

WALK

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WILDERNESS WAY

Distance: Approx. 4.25 miles / 6.8km

Duration: 1 hr 45mins leisurely

Start: A at Hatton Country World or start B The Waterman Pub. Finish: A at Hatton Country World or finish B at The Waterman Pub.

Marked blue on your plan.

START A

From the car park below Café Lavender Blue at **Hatton Country World** walk towards the tall line of Poplar trees going around the fenced ditch towards Dark Lane (do not go onto the Lane). At the end of the line of Poplars, turn left - keeping the hedge on your right and the old fruit orchard on your left. Proceed into *Park Piece* field keeping straight on, go through the hedge and the ditch and bear right. Follow the well worn path across the field and turn right onto the farm track Cole Road over the cattle grid and onto Dark Lane (caution fast traffic). Turn left onto the lane, past the farm house and past both farm entrances; turn right over the road barrier stile and through the wood keeping the motorway on your left. As you leave the wood, bear left and follow the farm track to the road. Turn right onto Station Road over the railway bridge and drop down onto the canal towpath at Hatton Glebe Bridge (no 56). Turn right under the bridge and follow the towpath under Johns Bridge (no 55) and down past the locks to the works bridge. Walk over the works bridge and turn left through the gates and into the grounds of The Waterman Pub.

START B

From the car park at **The Waterman Pub** walk onto the grass down the hill towards the locks, and through the gate at the bottom crossing the works bridge over the canal and on through the kissing gate. Go straight across the field and cross the railway via the green bridge. Turn right over the stile, follow the field boundary with the railway on your right and into the next field called *Back Hills*. Following the same line as the railway, proceed through the wicket gate and into *Paddock Field*, continue through a second wicket gate before turning immediately left keeping the hedge on your left and into Hatton Country World.

