



CHEDDAR

EASY | 9 MILES EACH WAY

CHEDDAR CYCLE ROUTE

This 9 mile (one way) traffic free ride between Cheddar and Yatton has everything for a great day out. It takes in part of Route 26 of the National Cycle Network which, when completed, will run from Portishead on the Somerset coast to Portland Bill on the Dorset coast via Wells, Castle Cary, Yeovil and Dorchester.

SURFACES

Generally firm, compacted grit. Some muddy sections near Yatton when wet.

TRAFFIC

Largely traffic free with some short on-road sections at Sandford, Axbridge and Cheddar.

SUITABILITY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN ✓

Care is needed on crossing and using short sections of busy roads at Congresbury, Sandford and Axbridge.

HILLS

No steep gradients.

LOCAL BIKE HIRE

Cheddar Cycle Store
www.cheddarcyclestore.co.uk

REFRESHMENTS/FACILITIES

The Lamb Inn, Axbridge (opposite the famous King John's Hunting Lodge) is a great place to stop for a pub lunch. At the Thatcher's cider shop in Sandford you can pick up local produce and sample the cider. The Strawberry Line Café at Yatton is great for snacks and refreshments and uses lots of local produce. In Cheddar try the Sitting Room at Riverside Cottage.

OTHER ROUTES IN THE AREA

At Yatton you can continue on National Route 26 which runs all the way to Portishead

After Yatton head north until Kenn, where you can pick up National Route 410, known as the Avon Cycleway – an 85 mile loop around Somerset.



DIRECTIONS

- 1 From the site turn left and proceed along the lane and under the railway bridge.
- 2 Turn left immediately after the bridge and follow the grass footpath and turn left up the ramp onto the old railway line itself.
- 3 Keep straight on this path into Cheddar which brings you by the side of Tesco Express.
- 4 Turn left and cycle along the main road for a very short distance turning left into Station Road.
- 5 There is a Sustrans directional sign on Station Road to the start of the Strawberry Line Trail.
- 6 Once you've picked up the route, it skirts near to the Cheddar reservoir before traveling through fields and farmland to historic Axbridge.
- 7 Here you'll find King John's Hunting Lodge, an early Tudor timber-framed wool merchant's house which provides a fascinating insight into local history.
- 8 Leaving Axbridge you travel through the Shute Shelve Tunnel before emerging into the beauty of the Mendips Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.
- 9 It's traffic free all the way to Sandford where you pass through Thatcher's cider orchards.
- 10 From here you travel past Conglesbury, crossing the River Yeo and through Cheddar Valley Railway Nature Reserve before arriving in Yatton.
- 11 Return to Cheddar by the same route in reverse.



DON'T MISS

“ Axbridge is a really quaint little village with an attractive village square, The Lamb Hotel is an old Coaching Inn and I have been told the food is excellent. Kings John's Hunting Lodge is also in Axbridge, and Cheddar Reservoir is accessible from the trail. ”

*Neil and Caroline
Cheddar Caravan Club Site Wardens*



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.

CHEDDAR CARAVAN CLUB SITE - ROUTE

