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Royal Yacht Britannia from Waverley (cycle)

Route Summary

Cycle route from Edinburgh Waverley railway station to the Royal Yacht Britannia in Leith. Uses the attractive off-road path beside the Water of Leith.

Route Overview



Category: Road Cycling

Rating: Unrated

Surface: Average

Date Published: 15th June 2015

Difficulty: Medium

Length: 5.020 km / 3.14 mi

Last Modified: 2nd July 2015

Description

A pleasant cycle route primarily along an old railway line path beside the Water of Leith, also taking in views of the Port of Leith on the final section. This final section is not the most direct but uses off-road paths and



quiet roads. Unfortunately there is no quiet route from outside Waverley Station and so the first 400 metres requires walking your bike along the pavements of Princes Street and South St Andrew Street. This route uses sections of National Cycle Route 75.

Waypoints

Exit Waverley Station

(55.95219; -3.18906)

Follow the signs for the lifts to the footbridge near the Princes Street exit.

Lift up to footbridge

(55.95234; -3.18979)

Take «LIFT NAME» to the footbridge.

Lift up to Princes Street

(55.95247; -3.18996)

Take the footbridge lift up to Princes Street. Once at street level, walk your bike straight ahead to Princes Street.

Cross Princes Street

(55.95299; -3.19032)

This section requires walking your bike.

Princes Street

(55.95319; -3.19043)

Turn left on the north pavement on Princes Street.

Walk: Turn right on South St Andrew Street

(55.95303; -3.19158)

You will need to walk your bike on the pavement for this section.

Start of cycle path on North St Andrew Street

(55.95498; -3.19264)



You will need to walk your bike on the pavement to the start of the segregated cycle path next to North St Andrew Street.

Cross York Place

(55.95573; -3.19301)

The crossing lights are signed for cycles.

Cycle down Dublin Street

(55.95597; -3.19303)

Note: this section is cobbled and quite steep (downhill).

Drummond Place

(55.95826; -3.19423)

Turn right onto Drummond Place and follow it until the second right. The section from here to King George V Park is cobbled.

Scotland Street

(55.95911; -3.19465)

Turn right onto Scotland Street.

Enter King George V Park

(55.96048; -3.19551)

Cross the road to the cycle path.

Cycle path

(55.96072; -3.19633)

Turn right to the Rodney Street tunnel and cycle through it.

Warriston Path

(55.96326; -3.19704)

Join the Warriston Path and stay on it until you are in Leith.

Stay on Warriston Path

(55.96600; -3.19899)

Keep right to stay on the path.

Junction with Victoria Path

(55.97153; -3.19082)

Head up and over the junction with Victoria Path to stay on Warriston Path.

Sandport Place

(55.97547; -3.17233)

Take a left on Sandport Place and then the first right.

Sandport Way

(55.97597; -3.17303)

Right onto Sandport Way.

Cycle cut-through

(55.97613; -3.17259)

Use the cycle cut-through to go onto Sandport Street and take the first left into a short dead-end.

Dead-end

(55.97627; -3.17225)

Take a left into the short dead-end.

Park

(55.97636; -3.17238)

Take the path through the children's park.

Cross Commercial Street

(55.97670; -3.17221)

Use the signaled crossing to cross Commercial Street and turn right.

Turn left into Dock Place

(55.97673; -3.17188)

The section between Dock Place and Rennie's Isle is cobbled.

Cross the bridge

(55.97746; -3.17151)



Head across the pedestrian/cycle bridge.

Straight down the lane

(55.97783; -3.17163)

Head down the lane running alongside the Scottish Government building.

Rennie's Isle

(55.97851; -3.17126)

Turn left on Rennie's Isle and follow it around to the right.

Ocean Drive

(55.97935; -3.17151)

Left onto Ocean Drive. After a short section there is a ramp up to the cycle path on the pavement.

Cycle path

(55.97993; -3.17381)

Join the cycle path on the pavement.

