



Sunshine Rally Leisure Drive approx 60 miles. This drive takes you through some of the lovely villages bordering the county of Rutland and into Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire, known by estate agents as The Notswolds, for there liking to the Cotswolds without the tourists and currently, but not for long, lowish house prices!

Direction	Notes
Right	Exit the community centre and turn right down the hill
Left	Turn left onto Main St/ B668
Slight Right	At Roundabout, take the 3rd exit and stay on B668, signed Stretton. Stocken. Clipsham
Straight	At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Clipsham Rd signed Stretton. Clipsham
	Stay on road passing through Clipsham, Past the Olive Branch pub, gourmet pub food, about a mile outside Clipsham on Left Yew Tree Avenue, worth parking and having a quick look
Right	Turn right onto Holywell Road signed Holywell. Stamford
Bear right	Road bears right and signed Stamford
Right	Almost immediate right turn signed Pickworth Clipsham

Left	Almost immediate Left turn signed Pickworth but well hidden in undergrowth opposite the turn
Right	Pass through Pickworth and at bottom of hill turn right to continue through Pickworth, stay on road through 2 cattle grids, road surface a bit rough
Left	Left turn to travel on minor road beside A1, if you care to turn right and then right again into Woolfox golf course, for cafe and bacon rolls
Right	Shortly after left turn take right under A1 signed The North, Grantham, Exton, Empingham. Don't miss this turn or else you'll be heading to London on the A1
	Continue on road into Empingham, through Empingham and at road Junction, White Horse pub on right turn Left
Left	Onto main road signed Stamford Edith Weston
Right	Signed Rutland Water South Shore
Left	Signed Normanton. Ketton
Right	Signed. Normanton
Left	Onto Wytchley Warren Road. Signed Ketton. Stamford. Remain on road to Ketton passing over Rutland's answer to the Grand Canyon!
Right	Turn right onto Luffenham Road A6121. Signed. Morcott. Uppingham. Remain on road straight over roundabout, through South Luffenham to Morcott at Junction

Left	Turn Left onto A47 signed Peterborough. Garage for fuel if you turn right and a short way down the road
Right	Signed. Barrowden. Wakerley
	Proceed through Barrowden, Exeter Arms on your left duck pond on right eventually road bears right signed Wakerley. Fineshades
Right	At junction in Wakerley turn right, signed Harringworth. Gretton. through the village of Wakerley up the hill and along the ridge as you drop down the hill to Harringworth views of Harringworth viaduct on your right
	Harringworth Viaduct facts, commenced 1876 completed 1878, cost at the time £12K cost today £1.4m. 30million bricks and 3000men
Right	Into Harringworth village turn right. Signed Seaton. Uppingham, vacant pub The Swan on your right, stay on road past church and under the Viaduct, after the viaduct stay on road as it bears left, signed Caldecott. This stretch of road has a number of sharp bends which may catch out the unwary!
Right	Right turn signed Lyddington. Uppingham. This is a nasty turn with poor sight of oncoming traffic and will need care!
	Through Lyddington, White Hart pub on left, decent food and car park, as you exit the village road bears right up hill, past school on your right at top of hill
Right	Right turn onto A6003 signed Oakham. Melton

	<p>Into Uppingham, the second market town of Rutland, home of Uppingham public school. Past pupils include Stephen Fry, Rowan Atkinson, Hugh Jackman and Jonathan Agnew to name a few. Rowan Atkinson has a home in the area.</p> <p>Uppingham high street and market square on your right, a few nice coffee shops and bars around the square</p>
Left	At traffic lights turn left, stay on road as it bears right and out of Uppingham to A47
Left	Turn left onto A47 signed Leicester, stay on A47 down the hill at bottom of hill preparing to take the second right turn into Belton
Right	Second Right turn signed Belton in Rutland
	Stay on road skirting village on your right bear left at top of hill signed Loddington. Tilton
Right	Turn right signed Launde Abbey
	Launde Abbey will be on your right, cafe and toilets in courtyard. Launde abbey was a gift to Thomas Cromwell by Henry 8th, before he had him beheaded, later passing to his son Gregory
Left	Left turn signed Owston Halstead
Right	Right turn signed Owston Withcote, although the position of the sign makes it doubtful you will see it
Left	Left turn onto Oakham Road signed Owston Halstead

Right	Almost immediate right turn signed Owston and Gate's Garden Centre		
Left	As you approach Owston left turn signed Owston. Marefield. Drive through Owston carefully, my home village and we don't see many cars in the village		
	Through Owston bearing left and up the hill, be careful at the top of the hill sharp left and then right with narrow road and poor sight lines		
Bear Right	Signed Marefield, this is a poor road surface keep a sharp eye out for humps in the road which may ground your exhaust pipe		
	Through the hamlet of Marefield, over the cattle grid, under the railway, large brick arch and then bear right, stay on road over cattle grid, at junction go straight on over cattle grid and down into Twyford, another viaduct on your right.		
Right	Turn right onto Twyford Road towards Burrough, look out for Get Busy Living Centre on your left, turn left into centre and immediately on you left small car park at the Friends of the 10th Memorial, well worth a stop for the history of the battle of Arnhem		
			
			

Left	Exit the memorial by turning Left and continue through Burrough on the Hill. Burrough Court was where Edward 7th met Wallis Simpson.
	Stay on road after Burrough, nice set of smooth driving bends coming up, past Burrough Hill and on into Somerby. Remain on road into and through Somerby, past the church and at T junction Turn Right
Right	Right turn onto Town End
	Remain on road as it bears left and head on Towards. Oakham, Cold Overton and Gate's Garden centre, this is more a shopping experience than a garden centre with Cafe and toilets. Past Gates and on down the hill to Langham
Right	At junction with main road turn right then almost immediately turn left into Langham village
Left	Left turn into Langham, Wheatsheaf pub on left, school on right.
	Remain on road through Langham as it bears right and left and out of the village, eventually over level crossing and up to roundabout
Left	1st exit at Roundabout, stay on road past Ashwell village shopping and garden centre, also has cafe and toilets
	Into Ashwell Village, Ashwell, Motors on right, through some double bends and then turn right

Right	Right turn onto Cottesmore road, believed unsigned although you should not miss the turn as it is obvious
	Stay on road up the hill to Cottesmore
Straight	As you reach the road junction it is bit odd, essentially you go straight over, be careful, and then head on into Cottesmore
	Remain on road through Cottesmore heading for Greetham, into Greetham and just after you go through speed restriction passage, you have right of way.
Left	Turn left back up to Community centre and a rest

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