

- Walk 5hrs (19.2km)
- Total Ascent 43 m
- # Highest Point 79 m





Welcome

Thank you for downloading your Vespucci walk.

If you missed the Kit list here's what to bring.

Download this guide on your device

This contains all the handy information: how to get there, points of interest and pubs, taxis etc. Make sure you have plenty of battery!



(Make sure you have OS Map App downloaded)

Getting There

E Train

From London Paddington, direct trains take less than an hour.

Trains from Birmingham New Street take just over an hour.

By Car

Car Parking in Oxford is very restricted and expensive. Two possible options are The Westgate Car Park (OX1 1TR) & Worcester Street Car Park (OX1 2BQ).

By Coach

Stagecoach operates a frequent service between London and Oxford. The terminus is well located for the start of the hike.

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Hike Summary

This beautiful and tranquil circular walk ticks all the Vespucci boxes.

A great coffee at Opera in
Walton Street, the stunning views
across Port Meadow to the River
Thames, a multitude of picnic
spots, two great pubs and plenty
of points of interest. It's a flat walk
with a good opportunity to cut it



short at The Trout (or indeed take a bus or taxi back at that point). Alternatively, stretch it out with a loop that skirts Wytham Woods and joins the Thames path. One word of caution: Port Meadow becomes impassable if the Thames has broken its banks!

Points of interest

Tap here and find the waypoints in the OS map app.



OXFORD STATION

Opened in 1852 the station has undergone several transformations, reflecting the city's growth.



WORCESTER COLLEGE

Shortly after setting off, pause for a moment by the entrance to Worcester College. If the doors are open you will have a glimpse of the gardens.





Home to a myriad of coffee shops as well as iconic buildings like the Oxford University Press.

PORT MEADOW



A beautiful and historic site with Bronze Age burials and a mention in the Domesday Book (1086).



PORT MEADOW AERODROME

Opened in 1911, two years after the first powered flight in England. Look out for the concrete hut and the memorial as you leave Port Meadow.



THE TROUT

Ideally located but often busy. Our tip is to bring a picnic and sit by either Kings or Godstow Lock



WYTHAM WOODS

Plan B tap here!

A site of Continuous ecological research programmes, many dating back to the 1940s.



GODSTOW ABBEY



A historic ruin first constructed in 1133 and housed an order of Benedictine nuns.





THE PERCH

The Perch is one of Oxford's oldest pubs, much loved by those who visit.



FINISH IN OXFORD

Known for its prestigious university, Oxford is a city steeped in rich academic and cultural heritage. If you have time after your walk it's well worth an explore.





TAKING IT ALL IN

Sometimes, we can get so caught up in reaching our destination that we forget to take in our surroundings. When in fact, some of the best moments on a walk are the ones spent not walking. It is not until you stop and look a little closer, that you truly see the magic of where you are.

Our hikes are not about how fast you walk, but about how much you take in. We share these beautiful trails with an abundance of wildlife and there's always something to marvel at so long as you take the time to look around.

Here are a few of our favourite bits of wildlife to look out for on this walk:

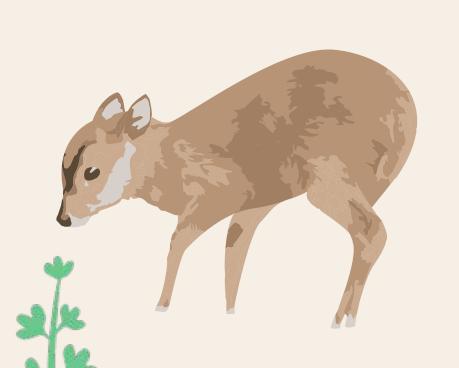


Little Owl

This bird lives up to its name, standing at only 20cm tall!



Often seen only as a rapid flash of blue around waterways.



Muntjac Deer

A shy species of nocturnal deer.

Dawn is the best time to spot one!



Plan B

CALLING IT A DAY?

If you've decided that's quite enough for you, there's absolutely no shame in calling it a day.

It is easy to miss out the Wytham Woods loop by turning left after the Trout Inn, passing Godstow Abbey and keeping the Thames on your left. Equally it is easy to call a taxi to pick you up from the Trout or pick up a bus in Wolvercote.

Royal cars: 01865 777 333

Go Green Taxis: 01865 922222



Thank you

WE HOPE YOU'VE ENJOYED YOUR WALK.
CREATED BY OUR LOCAL CURATOR, PETER.





What's next?

We hope you enjoyed your walk as much as we've enjoyed bringing it to you. And we've got plenty more where that came from!

Check out the full range of walk available to you on: Iink to their portal

STAY IN TOUCH

We love hearing about your adventures, so please do get in touch with any feedback you have from your walk.

Leave feedback







