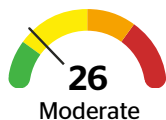


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YHA Cambridge Grantchester

Distance: 6.7 miles (10.8km)
Ascent: 21m (69ft)
Time: Allow 2h 30m to 4h 15m


Start/Finish: OS Locate TL 460 575
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Facilities

 Toilets on route at Lammas Land and off route at Gonville Place. Shops available on Hills Road, pubs and tea room in Grantchester and shops and cafés near the train station.



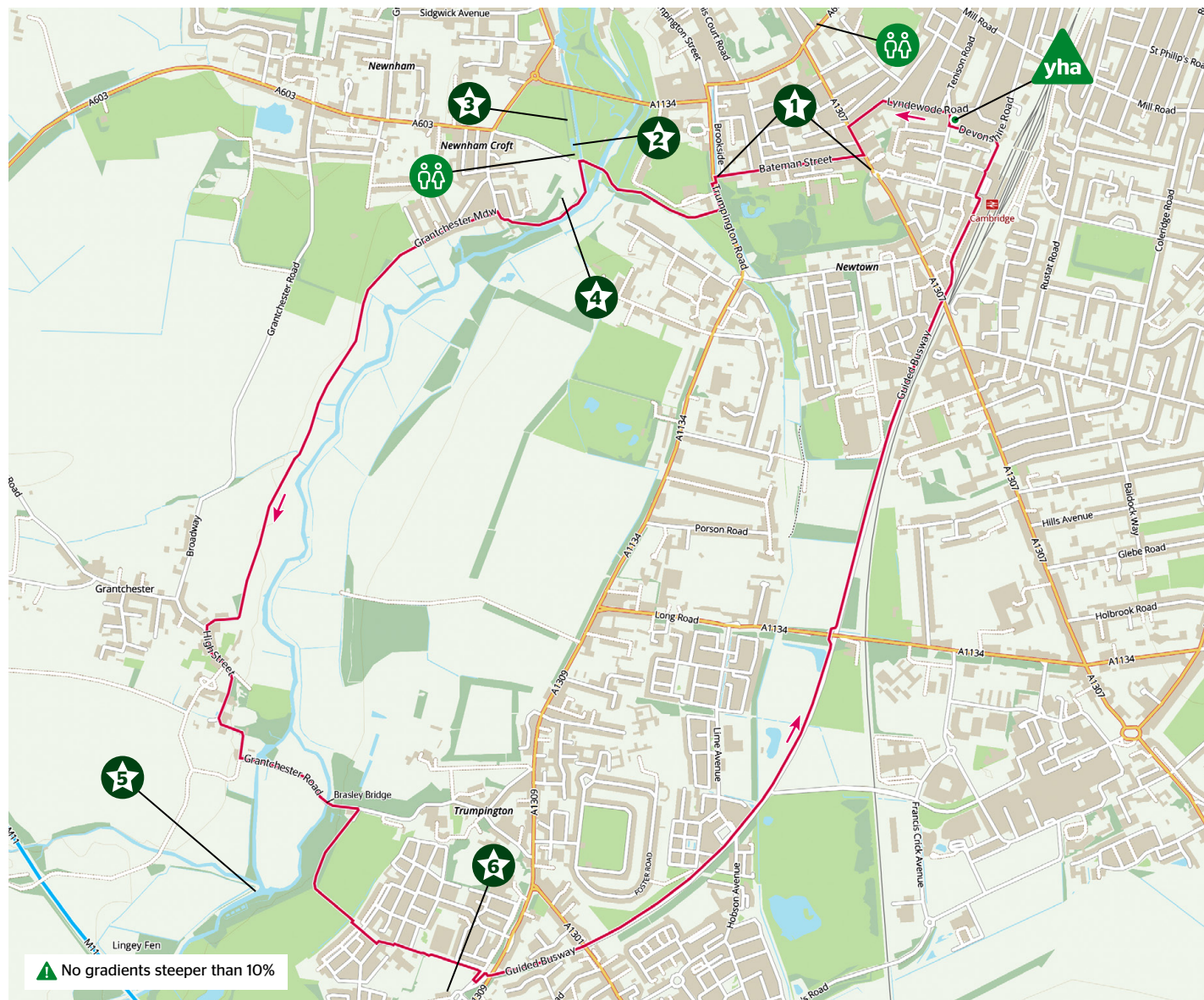
 Seats in parks, greens and at bus stops, fewer elsewhere.

 Off road wheelchair accessible though some gates too narrow for large chairs.

 Pushchair accessible

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Scan or click to view this route on the OS Maps App – also a route profile and GPX





Thank you for choosing to walk from our hostel.
We hope you have a great time.

Exploring the cities and towns of England and Wales is part of YHA's heritage. Our city hostels provide a base to wander through parks and streets and discover history, culture, sights and attractions.

To make it easy for everyone to enjoy walking from YHA hostels, we have curated three walks – of differing levels of difficulty. They have all been graded – the higher the grade, the more challenging the route.

Remember:


- Check the local weather forecast (metoffice.gov.uk).
- Wear the right clothing for the route and weather and shoes that you can easily walk in.
- Download the OS Locate and what3words apps to your phone.
- Be considerate in residential areas or places of work.
- Take care when crossing busy roads and look out for cyclists.
- Dispose of litter properly in bins.
- Dog poo – bag it and bin it – any public waste bin will do
- Plan your adventure – know what to expect and what you can do.

In case of emergency call 999 and use OS Locate or what3words to provide a detailed description of your location.

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Route Summary

An interesting route along the river, through meadows and back along the guided busway. From the hostel turn right onto Tenison Road, left onto Lyndewode Road, left onto Glisson Road, left onto Hills Road and right onto Bateman Street. Turn left and cross over Trumpington Road, then take the footpath on the right signposted to Newnham and West Cambridge. Follow alongside the brick wall and bear right at the junction. Follow alongside the brook, bear left at the junction and cross the two bridges over the River Cam. Immediately after the second bridge turn left to follow the riverside path. At the small road (Grantchester Meadows) turn left. Bear left, then continue straight ahead and take the footpath at the end of the road. Continue ahead until a sign for the Red Lion then turn right and onto High Street. Follow High Street around to the left which becomes Mill Way and then Grantchester Road. Cross Brasley Bridge then turn right onto the footpath signposted to Byron's Pool. Turn left onto the gravel path across Trumpington Meadows. Pass the school and car park and follow the cycle way under the Hauxton Road Bridge. Either catch the bus back to Cambridge on the guided busway – where the bus steers itself, or walk the 2.2 miles alongside the busway to Cambridge train station. Take care walking alongside the busway, buses travel at high speeds. From Cambridge train station cross the car park, head under the footbridge and turn left onto Devonshire Road back to the hostel. Watch out for cyclists throughout the route.

Accessibility

The route follows roads with pavements and through parks. No steps, mostly flat surfaces. Narrow gates in places. Tarmac paths to Lammas Land. The path alongside the Cam to Grantchester Meadows is well defined with occasional boardwalks and may be uneven or muddy in places. Grantchester Meadows contains potholes. Tarmac path between Grantchester Meadows and Grantchester, then pavement to Trumpington Meadows. Good path across the meadow, then tarmac back to the hostel. Most main road crossings have traffic lights and dropped kerbs. Many of the smaller roads have dropped kerbs, but not all.



Points of interest (see map)

- 1 Cambridge University Botanic Garden entrance
- 2 Lammas Land paddling pool (summer only)
- 3 Play park
- 4 Paradise Nature Reserve
- 5 Byron's Pool
- 6 Guided Busway park and ride stop