

# Harringworth Viaduct

*“Magnificent”*

*“Dominates a picturesque rural valley”*

*“Inspirational”*

## Sunday opportunity

On Sundays only until 6 December 2009, East Midlands Trains services are being diverted over the viaduct while engineering work is carried out on the main line.

To make a return trip over the viaduct, you can join a train at your nearest station including Kettering, Corby and Leicester.

Additionally Corby will have a northbound rail service with direct trains to Leicester and Nottingham.

For details of train times and fares ask at your local booking office or contact East Midlands Trains. Tel 08457 125 678 or visit [www.eastmidlandstrains.co.uk](http://www.eastmidlandstrains.co.uk)

## Steam special

On Saturday 6 February 2010, The Rutlander railtour headed by Battle of Britain air-smoothed Pacific no 34067 Tangmere departs London Victoria for a main line tour to Leicester (water stop at Kettering). It then goes via Syston Junction, Melton Mowbray, Oakham, Harringworth Viaduct, Corby and Kettering (water stop) en route to London Victoria. This train is operated by The Railway Touring Company, PO Box 1012, King's Lynn PE30 3YN  
Tel: 01553 661500. Fax: 01553 661800.  
Email: [enquiries@railwaytouring.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@railwaytouring.co.uk)  
Website: <http://www.railwaytouring.co.uk/index.php/the-rutlander---060210.html>





Pictures by Jamie McKerral

## **Voices under the Viaduct**

An exciting new competition is to be introduced on Saturday 19 June 2010 involving choirs from local schools competing for a first prize of £200 and second prize of £100 to be used at the discretion of the schools involved.

The competition will be held in St John the Baptist Church, Seaton Road, Harringworth, from 12 noon until 14.00 with the winners announced one hour later at 15.00 during the village fete adjacent to the church.

For further details and the competition rules please contact the organiser Roy Kedge.  
Tel: 01572 747431

## **Harringworth Viaduct**

It is the longest masonry viaduct crossing a valley in the United Kingdom. It is approximately three quarters of a mile and is situated on the Northamptonshire/Rutland border near Corby and Uppingham.

There are 82 arches with an estimated 20million bricks used in its construction. The viaduct was opened in 1878 by the Midland Railway. It is 60ft high at its highest point.

Repair work is currently under way to replace weathered and perished bricks from number seven arch to number one. This work is visible from Gretton Road going underneath the viaduct.

The viaduct, also sometimes known as the Welland viaduct, is on the route of the Jurassic Way long-distance footpath which runs from Banbury, Oxfordshire, to Stamford, Lincolnshire.

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The Friends of Harringworth Viaduct.  
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