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There are miles of amazing New Forest routes for walkers to enjoy; Twist and turns through vibrant gorse, imposing woodland, along breezy coastal paths, rambling over the heaths or leisurely strolls along the rivers and streams, there are so many to choose from.

To get you started, take a beautiful walk around the picturesque village of Beaulieu and head along the two-mile river trail next to the Beaulieu River to Buckler's Hard, the 18th century village where Nelson's Navy was built.

With each step, you'll see the gradual transition from woodland to tidal river-edge, grassland into saltmarsh stepping into the maritime history and heritage that this walk has to offer.

Overview

Morning

Beautiful Beaulieu

With direct trains from London, Southampton and other cities, Brockenhurst is a great place to begin your New Forest adventure. From here you can hop on board the New Forest Tour (green route, summer only) for an open-top adventure that will take you through the magnificent heath and forest landscape and into the charming south east of the New Forest, disembarking at Beaulieu.

The picturesque 7,000-acre estate and village of Beaulieu is definitely the place to explore if you have any interest in motor vehicles, history or architecture. It's home to one of the area's premier attractions, the world famous National Motor Museum where the story of motoring on our roads and racetracks comes to life. It's also where you can experience the Victorian splendour of Palace House, where you can explore the peaceful ruins of Beaulieu Abbey - all for one single admission ticket.



Lunchtime

Pit stop for lunch

By now, you'll have worked up an appetite so take a break and soak up the magic of the most visited village in the National Park over a tasty hot lunch in the Brabazon Restaurant in the National Motor Museum or a leisurely picnic within the picturesque parkland. But remember; don't feed the animals as it can give them stomach ache, make them more vulnerable to traffic accidents and can even lead them to developing an unhealthy craving for human food!

Morning & Lunch

Afternoon 2pm to 5pm

A walk through maritime history

Leaving the heart of the Beaulieu Estate behind you, you'll head along the Beaulieu River onto a two-mile footpath passing from woodland through to tidal river-edge grassland and into salt marsh before you enter the historic hamlet of Buckler's Hard. This 18th century village and shipbuilding yard is where they built the ships for Nelson's navy and where 18th and 19th century cottages line either side of a wide central street. You can read all about the Buckler's Hard story in the Maritime Museum and see for yourself a replica timber framed 18th century shipwrights' workshop.

Your visit wouldn't be complete if you didn't take a riverbank walk to see some of the abundant wildlife that inhabits its banks or a visit to the apple orchard where Beaulieu apple juice is made. By now, you've worked up a thirst!

After a day of walking, exploring and soaking up this region's heritage, jump back on the Tour and the green route will head homeward bound for Southampton via the bus or ferry at Hythe, the bus connections from Lyndhurst or to the mainline railway of Brockenhurst. If you are more local, there are other great bus connections to Salisbury and Bournemouth too.

This is just one of the many walking routes. But whatever your ability, whatever distance you want to cover from coastal, central and southern or northern routes to guided walks, there really is a walking trail for everyone. One thing is guaranteed, in one day, you'll have only seen a fraction of what the New Forest has to offer so you'll have to come back and try the others!



Afternoon