

















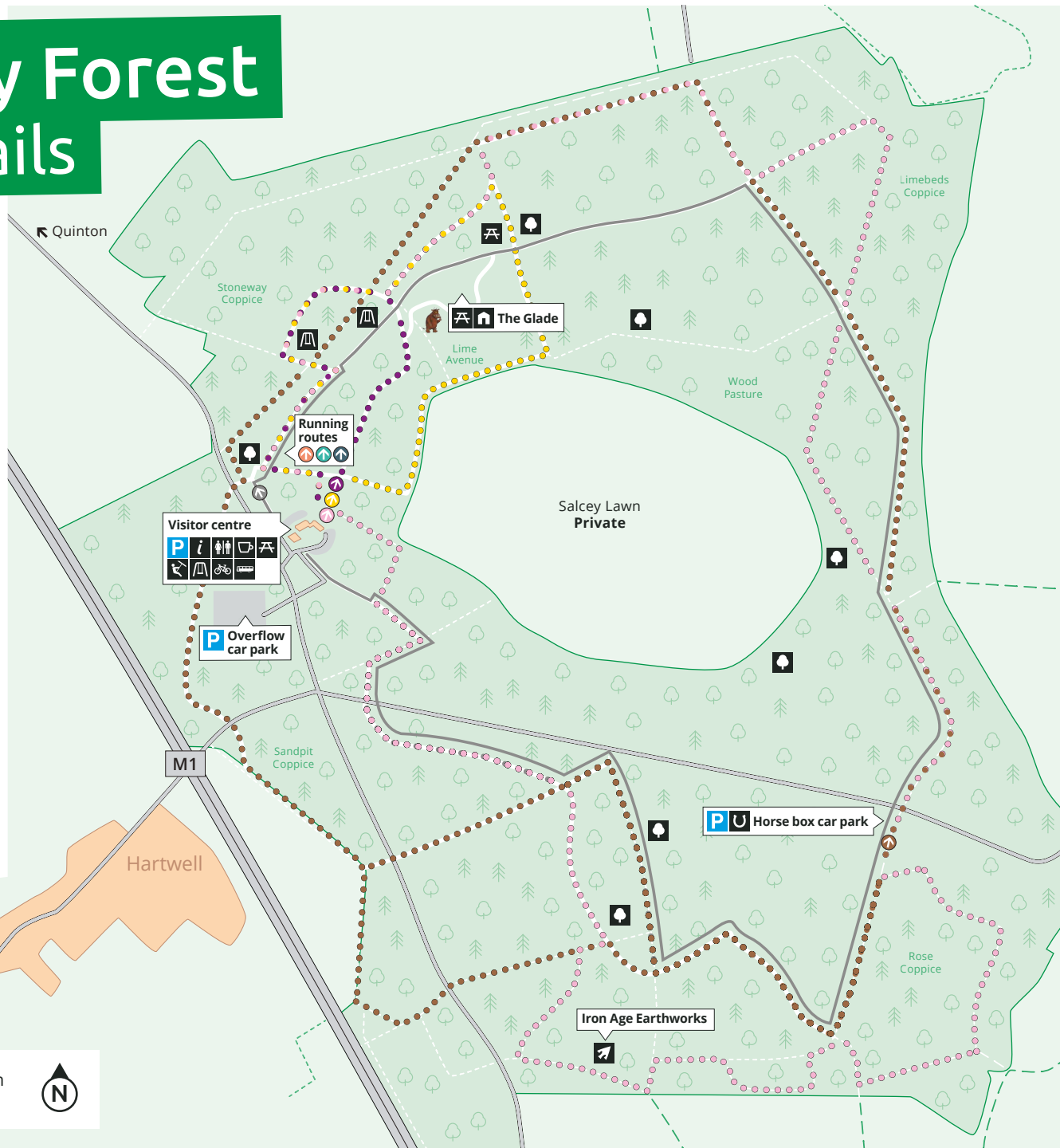


Salcey Forest trails

Key

-  Car parking
-  Toilets
-  Information
-  Cafe
-  Picnic area
-  Go Ape
-  Play area
-  Cycle hire
-  Bus stop
-  Gruffalo sculpture
-  Shelter
-  Horse box parking
-  Historic monument
-  Ancient oaks
-  Trail starts
-  Forest road
-  Bridleway
-  Footpath



Emergency info

Key location: Salcey Forest, Wootton Rd, Hartwell, Northampton, NN7 2HX
Grid ref: SP79435165
Nearest access road: Wootton Road
Mobile phone coverage: Poor
Nearest phone: Information point or cafe (opening times vary)
Nearest A&E hospital facilities: Northampton General Hospital Cliftonville, Northampton, NN1 5BD T: 01604 634700
In case of an emergency call 999. Inform Forestry England T: 0300 067 4340

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.

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Trails at

Salcey Forest

This magnificent woodland has many miles of ancient wood banks, building remains and ancient trees.

Walking trails

Elephant Walk ●●● 1.2km (0.75 mile)

An easy-access route suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs on level, surfaced ground. The walk is named after the Elephant Pond. During the Second World War, two circus elephants used the pond to cool off after helping to extract timber from the forest.

Woodpecker Trail ○○○ 10km (6 miles)

This route circles the forest, where you might see all three British species of woodpecker: the lesser spotted, greater spotted, and green. Walking boots are recommended due to a mix of surfaces. The trail shares part of its route with Salcey's Horse Trail and Family Cycle Trail.

Church Path Walk ●●● 2.5km (1.5 miles)

A circular trail that leads you to the Church Path Oak, one of Salcey's famous 'druid oaks', thought to be around 400 years old. The tree finally fell in 1995. The trail can get muddy – appropriate footwear should be worn.

Horse Trail ●●● 8km (5 miles)

Starting and finishing from the horse box car park, the route takes in the entire circumference of Salcey Forest across a range of surfaces. Care should be taken as the route involves four road crossings.

Running routes

Three waymarked running routes that use the existing trail network:

- 3km Running Route**
- 5km Running Route**
- 10km Running Route**

Family Cycle Trail —

Forest road: **7.5km (4.5 miles)**
Ideal for a range of cycling abilities, the circular route allows you to see different areas of the forest. The route includes two road crossings.

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As a member you'll be supporting Salcey Forest and get free onsite parking, forest updates and discounts.

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Cycling safety

- Have the right bike and wear the right safety clothing for the type of riding you're doing.
- Cycle within your abilities.
- Don't rely on others; can you get home safely?
- Take care around other visitors, walkers and horses.
- Always follow warning signs, instructions and diversions.
- If a vehicle is loading timber, wait for the driver to let you pass.
- Expect the unexpected.
- Off-road cycling is an additionally hazardous activity carrying significant risks. It should only be undertaken when you understand those risks and can deal with them. The guidelines on this panel must always be used in conjunction with the exercise of your own experience and careful judgement.
- Routes may change due to tree felling or other forestry work. These works can be dangerous, so follow all warning signs and instructions.
- Motorbikes and quadbikes are not allowed on cycle trails.

How our cycle trails are graded

Green Easy	Blue Moderate	Red Difficult	Black Severe	Double-black Extreme
Forest road & similar				
Expect: Gradients can be steep or variable. Surfaces may be uneven, loose or potholed. Navigation skills are useful (routes not always waymarked). Look out for vehicles, forestry work and other visitors.				