

## **Urban Oasis**Waltham Abbey to Tottenham

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**Distance:** 3.5 miles

**Starting point:** Tottenham Marshes car park, Watermead Way, London N17 0XB

Route summary: A figure-of-eight route through Tottenham Marshes discovering the diverse wildlife of

this urban jewel. The route loops north around Wild Marsh West and over the river before heading south through Clendish Marsh returning back along the towpath

**Terrain:** Surfaced pathway including towpath, several bridges with steep inclines and large

cobbles and walk-around gates

## **Directions**

- Proceed north out of the car park (through the main entrance and exit) and cross over the main access road through the walk-around onto Marsh Triangle
- Join the surfaced pathway and proceed onto Wild Marsh West, passing over the Flood Relief Channel, Pymmes Brook
- > Continue along the path, crossing the Wildlife Wetland habitat
- Bear to the left, continuing along the path, past the Wild Flower Meadow habitat
- Continue past the entrance to Marigold Road on the left, proceeding to the northern perimeter of the marsh
- > Follow the pathway to the right, passing the Leeside entrance and proceed towards the river
- > Proceed over Chalk Bridge, following the pathway down onto the towpath
- Turn left over the green bridge, onto **Wild Marsh East** and proceed on the grass path, keeping the River Lee Diversion on your left hand side
- Follow the grass path to the right, past Sandpiper Close entrance on the left, and continue on the surfaced path back to the Green Bridge
- > Turn left onto the towpath and continue south along the river to Stonebridge Lock
- > Cross the river at the lock, the Stonebridge Lock Waterside Community Centre is on your right
- Proceed west along the main access road and turn left, through the silver walk-around and onto the surfaced pathway
- Continue past the picnic tables on your right
- > Follow the pathway, passing the two unique **community art structures**

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- Continue south along the pathway, keeping the river on your left
- > Turn right at the junction in front of the community allotments, and continue
- Follow the pathway, bearing to the right in front of the **woodland area**. (There is a short detour into the woodland area. Remain on the main pathway, turning right along the woodchip path through the woodland)
- Continue along the pathway, passing the pedestrian entrance on your left
- Continue towards the starting point past the Bee Orchid Meadow and City Viewpoint, returning to the car park

## **Toilets**

> Stonebridge Lock Waterside Community Centre

## Things to note

- Public transport links:
  - o The closest station is Northumberland Park
  - Buses run along Watermead Way
  - o Plan your journey with <u>Transport for London</u>
- > There are currently no car parking charges at Tottenham Marshes car park
  - o The site is within the <u>Ultra Low Emissions Zone</u>