

WINGS 2026 Adventurer's Guild

Windsor Town Explorer (Clockwise)



10.4km, (6.5 miles) Duration 2 ½ to 3 hours

Instructions

1. Watch your time. If short of time skip steps by taking the short cuts suggested in the **green** text below.
2. **Follow the instructions and answer the questions and cross off the answers at the bottom of the sheet to reveal a message at the end of the challenge.**
3. The **Red** numbers in brackets (**#**) refer to the numbers on the map.
4. Do Not approach strangers and ask for help. The answers are all fairly obvious.
5. Take care when crossing roads. Use Pelican or Zebra crossings where available.
6. Agree a meeting place with your leader if you get lost. Eg. The Statue of Queen Victoria in the High Street.
7. Try to see the changing of the guard. The new guard arrives at the entrance to the castle at about 10:50 and the old guard leaves at about 11:20.

William the Conqueror built the first fortification at Windsor on high land above the Thames to help guard London. William's son, Henry I, added a residence within its walls and first held court there in 1110. Most sovereigns have lived in Windsor Castle ever since. Many Kings and Queens of England are buried in St George's Chapel, within the castle, including Queen Elizabeth II and The Duke of Edinburgh.

Route - Follow the instructions, these will guide you along the route shown in red on the map.

Swipe out and leave the WINGS camp site by the Town Gate. Turn left on the Long Walk. Go through the pedestrian gate next to the white gates and continue on the Long Walk towards the castle.

The Long walk is 2.65 miles (4.25km) long. Windsor castle is at one end and the Copper Horse at the other end. The man on the Copper Horse is George III. The statue is made of Bronze not copper and includes metal from melted down cannons.

1. When you reach the main road, turn left and **use the Pelican crossing to cross the road.** Bear left on Kings Road parallel to the Long Walk. **Do not cross the road onto the roundabout. (15)**

Q 1 How many horses are on the roundabout? _____

The horses are Windsor Greys. They depict the type of horse that pulled The Queen's carriage on her Diamond Jubilee in 2012 and the Gold State Coach at the Queen's Coronation in 1953.

2. Continue on Kings Road past the Windsor Castle Pub and the Royal Adelaide Hotel (14) to 63 Kings Road.

Q 2 Who lived at No 63 Kings Road? – Mr A Nutt, Lord B Bolt or Sir C Washer _____

3. Follow Kings Road into Sheet Street. Cross the road at the traffic island or the Zebra crossing a bit further along. Walk past the Victoria Barracks. (12)

Turn left into Victoria Street and cross the road via the Zebra crossing to the Jubilee Obelisk (32) at the entrance to Bachelors Acre. The obelisk commemorates the Golden Jubilee of George III and Queen Charlotte and her family joining the celebrations in Bachelors Acre.

Q 3 What was eaten at the celebrations? _____

4. Go into Bachelors Acre. There are toilets in the park.

Q 4 How many corgis are with the Queen in the Windsor Lady statue (31)? _____



5. Go up the steps and turn left at Western Cottage (34). Exit Bachelors Acre past the WWI Information board (at 35). Turn right into Acre Passage (36) and follow the path between buildings to arrive at Peascod Street. (37) You are now in the **shopping area.**

Peascod Street is Windsor's main shopping street and is part of the original 12th century street plan. Its name refers to the area's pea fields and the favourite medieval snack of buttered peapods sold on this street.

If short of time miss out the shopping area (Q5 & Q6) by walking straight across Peascod Street and up Goswell Hill and up the steps into the station. Then turn left down to the Queens train Q7.

If time permits. Turn left into Peascod Street. (37) Walk down to the Post Office. (27)

Q 5 What year was Fred Fuzzens Born? (6) _____

6. Turn right up the ramp (39) and follow the pedestrian route. Turn right then left past Waitrose. (40)

Q 6 How many spheres are in Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee memorial? (41) _____

7. Take the steps up into the Windsor and Eton Central station. Walk over towards the platforms and the replica of the Queen's Train. (42)

Q 7 What is the number on the train? _____

In 1842 Queen Victoria became the first monarch ever to take a train ride. She did not always enjoy the experience. When leaving this station in March 1882 a man tried to shoot her!

8. Turn around and walk past the old booking office, which is now a cafe (43) and out of the station at the main entrance on the high street. Look back up at the clock.

