

GAYTON MARINA

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DIRECTIONS

BY ROAD: The marina is situated off the Gayton to Milton Malsor Road, adjacent to the A43. However, **there is no direct access from the A43**. Unless noted below, ignore signs to Gayton village.

From Towcester (junction of A5 & A43) take the A43 towards Northampton.

- After 2 miles turn right towards Blisworth for 1 mile.
- In the centre of Blisworth turn left just past Royal Oak pub (200m) towards Northampton. Do not turn into Chapel Lane.
- Turn left in front of a row of thatched cottages into Northampton Road (to Milton Malsor) for 1 mile.
- Turn left at the staggered crossroad (to Rothersthorpe & Gayton).
- Immediately after the bridge over the A43, turn left at the T-junction.
- Go over the canal bridge and the marina is 300m on the left.

From the M1, exit at junction 15A and take the A43 towards Northampton for 1/4 mile.

- At roundabout turn left (to Rothersthorpe & Pattishall) for 2 miles to Rothersthorpe.
- At the crossroads turn left (to Milton Malsor & Blisworth).
- After going over the second canal bridge, the marina is 300m on the left.

BY RAIL: Take the train to Northampton station and then a taxi to the marina (about 5 miles). Please contact the taxi company directly for a fare estimate. For information about train timetables and ticket costs for all mainline rail transport please go to www.thetrainline.com.

FROM AIRPORTS: From Luton, Heathrow, Gatwick, Stansted or Birmingham: There are a number of options including rail or coach to Northampton. For information on taxi companies see below. Please contact the taxi companies directly for an estimated fare.

LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

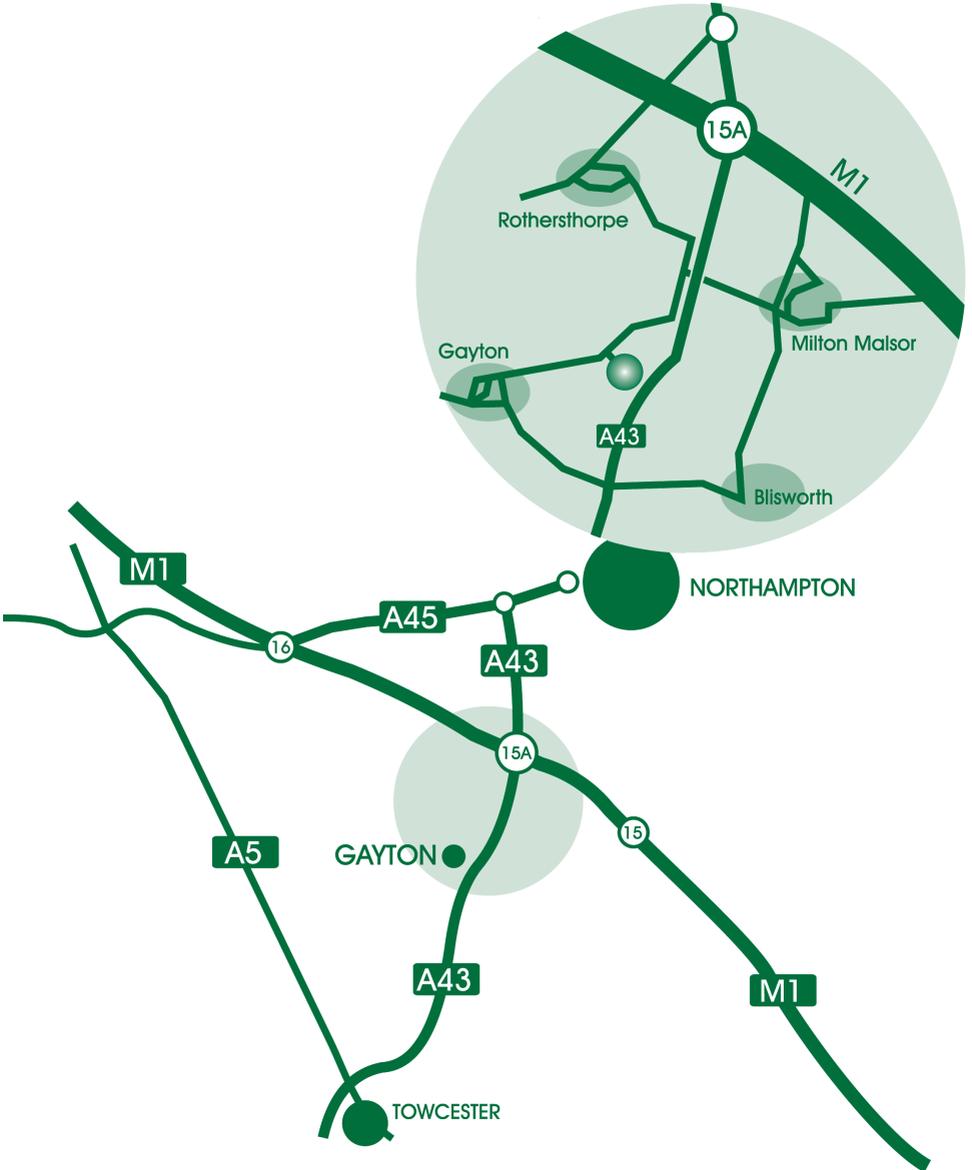
Please check www.hotelshopuk.com or www.laterooms.com for special rates.

