be built in Britain. It's one of the wonders of the waterways. Don't miss it!



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

STAY SAFE:
Stay Away From
the Edge

A little bit of history

Standedge Tunnel was cut through the Pennines by hundreds of navvies working with nothing but picks, shovels and muscle power. It took 16 years, and after many financial and constructional difficulties, opened in 1811. More than three miles long, there's no towpath so boats were 'legged' through. Phew!

Best of all
it's FREE!*

Five things to do at Standedge Tunnel

- Take a boat trip** into the tunnel and find out what it must have been like to 'leg' boats through.
- Check out** the Visitor Centre located in an old canal warehouse. Discover more about the tunnel and how it was built.
- Visit** the Loft Space Creative hub.
- Take a break** in the Watersedge Café and enjoy a delicious snack.
- Keep an eye open** for wildlife in the Tunnel End Reservoir Nature Trail.

Information

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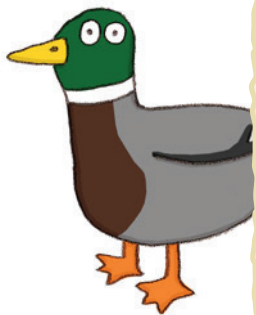
-  Parking + 
-  Toilets
-  Café
-  Visitor Centre
-  Picnic bench
-  Play area
-  Boat trips
-  Path
-  Allow half a day for this visit

Did you know?...

It's best to feed ducks tasty treats like:

- porridge oats
- rice
- peas
- chopped lettuce
- birdseed

Whilst they will gobble up white bread, crisps and chips its junk food for you and ducks!



Go to canalriverexplorers.org.uk to discover lots of fun things to do with the family.

