



Middleton Heritage Trail guided tours

Join us for a series of guided tours to launch the new Middleton Heritage Trail



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A new heritage trail celebrating the long and proud history of Middleton is launching this September.

Covering 24 sites, each with their own fascinating story, you can do the trail in one go or follow one of three shorter routes.

As part of the national Heritage Open Days celebration, guided walks of these trails will be taking place on Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 September.



Saturday 14 September

10:30am to 12:30pm

(Red Route – Middleton's Golden Cluster)

Meeting point

Car park by St Leonard's Church, St Leonard's Square, M24 6DJ

This walk will take you around Middleton's Golden Cluster of Architecture and History. Discover Middleton's oldest church, as well as architectural gems designed by eminent Middleton architect Edgar Wood. Find out more about the town's links to the Jacobite rebellion and the Peterloo Massacre.

Saturday 14 September

2pm to 4pm

(Green Route - Manchester Old Road and Alkrington Woods)

Meeting point

Moonraker Sculpture in Middleton Gardens, M24 4DF

Join us for this guided walk, which will take you from Middleton town centre, through Middleton's parks and green spaces. You will also discover beautiful late 19th century suburbs and stunning Palladian architecture.

Sunday 15 September

10:30am to 1pm

(Red Route – Golden Cluster and Blue Route – Middleton Town Centre and Market Place)

Meeting point

Car park by St Leonard's Church, St Leonard's Square, M24 6DJ

In addition to the highlights of the golden cluster (outlined above), this route will take you around the Middleton's mills and town centre. Discover Middleton's social history and what it would have been like to live and work in the town during the industrial revolution.

The trail has been developed as part of the Middleton Town Centre Conservation Area Regeneration plan and is funded by Historic England, Middleton Township and the Shared Prosperity Fund.

The trail was produced by HPA architects, along with council officers and local residents and volunteers.

If you can't make the guided walks, but are interested in following the trail, you can pick up a copy in sites across Middleton, including the libraries.



Helpful information

All the walks involve some hills, steps and off-road areas.

Accessible toilets are available at Middleton Library (Saturday only), Middleton Arena and Middleton Shopping Centre.

Booking

Please book your free place in advance by phoning or emailing us.

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