

# Beaulieu

## Beautiful place, beautiful food

In 1204 Cistercian monks founded an abbey here near the site of a royal hunting lodge. They called it Beau-lieu, meaning beautiful place. On the walk we've highlighted great places you can visit to eat, pick up local produce, get special offers and learn about how food is grown and produced.

## The walk

Start the walk at the New Forest Activities Centre **1** where you can find out lots of information about the area. Follow the diamond signs from Beaulieu to Buckler's Hard, either by taking the path opposite the Village shop, or the road behind the Montagu Arms **6**.

The walk roughly follows the route of the wildlife rich Beaulieu River and finishes at the historic shipbuilding village of Bucklers Hard, where Lord Nelson's favourite ship Agamemnon was built in 1781.

The main path is flat gravel and grass, although can be muddy in places. There is a side path you can use closer to the river which includes boardwalk and uneven areas.

Distance is 2.2miles each way.

To cycle this route follow the coloured marks on the map from **6**

Enjoy...



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## Children's Challenge

- Along the route can you spot:
- 3 vegetables in Patrick's Patch
  - A classic car
  - A butterfly
  - A kayaker on the river
  - A very tall red brick chimney
  - 5 launchways



## Stop points

- 1 New Forest Activities**   
Book canoeing, cycling and many other outdoor activities here. Including Local Information Point and Twizy (electric car) charge point.
- 2 Patrick's Patch**   
Pick up tips and inspiration on growing your own tasty food and veg.
- 3 Steff's Kitchen & Fairweathers Garden Centre**     
Try delicious food including fresh salad and vegetables from Patrick's Patch.
- 4 Petite Boutique**   
Children's boutique and coffee shop.
- 5 Beaulieu Chocolate Studio**    
Indulge in quality handmade chocolates produced on site, such as fresh cream truffles.
- 6 Montagu Arms Hotel**     
Capture delicious and exciting flavours focusing on seasonal ingredients and carefully selected local suppliers. Choose from the enticing modern menu at the Michelin Star Restaurant, or the quaint and welcoming delicious homemade food of Monty's Inn.
- 7 Blackberry picking**   
There is plenty of free food to forage on the walk in Autumn- blackberries and sloes.
- 8 Liquid Logistics**   
Canoeing and river activities centre see **1**
- 9 The Master Builders Hotel**    
Enjoy stunning views over the river all year and a roaring fire in the Winter at this famous village. Excellent local food and drink.
- 10 Beaulieu River Cruises**  
Tranquil journey with accompanying commentary revealing the history of the Beaulieu River and the abundant wildlife that inhabits its riverbanks.
- 11 Captain's Café**   
Enjoy morning coffee, light lunches, all day snacks and clotted cream teas
- 12 Beaulieu Organic Farm Shop**   
Wonderful fresh and frozen meat, eggs, dairy and seasonal fruit and vegetables
- 13 Countryside Education Trust**    
Sell their own lamb, beef, chicken and eggs. Please phone for opening times 01590 612401
- 14 National Motor Museum & Shop**    
A great family day out with lots for everyone to enjoy. Beaulieu wine can be purchased in the museum shop.

- New Forest Marque**  
The New Forest Marque is the sign of true local produce; a widely recognised logo that clearly identifies produce from the New Forest. Look out for the logo!
- New Forest Food Challenge**  
Encouraging people to find about their food and grow their own. Find out more at [newforesttransition.ning.com](http://newforesttransition.ning.com)
- Brand New Forest**  
Support local business and enjoy discounts with your Brand New Forest Card. Check website for latest offers at [brandnewforest.com](http://brandnewforest.com)
- Food Trail Point**



### Local Information Point

**New Forest Tour**  
Seasonal open top experience throughout the National Park. The green route stops at Beaulieu.



Please email us what you think about our Food Trail leaflets: [events@newforesttransition.org](mailto:events@newforesttransition.org)

Supported by:

- New Forest Transition
- New Forest National Park Authority
- New Forest District Council

Other Food Trail leaflets available, pick up a copy at one of the local information points.

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# FOOD TRAIL



Explore Beaulieu to Bucklers Hard by foot, take in the scenery and taste the place

