

Broadstairs to Ramsgate – Yellow Trail

Follow the promenade with the sea on your left until you see the Charles Dickens pub on the right.

Turn right here then left to rejoin the road (get back on bikes).

Follow this road, bear right then turn left into West Cliff Avenue and left again into West Cliff Road.

At the end turn right onto Western Esplanade and follow the coast again.

Follow this road, then turn left into South Cliff Parade. The signs say this road is a dead end but continue and join a path at the end to go through a park area.

Go through the park then rejoin the road and follow it downhill into Ramsgate.

Ramsgate Royal Harbour is on the left at the bottom of the hill. The harbour is a great place for a meal or drink overlooking the vast array of boats in the attractive harbour.

Ramsgate Maritime Museum is the building with the clock tower.

For the train station, go into the town centre, go up High Street and then turn right into Chatham Street (becomes quite steep). At traffic lights go straight over, then turn left into Station Approach Road and the station is situated at the end.



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For more information on the Viking Coastal Trail visit the website www.vikingcoastaltrail.co.uk or contact the Thanet Visitor Information Centres.

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VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

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The Thanet trail consists of 3 colour-coded trails - red, blue & yellow. You can choose to complete all 3 at once which will take a full day if you visit some of the attractions along the way or you can do 1 of the trails at a time. The Viking Coastal Trail is an established trail so look out for the blue signs along the way.

The 3 towns of Thanet – Margate, Broadstairs & Ramsgate - provide a great day out along the coast. Exploring the golden sands around the coast offers plenty of opportunities to sunbathe, eat a picnic or play a game. Stop at some of the attractions to discover more about the rich nautical history of the area or simply cycle the whole route taking in the scenery and the fresh seaside air.

KEY TO MAP

- Places of interest
- Railway stations
- Visitor Information Centres

A life on the ocean wave.



Margate – Red Trail

Turn right out of the station and head towards the sea. At the end, go round the roundabout and head towards Margate with the beach on your left.

At traffic lights with the clock tower ahead, turn left. Follow this road round until the beach becomes the harbour on your left.

The Visitor Information Centre is on the right and the Margate Local History Museum is situated here in Margate Old Town.

Droit House, the visitor interpretation centre for Turner Contemporary is directly in front of you (white building with clock on the harbour).

Return to the train station or follow the [blue trail](#) to Broadstairs & Ramsgate.



Margate to Broadstairs – Blue Trail

At the harbour, go up the hill with the sea on your left. Past the Winter Gardens Theatre and the Lido there is a sign directing you to the Shell Grotto.

Visit the grotto or continue a little further & turn left off the road where the blue 'Viking Coastal Trail' sign points towards the sea.

Join the coast path and continue in the same direction following the cliffs around. You will see blue Viking Coastal Trail signs at various points.



The path will become gravel then after a bend Kingsgate Bay comes into view with Kingsgate Castle in the distance.

At the Captain Digby pub the path ends, turn left on to the road. Continue downhill past the beach, then at the crest of the hill you can turn right onto an off-road path behind a hedgerow.

At the end of this path at the bottom of the hill is Joss Bay a good stop for a rest, a drink or to use the toilet.

Rejoin the road and go up hill towards North Foreland Lighthouse. Stop for a visit or turn left into North Foreland Avenue just before the lighthouse.

At North Foreland Avenue, go left down Crescent Road follow the road along the seafront then round to the right and uphill through houses.

At the top, rejoin the main road, go downhill and at the bottom turn left into Park Road at the Viking Coastal Trail sign.

Go right into Eastern Esplanade then at the end join a path to carry on following the coast.

You'll come to Bleak House on the right, visit here or continue downhill along the path.

Go under the white archway of a building then at the t-junction turn left and almost immediately go right up to the promenade. Cyclists must dismount here.

Explore Broadstairs' quirky shops and beach.

Follow the [yellow trail](#) to Ramsgate or go to the train station. From the town centre go up High Street and the train station is along this road on the right.