Thames and Severn Canal
Daneway to Stonehouse
11.2 miles (17.9 km)

Please be aware that
this is NOT a circular walk
Thames and Severn Canal Daneway to Stonehouse
Start ... The Daneway Inn

This route is by its very nature, basically level. In some places the canal has been much reduced and in a few areas actually disappears or has been built over. There is much wildlife and waterlife to be seen along the way as well as many locks and mill buildings once served by the canal. The route may be walked in either direction and can be accessed from various points along the way thus enabling you to make the walk as long or as short as you wish.

The footpath starts at the Daneway Bridge, signposted for Chalford, with the canal to your left. After a footbridge, the canal is to your right through a wooded area. Between Pucks Mill higher and lower locks, change banks at the bridge. Follow the path to the A419, cross over and through the small car park picking up the Canal on your right. Follow the path, although the canal virtually disappears in places, until you come out again by the main road behind a bus shelter. Cross over the side road and down a slope to where there is a round house. Carry on straight across the next side road and down the steps. At the next railway bridge after the tunnel, approximately 3/4 mile, the path passes through an industrial site at Brimscombe, where the canal has been built over (this area was once the Port of Brimscombe to change over vessels using the Canal as the locks above and below are of different sizes). Follow the path round this site next to the river, turn left over the bridge until you emerge on the road. Turn right down Brimscombe Hill and then left after the Ship Inn. The canal is now on your left. There is a large overspill weir just before Bowbridge. Continue with the Canal on your left to the Stroud by-pass bear left under the Railway Bridge and under by-pass, the Canal is now on your right. Continue to Stroud and at Wallbridge, turn left through the subway and up the hill on the footpath beside main road. Opposite the Clothier’s Arms Inn take the path through Lodgemore Mill and back to the Canal, turn left and carry on along the path to Frome Gardens where the Canal disappears. Follow the river for a few hundred yards before entering the Ebley Mill car park (head quarters of the Stroud District Council).

Cross over the access road and pass through Greneways factory yard into the meadow where the path and canal reappear. Continue to follow the tow path passing under the new by-pass until Ocean Bridge, passing St Cyr’s Church on your right. At Ocean Bridge you may if you wish continue via the tow path/cycle trail to Pike Lock near Eastington.

Alternatively, cross Ocean Bridge and retrace your steps on the opposite side of the canal through St Cyr’s Churchyard turning left after main gate into Church Lane. Cross A419 to path opposite which leads to Stonehouse.

- Off road parking is available just off the Daneway Bridge. Off Road Parking may be possible near St Cyr’s Church, Stonehouse.

Points of interest -
The many old textiles mills situated along the canal.

Places to eat -
The Daneway Inn
The Crown (Frampton Mansell)
The Bell & Castle (between Chalford and Brimscombe)
The Ship Inn (Brimscombe)
The British Oak (Bowbridge)
The Art Cuisine Café (Wallbridge)
The Clothiers Arms (Stroud)
The Ryeford (between Ebley and Stonehouse)

Follow arrows with yellow dot. Sometimes plastic arrows with black centre dot may be used.

We advise that the relevant OS Pathfinder Map be used in conjunction with this leaflet

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