

Thorpe Meadows Sculpture Trail

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Outside In uses heavy steel to explore space, volume, and weight. The metal appears to be folded and interlocked, as though made of a soft material that could be easily folded inside out. The shapes in the sculpture could also suggest internal workings - of an engine or the valves of a heart.

Continue along the path.



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2 Artwork: People Artist: Tolleck Winner

On the left of the path is People, by Tolleck Winner. As you walk around the sculpture, the two shapes merge and separate, reflecting the artist's interest in the constant movement and change in relationships between people. The shapes also reflect the movement of the nearby water and surrounding tree.



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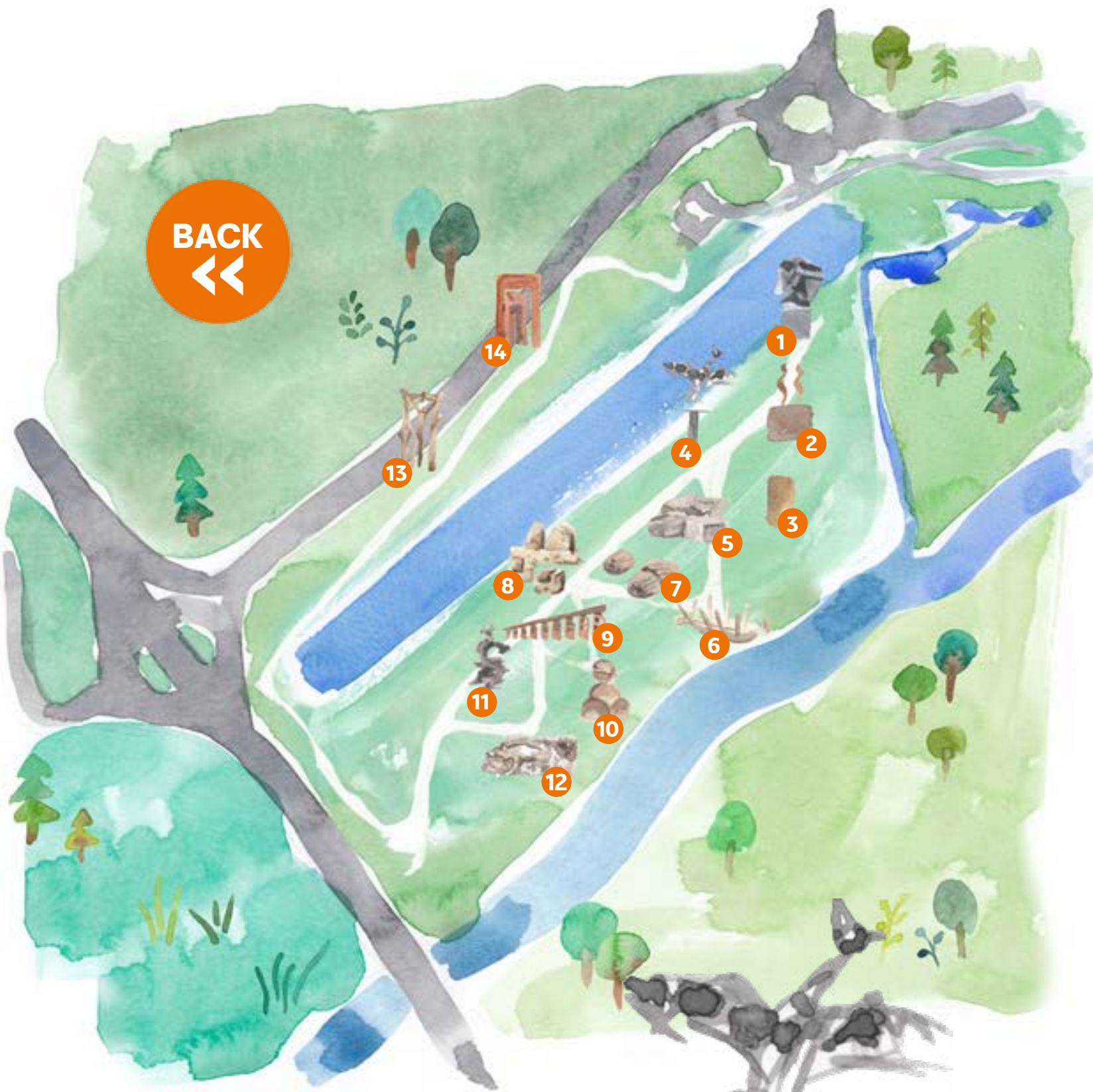


3 Artwork: Temporary Installations

The empty plinth is a site for temporary artworks.
Please check our website for details of forthcoming projects.

