

THE FALKIRK WHEEL FROM THE KELPIES

(10 MILES, 16KM)

Explore Falkirk's industrial past along the historic Forth & Clyde Canal.

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	Featured route		National Cycle Network
	On-road / Traffic-free		Route number
	Start / Finish		Hospital (rxs evn)
	On-road / Traffic-free		Public toilets
	Railway with Station		Tourist info
	Attraction		Convenience store
	Spot height (metres)		Pub
	Water		Museum
	Land		Viewpoint
	Wooded area		Picnic site
	Urban area		Car park



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ROUTE DETAILS

LEVEL Introductory ▲

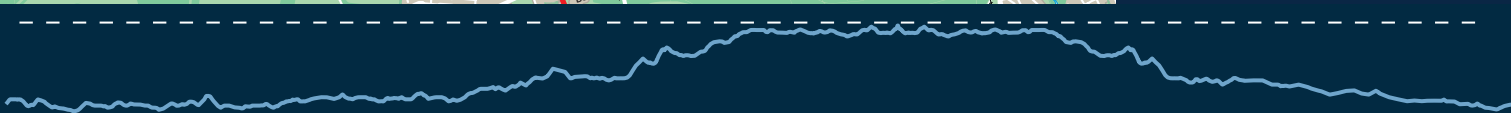
DESCRIPTION Mixture of segregated cycle paths and canal towpath. Suitable for all bikes.

TIME 2 – 2½ hours

VIEWPOINTS / ATTRACTIONS

- A** THE KELPIES
FK2 7XU
- B** ABBOTSHAUGH SENTINEL SCULPTURE
FK2 7UJ
- C** GRAHAMSTON IRONWORKS GATE
FK2 8DR
- D** THE FALKIRK WHEEL
FK1 4RS

ROUTE PROFILE
Total Ascent 70m Highest Point 43m



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ROUTE DESCRIPTION

Standing at 30 metres high and weighing 300 tonnes each, Andy Scott's iconic Kelpies mark the start of this circuit through Falkirk's industrial past.

Follow the 'Heart of Falkirk Trail' signs through Abbotshaugh Community Woodland, passing several notable sculptures, along the banks of the River Carron. A short detour will take you to the historic Grahamstown Ironworks Gate, before you continue through open parkland to join the Forth & Clyde Canal.

Follow the towpath west to the Falkirk Basin, and watch the Falkirk Wheel – the world's only rotating boat lift - raise and lower canal boats 24 metres between the Forth & Clyde, and Union Canals.

Follow the Forth & Clyde Canal towpath east, back to the start.

ROUTE LEVEL CLASSIFICATIONS

Introductory ▲

DISTANCE <15 KM
TERRAIN FEW TO NO HILLS

Intermediate ▲▲

DISTANCE 15-35 KM
TERRAIN SOME HILLS

Challenging ▲▲▲

DISTANCE >35 KM
TERRAIN HILLY

THE DISTANCES MAY VARY SLIGHTLY FROM THE CLASSIFICATION DEPENDING ON THE AMOUNT OF HILLS AND THE NATURE OF THE ROUTE

FRIENDLY STOPS

HELIX VISITOR CENTRE

Falkirk, FK2 7ZT.
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THE HORSEBOX CAFÉ AND GIFT SHOP

Kelpies Hub, Falkirk, FK2 7ZT
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