

3 KINGSTON WALK

ROUTE DESCRIPTION



Kingston Walk

Park in **Bittoms** or **Drapers** car park (*Orange/Blue Badges free*). From **Bittoms** come out of the **Penrhyn Road** exit. Go down **Oaklea Passage** (*beside car park*) then emerge to **→** into a space where several roads meet. Exit via **East Lane**. If in **Drapers** car park this is where you'll join the walk, **→** outside the car park to go into **East Lane**. Where **East Lane** meets the **High Street** is one of Kingston's oldest houses, built around 1550. **→** in the the **High Street** and almost immediately cross at pedestrian crossing (B) to come to a stylish 18th century house once owned by a native of Senegal who became one of Kingston's wealthiest men. **→** and **↑** to **Ram Passage** (*signposted "Riverside Walk"*) which you go down to the river (C) and **←** to follow the river front for about a mile as it passes boat and yacht stations and eventually becomes **Queen's Promenade**. **↑** along **Queen's Promenade** (*ample seating here*) past **Raven's Ait** **←** then up to and across the **Portsmouth Road** (D) by pedestrian crossing, **←** to cross the ends of **Catherine Road, Uxbridge Road** and **Palace Road** then **→** to go up **Anglesea Road** (E) which you follow to its end.

Here **←** briefly into **Surbiton Crescent** (F) and at T-Junction **←** again along **Surbiton Road** then fork **→** to proceed along **Penrhyn Road** (G) passing **Kingston University** then **Surrey County Hall**, a fine 1893 building. For **Drapers** car park go through the **Bittoms** (H) then **→**. For **Bittoms** car park **↑** past the **Court House**.

Pubs and Restaurants

There are a number of pubs and restaurants along the waterfront, some more accessible than others. If you **→** at D on the **Portsmouth Road** and go past the **Thames Sailing Club** you'll find **Harts Boatyard**, a pleasant (*accessible*) pub/restaurant.

Guided Walks (Accessible)

Start at church gates **Market Place** 2.30pm Sundays (*Easter to September*) and 2.30pm first Sunday each month during Winter. Telephone: 020 8942 7015.

Disability Loo

There are two RADAR key accessible loos – one in **Bittoms** car park and the other mid-way along **Queen's Promenade**.

ROUTE INFORMATION

A short stroll (under 2 miles) which starts in the middle of Kingston but takes you out along **Queen's Promenade**, where there's every sort of river craft from skiffs and racing dinghies to river-trip cruisers, then back into the town.

Key: Turn left **←** Turn right **→** Straight ahead **↑** Go back **↓**



Gradient Uphill
Maximum gradient 1:8.



Hazards
Steep drop kerbs (Penrhyn Road) can cause difficulties.



Gradient Downhill
Maximum gradient down 1:6.



Public Transport
Many bus routes along Penrhyn Road and Portsmouth Road.
Tel: 020 7222 1234.



Kerbs
Maximum kerb 100mm.



Parking



Refreshments



Toilets



Pub



Rest Place



Information