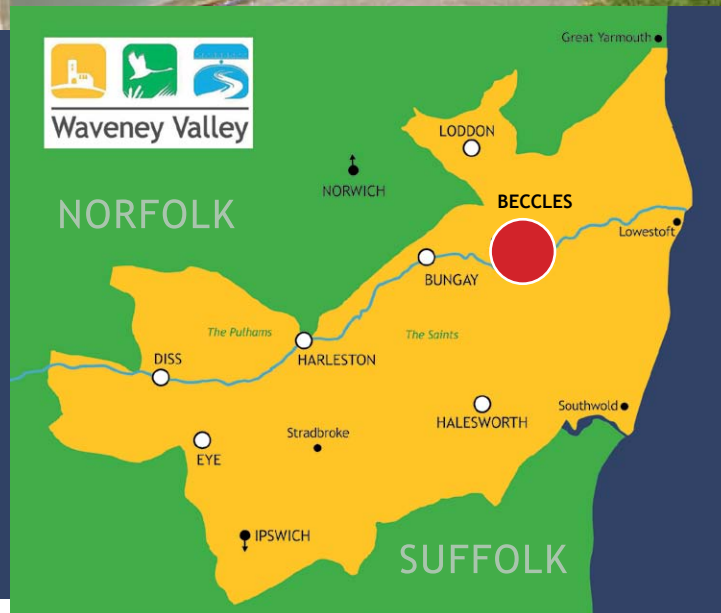


Spend half a day in Beccles...



The Market town of Beccles is full of history. The narrow streets and quaint architecture are home to many independent shops and café's. Much of the town's architecture has a strong Flemish influence and a number of the fine town houses have Georgian facades to what are, in fact, much older buildings.

The popular quayside, once a herring port, is now home to the myriad of cruisers which moor here to take advantage of the nearby pubs, cafés and picnic area.



When you arrive, stop off at The Station Café at the train station. Enjoy breakfast or a light lunch and do some research for your visit. As well as providing a selection of delicious food and drinks, the cafe also operates as a visitor information point.

You can start your trip with a browse around the quirky shops that make up the town centre. Don't miss a walk down Northgate, housing a wealth of listed buildings. Afterwards, make your way up the lofty bell-tower of St. Michael's church. The church dates from 1500's, and was recently renovated. It now serves as a tourist information point. You can take a guided tour to the top of the tower, which provides unrivalled panoramic views over the surrounding countryside.



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From April to October you can enjoy a river trip on the Big Dog Ferry, which runs and departs from Beccles Lido. The 3-mile relaxing boat trip will take you along the River Waveney. Look out for otters, kingfishers and marsh harriers. Journey time is approx. 40-45 minutes, depending on the wind, tides, number of passengers and the interesting things to see. The Ferry stops at The Locks Inn. You can stop off and enjoy a meal or a drink or stay on for the round trip back. It's also possible to buy a single ticket and walk back along the footpaths.



Enjoy!



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