

Galston to Hurlford loop via the Chris Hoy cycle path

Kilmarnock Cycle Rides (5)

This lovely scenic route starts at the Galston end of the Chris Hoy Cycle Path and is suitable for beginner to intermediate riders who prefer quiet roads and paths but are confident cycling on roads in places.

Distance: 9 miles

- 1** Start at the Galston end of the Chris Hoy Cycle Path. Follow this stretch of traffic free, flat cycle path all the way to Hurlford. Note that there is one gate where you will have to dismount your bike (Please leave the gate as you found it)
- 2** As you get into Hurlford the paths goes two ways, stick to the left and it takes you to the end of the cycle path where you will join Craigie Road. On Craigie Road, turn left and head onto the Mauchline Road (B7073).



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Once you reach Mauchline Road, turn right and follow this road through Hurlford to Crookedholm, going straight over at the roundabout.

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When you get into Crookedholm (past the Dulux centre) take the first turn on the right onto Grougar Road, then follow this road to the end. At the top of Grougar Road take a right turn. Follow the signs for the Grougar walk.

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As you meander along this road, past the stables you get your first sighting of the River Irvine. Continue along this road and just after you get to the top of the hill and the road levels, turn right following the Grougar walk signs.

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Pass by the the Burnbank Woods and then Ladyton Loch and sweep round past Loudoun Kirk and the stables. At the end of the road turn right and it takes you past Loudoun Academy and back into Galston.

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To return to where you started go straight over at the roundabout, cross the River Irvine and take your second right onto Bridge street which turns into Brewlands Road and will take you back to the start of the Cycle Path.