



Visit Stoke Lock & Woods

Stoke Lock was once busy with barges bound south for London and Nottingham. Today, it's a wonderful place for a woodland walk.

Little adventures on your doorstep



STAY SAFE:
Stay Away From the Edge

A little bit of history

Stoke Lock, built in 1923, is one of the largest locks on the mighty River Trent. In the 1920s, the main traffic was diesel barges laden with bulky cargo such as newsprint, petrol, building materials and even beer! Today, Stoke Lock is best known for the beautiful woodland walks alongside the river.

Best of all
it's FREE!*

Five things to do at Stoke Lock & Woods

- Watch** narrowboats with holiday-makers passing through the locks. Keep an eye open for barges that still occasionally use the River Trent to transport bulky goods.
- Go for a walk** in the woods (signposted) and listen out for woodland birds such as woodpeckers. See how many trees you can name along your walk.
- Take wellies** and splash about in puddles.
- Have a picnic** beside the River Trent and watch for fish – the river is famous for large pike!
- Go through** the ingenious clapper gate, only found along the River Trent. Listen as it 'claps' shut.

Information


Stoke Lock, Riverside,
Stoke Bardolph
Nottingham NG14 5HX

-  Parking (one mile to the north)
-  Toilets (if locked please ask lock keeper April-Oct)
-  Pub (one mile to the north)
-  Play area (at pub)
-  Picnic area (on grass)
-  Cycling
-  Path
-  Allow 1-2 hours for this visit

What to Spot

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

A duck quacking



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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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