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# Readymade #WATERWAYDAYS at **Standedge Tunnel**

## 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!



Campaign for  
**REALTIME**



Map not to scale:  
covers approx 1/2 mile/1km



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**STAY SAFE:**  
Stay Away From  
the Edge

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Standedge Tunnel was cut through the Pennines by hundreds of navies 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!



## 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

### \* 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 business before setting out.

## Share your adventure

**Post a picture** on our Facebook page [facebook.com/canalrivertrust](https://www.facebook.com/canalrivertrust) and tell us about your best discovery.



“ The Canal is where I bagged my very first pet, Tommy Tadpole. And today it's where I teach my grandchildren about the simple wonders of nature. We must all look after our canals and rivers. If we don't they'll be gone. Forever. What a waste. ”

Carol, aged 56 (and still on the hunt for frogspawn).

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