Cross to Ocean Terminal

(55.98036; -3.17708)

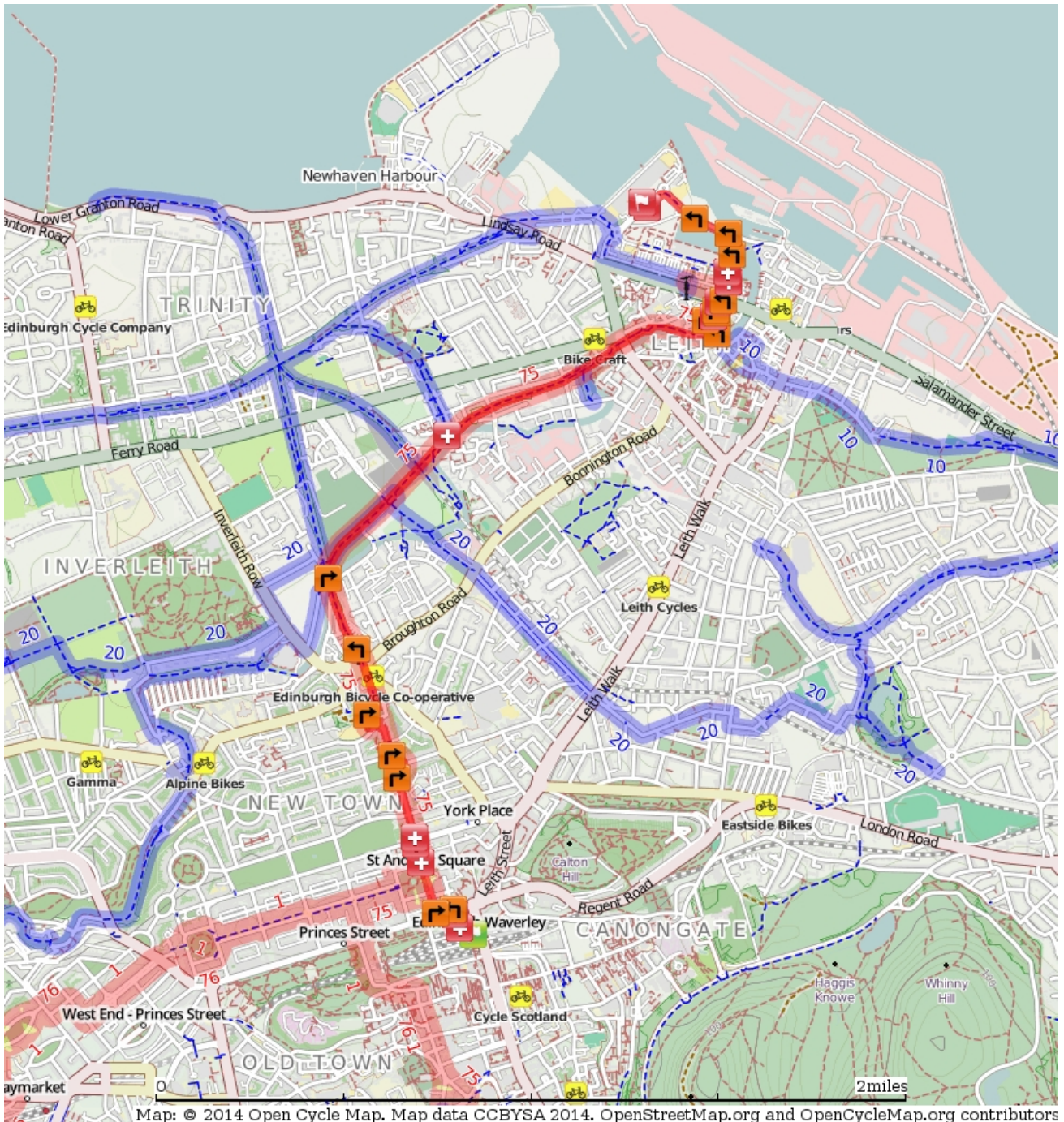
Use the signaled crossing to reach Ocean Terminal.

Cycle parking

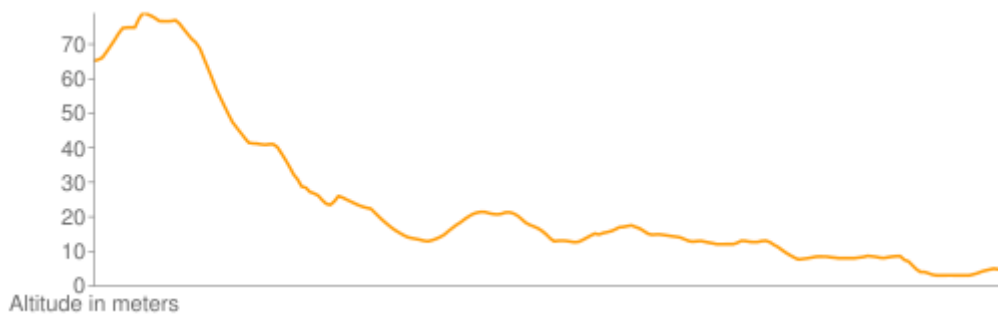
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There is plenty of covered cycle parking directly in front of Ocean Terminal.



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