



Walking trails at Mallards Pike

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There are miles of tracks to discover here at Mallards Pike, or you can explore the woodland along one of these routes.

Mallards Pike path

Not waymarked 0.8 km (½ mile)

This lakeside path is surfaced for wheelchairs and pushchairs. There are several benches along the way to stop and enjoy the scenery.

The Soudley Circles Walks

5 km (3 miles)

The Forest of Dean Ramblers have three circular walks between Mallards Pike and Soudley Ponds, each three miles long, with climbs and a variety of views. Can be combined into a pleasant ten mile hike. Ramblers routes leaflets and maps are required. Available from fodramblers.org.uk. These trails are not fully waymarked and so an OS Explorer Map OL14 is advised.

Blackpool Brook Trail •••

1 km (0.6 miles)

Wenchford is a great picnic spot. There is a short, surfaced trail around the picnic area, or take the slightly longer trail which can be muddy at times.

2km Running Trail •••

(1.2 miles)

A level and surfaced route into the forest, returning on the Mallards Colliers Trail link path. A great beginners route to step up from the Lakeside path.

3km Running Trail •••

(1.8 miles)

The trail follows the majority of the 5km route but has a short hill climb in the northern section.

5km Running Trail •••

(3.1 miles)

Joggers and serious runners will enjoy this surfaced track with km markers along the trail. It is also suitable for a short family cycle ride. The trail follows a wide forest road with a gradual climb uphill for the first half.

10km Running Trail •••

(6.2 miles)

This trail takes you away from the busy areas of the forest to more remote woodland with a greater chance to spot wildlife. The trail is mainly hard stone track, however some areas can become wet and muddy. The trail is shared in sections with other forest users such as bicycles and horse riders.

Emergency info

Key Location: Mallards Pike, GL15 4HD

Grid reference: SO637093 **What3Words:** ///cubic.ticked.hexes

Nearest minor injury unit:

Forest of Dean Community Hospital, Steam Mills Rd, Cinderford, Gloucestershire, GL14 3HY **T: 111**

Nearest A&E hospital facilities:

Gloucestershire Royal Hospital, Great Western Road, Gloucester, GL1 3NN

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The forest code

- Protect and respect wildlife, plants and trees.
- Guard against all risks of fire.
- Keep dogs under control.
- Take your litter home.
- Make no unnecessary noise.
- Take only memories away.
- The forest is for everyone. Please be aware of other visitors.