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4 Artwork: Cormorant Artist: Elizabeth Cooke

Look out for the Cormorant sculpture perched on the right hand side of the path beside the rowing lake. The delicate shapes and movement of a bird, with its wings outstretched and proudly holding its catch, have been created from metal objects and recycled materials. The artist originally trained as a dancer and often explores movement through her artworks.

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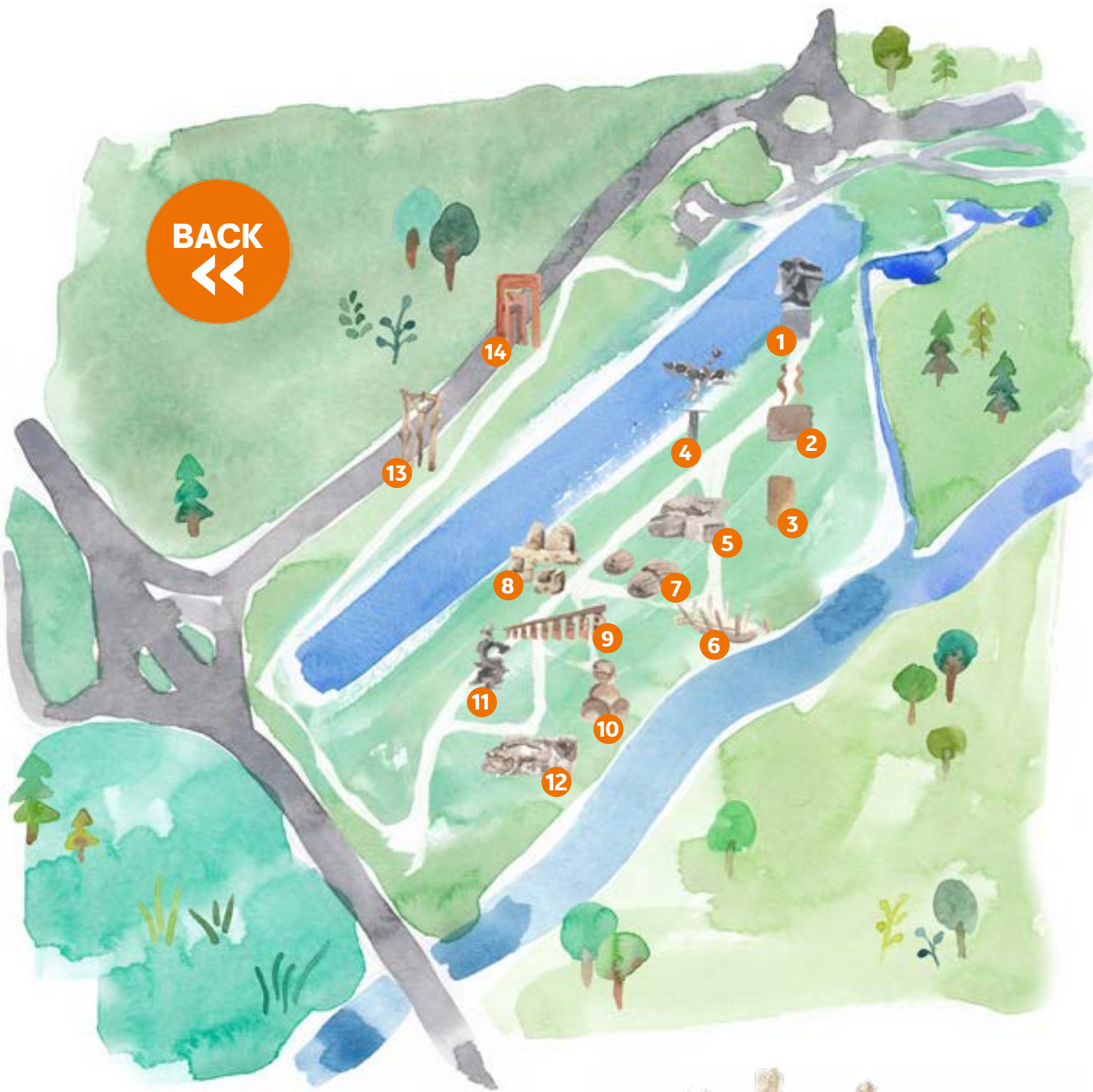
5 Artwork: Creature Artist: Anne Nicholson

On the opposite side of the path is Creature by Anne Nicholson. The sculpture was created from one large piece of Clipsham stone, quarried in nearby Lincolnshire. As you walk around the sculpture you can see and feel the tool marks and cuts the artist has used to create the different shapes and forms of a sleeping mythical creature.

