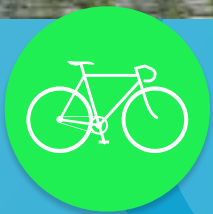


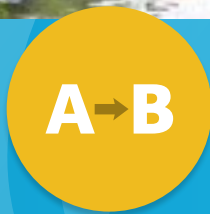
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EXPERIENCE RATING
MODERATE



DISTANCE
76KM (47M)



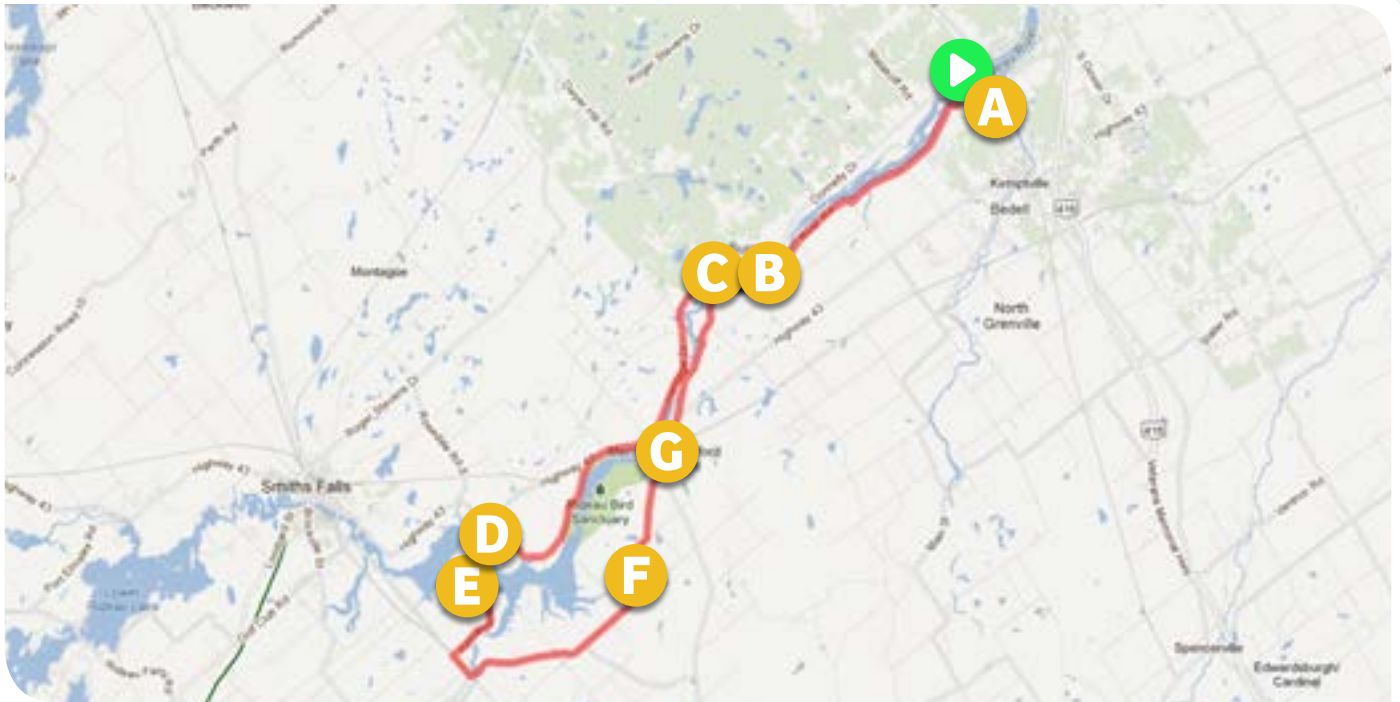
The Great
Waterway

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Cycling route: 76km (47 miles)

Cycling in: [The Great Waterway](#), [Leeds Grenville](#)

Number of days cycling: 1

Recommended number of nights stay: 2

Experience rating: [moderate](#)

This route starts in Kemptville from the Rideau Glenn Golf Course and loops around to Jasper and Merrickville, then back to Kemptville. The Locks This Way Lollipop offers cyclists a great introduction to the Rideau Canal lock stations system as it touches on several of the smaller lock stations along the Rideau Heritage Route. You will be cycling along the beautiful waterway for a large portion of this tour. This route also has optional stops at apple orchards and a visit to one of eastern Ontario's hot spots for artists and art galleries – the quaint village of Merrickville.

