

Holt Island Nature Reserve

Holt Island Nature Reserve, Church Street, St. Ives, Cambridgeshire, PE27 6DG

A visual historical display of the basket making, a display of the original tools and baskets made from willow that was harvested on the island. See the flowers, hear the birds and maybe see some of the resident insects and animals.

Holt Island Nature Reserve is a 7 acre oasis of tranquillity in the centre of St Ives, it provides a variety of habitats which attract a wide range of birds, mammals, plants and insects.

Samples of the original Harrison baskets are on display. There is a Family Quiz and a basket making display.

Walk around the island for views across the river Great Ouse to the medieval bridge and Chapel and Hemingford Meadow.

Event Times

Saturday 16 September: 1000-1600

Booking Details

No booking required

Access

The Island has a circular boardwalk which is suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs, but can be bumpy. Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome. There is very limited parking near the Island and it is not dedicated to Blue Badge holders. This is an open air event.

Additional Information

There are a number of seats around the boardwalk at good places for wildlife spotting and relaxing by the river Great Ouse. A number of picnic benches have been set up on the sheltered open meadow in the centre of the Island. The area is owned and managed by Huntingdon District Council, with support from Friends of Holt Island Nature Reserve. **Contact for the day:** Jill Burt 07796 326931

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Directions

At the end of Church Street, by All Saints Church, cross over the white footbridge and then left into the reserve. If you are walking from town, along The Waits, walk along the path between the Parish Church and the river. Through the churchyard to the white bridge. Parking is available at One Leisure St Ives, Westwood Road, PE27 6WU. Post code PE27 5BY will also take you to Holt Island along The Waits.

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Friends of Holt Island Nature Reserve