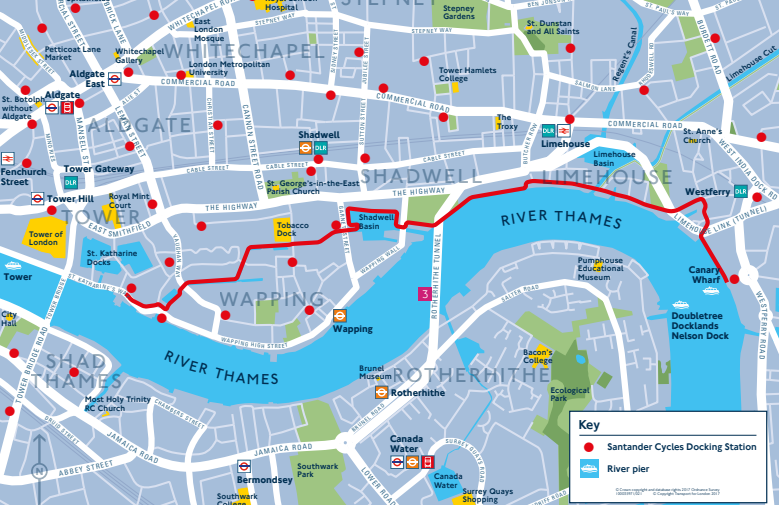




Santander Cycles Leisure Routes

Historic Docklands & Skyscrapers



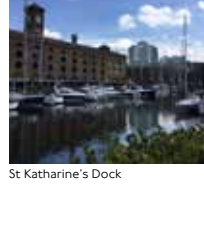
Every bike journey up to 30 minutes is free. If you hire a bike for longer than 30 minutes, it costs an additional £2 for every extra 30 minutes (or less) you hire the bike. Check the map for the nearest docking stations along the route.

2.5 miles **Around 1-1.5 hours**
Start: St. Katharine's Dock
End: Canary Wharf



Hire a bike (using your promo code if you have one) from the Santander Cycles docking station on St. Katharine's Way.

Badly bombed during WW2, **St Katharine Docks** (1828) are named after a 12th century hospital, St Katharine's by the Tower, which once stood on the site. Enjoy the food market on Friday and Saturday lunchtimes.



St Katharine's Dock



Continue along St. Katharine's Way (away from St Katharine's Docks).



At the T junction with Wapping High Street, turn right, then immediately first left onto Redmead Lane to join the shared path next to Hermitage Waterside.



Turn left down the winding ramp and beneath the bridge to the canal. **You may need to dismount.**



Follow the peaceful canal path past Tobacco Dock, with its sailing ships, straight on through Wapping Wood, beneath the red 'rolling bridge' and up to Shadwell Basin.



Veer left and follow the waterside path around until you reach Glamis Road.



Tobacco Dock

Tobacco Dock (1811) is a Grade I listed warehouse which was used as an imported tobacco store. The 'Queen's Tobacco-pipe', a furnace in the corner of the warehouse, used to burn contraband, especially tobacco and cigars.



Ships at Tobacco Dock



Cross Glamis Road (to the left of another red 'rolling bridge') and turn left.



Then turn first right onto the Thames Path next to King Edward VII Memorial Park. Follow the Thames Path signs until the path joins Narrow Street.



Continue straight ahead along Narrow Street, passing 'The Narrow' restaurant, and crossing the bridge at Limehouse Lock.



Limehouse

Once home to London's original Chinatown, the name **Limehouse** comes from the 14th century Lime kilns or oasts ('lymehostes') that produced mortar and pottery in the area.



Continue along Narrow Street, passing The Grapes pub, joining Cycle Superhighway 3 (CS3).



Turn sharp right onto Three Colt Street.



The Grapes

The Grapes is a Grade II listed pub. The current building dates from the 1720s and is on the site of a pub built in 1583. Sir Walter Raleigh set sail on his third voyage to the New World from nearby.



The Grapes Pub, Limehouse



Continue straight on, following cycle route National Cycle Network 1 (NCN 1), towards the Thames Path.



Veer left and follow the Thames Path until Canary Wharf Pier where steps lead up to Westferry Circus.



Dismount here and take the lift to the right of the steps (there's space for two bikes, press button G), up to Westferry Circus docking station to return your bike.

Today **Canary Wharf** is one of the UK's two main financial centres with around 1,500,000 m² of office and retail space. From 1802 to 1939 the area was one of the busiest docks in the world.



Canary Wharf skyscrapers



Canary Wharf

You are now free to enjoy exploring Canary Wharf with its many shops, waterside cafes, bars and restaurants or hop on another MBNA Thames Clippers river bus. www.thamesclippers.com