

- # The South Cheshire Market Towns Trail
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- This map illustrates several potential routes from Buxton to Congleton, categorized by road type and distance. The routes are color-coded: Main Trail (off road) in orange dotted, Main Trail (on road) in yellow solid, Short cut option (off road) in green dotted, Short cut option (on road) in light green solid, Railway Station link in blue dotted, and Other paths in grey dotted.
- Main Trail (off road*)**
- Main Trail (on road)**
- Short cut option (off road*)**
- Short cut option (on road)**
- Railway Station link**
- Other paths**
- Mileage between markers
Spot Height (metres)
Text instruction reference
Footbridge
- Motorway
Main Road
Secondary Road
Other Roads
Tracks
Drives
Railway & Station
Canal
River
- 0 1 Mile
0 1 2 Kilometers
- * predominantly paths & pavements. May include sections with vehicular access.

See overleaf for Short Loop and Short Cut text instructions

1. From the car park head towards the Mere and T-L keeping on the main path. Take the second path off to the left, after 350m. The path merges into Astbury Street, then continue straight for about 400m to the junction of West Street.
 2. **T-R** and then **T-L** into Dane Street by the Farmers Arms.
 3. **Turn off to explore Congleton, its numerous shops, cafes, pubs and restaurants.**
 4. Continue along Dane Street and **T-R** onto River Dane Walkway.
 5. Follow the path leading to the steps up to Town Bridge.
 6. Cross the road and **T-R** towards the roundabout, then **T-L** onto the riverside path
 7. Cross the footbridge, on the left, over the river Dane and over the River Park.
 8. **T-R** along the path to another footbridge and cross over the River Dane.
 9. Cross the footbridge. Follow the path towards St Stephen's Church to a pedestrian crossing on Brook Street.
 10. Cross the road then **T-L** along the pavement to Brunswick Wharf and keep right to follow the Biddulph Valley Way. In 1km go down the railway and after a further 500m under the Canal.
 11. At the canal: link to Congleton Short Walk or continue for 1km to reach a bridge with a high metal fence over Readle's Lane.
 12. **Now a route choice to Nick's 1st Hill.**
For an easier option: follow from point 12.
For a more adventurous option: follow from 11a (see yellow box below).
 13. From Readle's Lane bridge (see point 10) continue along the Biddulph Valley Way for a further 1.5km, over the AS27 and at track below **T-L**.
- (Instructions continue below the map)