Q 8 What year was the station built? _____

9. Turn left down the high street and walk down to the archway next to the King and Castle Pub. (45)

Q 9 Whose bust is above the gateway? _____

10. Go through the archway and down the steps to the Goswells (48). Walk along the path past the tennis court and bowls club to the fountain and maze. (49)

Q 10 What board game is the maze based on? _____

If you are short of time skip Q 11. Exit the Goswells and turn right and walk towards the river. Carefully cross the road to the river path and walk towards the Bridge. Jump to 12.

If time permits. Exit the Goswells, cross the road via the Pelican crossing and enter Alexandra Gardens (50) opposite. Toilets are in the building left of the entrance to the gardens.



11. Walk through Alexandra Gardens (50) to the full-sized replica of the Hawker Hurricane. (52)

Q 11 What year did the Hurricane enter service with the RAF? _____

12. Walk back towards Windsor on the riverside path. (53)

If you now need the toilets, carefully cross the road and turn right before the bridge up River Street to the brick building. (46) These toilets (which are free) are of an unusually high standard, their wall tiles are decorated with the scenes of Windsor life. Continue the riverside path. Walk up the steps to the Windsor and Eton Bridge (56).



Q12 What year was the bridge opened? _____

13. Cross over the bridge (56) to the Eton side to the five stainless steel bollards and the spy glass.

Q13 What shapes is on top of the central bollard? _____

If time permits. It is about 10 minutes walk down the street to Eton College. The College was founded by Henry VI in 1440. It is Britain's most famous private school and has educated 20 British Prime Ministers and members of the Royal Family including the Prince William and Prince Harry. The boys still wear black morning coats as their school uniform.

14. Cross back to the Windsor side of the bridge. Walk up the road and cross the road at the lights to the large fountain, (57) which commemorates the first Sovereign of the house of Windsor.

Q 14 What was his name? – _____

The Royal family changed their name to Windsor in 1917, replacing the previous name of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, due to the anti-German sentiment during the First World War.

15. Walk up Thames Street past the Theatre Royal. (60) If you need to spend a penny turn right down River Street to the brick building (46) mentioned in 12.



Continue up Thames Street. Turn left around the outside of the castle walls at the round Curfew tower.

The Curfew Tower is one of the oldest parts of the castle. The tower contains a dungeon where prisoners were held and executed. Bodies of traitors were hung from its battlements.

Just after the Curfew Tower (61), midway up the wall there is a small, barred window, which is the last surviving original castle window.

Q15 How many bars does the window have? _____

The window lights the Sally Port tunnel beneath the high street, which was a means of escape should the castle be sieged, or possibly a way of sneaking out to get a beer and a pizza.

16. Continue up High Street to the Statue of Queen Victoria. (63) Turn left to the entrance of the castle. (1)

Q 16 What animals are in Henry VIII's coat of arms above the entrance? (1) _____

Try to be at the castle to see the changing of the guard. (2) The new guard arrives at about 10:50 and the old guard leaves at about 11:20.

17. Walk down Church Street which is opposite to the castle entrance.

You are now in the old market area. Church street was known as Fish Street, as it was the home of the town's fishmongers. Market Street nearby was formally named Butchers Row.

Q 17 What game can be played in the Church Street Heritage Garden. (3) _____

18. Turn right out of Church Street into Church Lane and then arrive at the Windsor Guildhall, (5) where King Charles and Queen Camilla were married in 2005.

Q 18 How many miles is it to New York? _____

Look up. When the Guildhall was designed the town council insisted that central pillars had to be installed to hold up the ceiling. The architect advised they were not required and just to prove a point he has left a gap between the top of the columns and the ceiling.

19. Continue up High Street to the Irish Guards statue (7). The dark blue Post Box behind the statue commemorates the first Air Mail Post in September 1911. The plane landed beside the Long Walk.

Q19 Where did the plane take off from? _____

20. Walk up Park Street past the Two Brewers to the entrance of the castle (9) and start walking down the Long Walk away from the castle.

Frogmore Estate (10) is on the left of the Long Walk. Queen Victoria and Prince Albert are buried in the Mausoleum which is the white building with the copper dome almost completely hidden by trees.

Q 20 Where does the Name Frogmore come from? _____

- a) It is named after Lord Frogmore who gave the estate to Queen Victoria.
- b) It takes it from the marsh frogs which lived in this low marshy area.
- c) Victoria's favourite fairy story the Princess and the Frog.

