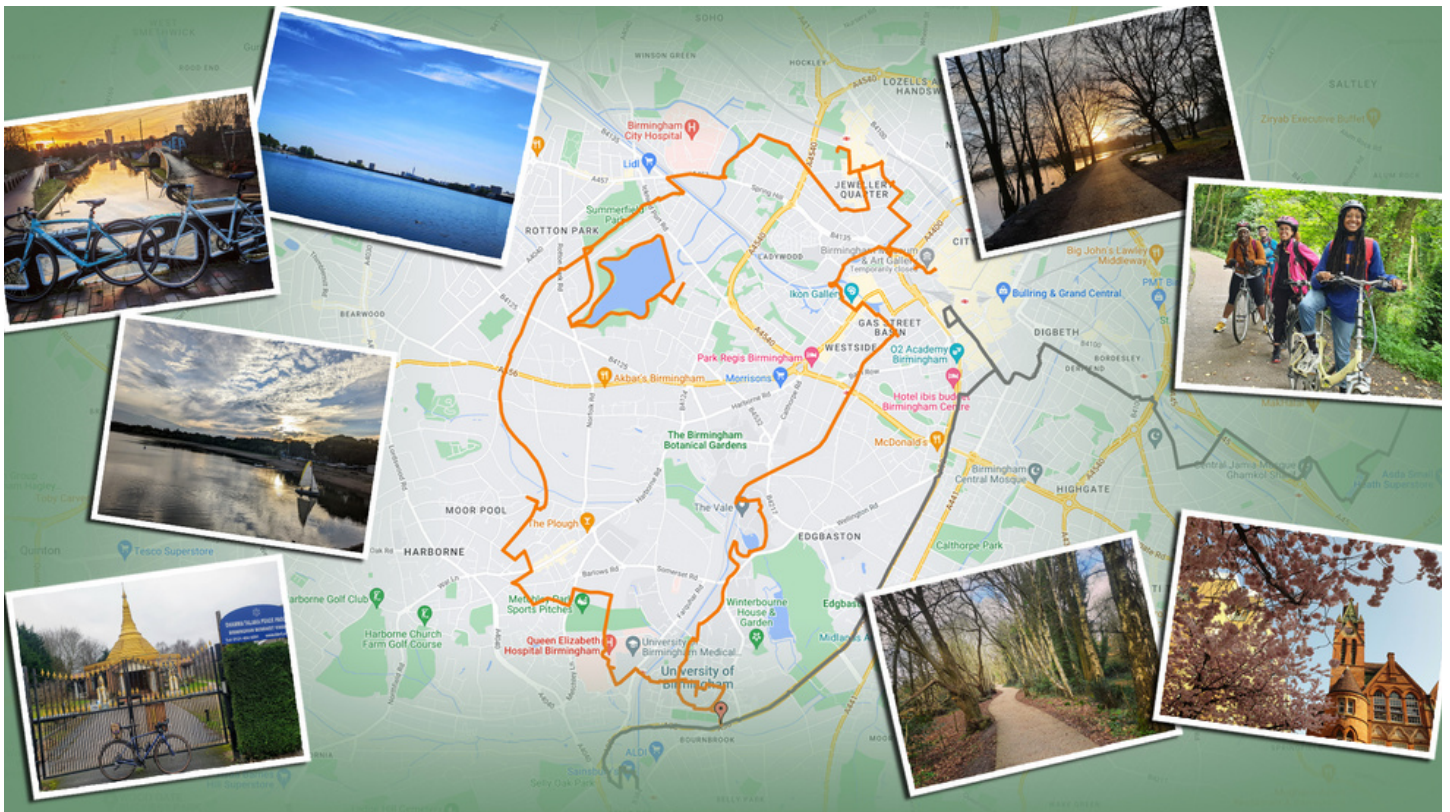




69wards - Route 7



Harborne - Ladywood - Edgbaston - City Centre - Jewellery Quarter
Start/Finish: Birmingham University entrance on the A38 Cycleway

Distance: 17 miles
Average cycle time: 2hrs 30min
Average Walk time: 9hrs 40min

A great tour of the city this route boasts all sorts of interesting highlights from the Harborne Walkway and lovely blossom trees to dinosaurs at Lapworth Museum and 'one of the finest small art galleries in Europe', The Barber Institute of Fine Arts. You may want to do this route in sections, combining public transport if needed – there are good connections from University and City Centre, and hire bikes available at multiply places along the route.

