

7 Night Cycling Tours In Suffolk

Available from 23rd May - 30th August
Start Saturday - Finish Saturday

START AT DUNWICH

By starting in Dunwich your extra nights are in Wickham Market and Bucklesham, enabling you to enjoy the heart of Suffolk which highlights the fine villages and quiet Suffolk lanes typical of the Suffolk countryside. In Bucklesham there is a great day tour of The Witchfinders Way, cycle tour of North Essex which can be accessed by foot ferry from Felixstowe to Harwich.

Day 1, Saturday

Arrive in Dunwich

Drive to your starting campsite near Dunwich. You will park your vehicle here for the duration of your holiday.
Bicycles will be delivered to your tent during the day.

staying in	Dunwich
nearest groceries	on site
nearest pub	on site
nearest town	Leiston (5 miles)

Day 2, Sunday

Dunwich to Wickham Market

Cycle out over the heaths of Dunwich. On route you will pass many attractive villages that line this part of Suffolk. Enjoy the quiet lanes and country vistas that mark your way south to Peasenhall. Here the main street is set beside a little watercourse with thatched and colourwashed cottages aside.
Continuing onwards through the pleasant Suffolk countryside you will arrive at your next site near Wickham Market.

Take the route via historic Framlingham or visit the bustling market town of Halesworth, set on the river Blythe.

staying in	Wickham Market
nearest groceries	0.5 miles
nearest pub	0.5 miles
nearest town	Wickham Market (0.5 miles)
min distance	19miles
max distance	32 miles
rec. distance	29.5 miles

Day 3, Monday

Day tour in the Heart of Suffolk (Optional Rest Day)

Exploring the heart of Suffolk will enable you to experience what much of Suffolk is all about. From small villages characterised by thatched and colour washed cottages, to historic buildings and rolling fields, this day tour takes in some of Suffolk's most rural landscape. Cycling via Framlingham you follow the Deben valley towards the most attractive small town of Debenham, then swinging right along pretty lanes leading through small villages with their characteristic flint built churches. You can then cycle towards a working windmill at Saxted before returning to the campsite.

Alternatively enjoy a rest day or a look around either Wickham Market, which is just up the road, or Framlingham a few miles to the north. If you fancy some forest cycling then Rendlesham forest is not too far away either.

staying in	Wickham Market
nearest groceries	0.5 miles
nearest pub	0.5 miles
nearest town	Wickham Market (0.5 miles)
min distance	0miles
max distance	35 miles
rec. distance	25 miles

Day 4, Tuesday

Wickham Market to Bucklesham

Cycle through the attractive estate village of Easton and on to the ancient market town of Framlingham. Visit the castle or muse the many attractive buildings that border the streets and alleyways that lead off from the triangular market square.
Continuing through attractive rolling countryside and historic hamlets you will eventually arrive in the former shipbuilding town of Woodbridge, set on the River Deben.
From here you pass the riverside and sailing community of Waldringfield before arriving at your campsite near Bucklesham.

Take a more direct route cutting out Framlingham or alternatively extend your journey by taking in some of the Heart of Suffolk route.

staying in	Bucklesham
nearest groceries	on site
nearest pub	2 miles
nearest town	Ipswich (7 miles)
min distance	15.5miles
max distance	31.5 miles
rec. distance	24.5 miles

Day 5, Wednesday

Day tour, The Witchfinders Way, via ferry to Harwich (Optional Rest Day)

Take a foot ferry (with your bike, for a small fee) across the Stour and Orwell estuaries to Harwich where you can cycle the Witchfinders Way. From Harwich, famous for its seafaring history and heritage the route heads through rolling countryside and picturesque villages, to the little port of Mistley, haunt of Matthew Hopkins, the Witchfinder General from 1645-1646. He was employed to hunt out the areas witches. The route returns to Harwich via the River Stour with its views and riverside hamlets.

Get the ferry back and relax after a full day out.

You may prefer to have a break for the day or take a cycle into, or around the county town of Ipswich

staying in	Bucklesham
nearest groceries	on site
nearest pub	2 miles
nearest town	Ipswich (7 miles)
min distance	0miles
max distance	49 miles
rec. distance	44 miles

Day 6, Thursday

Bucklesham to Eyke

This part of the tour takes you around the Victorian seaside town of Felixstowe, now the busiest container port in the UK. From here you will cross the River Deben estuary (by foot & cycle ferry for which a small fare is required) to the pretty Bawdsey Quay. Carrying on along the coastal route and then through Rendlesham Forest - a vast area of forest, famous for UFO sightings. Together with Tunstall and Dunwich Forests, the three forests cover much of the sandy heath lands found along the Suffolk coastline. The forest routes open up some excellent off road cycling opportunities before arriving at your next site in Eyke.

Bypass Felixstowe if you like and choose from any number of forest tracks or an on road option if you prefer.

staying in	Eyke
nearest groceries	0.5 miles
nearest pub	0.5 miles
nearest town	Woodbridge (4 miles)
min distance	21miles
max distance	42 miles
rec. distance	30.5 miles

Day 7, Friday

Eyke to Dunwich

Take a track across Rendlesham Forest and cycle into Orford, an attractive small town steeped in history. Here you can visit the castle or take a river trip to admire amazing coastal scenery. Continuing onwards through Snape and the smuggling hamlet of Eastbridge, will bring you to the coastal village of Dunwich, with its abundance of spectacular cliff top views and nature reserves which are managed by the national trust.

Choose to detour off to popular Aldeburgh, Thorpeness, Leiston or Sizewell. Alternatively take a short cut through Dunwich forest to enjoy some off road cycling.

staying in	Dunwich
nearest groceries	on site
nearest pub	on site
nearest town	Leiston (5 miles)
min distance	20.5miles
max distance	28.5 miles
rec. distance	21.5 miles

Day 8, Saturday

Departure