

PENTON HOOK ISLAND, STAINES

DISTANCE: 0.7 miles (1.2km) of paths






SLOPE: Any steeper than 1:12 are marked

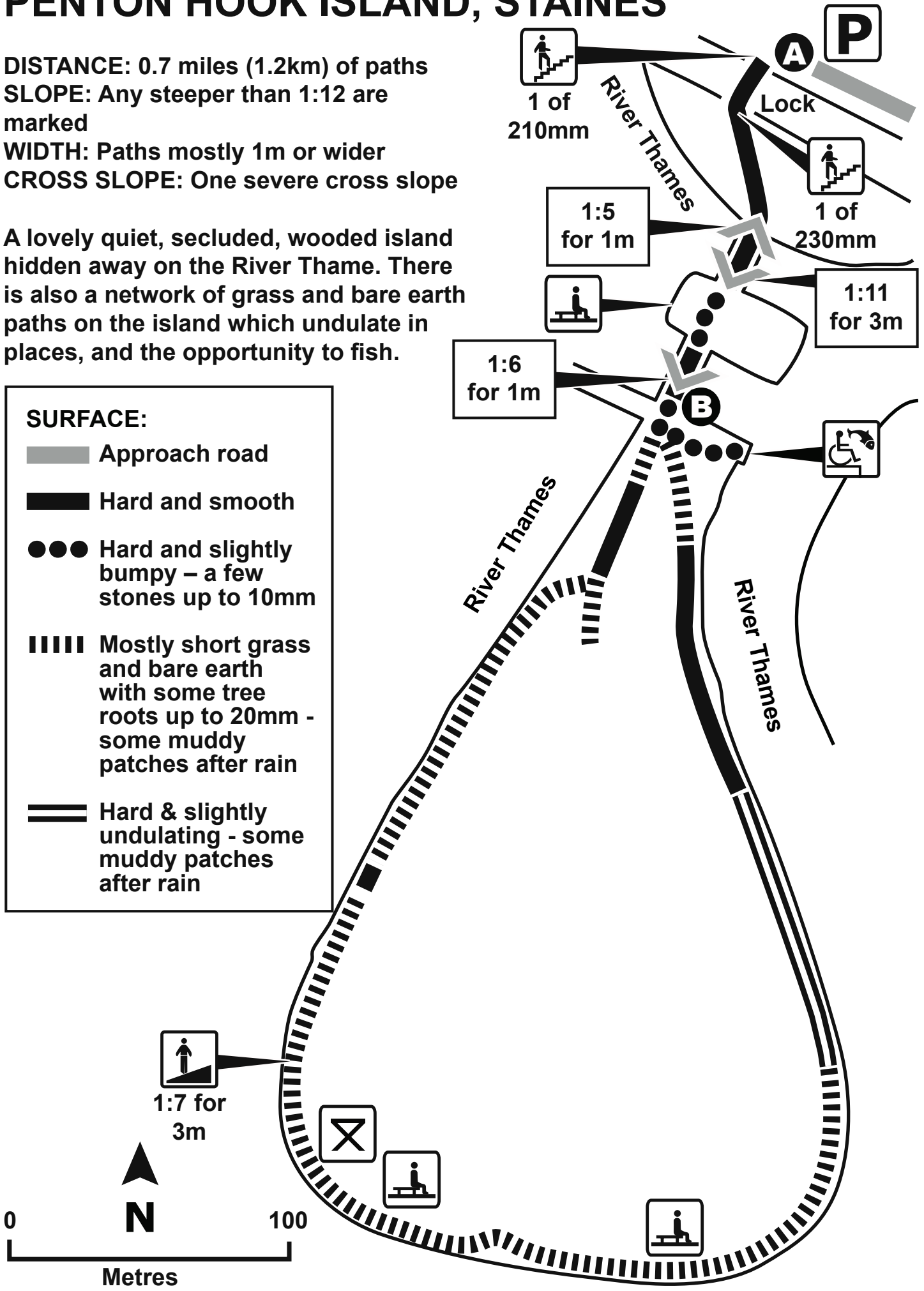
WIDTH: Paths mostly 1m or wider

CROSS SLOPE: One severe cross slope

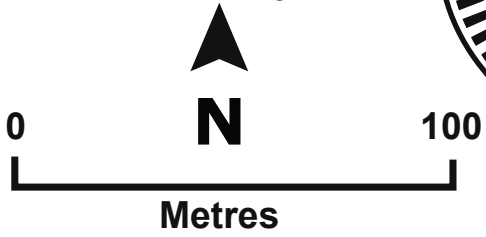
A lovely quiet, secluded, wooded island hidden away on the River Thame. There is also a network of grass and bare earth paths on the island which undulate in places, and the opportunity to fish.

SURFACE:

-  Approach road
-  Hard and smooth
-  Hard and slightly bumpy – a few stones up to 10mm
-  Mostly short grass and bare earth with some tree roots up to 20mm - some muddy patches after rain
-  Hard & slightly undulating - some muddy patches after rain




1:7 for 3m



HOW TO GET TO PENTON HOOK ISLAND

MAP: OS Landranger 176, grid ref TQ044695

ROAD: Download map from www.multimap.com – insert grid ref above in ‘find a map’ box and click ‘find’. Telephone Lock Keeper on 01784 452657 to reserve parking space. Travelling on B376 Staines Road south towards Laleham, turn first right after blue railings into Beech Tree Lane. Follow this to lock.

NEAREST FACILITIES:



In Staines



In Staines

	Hard with many stones up to 5mm		Cross slope		Accessible angling
	Slope – points downhill		Rest area		Accessible toilets
	Step		Picnic Area		Refreshments

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

- A** From the car park, cross the lock gate and then go over two weirs onto the main island
- B** From here either go around the island in clockwise or anticlockwise direction

PLEASE NOTE: Lock Keeper can provide ramp and help with crossing lock gates – please ask. A Lock & Weir Fishing Permit, available from the Environment Agency on 08708 506506, is required to fish at this site. A rod licence is also required and can be bought from Post Offices or online from www.environment-agency.gov.uk

POINTS OF INTEREST

Penton Hook is a naturally formed ox-bow bend in the river and is the most impressive river loop along the whole Thames. The first lock here was constructed in 1815.



Thames Path

NATIONAL TRAIL

Path surfaces can change. This information was correct in July 2010.

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