



SOUTHPORT

MEDIUM | 22.5 MILES



SOUTHPORT CYCLE ROUTE

This route takes in part of National Route 62 of the National Cycle Network, also known as the Transpennine Trail. The ride is a superb, safe ride in open countryside, much of which is along the old Cheshire Railway lines from Southport to Aintree.

TRAFFIC

A combination of traffic-free paths and quiet country lanes.

SUITABILITY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN ✕

No.

HILLS

A flat route with no hills.

REFRESHMENTS/FACILITIES

Excellent choices for half-way stops are the Scotch Piper pub, which is the oldest pub in Lancashire, and the Hayloft Tea Shoppe, set around a duck pond with ducks, hens and peacocks. There is also a farm shop and a gift shop.

LOCAL BIKE HIRE

Southport Cycle Hire Eco-Centre
www.southportcyclehire.info

OTHER ROUTES IN THE AREA

There are a number of local routes that are perfect for cycle rides. Visit the local council's website for more information and route maps.



DIRECTIONS

- 1 Turn left out of the Site and join the cycle path along the Coast Road to Woodvale lights. Be sure to use the safe crossing points at the two roundabouts.
- 2 Head straight across the lights on to Moor Lane. The road straightens and there are good views of Aughton Church to the right, Halsall Church to the left and Rivington Pike in the distance. Follow the road for one mile.
- 3 Turn right on to a good tarmac path, signposted 'Transpennine Trail: Cheshire Lines'.
- 4 After 0.6 miles, turn left on to the signposted trail 'Liverpool 20'. The flat, open countryside ahead is very picturesque and you will see the wind turbines in Liverpool Bay to your right. You will also pass Barton Spur, the former junction of two minor railway lines.
- 5 After 4 miles along the trail, you will see Gore House Farm to the left – there is a barrier across the trail and a small parking area. Turn left off the trail for 200 yards to a T-junction.
- 6 Turn left at the T-junction and immediately right up Punnels Lane.
- 7 After 0.2 miles, turn left at another T-junction and continue along this road, which bends round to reach a main road.
- 8 Turn left at the main road passing the Scotch Piper pub to reach the Hayloft Café on your left, opposite a church at the junction with Hall Lane. Take care when crossing the road here.

- 9 Go along Hall Lane alongside the church opposite the Hayloft.
- 10 After 0.5 miles, turn left into Eager Lane, which meanders across the Leeds-Liverpool canal on a swing bridge and continues to a main road.
- 11 Turn left at the main road.
- 12 After 0.25 miles, turn sharp right into Bye Lane.
- 13 Turn left into Rosemary Lane.
- 14 After 0.25 miles, turn right off Rosemary Lane into Plex Lane. Follow Plex Lane for 5 miles as it crosses the canal and the main Southport-Maghull road and becomes a very quiet, single-track road over Plex Moss, taking you back to Woodvale lights, the Coast Road and Southport Club Site.

DON'T MISS

“ A good pub to start from on Weld Road is the Fishermans Rest. The Ship Inn pub on Rosemary Lane by the canal has great food & drink. There is plenty of seating outside by the canal, near no. 14. Scotch Piper, an old thatch pub, is good for a drink and bite to eat. ”

Southport Caravan Club Site Warden

This route has been suggested by Sustrans' Volunteer Rangers. The Caravan Club would always recommend that any children or young people under 18 years should be fully supervised by a responsible adult. Please be aware that using this route is entirely at your own risk. Extreme care should always be taken when cycling on site, remembering that traffic will be moving around the site and to observe speed limits. Particular attention should be paid when going round blind corners or emerging from paths.

SOUTHPORT CARAVAN CLUB SITE - ROUTE

