# Green Networl The TGN is supported by the Interreg IVa **2-Mers Seas Zeeën programme.** Involving Shepway District Council, Kent Wildlife Trust, Discover Folkestone Hythe & Romney Marsh, Canterbury City Council, Communauté d'agglomération du Boulonnais and BOSCO+ it aims to promote green tourism, especially at the Romney Marsh Visitor Centre, Reculver Country Park and Aréna. TGN has produced this leaflet to help people discover the area.

## Romney Marsh ...is a very special place and countryside with sp fascinating heritage.

...is a very special place – 100 square miles of coast and countryside with spectacular wildlife and fascinating heritage.

Hotspots include Dungeness National Nature Reserve, home to the RSPB's Reserve, marvellous to visit year round and especially in spring and autumn for magnificent bird migrations.

Created over thousands of years the Marsh has a strong sense of history with Cinque Port towns and villages, churches, and 20 centuries of frontline defence.

Follow Lydd and New Romney Historic Town Trails and visit some of our captivating museums, such as New Romney's Old School and Lydd Town Museum.

Great walking and cycling routes, short and long include:

- the Magic of the Marsh and Marsh Meanders walks and cycle packs
- the 28 mile Royal Military Canal Path between Hythe and Rye

#### Romney Marsh Visitor Centre...

is a great introduction to the Marsh. At the Visitor Centre TGN developed:

- a 'Looker's Hut' showing how sheep were once farmed
- a new guide to Romney Warren Country Park
- exciting new bilingual schools' resources including a green construction kit "suitcase", interactive geological map and wildlife discovery trail

Further afield TGN worked with the Romney Marsh Countryside Partnership and the Romney Marsh Historic Churches Trust producing highly popular guides to:

- the Royal Military Canal
- the Mediaeval Churches of the Marsh

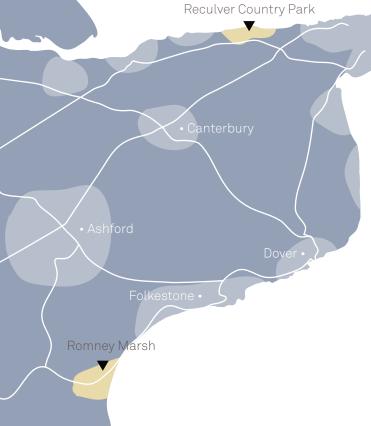






The Marsh is home to the world famous "Romney" sheep, once cared for by "Lookers" who oversaw the flocks, spending much time in simple "Lookers' Huts".

In 1870 the Marsh had 356 huts but few remain. TGN has reconstructed one at Romney Warren to preserve their memory.



#### Find out even more...

- CAB Visit Boulogne
- Discover Folkestone Hythe & Romney Marsh
- Kent Wildlife Trust
- Romney Marsh Countryside Partnership
- Visit Kent









Kent wildlife

### Find out more...

#### **Romney Marsh Visitor Centre:**

Kent Wildlife Trust Romney Marsh Visitor Centre Dymchurch Road, New Romney Kent TN28 8AY

www.kentwildlifetrust.org.uk/reserves/romney-marsh

Phone: 01797 369487

#### Reculver Visitor Centre:

Reculver Centre Reculver, Herne Bay Kent CT6 6SS

www.canterbury.co.uk

and search for Reculver Country Park and towers

Phone +44 (0)1227 740676

#### Aréna - Centre d'interprétation de l'environnement:

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Arena, the World of Dunes Boulogne-sur-M

Founded on the site of a Roman fort, the

imposing ruins of Reculver Towers offer

dramatic views of the north Kent coast.

Internationally important for wildlife thousands

of migrating birds stop off at Reculver each

Bunting and summer visiting Sandmartins

which nest in the cliff-faces.

winter. The geologically rare sandstone cliffs

are rich in insects, which provide food for birds including Skylarks, Meadow Pipits, Corn

### Reculver Country Park The Oyster Bay Trail coastal cycle route runs through ...on the north Kent coast a short distance from the Park connecting with Herne Bay and Minnis Bay. the A299 Thanet Way, and well connected to the M2, Green Flag Award winning Reculver Country The award winning Reculver Centre, managed by Kent Park uniquely combines coastal wildlife and Wildlife Trust, is a great way for visitors and schools to intriguing maritime history. discover the park, providing information on its history,

ecology and geology, as well as about sustainability.

At Reculver TGN has provided funding to produce visitor leaflets explaining the beauty and biodiversity of Reculver Country Park. As well as this it has provided educational tools for visiting school children that teach them about locally resourced, reusable and eco-friendly materials.

Image: Reculver visitor centre with a view to the Reculver Towers ancient monument which marks the centre of the old Roman fort 'Regulbium'.



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