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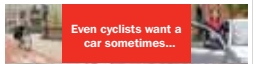

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Cycling around Leeds can be an extremely pleasant experience. Large parts of the city are relatively flat and few of the hills present difficulties to cyclists. Away from the main routes and dual carriageways, a network of minor streets, country lanes and off-road tracks provides many quiet alternatives.

This map has been produced with the cyclist in mind. It shows a network of routes recommended by cyclists, consisting of a number of signed cycle routes, many quiet roads, traffic-calmed areas and off-highway links. Some sections, over which cyclists must dismount, are included where they provide useful links.

All these have been developed into a network of routes by CycleCity Guides, a specialist cycle map producer which has experience of producing cycling maps for a large number of cities.

Some of the busier roads have features especially for cyclists, such as cycle lanes marked on the road, advanced stop lines and signalled crossings which cyclists may use. In addition there is a number of bus lanes, all of which can be used by cyclists, and many recent highway changes include measures particularly designed to be helpful to those on two wheels. Cycle lanes are marked on the map by continuous thin red lines and bus lanes by broken thin red lines.

Many cyclists may be perfectly happy to mix with traffic and use the facilities provided but, for those preferring to avoid busy main roads, the map shows various alternatives.

Some routes are shown in **brown** where these are on roads. These will be more of these in the future.

Yellow routes are on roads identified as being comparatively safe and convenient to use. Naturally some will be busier than others. If you feel uncomfortable with the volume or speed of traffic, try an alternative route - you may find one you prefer which we have not marked.

Green routes are traffic-free and are a mixture of special cycle tracks, river and canal towpaths and official routes through parks. Those shown in dark green have smooth prepared surfaces, but some non-tarmac paths may be muddy in winter and some people may prefer to avoid until off-road sections after dark.

There are a number of bridleways, shown in light purple, where cycling is allowed, but the path may be rough and suitable for mountain bikes only, particularly in wet weather. Some may be amusing to commuting or other utility journeys at any time of the year. Please remember to give way to horse-riders and pedestrians on bridleways, and close gates after you to prevent farm animals escaping.

The green dotted lines indicate where cyclists are required to dismount and behave like pedestrians, such as where the route passes through a pedestrian area.

Some sections of the routes are shared with **pedestrians**. Slow down and keep as much room as possible between yourself and pedestrians and let them know you are there. Preferably use a bell (ringo/chime or say excuse me/ring bell/ring bell twice) to avoid startling pedestrians, especially if partially sighted or blind. Where a shared-use section is divided by a white line or kerb, you should keep to your own side and remember that pedestrians are not committing an offence by walking on the cycling side.

The number of cycle parking stands and special cycle lockers is increasing, especially in the city centre where their locations are indicated. We have also included a list of local bike shops, marked with a small bicycle symbol.

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Users of these routes do so at their own risk.

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Main signposted cycle routes

Kirkstall Brewery - Beckett Park Cycle Route
Runs between Leeds Metropolitan University's Kirkstall Brewery Hall of Residence and the Beckett Park Campus using quiet roads and sections of cycle track, including a new walking and cycle track across Beckett Park.
Take care crossing Kirkstall Bridge!

Headingley Cycle Route
Runs between Headingley and the City Centre using quiet streets and off road cycle tracks, passing close by Headingley Stadium, Leeds University, Leeds Metropolitan University and Leeds General Infirmary.

Cross Green - Colton
A combination of cycle tracks and quiet roads in East Leeds have been linked together to create a radial route between Pontefract Lane at Cross Green and the A63 Selby Road at Colton. It passes a large industrial and business area at Cross Green, major housing at Halton Moor, Halton, Whitkirk and Colton, several schools and the historic Temple Newsam House and Park.

Trans-Pennine Trail
The Leeds arm of a cycling and walking recreational route from coast to coast connecting the Mersey and the Humber and forming part of the National Cycle Network Route 62. Other arms link to Chesterfield and York. The Leeds arm runs from the City Centre through Woodlesford and Methley, passing the Royal Armouries and Thwaite Mills Museums, and then onwards towards Wakefield, where there is an interim route for cyclists, rejoining the main east-west route near Barnsley.
Website: www.transpennineTrail.org.uk

Aire Valley Towpath Route
The 'Aire Valley Towpath Route' links the 26 km length of towpath on the Leeds & Liverpool Canal between Leeds and Bingley and forms part of the National Cycle Network Route 66. The route provides a wonderful opportunity to explore part of the longest canal in Britain. It encompasses vibrant urban areas, beautiful countryside and the peace and quiet of a canalside location with interesting and historical places to visit.
Website: www.airevalleytowpath.org.uk

Proposed Routes

A number of cycle routes and facilities are in development and proposed to be completed in 2006-2011. These routes are shown on the interactive version of the Leeds Cycle Map as they are completed.
Website: www.leeds.gov.uk (then follow the links)

Symbols

- Traffic-free path
- Signposted cycle route
- Advisory route
- Other roads
- Path where you should walk your bike (Not to be ridden anywhere)
- Bridleway (Ride in yellow)
- Cycle lane
- Bus lane
- One way street
- Toucan or signalled crossing
- Cycle lockers
- Cycle parking stands
- Cycle shop
- Rail stations
- Bus or coach station
- Important buildings
- College
- Schools
- Hospital
- WhizzGo parking bays
- Library
- PW Place of Worship
- Junctions that require extra care

Canals in Leeds

For Trans-Pennine Trail and Aire Valley Towpath leaflets please contact 0113 2051470. To cycle on these towpath routes a free permit is required. This is available by sending your details to Castleford Customer Service Team, British Waterways, Lock Lane, Castleford, WF10 2LN or by calling