

Key Information

Enjoy a paddle through a remote and quiet haven for wildlife, with very little through traffic.

Start/Finish:

Wroxham Broad Car Park, Private Road, Wroxham, NR12 8TS

Portages: 0

Time: 1.5 - 2.5 hours

Distance: 4.5 miles

OS Map: Explorer 40 The Broads



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information scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/2Aby05k>



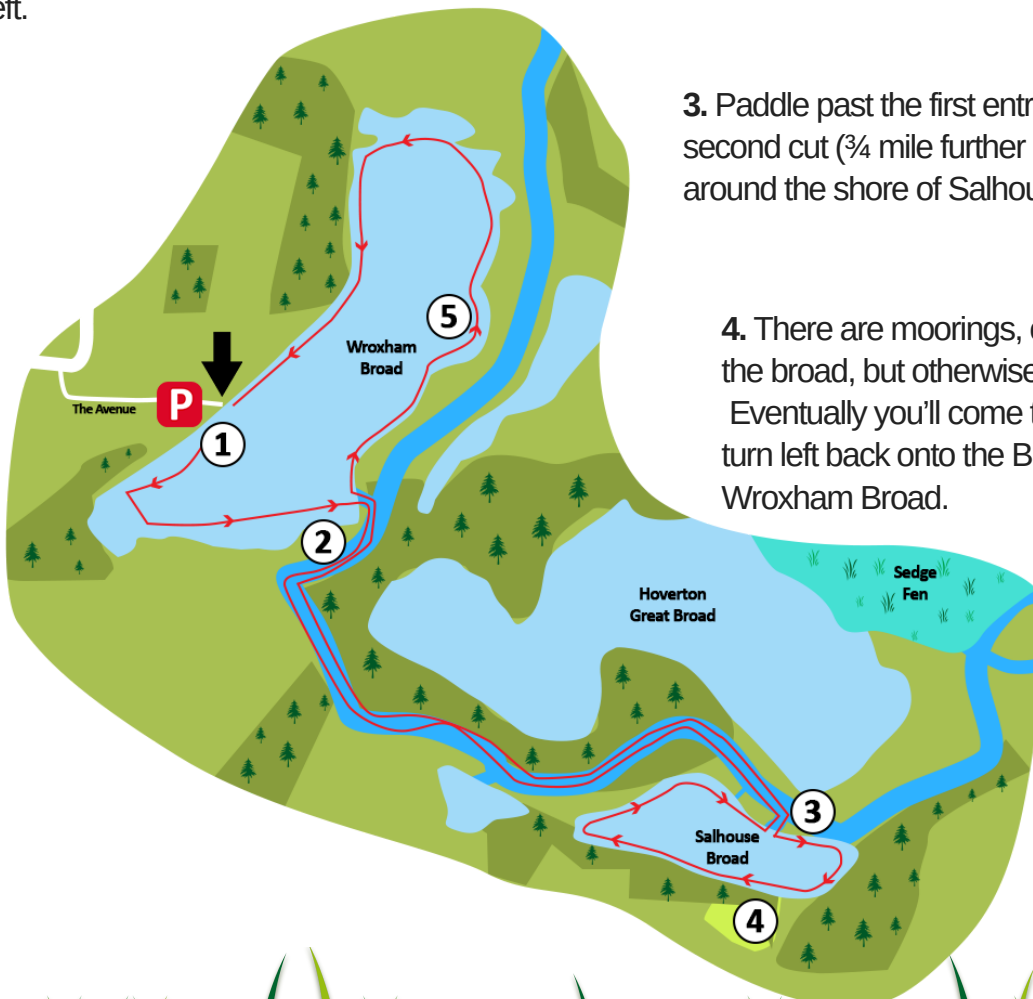
1. At the end of Broad Lane turn right onto the lane marked 'Private'; it leads to a public pay & display car park. This is located just to the right before you reach the Wroxham Yacht Club. Launch from the public slipway in the car park at Wroxham Broad.

2. Turn right and paddle around the edge of the broad until you come to its first link with the River Bure. Turn right onto the river and paddle the mile or so to the entrance to Salhouse Broad. On the way you'll pass two small, pretty but private broads on your right and the closed off entrance to Hoveton Great Broad (also private) on your left.

3. Paddle past the first entrance and turn into the broad at the second cut ($\frac{3}{4}$ mile further on) and then paddle clockwise around the shore of Salhouse Broad.

4. There are moorings, camping and a small ferryboat on the broad, but otherwise it is very quiet and peaceful. Eventually you'll come to the second exit from Salhouse; turn left back onto the Bure and head back towards Wroxham Broad.

5. Paddle clockwise around the shore of Wroxham Broad back to the car park. If the yacht club is busy, be careful, but you have as much right to be there as they do.



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information at:
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The beautiful Broads landscape of reed beds, grazing marshes and wet woodland make it perfect for a peaceful day out paddling. On the Broads, keep to the shallow edges and on the river, travel on the right and keep well clear of cruisers and yachts. At weekends there will be sailing regattas on the broads, so if you cross the open water, keep well away from the racing area.

For many years the broads were regarded as natural features of the landscape. It was only in the 1960s that it was proved that they were in fact flooded medieval peat excavations. Despite the construction of wind pumps and dykes, the flooding continued and resulted in the Broads of today.

The broads are connected by a number of navigable rivers and the whole area is managed as a national park by the Broads Authority who levy a licence on allcraft using the waterways.

On the broads the main navigation areas are often marked by stakes. If you keep outside of these areas (in the shallower water) you will not be troubled by larger craft.

Both these broads are connected to the River Bure and attract little through traffic. Apart from the large sailing club on Wroxham broad there is very little development along the shore. Salhouse broad is remote, quiet and a haven for wildlife.

There's a small free car park at the village staithe in Neatishead (250m on the left as you leave the village towards Irstead) Space is limited, so drop your canoe off at the staithe and then park in the village.

It is also possible to launch without charge at Wayford bridge and Stalham Staithe. Launching is discouraged at Barton Turf.

Licence

We want you to enjoy a safe trip, so here are a few tips for staying safe and paddling responsibly.

Paddle Safe. Be prepared and take the right kit:

- Wear a correctly sized buoyancy aid
- Mobile phone – in a waterproof case
- Whistle – to attract attention in case of emergency
- Map and / or route description
- Appropriate clothing for the weather conditions + spares in a dry bag
- Food, drink & suncream!

Paddle Responsibly. Respect the natural environment and other users:

- Respect other waterway users #sharethespace
- Be environmentally aware, minimise your impact
- Ensure you have the correct licence if required
- Observe navigational rules – keep right and give other users space
- Check, Clean, Dry after every trip!

Licences: The waterways in this trail are managed by the Broads Authority and require paddlers to hold a licence. If you are an existing British Canoeing member your membership includes an annual licence for the waterways covered within this trail – please ensure you take your membership card with you on the water as this acts as your licence, if stopped with no licence, you will be at risk of being fined.

You can also buy a licence directly from the Tolls Office, Broads Authority Yare House, 62-64 Thorpe Road, Norwich, Norfolk, NR1 1RY, from Broads Authority Information Centres (open April - October) and some yacht stations and boatyards (from April – October)

