

The rivers and estuaries of east Suffolk provide a varied experience for birdwatching, sailing, fishing, walking and cycling, and using the historic foot ferries makes these experiences unique.

Cycle Routes: All foot ferries carry bicycles, and routes to/from them are suitable for all abilities.

Walk Routes: There are numerous walks that make the most of using the foot ferries. Please use the relevant Ordnance Survey Map of your chosen area or guides available from Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB or Discover Suffolk.



For a selection of free to download walking and cycling guides please see:

www.suffolkcoastandheaths.org

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Your online guide to discovering Suffolk's countryside



We are lucky to have four historic foot ferries that serve as links for the Suffolk Coast Path and Cycle Route and continue to offer a valuable service.



Butley Ferry is thought to date back to the 16th century, making it one of the oldest routes in the UK. The harbour ferry for Shotley, Harwich and Felixstowe (begun 1912) is going from strength to strength with an increased capacity boat.

Walberswick and Bawdsey might, 100-years ago, have had chain link ferries, but Walberswick is now a rowed route (and does river cruises on the Blyth) and at Bawdsey you hail the ferry with a giant paddle to cross the Deben.

Enjoy your visit to the Suffolk Coast & Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB)!

With special thanks to local artist, Claudia Myatt, for the use of her fabulous paintings www.claudiamyatt.co.uk



The Four Foot Ferries of the Suffolk Coast & Heaths are a great way to enjoy Suffolk's outstanding coast & estuaries



Suffolk Coast Foot Ferries 2018



Walberswick Ferry

Crossing the Blyth estuary between Southwold & Walberswick

Butley Ferry

Crossing the Butley River (tributary of Alde & Ore)

Bawdsey Ferry

Crossing the Deben estuary between Bawdsey & Felixstowe Ferry

Harwich Ferry

Crossing the Stour and Orwell estuaries between Felixstowe, Shotley & Harwich



The Four Foot Ferries 2018 timetable

Walberswick to Southwold Wa



24 March to 8 April
Daily, 10am to 5pm

8 April to 26 May
Weekends only, 10am to 5pm

26 May to 30 September
Daily, 10am to 5pm

30 September to 24 October
Weekends only, 10am to 5pm

24 October to 1 November
Daily, 10am to 5pm

Adults & Children £1
Under 5's free
Bicycles £1
Dogs welcome

One hour river trips available
up the River Blyth

W: walberswickferry.com
E: walberswickferry@gmail.com

Walk Suggestion:
Walk to Southwold town and pier, or south to Dunwich.
AONB Explorer Walk guides are available for these areas.

The information in this leaflet is provided in good faith, but the Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB takes no responsibility for the services provided. All ferries operate weather permitting.

