

## Cyclesolihull Routes

Cycling is a great way to keep fit whilst at the same time getting from A to B or exploring your local area.

This series of routes, developed by Cyclesolihull will take you along most of the network of quiet lanes, roads and cycle paths in and around Solihull, introducing you to some places you probably didn't even know existed!

The routes have been carefully chosen to avoid busier roads so are ideal for new cyclists and children learning to cycle on the road with their parents.

You can cycle the routes alone, with family and friends, or join other people on one of the regular Cyclesolihull rides.

### Route Lengths and Route Numbers

There are over 50 routes in this series which are grouped by distance using a route letter:

**T** (Taster) routes are about 5 miles.

**S** (Short) routes are about 10 miles.

**M** (Medium) routes are about 15 miles.

**L** (Long) routes are about 20 miles.

**XL** (Extra Long) routes are about 25 miles.

The route number indicates the starting point – for example routes S2, M2 and L2 all start from Knowle. There are over twenty different starting points. A full list is available from [www.cyclesolihull.org.uk](http://www.cyclesolihull.org.uk).

This is one of a series of cycle route leaflets produced by Cyclesolihull which is a voluntary organisation which aims to encourage people in the Solihull area to cycle more. Cyclesolihull organises free cycle rides, promotes routes like this one and provides information about cycling.

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## Cyclesolihull Rides

Cyclesolihull offers regular opportunities to join with others to ride many of the routes in this series of leaflets. The rides are organised by volunteers and typically attract between 10 and 20 riders. To get involved, just turn up and ride!

**Sunday Cycle Rides** take place most Sunday afternoons at 2 pm from April to September and at 1.30 pm from October to March. One of the routes will be followed with a mixture of route lengths being ridden during each month. In autumn and winter there are more shorter rides to reflect the reduced daylight hours. One Sunday each month in spring and summer the ride is a 5 mile **Taster Ride**. This is an opportunity to try a Cyclesolihull ride without going very far and is an ideal introduction to the rides, especially for new cyclists and children.

**Evening Explorer Rides** are on a midweek evening from early May to mid-August starting at 7 pm. These rides all follow the shorter "S" routes so are about 10 miles long.

**Saturday Stretcher Rides** take place weekly on most Saturdays, starting at 9.30 am. They are about 30 long, are at a faster pace and do not follow a fixed route, so are suitable for more experienced cyclists.

All Cyclesolihull rides have an en-route refreshment stop of 20-30 minutes at a family-friendly pub or tearoom.

For ride dates, routes and starting points download the current Ride Programme from:

[www.cyclesolihull.org.uk](http://www.cyclesolihull.org.uk)

or pick up a copy on one of the rides.



**L5**

long route from  
**Meriden**

# CycleSolihull

*Explore your borough by bike*



**22 miles via Maxstoke, Corley & Kinwalsey**

*Have fun and get fit exploring your local area with this self-guided cycle ride.*

## Route L5 Meriden to Arley & Corley

**Distance:** 22 miles (130 to 170 mins)

**Start:** Meriden Green (with the village cross marking the 'Centre of England' and the cyclists' war memorial) CV7 7LN SP239823.

**Route Summary:** A fairly hilly ride but the reward is great views and some very attractive quiet country lanes.

**Refreshments:** There are a few pubs en-route and it is possible to access the facilities at M6 Corley Services.

**Parking:** There is free on-street parking around Meriden Green.

### The Route

**A** From the Green turn R towards the roundabout. Go SO towards **Maxstoke** and R at the next roundabout to **Maxstoke**. Follow the road for 2.6 miles, eventually passing under the M6.

**B** At the end turn L towards **Shustoke**. At the end of the road turn R towards **Fillongley**. Turn next L into a narrow lane and first L following the brown cycle route sign.

**C** At the end of the lane turn R towards **Shawbury**. Turn next L into **Pump Lane**, passing under the pylons. At the end go L towards **Shustoke**. At the end of this lane turn R, down the hill, going under the railway and past the coal mine.

**D** At the main road go R and after 150 yards turn L towards **Old Arley**. After 0.7 miles, turn R to **New Arley**. At the end turn R to **Fillongley**. Go under the railway and turn next L into the narrow **Tipper's Hill Lane**. At the end turn R to **Wood End**.

**E** At the **B4102** turn R to **Fillongley**, passing the **Weavers Arms** pub. Turn L at the next crossroads to **Wood End**. At the end go R then immediately L following the narrow lane towards **Bedworth**. Follow the lane until the end.

**F** Turn R at the junction of **Breach Oak Lane** and **Howe Green Lane** towards **Corley**. At the end turn R passing the entrance to the motorway service area and over the M6. Turn next R into **Rock Lane**. Follow the lane up the hill, turning next R to reach the **B4098** in Corley village.

**G** Turn R and immediately L by the church toward **Corley Moor**. Follow the road for 1.5 miles until it ends near the

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