

A ROYAL RICHMOND & BOUTIQUES

Richmond Green was the setting for ceremonies, courtly entertainment and jousting played out in front of the magnificent ‘Tudor’ Richmond Palace built by Henry VII. It was at Richmond that Elizabeth I died in 1603. Next to the Palace gatehouse is a glorious row of Georgian houses called Maids of Honour Row where the un-married daughters of monarchs once lived. To the south of Richmond Green (extending up to Hill Rise at the foot of Richmond Hill) are a series of enchanting little lanes full of boutiques, specialist shops and eateries.

B CHOLMONDELEY WALK & RICHMOND RIVERSIDE

Cholmondeley Walk dates from the C18th and was one of the first pedestrian walkways in the UK – originally having two separate paths one for ‘polite’ society and a more muddy path on the water’s edge for everyone else. Richmond Riverside retains many historic boat sheds making everything from the Queen’s Barge to submarines! Rowing boats can be hired from here.

C RICHMOND BRIDGE

The walk winds its way up to Richmond Bridge via Bridge House Gardens where a statue to Bernardo O’Higgins celebrates one of Richmond’s most honoured residents who later liberated Chile from Colonial rule. Richmond Bridge is the oldest surviving bridge across the Thames in London.

D MARBLE HILL HOUSE

Marble Hill House is managed by English Heritage and was built in the C18th for Henrietta Howard the mistress of King George II. Along this stretch of the river look out for traditional riverside wildlife including ducks, geese, purple loosestrife and willow trees.

E ORLEANS HOUSE & GARDENS

Orleans House is named after the Duc d’Orleans (the rightful King of France following the French Revolution) who lived at the property. The building now houses a fascinating art gallery that is free to enter and retains a fine Octagon room designed by Gibbs. The woodland gardens are currently being restored.

F TWICKENHAM, YORK HOUSE & EEL PIE ISLAND

Behind the White Swan pub, Ferry Road retains many former waterman’s cottages and boat sheds evocative of Twickenham’s past as a working riverside settlement. At York House the riverside garden includes a magnificent statue of leaping horses and naked ladies reclining on scallop shells. From Twickenham Embankment views across to Eel Pie Island and its working boatyards can be seen (the island was once home to the infamous Eel Pie Jazz Club where the Rolling Stones and The Who first played).

G HAMMERTONS FERRY ‘the ferry to fairyland’

Cross the river via Hammertons Ferry the last surviving foot ferry on the tidal Thames celebrated in song as the ‘ferry to fairyland’.

H HAM HOUSE & HAM AVENUES

Ham House is the best surviving C17th house and garden in England – owned and managed by the National Trust. Radiating from Ham House are the world famous Ham Avenues that are currently being restored.

I PETERSHAM

Retaining a real village character Petersham is quite special. At the church Vincent Van Gogh was once curate and around Petersham Nurseries celebrity spotting is the order of the day! Petersham Meadows, below Richmond Hill has a herd of cattle managed by a local trust who lease the meadow from the council for an annual charge of a posy of wild flowers picked from the riverside.

J RICHMOND HILL & TERRACE GARDENS

A steep climb takes the walker up to the world famous Richmond Hill, the inspiration for the English Landscape Movement, the most painted scene in London and the only view protected by an Act of Parliament in the UK. The nearby Terrace Gardens are laid out as a Victorian pleasure garden and include an C18th grotto under the main road linking the park with the river.

