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We are fortunate to have many walking options within a short drive of Kegworth – here are just a few of our suggestions for you to research and enjoy.

Calke Abbey - National Trust - DE73 7JF

A variety of walks in and around the park here – if you're not a member of the National Trust, you can park at the village hall in Ticknall for a small donation and enter on foot free of charge.

Ticknall – park at the village hall – DE73 7JX – donations for parking – and enjoy a variety of rural walks of varying lengths in all directions.

Mount St Bernard Abbey – LE67 5UL – park for a donation here and explore the undulating countryside round about. Snack at nearby St Joseph's Tearooms afterwards (LE67 5UP).

Gotham – park by the church in Gotham NG11 0HW and explore the Gotham Heritage trail towards Thrumpton. You could also catch the bus to East Leake from here and walk back to Gotham

East Leake – park in the free car park LE12 6JG and start a walk in a variety of directions.

Rushcliffe Country Park – NG11 6JS – for a small parking fee you can explore the park or take a circular walk into Ruddington – calling in at the Framework Knitters Museum (NG11 6HE) for a coffee or snack.

Barton in Fabis - NG11 0AA

Start from here and follow the river towards Nottingham and back.

West Leake - LE12 5RP

Park in the village and explore the West Leake hills for views into Nottingham.

Bradgate Park

Park in the car park at Woodhouse Eaves LE12 8RZ or at one of the park car parks LE6 0HB and discover the variety of walks in and around Bradgate and Beacon Hill.

Hicks Lodge, near Ashby LE65 2UP parking charges apply, or park for free at Moira Furnace DE12 6AT and walk into the park. A variety of walks and cycling routes around the park. Bike hire also available.

Foremark Resevoir – National Trust – DE65 6EG Circular route around the reservoir. Again accessible from Ticknall – DE73 7JX – if you're not a member of the National Trust.

Lount Nature Reserve just outside Ashby – LE67 8JH. Pools and marshland to enjoy.

Staunton Harold – LE65 1RU park at and visit the garden centre there. Variety of walking routes. Alternatively park at the Staunton Harold Reservoir just outside Melbourne and start from there – DE73 8DL – National Trust charges apply.

Breedon on the Hill

Walk from Melbourne DE73 8EN or park in Breedon DE73 8AT and hike up to the historic church DE73 8AP for great views. Some parking up at the church too.

Melbourne - DE73 8DY

There are numerous walks around the lovely area of Melbourne from a short route around the pool to longer hikes across the fields towards Breedon or taking in the Cloud Trail. These two books are also available from Melbourne Post Office detailing a variety of options.

Walks Around Melbourne (14 great walks close to the town of Melbourne). New Edition 2024 – £6.50.

Walks Around Melbourne: Further Afield (12 lovely walks mostly within 6 miles of Melbourne). 2nd edition – £6:00. Attenborough Nature Reserve – NG9 6DY explore the facilities and cafe here and walk around the pools and lakes. Parking charges apply. For a longer walk, continue along the River Trent towards Clifton and Wilford and visit the Canalside Heritage Centre by the weir NG9 1LZ.

Airport Trail – DE74 2DL – a 10km circuit of the airport perimeter. Park in Castle Donington and start there or walk / drive to the East Midlands Gateway (EMG) airport viewing area, reached by turning left immediately after entering the EMG site. East Midlands Aeropark DE74 2PR is also worth a visit along the route. Check opening times. Admission charges apply.

Sawley – park on Warren Lane NG10 3AE and walk along the canal and river in either direction. Cafes along the way – at Sawley Lock, at Trent Lock or in the other direction at Shardlow.

Aston on Trent – park at the Recreation Centre DE72 2AN or in the village and take a stroll along the canal and river towards Weston on Trent or Shardlow.

Charnwood Water, Loughborough – LE11 2PH – Take a short walk around the lake or a longer hike into Loughborough and back along the nearby canal. Free parking.



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