Continue along the grass path towards the river.



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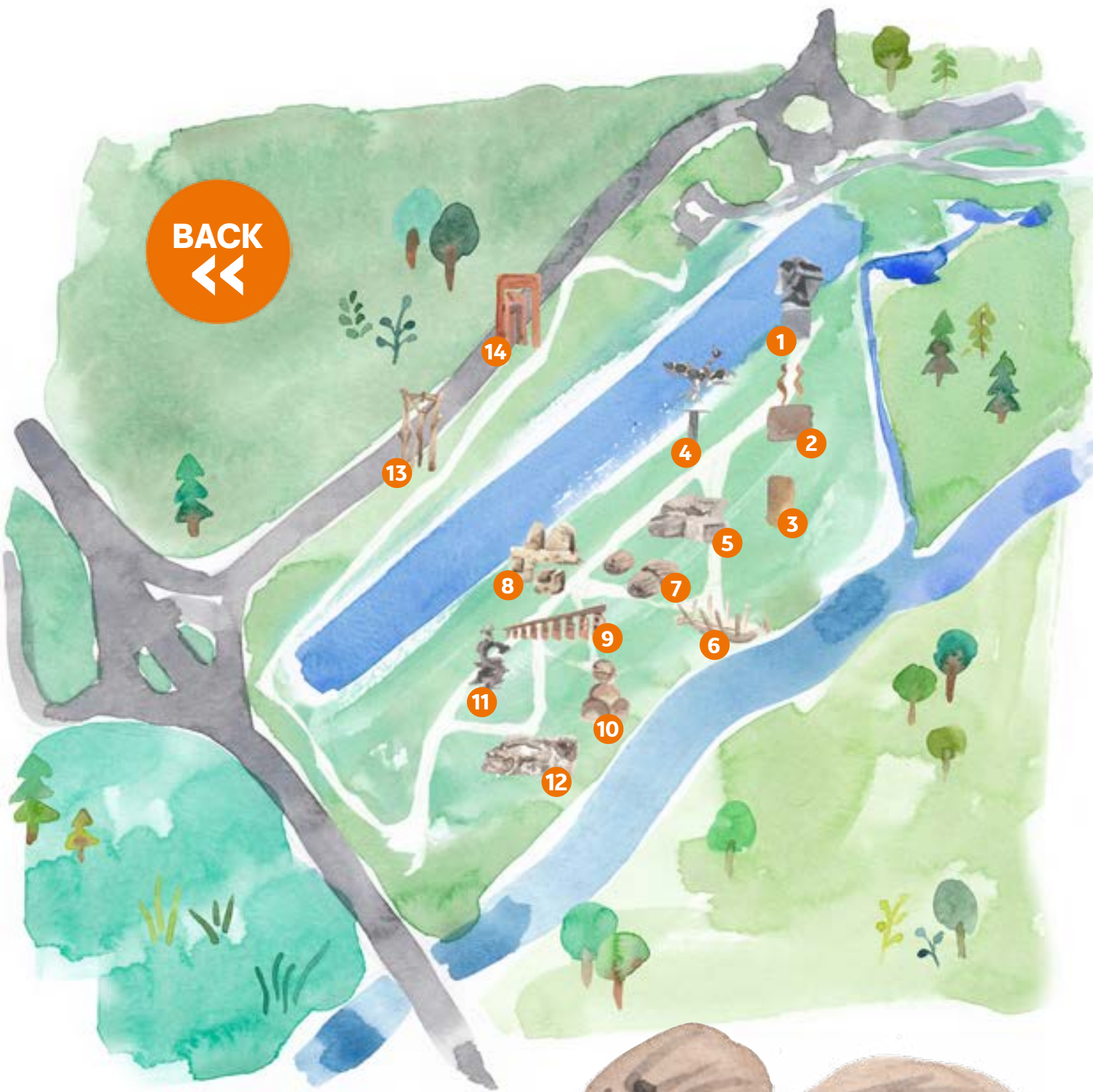
6 Artwork: Festival Boat Artist: Sokari Douglas Camp

Festival Boat is a large scale artwork that rests on the bank of the River Nene and was inspired by its river location and celebration boats used on the Niger Delta in Nigeria. Sokari Douglas Camp was born in Buguma, Nigeria and is inspired by Kalabari culture and the environment.

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7 Artwork: Odd Oaks Artist: Nicholas Pope

Originally a set of four large wooden shapes resembling giant acorns, the sculpture was decommissioned from the Peterborough Sculpture Collection in 2011 but left in situ to allow the wood to be returned back to nature as it decomposes.



