ITINERARY 2
In and around Chatteris, Wimblington and March

Morning
Start at the Chatteris Museum which has local fossils and artefacts from the Stone Age through to Bronze Age, preserved by fen soils and information on more recent history. Nearly a million years of human history is on show in the museum (www.chatterismuseum.wordpress.com).

Journey on towards the RSPB Ouse Washes Nature Reserve where you can pick up leaflets for five circular farm walks starting and ending nearby. The RSPB Ouse Washes itself allows tranquil walking with stunning views across a vast wet grassland site. There are lots of hides from which you can spot unique wetland birdlife and the area is also a hotspot for rare and protected farmland birds in surrounding arable land (www.rspb.org.uk/ousewashes).

Around Lunchtime
Head north towards Wimblington and stop at the Skylark Garden Centre, Fenland’s largest Garden Centre. Skylark has a year-round events programme which includes summer activities. Between 15th July and 1st October the Skylark Maize Maze and Funyard is open, which also includes a Pesky Pigeon Tractor Ride, Pig Racing and more – great fun for the little ones! The Skylark Café is a great lunch stop (please see vouchers below). For more about Skylark visit www.skylarkgardencentre.co.uk.

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Afternoon
Near Skylark is Stonea Camp (off the B1093 Wimblington to Manea road) which is a County Farms Pocket park, open to the public throughout the year. Stonea Camp itself is a scheduled monument and was the scene of some of the most important events surrounding the Iceni and Romans in the Fens.

Next stop is March, where you can visit Fossils Galore Educational Activity Centre, look at their huge collection of fossils and minerals, go fossil hunting in the prehistoric sand pit and take part in one of their activities (www.fossilsгалore.com).

You could also visit the March Museum (opposite Fossils Galore), open on Wednesdays and Saturdays between 10.30-3.30pm. The museum was set up in 1977 as a local folk museum with a number of displays showing the life from the late 19th and early 20th centuries through to the present day (www.marchmuseum.co.uk).

If you fancy trying your hand at archery, canoeing or fishing, then why not visit Fourwinds Leisure (www.fourwindsleisure.com), which backs onto the Old River Nene and is set in 5 acres of farmland. Booking is required for activities (please see vouchers below for an offer). Fourwinds Leisure is also a campsite and has an onsite B&B if you are thinking of staying over.

If it’s all too much to see and do in a day then why not stay over and take your time and explore even further. Visit Cambridgeshire Fens provides a great overview of accommodation options in the area (www.visitcambridgeshirefens.co.uk).

Extending your stay
There really is a lot to do in this area – other suggestions nearby include:

• Fox Narrowboats – ever fancied a narrowboat holiday? – Fox Narrowboats in March offer a selection of boats suitable for day trips or longer breaks (www.foxboats.co.uk).
• North London Skydiving Centre – If you have ever fancied a tandem skydive then the North London Skydiving Centre based on the Chatteris Airfield is worth a visit (www.ukskydiving.com).
• Cambridgeshire Microlights Flying School – take a trial flight or learn to fly (www.cambridgeshiremicrolights.co.uk).

Free Drink at Skylark Café
Skylark Café is offering a free drink with every main meal purchase between now and 31st October 2017.

Simply show this voucher to claim your free drink.

Fourwinds Leisure Discount
Fourwinds Leisure are offering a 10% discount off pre-booked canoe hire and archery between now and 31st October 2017.

Please contact 01354 658737 to book your activity and quote ‘itineraries’ to claim your 10% discount.

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