

# RIVER THAMES WALK

Come for a stroll beside London's rural Thames where the tranquil river rolls past world famous visitor attractions and idyllic waterfronts.

The walking is easy, level and signed throughout as the Thames Path. Each section is just right for a challenging stroll, where you can enjoy the changing scenery of sailing clubs and marinas, locks and weirs, or parks and promenades.

## Transport:

**Train:** Hampton Court Station and Kingston Station.

**Bus:** Numerous routes serving Hampton Court and Kingston.

## The Thames Path on the north bank (left) Hampton Court Palace to Kingston Bridge (2.9 miles. 1 hour 10 minutes).

- Meet up with the Thames Path beside the river at Hampton Court Palace.
- Set off beside its long mellow brick wall and glimpse formal gardens through its ornamental railings.
- Pass Thames Ditton Island, where Barge Walk sweeps around Home Park.
- Notice Thames Ditton on the south bank, with Victorian waterworks and a marina.
- Just past the little island of Ravens Ait is the Italianate tower of St Raphael's Church.
- As you walk up towards Kingston Bridge enjoy the trees, swans, geese and houseboats.

## The Thames Path on the south bank (right) Kingston Bridge to Teddington Lock. (1.9 miles. 45 minutes)

- Reaching the river by steps at the southern end of Kingston Bridge, pass John Lewis, walk behind Turks Pier, under the railway bridge into Canbury Gardens, with its bandstand, riverside seats, and pub.
- On leaving Canbury Gardens, follow the waterside, taking the raised pavement and join the riverside path at the Half Mile Tree.
- Enjoy a tranquil walk up to Teddington Weir and Lock (the largest of the River's Locks connecting the tidal and non tidal Thames).
- Two footbridges allow walkers to cross to Teddington.

# River Thames Walk

0 500 metres

0 500 yards

0 10 minutes

Approximate walking time



## KEY TO MAP SYMBOLS

- River Thames Walk
- Railway station
- Bus stop
- Riverboat service
- Parking
- Disabled Parking
- Public toilets
- Refreshments
- Viewpoint





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