

THE SELBY TRAILS

DISCOVERIES ON YOUR DOORSTEP

The Waterways Trail



Discover Nature



flat route, very little incline



Discover History



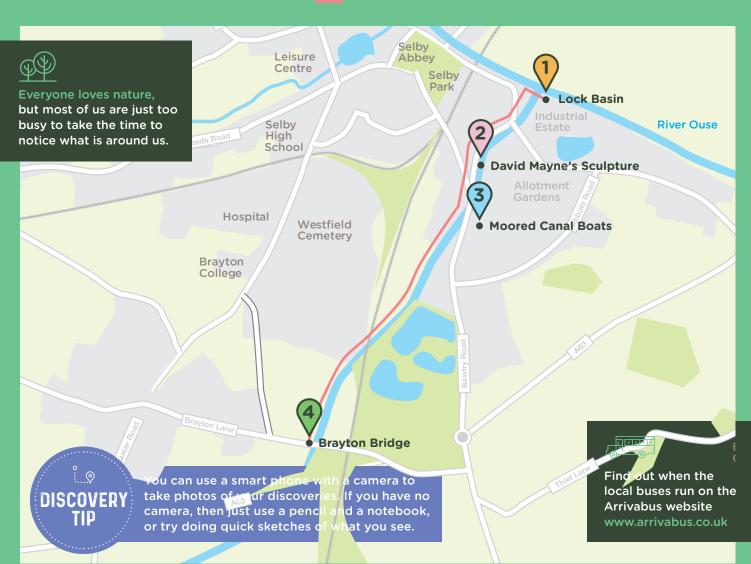
benches along the way



Discover Activities

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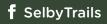
2.8 miles in total



Always follow the countryside code. Be safe - plan ahead and follow the signs. Keep dogs under close control, protect plants and animals and take your litter home. Leave gates and property as you find them and consider other people.



Share your discoveries









Why not mix and match the discoveries on this trail to create a shorter walk that fits around your schedule!







Lock Basin





The 6-mile long Selby Canal finishes here, with the Lock Basin joining the canal to the River Ouse.

When the canal was still in commercial use, barges would wait here before passing into the river. You may notice a channel running parallel to the river- this was created in the 1800s and is called the 'Lazy Cut'. To save time cargo was moved from a barge to a ship via a crane, instead of using the lock.





David Mayne's Sculpture





Take some time to feed the ducks and look at the sculpture, which was created by David Mayne in 1999. The arrowhead depicts the history of Selby's Canal, including the growth of Selby's industry due to the valuable trade links provided by the canal.

Can you see three boats? These are a paddle steamer, a sloop and a keel boat. What do you think they were used for?





Moored Canal Boats







As you pass under Bawtry Road bridge have a look for brightly coloured canal boats.

This is a popular spot for canal boats to moore, so take your time and pick a favourite!

○ 1 mile to Brayton Bridge



Brayton Bridge





This grade II listed bridge is built from sandstone, which gives it its yellow colour!

Pass under the bridge, have a seat and look at the modern sculptures emerging through the grass! Take a closer look to read the rippleinspired messages that are inscribed.

The Waterways Trail instructions:



- 1. Starting at the Lock Basin, follow the canal down to view David Mayne's Sculpture and the Moored Canal Boats.
- 2. Follow the canal path down, parallel to Canal View, to reach Brayton Bridge.