

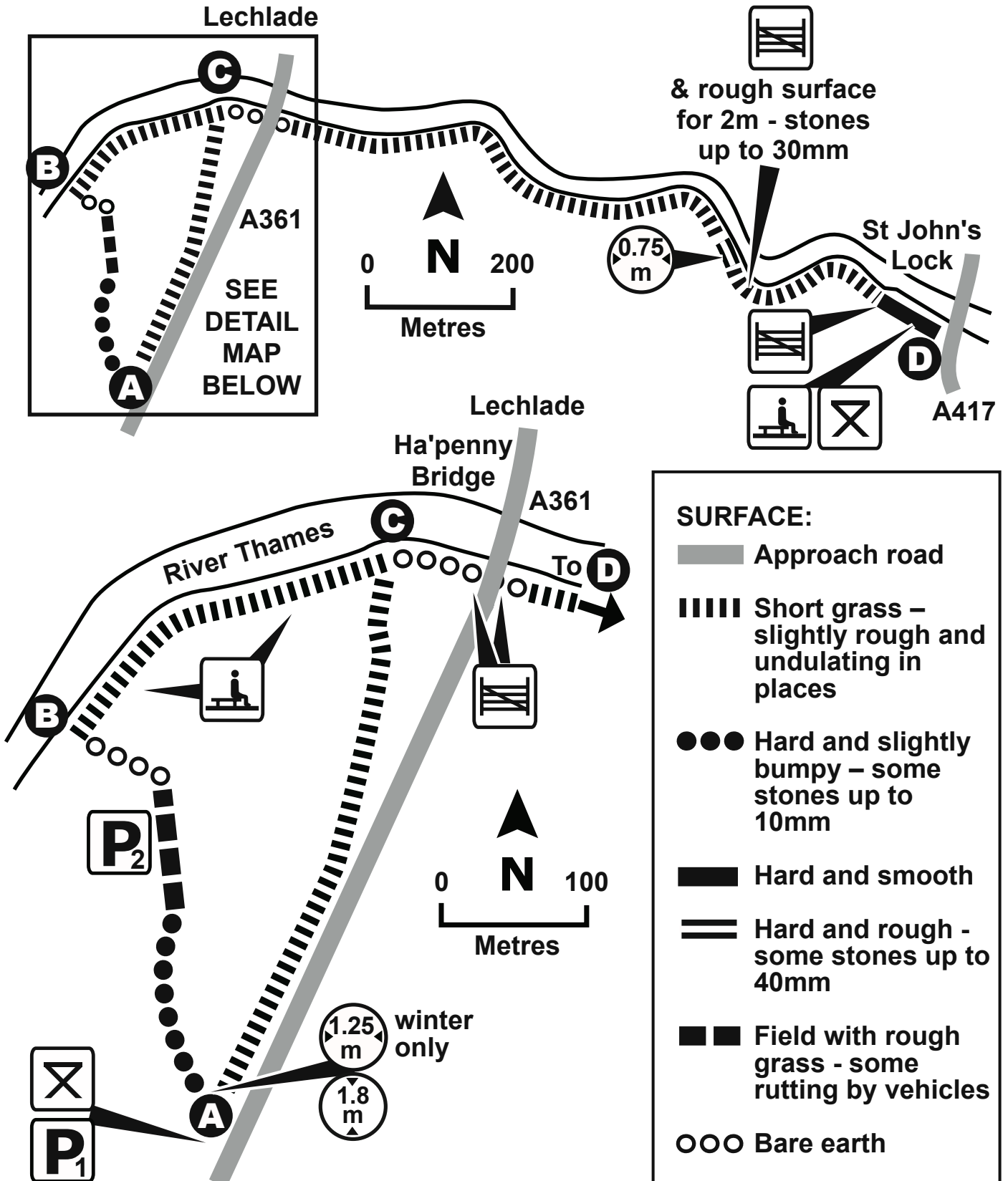
LECHLADE-ON-THAMES

DISTANCE: 1 1/4 miles (2km)

SLOPE: None steeper than 1:12

WIDTH: Mostly wider than 2m but minimum of 0.75m

A lovely rural stretch of the young River Thames with fine views and the opportunity to visit St John's Lock, the first lock on the river. Avoid winter when flooding possible.



HOW TO GET TO LECHLADE-ON-THAMES

MAP: OS Landranger 163, grid ref SU211990

ROAD: Download map from www.multimap.com – insert grid ref above in ‘find a map’ box and click ‘find’. From Lechlade take A361 south towards Swindon and car park is on right, signed Riverside Park, 400m beyond narrow bridge over River Thames.

NEAREST FACILITIES:



(RADAR key)
Burford Street,
Lechlade, ½ mile



Lechlade centre (via 11
rough steps and narrow
pavement)

P₁	No designated parking bays but hard	Rest area	0.75 m	Width restriction
P₂	Rough grass. Summer parking only	Picnic area	2.1 m	Height restriction
WC	Accessible toilet	Gate	Refreshments	

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

There are two routes from the car park across meadows to the River Thames

Either

- A** Take the left route from car park
- B** Turn right next to river to C (here, either turn right back to start or continue to D)

Or

- A** Take the right route from car park
- C** Turn left next to river to B (here, turn left back to start), or right next to river to D
- D** Retrace your route

POINTS OF INTEREST

Lechlade is the highest navigable point of the Thames and its riverside used to be a busy wharf with boats being loaded with salt from Cheshire, and wool, stone and cheese from the Cotswolds for the markets in Oxford and London.

The Neptune-like statue of Old Father Thames created for the



Crystal Palace exhibition in 1851 now resides at St John's Lock.

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