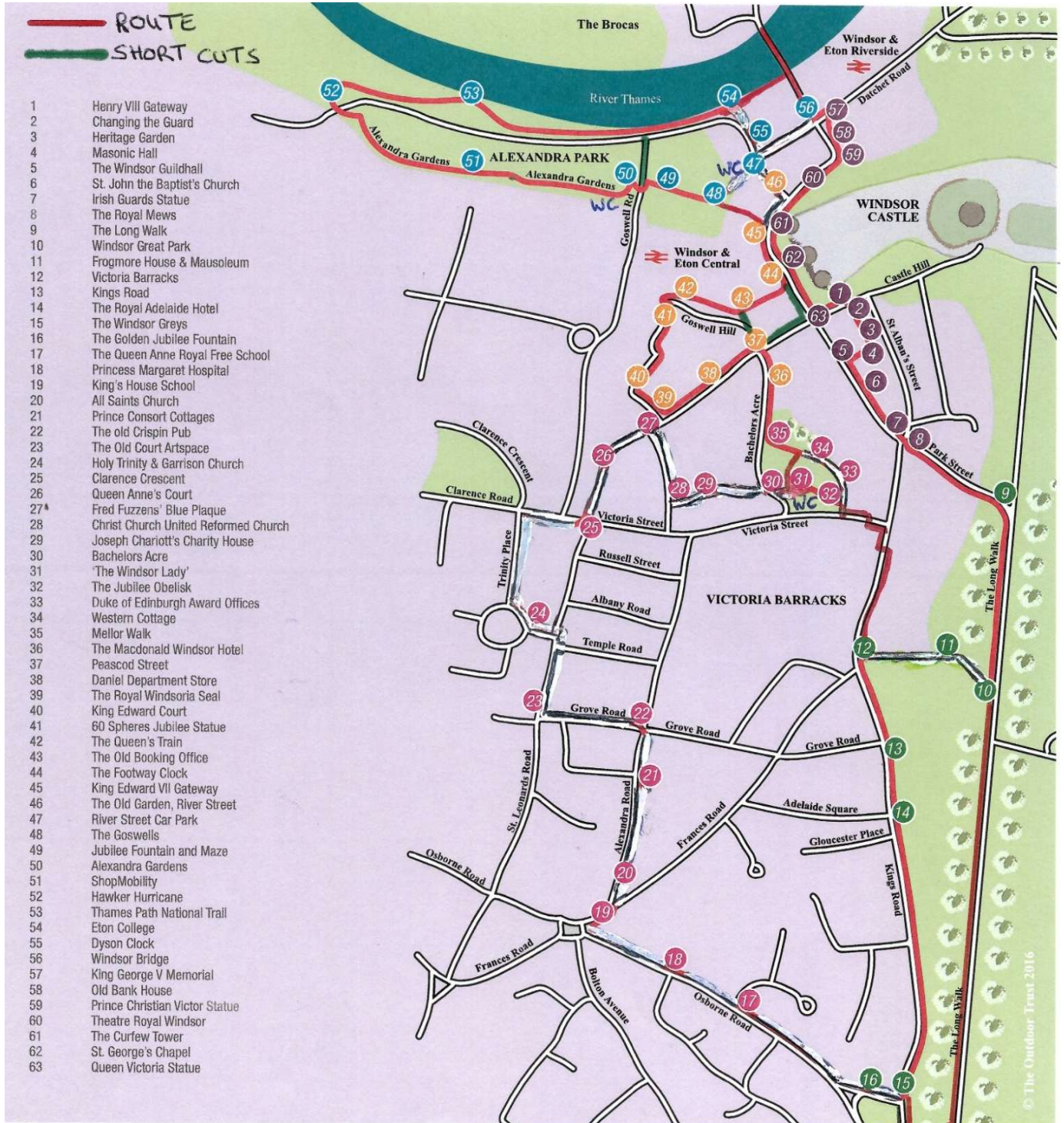
21. Continue along the Long Walk then cut across the grass and use the Pelican crossing to cross the main road. Continue down the Long Walk to the White Gates at the entrance to the Deer Park.

Q 21 What must you be aware of in the Deer Park and what mode of transport is prohibited?

Continue through the pedestrian gate and return to the WINGS 2026 Camp site via the Town Gate. **Don't forget to swipe in.**

Cross off the answers to reveal a message

Roast Ox and Plum Puddings 1921 Congratulations King Edward VII Hendon Aerodrome
 Five You Six King George V Completed Hopscotch Marsh Frogs The WINGS 2026
 Two Cone Pointed Sphere Windsor Ticks and Cycles 1897 Sixty 3041
 Town Chess 1824 Mr A Nutt Challenge 3585 Lion and Dragon 1937



More information about the places of interest in Windsor can be obtained online at [The-Queens-Walkway-2024-ONLINE-1.pdf](#) from which this map was extracted.

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