



Gloucester Heritage & History Trail

GO OUTSIDE

Welcome to the GO Outside Gloucester Heritage & History Trail! Follow the directions and answer questions on your way around.



Directions

- 1 Start with the station behind you and head towards the Station Hotel & Bar.
- 2 Turn right along Bruton Way, staying on this side of the pavement.
- 3 Cross over the junction at London Road and stop to take a look around St. Peters Church.
- 4 Cross over the junction on Bruton Way, heading towards Northgate Street.
- 5 Continue along Northgate Street.
- 6 Continue past the roundabout on Worcester Street.
- 7 Continue past St. Aldate Street on your left.

Puzzles and Facts

Gloucester Station opened in 1840 but which other station do you think it was first linked to?

What colour was the house that Reverend Greenway built in the Church gardens?

What colour are the stones painted on the pretty bench in the middle of the road here? Maybe stop for a quick rest!

How many trees are in the middle of the road here? Watch out for traffic!

Very little is known of St. Aldate, who was actually a bishop in Gloucester and died in the year 577. It is though his name may even be a corruption of "old gate".

- 8** Look around for a plaque above a blue shop. The plaque mentions a Gaol which is an old word for a jail or prison. What year was the North Gate demolished?
- 9** Continue past The Oxebode on your left.
- 10** Find the Spirit of Aviation. This is the “Spirit of Aviation” Statue, created in 1999. But who is the artist?
- 11** Pass a very old public house on your left, “The New Inn”, which was built in 1450. What year was Lady Jane Grey proclaimed Queen of England?
- 12** Head over the crossroads and continue on to Southgate Street.
- 13** There are lots of decorative plates on the floor along Southgate Street, how many can you find?
- 14** Look out for a restaurant on the left with an animal in its title. What colour is the face of the animal above the restaurant door?
- 15** Find the statue of Marcus Augustus. Which City was named after this famous general?
- 16** Find the Southgate Street information. Stop for a moment to read up on the history of Southgate Street and its place in Gloucester’s history.
- 17** Turn left down Marylone. There is a blue plaque here with information about the original Gloucester Grammar school, Crypt.
- 18** Head through the gardens of the St. Mary de Crypt Churchyard There is a large insect hiding in the bushes on the far side of the churchyard, what do you think it is?
- 19** Turn right onto Greyfriars.
- 20** Turn left and continue along Southgate Street.
- 21** Take the right fork onto Commercial Road. Can you spot a building with 4 faces above the ground floor windows? What do you think this building used to be?
- 22** Turn right onto Commercial Road.
- 23** Pass the Glos Bike Project. The Glos Bike Project is a charity that provides donated Bikes to local grassroot projects. Find out more info by visiting the website below. <https://gloucestershirebikeproject.co.uk>

- 24** Carefully cross the road here and head down the stairs towards the historic Gloucester Docks.
- 25** Walk past the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum. Feel free to pop in and visit the Soldiers of Gloucestershire Museum, they even have a small café if you need a break!
- 26** Head past the Victoria Warehouse, keeping the Victoria basin on your left. How many barges can you spot moored in the basin?
- 27** Turn right after the Britannia Warehouse.
- 28** Head along the path until you get to the corner outside the Greek on the Docks restaurant. There are fifteen warehouses in Gloucester docks, all of them listed buildings. Which 3 can you see from this corner?
- 29** Continue along the dock path to the Herbert Warehouse at the end.
- 30** Head left towards the North warehouse. The north warehouse was the first Warehouse to be built on the docks back in 1827. Watch out for the barge crane, although it is difficult to miss! What is the maximum load of the barge crane in Tons?
- 31** Cross the bridge towards the Lock Warehouse and turn left, keeping the docks on your left. This part of the docks is called the Main Basin. There are a couple more restaurants and cafés here for a snack.
- 32** On the right you will see a large “centrifugal” pump. Which animal does the large blue pump remind you of?
- 33** Cross the two bridges. What type of dock is on your right?
- 34** Pass the Alexandra warehouse on your right.
- 35** Turn left onto the Llanthony Bridge. The Llanthony bridge marks the boundary between the docks and the Gloucester/Sharpness canal.
- 36** Head past the Waterways Museum on your left. What times does the Waterways Museum open?
- 37** Continue along Llanthony Road. On your right is an old Inn. What animal is it named for?
- 38** Cross the roundabout onto Spa Road.

39 Pass the bowls club on your right

Bowls has been played in England since the 13th Century. But the Gloucester bowls club is not as old as that! It was established over 100 years ago in 1897.

40 At the end of Spa Road, head into Gloucester Park.

Which home appliance did Cecil Booth invent? Hint: a blue plaque on the house on the corner might help you with the answer.

41 Head across the park with the playground on your left.

42 Staying in the park, turn left, keeping the main road on your right.

43 Leave the park past the war memorial.

As you reach the memorial, there is an inscription on the floor. Who wrote this?

44 Cross at the traffic lights, staying on Trier Way.

45 Cross the traffic lights at Eastgate Street, staying on Trier Way.

46 Turn left onto Albert Street, passing GL1 on your left.

GL1 leisure centre is run by Aspire Sporting Trust, helping provide access to sports and recreation facilities throughout Gloucestershire.

47 Cross back over to the Train Station.

Congratulations!

You have completed the Go Outside Gloucester Heritage & History Trail!
For more information on other trails available, head over to our website at <https://go-outside.co.uk/>

Answers

- 1) Bristol
- 3) **Red**
- 6) Four
- 8) **1789**
- 10) Simon Stringer
- 11) **1553**
- 14) Red
- 15) **Gloucester**
- 18) A wasp
- 21) **A bank. The building was originally built in 1849 and was the Gloucester Savings Bank**
- 28) Vinings, Alexandra, Lock
- 30) **5. This crane dates back to 1944!**
- 32) A snail. This is actually what the locals refer to this pump as!
- 33) **Dry**
- 25) 10-4, Tuesdays to Saturdays
- 37) **Goat**
- 40) Vacuum Cleaner
- 43) **Ivor Gurney**
- 30) Edward Jenner