LOCAL TAXI

Bounds Taxis	Tel: 01604 626262 Fax: 01604 626080
Amber Taxis	Tel: 01604 708999 Fax: 01604 233866

NEAREST GROCERIES

A selection of essential provisions is stocked at the marina shop and the nearest convenience store is about a mile away in the village of Blisworth. The nearest supermarket is a Tesco store on the outskirts of Northampton, just 5 minutes by car. (0845 6779119 - www.tesco.com).



CRUISING ROUTES FROM GAYTON

THAMES CRUISING: We are happy to allow our hire craft to cruise on the river Thames, but a separate licence is required above Teddington and there is important information which you must be aware of. The Thames between Brentford and Teddington is tidal. You are permitted to make a single passage between these two points provided that it is done as promptly as possible. This stretch of water comes under the jurisdiction of the Port of London Authority and no additional licence is required. You must ask and accept the advice of the Lock Keepers at either Brentford or Teddington regarding the timing of your passage. They will ensure that you get the maximum benefit of the tides. You must not attempt the passage before sunrise and you must satisfy yourself that the passage can be completed and the boat is once again on non-tidal waters well before sunset. You may not **under any circumstances** cruise on the Thames downstream of Brentford. **Passage on the Thames between Brentford and Limehouse is not permitted.**

A Thames information sheet can be downloaded from www.ukboathire.com or collected from the marina on arrival.

3-night short break on the Grand Union Canal heading South:

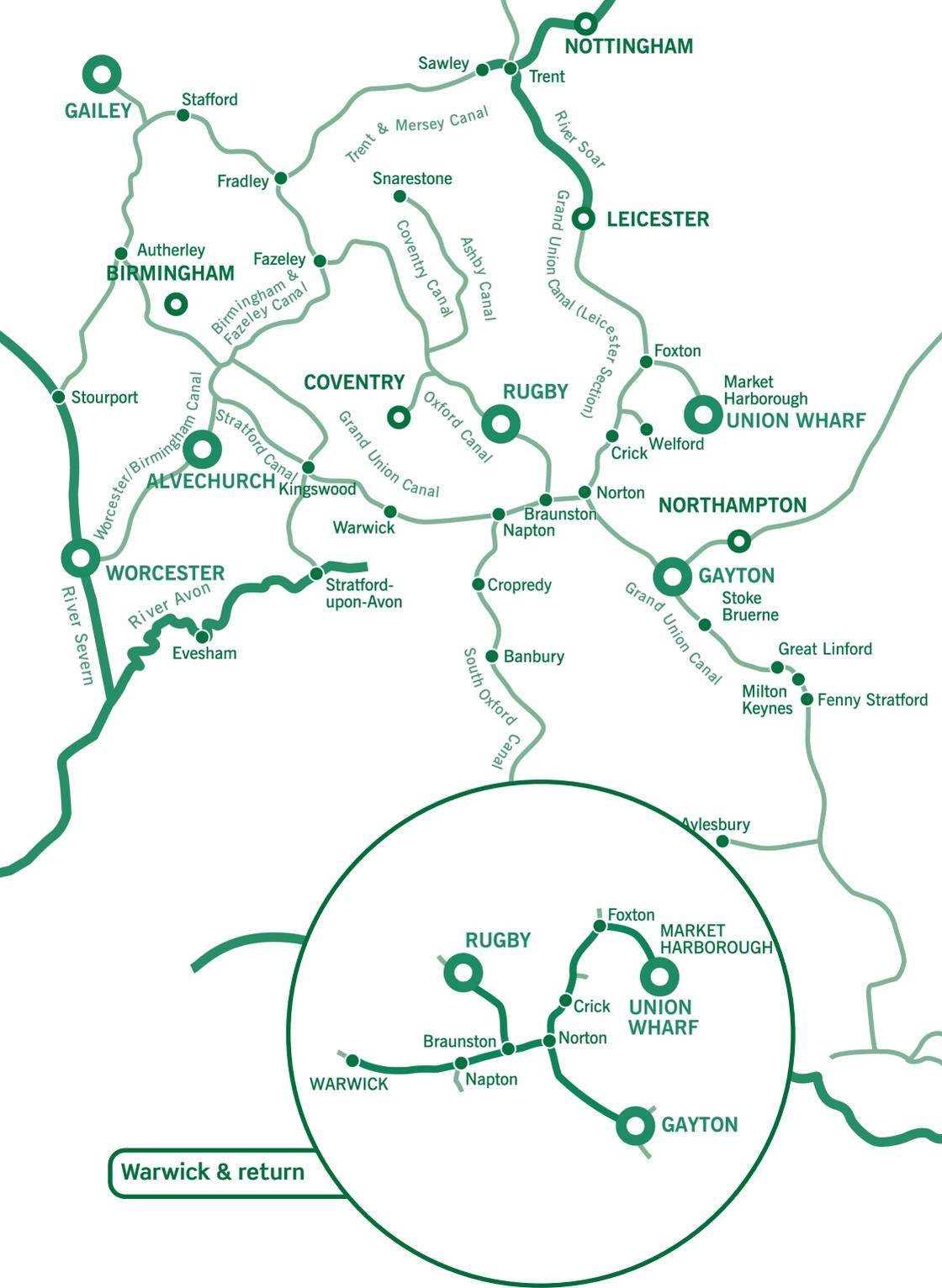
On day one you will start out from Gayton and head south onto the Grand Union Canal towards Blisworth. Go through the Blisworth Tunnel and you will emerge just outside the village of Stoke Bruerne. This is 4 miles and doesn't have any locks, which gives you a relaxing first day. Day two will take you towards Great Linford, but before setting off you may want to visit the Canal Museum at Stoke Bruerne. When you begin your journey you will go through 7 locks and then go round to Cosgrove where an aqueduct crosses the River Ouse. Then you will go onto Wolverton and finish your day at Great Linford. The whole journey is 11 miles and has 8 locks.

A midweek 4-night break:

You will head northwards on the Grand Union Canal towards Weedon. After one hour you may like to stop at Bugbrooke or continue towards Weedon to spend the night. This is 9.5 miles and has no locks. On day two continue towards Whilton and the Buckby Flight of 7 locks to Norton Junction. You will then be bearing left towards Braunston and travel through the 2042 yard Braunston Tunnel. Now descend the 6 locks and you will reach the Braunston Junction. Today you will have travelled 8 miles and gone through 13 locks. The next day you will travel onto Napton and turn before the locks, to continue back to Gayton. This is 8 miles and has no locks.

One week trip from Gayton to Warwick and return:

Day one and two will be the same as the midweek break above. On day three at Napton Junction you will head towards Warwick, first through the Calcutt Locks, then onto the more strenuous 10 locks of Stockton. A further 10 locks takes you to Radford Semele where you can moor up for the night and take a well earned break. Today you will have travelled 12 miles and gone through 23 locks. The next day will take you from Radford Semele to Warwick. As the canal runs close to the centre of Leamington Spa it is possible to make a visit to the parks and the Royal Pump Rooms. The suburbs of Warwick and Leamington merge into one, and so you will soon reach Cape Locks and then onto the Saltisford Arm. This is a good place to moor and it is a short stroll into Warwick to visit the Castle and all the other attractions.



Warwick & return