Discover
Tring Reservoirs

Tring Reservoirs lie on the edge of the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. It’s one of the best places on the canal system to watch birds.
A little bit of history
Tring Reservoirs supply water to the Grand Union Canal and its two arms to Wendover and Aylesbury. The clear water attracts lots of plants, fish and insects, and large numbers of breeding, wintering and migrating birds. It’s a nature lover’s paradise. The site is managed by Herts & Middlesex Wildlife Trust.

Five things to do at Tring Reservoirs

- **Sit** in a bird hide and see how many birds you can name in 5 minutes.
- **In the summer** watch swifts and common terns swooping over the water. In the evening spot pipistrelle bats hunting for insects.
- **Explore** using way-marked circular walks. Or cycle along the canal towpath.
- **Watch** the boats: each time they cross Tring Summit water flows away through the locks on each side. In the peak season around 4 million gallons are needed each day to top up the canal.
- **Walk** to Tringford Pumping Station built in 1818 and still pumping water into the canal.

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
- The names of two boats
- A face or animal in the clouds
- An interesting stone or brick

* 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.

Information
Tring Reservoirs, Marsworth, Tring Bucks. HP23 4LL

- Parking
- Toilets (in café and pub)
- Café
- Pub

- Walks:
  - 4km/2½ miles
  - 5km/3 miles
  - 9km/5¾ miles
  - nature path

- Allow a half to full day for this visit

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

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