Up for more of a challenge? This 76km circle joins up with the 125km Rideau Canal Cycling Itinerary: Westport – Delta – Jasper route, making a 201km loop that allows you to explore all of Leeds Grenville.

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Logistics

Distance

76km (47 miles)

Roads

- Country roads – quiet along most sections.
- Few paved shoulders – some wider than others.
- Flat.
- Suitable for all types of bicycles.

Cautions and Notes

- Short stretches along Highway 43 can be busy with summer traffic.

Parking and Transportation

- Rideau Glenn Golf Course
- North Grenville Municipal Centre

Services

KEMPTVILLE

- Bike Store: [Sun Mountain Sports](#) - sales and service no rentals
- Accommodations
- Restaurants/cafés
- Convenience stores
- Gas stations
- Public washrooms
- ATM
- Shopping

MERRICKVILLE

- Accommodations
- Restaurants/cafés
- Convenience stores
- Public washrooms
- ATM
- Art galleries
- Shopping

JASPER

- Public washrooms
- ATM

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Directions

A

0km

Start Rideau Glenn Golf Course, 3km from Kemptville

P



0km

Turn right onto River Road



12km

Turn right onto River Road/ County Road 23

B

Burritts Rapids Lock Station



12.5km

Turn right onto Grenville Street

C

12.5km

Upper Nicholsons Locks Station



13km

Turn left onto Donnelly Drive/ Regional Road 2 (signs for Merrickville/Smiths Falls)



16.5km

Continue onto Heritage Drive/ County Road 2



21.5km

Continue onto Highway 43 West. Highway 43 can be a busy summer road but you are only on it for two short distances



24km

Turn left onto Rideau River Road. You will find the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority boat launch and stop along this stretch. No service.



31.5km

Turn left onto Highway 43 West. Again can be busy.



32km

Turn left onto Kilmarnock Road (signs for Kilmarnock Road). Picturesque quiet roadway and Rideau Canal Lock Station stop close to a bridge overlooking the canal waterway, offering picnic tables and shade. You can also stop at Kilmarnock orchards.

D

32.5km

Kilmarnock Lock Station



E

35km

Kilmarnock Orchard



35km

Turn left to stay on Kilmarnock Road



39km

Turn left onto County Road 17

Continued...

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Directions (Continued)



40km

Turn left onto
County Road 16 Jasper



48.5km

Jasper Orchard



54km

Turn left onto
St. Lawrence Street
(signs for County Road 15)



54.5km

Welcome to
Merrickville



55km

Turn right onto Main Street
East (signs for County Road
43/ON-416)



57km

Turn left onto County
Road 23 (signs for Burritts
Rapids Road/Burritts
Rapids/Burritts Rapids
Lock/Nicholsons Lock)



64km

Turn left onto River Road



70km

Turn left to stay on
River Road



76.5km

End at parking area,
Rideau Glenn Golf
Course, 3km from
Kemptville



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CYCLING ITINERARY

Information Links

**Rideau Canal Cycling Itinerary:
Westport – Merrickville - Jasper,
route map:**

www.mapmyride.com/routes/view/60716638

The Great Waterway website:

www.thegreatwaterway.com

**For more information on the Rideau
Heritage Route:**

www.rideauheritageroute.ca

Leeds Grenville website:

<http://www.leedsgrenville.com/en/visit/thingstodo/Cycling.asp>

**For Welcome cyclists certified bicycle
friendly accommodations, cafés,
restaurants and more:**

www.welcomecyclists.ca

Disclaimer

This map has been developed to assist in planning bicycle trips throughout The Great Waterway. All routes are on shared roadways and cyclists must use these streets with caution. Always wear the proper safety gear when cycling, ride sensibly and abide by all laws. Each route should be evaluated by each individual cyclist based on their level of experience, comfort level in cycling in traffic, weather conditions, time of day, and any road obstacles. The Great Waterway does not assume any liability whatsoever for bicyclists travelling upon these routes.