Highlights:

- Ikon Gallery
- Chamberlain Square
- Dhamma Talaka Pagoda
- Old Joe
- Lapworth Museum

Green spaces:

- The Vale
- Summerfield Park
- Edgbaston Reservoir
- Harborne Walkway
- Nettlefold Garden

Pitstops & toilets:

- Brindleyplace
- University
- Jewellery Quarter
- Harborne

View the full route in detail by clicking the links below and follow using gps via Komoot, the route finding and navigation website/app, or Google Maps.

[**Komoot**](#)

[**Google Maps**](#)



Route Description



This route is mostly traffic-free and easy to get to by bike or foot, giving you a scenic tour of the city. Start by making your way through the University to The Vale, a fab green space with views across the lake. At the far end of The Vale, join the canal into the City Centre where you will find plenty of canal side bars, restaurants and shops. Next stop is Brindleyplace, be sure to check out Ozzels Square and its blossom trees if exploring in spring and summer. Here you will also find The Icon Gallery and National Sea Life Centre.



From Summer Row you have the choice to turn right and go for a wander around Chamberlin or Victoria Square. Alternatively, go straight to the Jewellery Quarter passing The Coffin Works and St Paul's Square. Explore this area via quiet roads passing the RBSA gallery, cafes, Chamberlin Clock, hidden pieces of street art and the historic JQ cemeteries, before joining the cycle route taking you to Summerfield Park. When you reach the end of the park, the route takes you out to Edgbaston Reservoir via a few quiet roads. Enjoy a peaceful loop around the water's edge with amazing City views.

Just outside the reservoir on Osler Street, you will find the amazing Dhamma Talaka Peace Pagoda. You have the option to head back to the City Centre from here through Ladywood, or return to Summerfield Park, taking a fantastic tree lined Walkway into Harborne before travelling along quieter residential streets back to the University, crossing Harborne High Street and cutting through the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

The route finishes by winding back to the start through the University grounds, home to Old Joe, the world's tallest freestanding clock tower. You can also visit Lapworth Museum of Geology where you can get up close with a dinosaur, or learn about the beautiful works of art at The Barber Institute of Fine Arts gallery.

Key places to join/leave the route:

- Brindleyplace
- Victoria Square
- Harborne
- Edgbaston Reservoir

Access the route vis public transport:

- **Train Stations:** University, Jewellery Quarter, Fiveways, New Street
- **Bus Routes:** 16, 8c, 11

Accessing The Route

Our routes are designed to be self-guided, accessible by bike or foot and well connected with bus routes, train stations and bike parking across the city. There are two ways you can access this route and view it more closely. This is through Google Maps and our recommended option **Komoot**. These are both FREE route finding tools which allow you to view the routes in more detail and show things like places of interest, green spaces, public transport links and cafe stops.

Komoot also offers turn by turn navigation. It's easy to get started, you just need to sign up, select Birmingham as your first FREE region to start exploring. There are great features to help plan/modify your journey, information about road types and highlights you will find along the way.

Google Map: www.bit.ly/GoogleMaps_Route7

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Be mindful that you are responsible for your own safety

We think these routes are great for adults, individuals and families who want to explore by foot and perfect to help build confidence cycling. Here are a few things to remember

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- Always follow the Highway Code.
- When on shared paths, give priority and be courteous to pedestrians.
- Please be extra careful when riding near open water.
- Ride within your own ability.
- If stopping to rest or look at the map, please stop in a suitable and safe place.
- Most of all, have fun!

69wards by Bike or Foot Bingo!



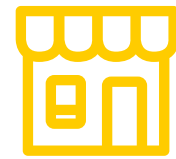
Have some fun while you're out riding or walking the routes with a game of Bingo! Can you get a full house? Take photos and share them with us on social media by tagging **@ecobirmingham** or using **#69wards** & **#WalkCyclePlay**



Visit a
Green Space



Invite friends
and family for a
walk or ride



Walk/Cycle to
the city centre



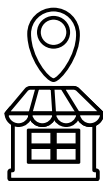
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