

A series of cycling routes exploring the countryside from Portland Basin



Let's go...

# Pedal Peak Forest Canal

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An easy four mile ride to our medieval past and back.

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**Portland Basin Museum** Portland Place, Ashton-under-Lyne 0L7 0QA. Tel: 0161 343 2878



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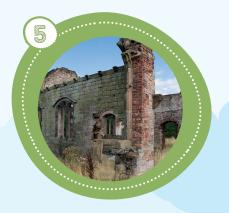
Weavers' Rest Bridge, start of the Peak Forest Canal in Portland Basin.

Side Branch to Portland Basin Marina, formally the Alma Street Branch, site of Aqueduct mill.



Lift Bridge near Plantation Farm, home of Mary Moffat who married missionary, Dr. Livingstone.

Dunkirk Lane



16th Century Old Hall chapel belonging to the Dukenfield family possibly the first congregational chapel in the country.



Newton Hall; one of Britain's oldest medieval cruck-framed buildings, built around the early 1300s for the Newton family.

> Lovers' Alley; used by packhorses laden with baskets of coal, from the coal pits in Dunkirk Wood, to the canal where narrow boats waited to be loaded. Leads down to the River Tame.

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www.tameside.gov.uk/ museumsgalleries

#### Opening times:

Tuesday to Sunday 10 - 4pm Closed Monday except Bank Holidays.



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#### Further afield

There are a number of Railway Stations close to the Peak Forest Canal.

Hyde North, Hyde Central, Woodley, Romiley and Marple.

These are on the Guide Bridge Station line, which is a few minutes ride from Portland Basin.

Old Hall Chapel Photograph @Bob Alston

This is one of a series of cycle rides designed to show you the world which is to be explored outside Portland Basin.

Look out for...

### Pedal Ashton Canal

An easy five mile ride to the Fairfield Moravian Settlement and back.

