



Walk 12: Thames Valley Park and the Oracle Lakes (revised Nov 21)

This is a set of flat walks of various lengths along the banks of the river Thames from the Wokingham Waterside Centre to Sonning Lock and encompassing the Oracle Lakes and the associated nature reserve.

Walk options and their lengths are detailed in the website noted below. Walk lengths vary from a few hundred metres around the Oracle Lakes to several kilometres if venturing to Sonning and back. Generally, these walks are unsuitable for wheelchairs or motability scooters particularly in the wetter months. However, there are paved areas along the access roads to Thames Valley Park (TVP) which overlook the grassed areas adjacent to the river Thames which are wheelchair and motability scooter accessible.

Walk times are route dependent however guidance is included in the website.



Wokingham Waterside Centre



TVP Security



Oracles Lakes

Starting Points

TVP's address is Thames Valley Park Drive, Reading, RG6 1PT (w3w:///placed.loved.named). The starting point for the longer walks is the **Wokingham Waterside Centre**, which is off Thames Valley Park Drive, left just before the **first** pedestrian crossing along Thames Valley Park Drive. Thames Valley Park Drive is effectively an extension of the A3290 as it approaches the river Thames. The car park adjacent to the Wokingham Waterside Centre is not available for public parking. There are weekday restrictions on parking on Thames Valley Park Drive (Nov 2021: no parking, Mon-Fri, 0730 – 1030 and 1630 – 1730). Traffic wardens patrol the area.

The starting point for walks around the Oracle Lakes and Nature Reserve is on Thames Valley Park Drive immediately beyond the second pedestrian crossing and adjacent Thames Valley Park Security Office / David Lloyd fitness Centre. These starting points are shown on individual plans on the website.

Accessing the Walk Maps & Other information

The website for these walks is: www.thamesvalleypark.com

In the website, accessibility options are covered under **MENU>GETTING HERE**

Maps of the walks are included under **MENU>GETTING HERE>THAMES VALLEY PARK WALKING MAP TO READING AND SONNING** (this is a download of two maps)

The website also includes information about a cafe under **MENU>TVP NEWS AND EVENTS>NEWS INTRODUCING PARK KITCHEN** (check website for latest/current opening hours)

There is a 3-minute video on the website which describes the facilities and amenities at TVP.

Thanks are due to TVP management for their assistance and permitting links to their website.