Butley Bu

31 March
(Easter Saturday)
to 14 October

Weekends and bank
holidays only,
11am to 4pm

Does not operate if wind is over Force 6,
please check by phoning

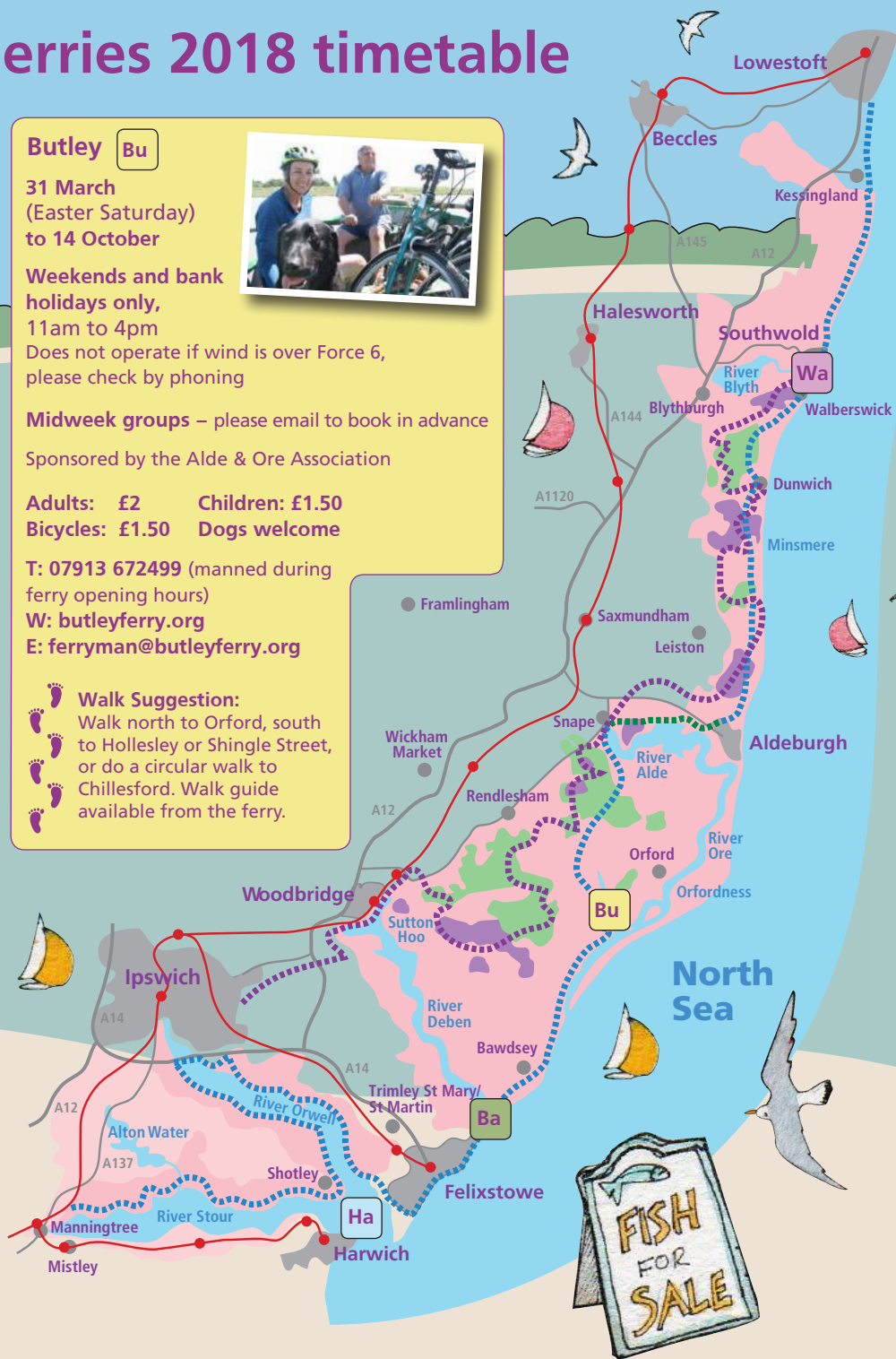
Midweek groups – please email to book in advance

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Adults: £2 Children: £1.50
Bicycles: £1.50 Dogs welcome

T: 07913 672499 (manned during
ferry opening hours)
W: butleyferry.org
E: ferryman@butleyferry.org

Walk Suggestion:
Walk north to Orford, south
to Hollesley or Shingle Street,
or do a circular walk to
Chillesford. Walk guide
available from the ferry.



Bawdsey to Felixstowe Ferry Quay Ba



1 May to
30 September
Daily, 10am to 6pm
Winter
Daily if pre-booked
9am-3pm

Adult Single: £3 Cyclist Single: £4
Adult Return: £4 Cyclist Return: £6
Children: £1
Dogs welcome
River taxi to boats, each way: £2

T: 07709 411511 Ferryman
or 01394 282173 Boatyard

Walk Suggestion:
Walk along the river banks, or south
to Felixstowe and Landguard National
Nature Reserve, or walk north on the
Suffolk Coast Path.

Harwich to Felixstowe or Shotley Ha

30 March to 28 October
Daily - check the website
for times and frequency

Shotley-Harwich
Adult single: £3.50
Child single: £2

Felixstowe-Harwich
Adult single: £4.50
Child single: £3

Shotley-Felixstowe
Adult single: £5.50
Child single: £4

All routes, Cycles/Dogs, single: £1
Tickets can be booked online
Season tickets available

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E: chris@harwichharbourferry.com
W: harwichharbourferry.com

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Seal Watching Trips
available, see website
for details

Walk Suggestion:
At Landguard
explore the nature
reserve, the fort or
walk to Felixstowe
town; on Shotley
peninsula use the
AONB Shotley
Walk Explorer for a
selection of circular
walks; or explore
Harwich town.