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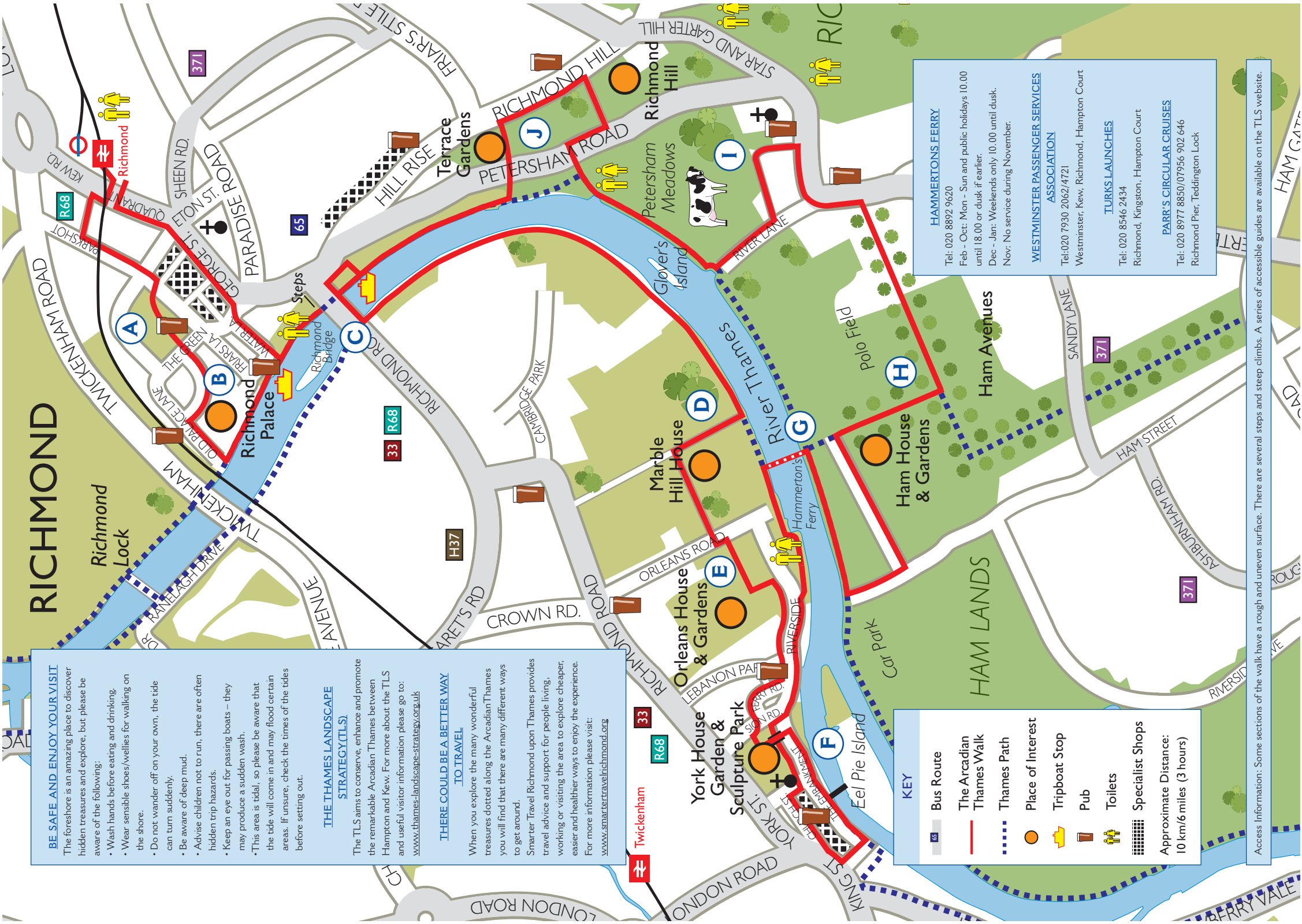


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BE SAFE AND ENJOY YOUR VISIT
 The foreshore is an amazing place to discover hidden treasures and explore, but please be aware of the following:

- Wash hands before eating and drinking.
- Wear sensible shoes/wellies for walking on the shore.
- Do not wander off on your own, the tide can turn suddenly.
- Be aware of deep mud.
- Advise children not to run, there are often hidden trip hazards.
- Keep an eye out for passing boats – they may produce a sudden wash.
- This area is tidal, so please be aware that the tide will come in and may flood certain areas. If unsure, check the times of the tides before setting out.

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KEY

- 65 Bus Route
- The Arcadian Thames Walk
- Thames Path
- Place of Interest
- Tripboat Stop
- Pub
- Toilets
- Specialist Shops

Approximate Distance: 10 km/6 miles (3 hours)

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Access Information: Some sections of the walk have a rough and uneven surface. There are several steps and steep climbs. A series of accessible guides are available on the TLS website.