

## Caring for the Grand Union Canal

We're the charity working to protect and bring to life this 250-year-old network of canals and rivers spanning England and Wales. Not so long ago many canals were abandoned, and some lost forever. Today, with your support, wildlife is recovering, history is alive, boats are plentiful and spending time in this environment is contributing to our health and happiness.

Our mission is to keep this extraordinary network of canals and rivers alive, teeming with wildlife, transforming places they run through and enriching all of our lives. Your support today could help us care for Buckinghamshire's canals and many more places, for today and generations to come.



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Please support our work & donate today

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Making life better by water

### Keeping history alive

The Grand Union Canal was once one of Britain's key transport routes. It links London with Birmingham and at 137 miles (220km) is the longest canal in the country.

This canal isn't one single waterway. Between 1894 and 1929 several independent canals were amalgamated to create the Grand Union Canal.

The Aylesbury Arm of the Grand Union Canal opened in 1814, bringing major industry to the town for the first time.

Discover lots of fun things to do with the family by and on the water. Go to [canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers](https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers)



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## Welcome to Aylesbury

Leave the shops behind and get closer to nature.



The task of protecting the finest examples of working industrial heritage including Aylesbury Arm of the Grand Union Canal, and the wildlife that calls it home, is growing all the time. As a charity we need you by our side more than ever. Please support our work today.

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We're the charity making life better by water

The canal basin is a great starting point for waterside walks, and one of the best places on the canal system to watch birds.

**Visit us at:**  
Waterside Exchange Street,  
Aylesbury HP20 1AL

 Allow 2 hours  
for your visit

### Find your way around

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|  towpath  |  arts centre     |
|  café     |  information     |
|  pub      |  trip boat       |
|  toilets  |  parking         |
|  shopping |  railway station |
|  museum   |   |



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Map not to scale:  
covers approx.  
1 mile / 1.6km

**Stay SAFE**  
**Stay Away From the Edge!**  
For more information on visiting safely:  
[canalrivertrust.org.uk/safety](http://canalrivertrust.org.uk/safety)

Details correct at time of print, please check before travelling.

## 5 things to do at Aylesbury

- 1** **Enjoy** a traffic-free cycle ride along the towpath to see the two rare staircase locks (1.5 miles/2.5km).
- 2** **Stroll** to Circus Field Basin and see the colourful narrowboats.
- 3** **Take** a boat trip along the canal and discover more about this waterway.
- 4** **Explore** the historic market town of Aylesbury.
- 5** **Pause** for a coffee and enjoy spending some time by water.

### Did you know?

Aylesbury's heraldic crest displays the Aylesbury duck which has been bred in the town since the Industrial Revolution.