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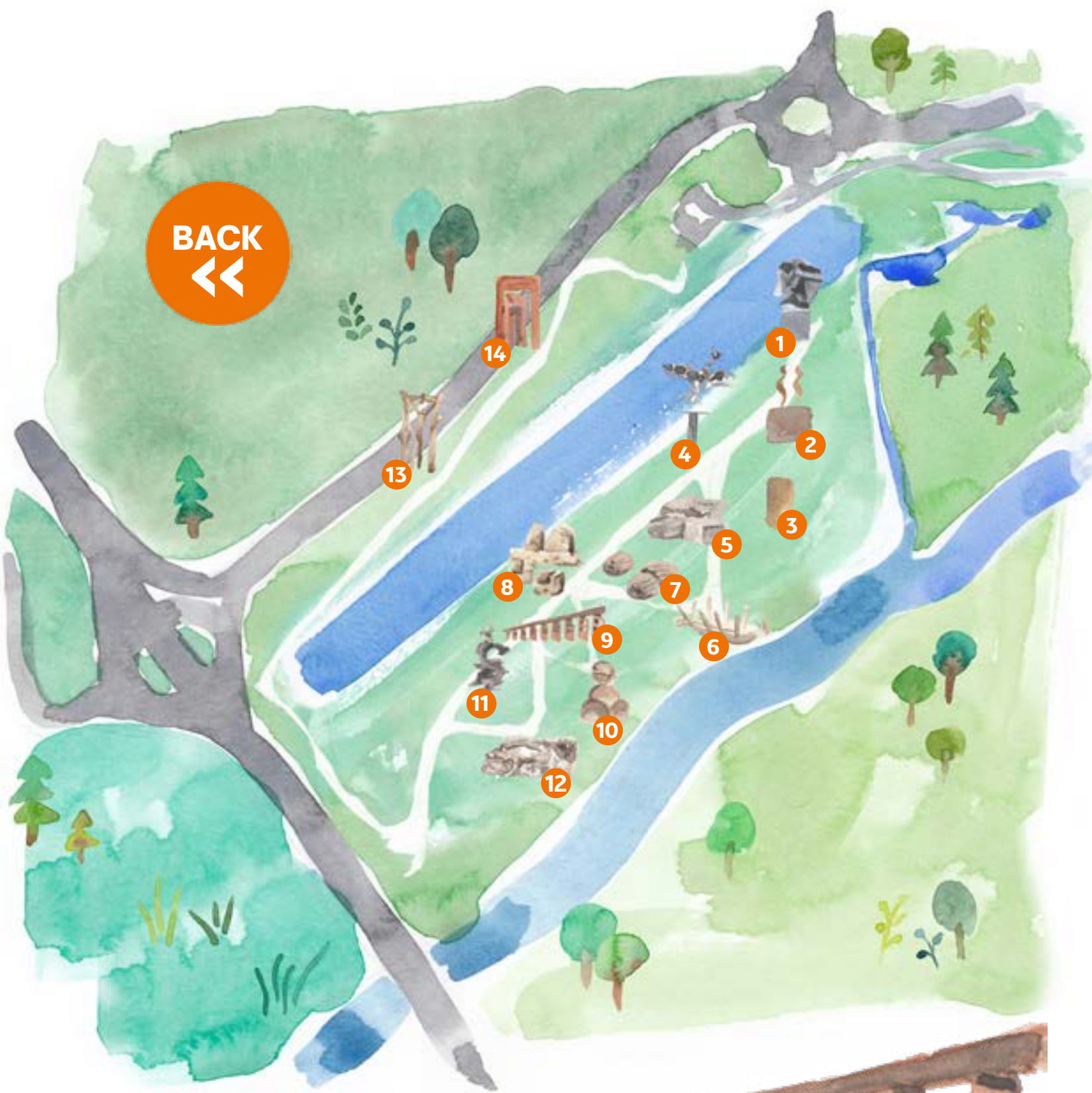


Artwork: Under the Ocean, Under the Sea **Artist: Christine Angus**

On the opposite side of the path are three abstract sculptures hand-carved from limestone. The sculptures resemble archaeological finds and link to the heritage of the area, where Iron Age and Roman settlements have been discovered. Created in 1983, the artwork also makes a connection to the nearby River Nene and the importance of water to communities through time, for food, ritual, transport and more recently to protect the environment, with Thorpe Meadows providing an important floodplain, protecting the city from flooding.

Cross to the opposite side of the path.

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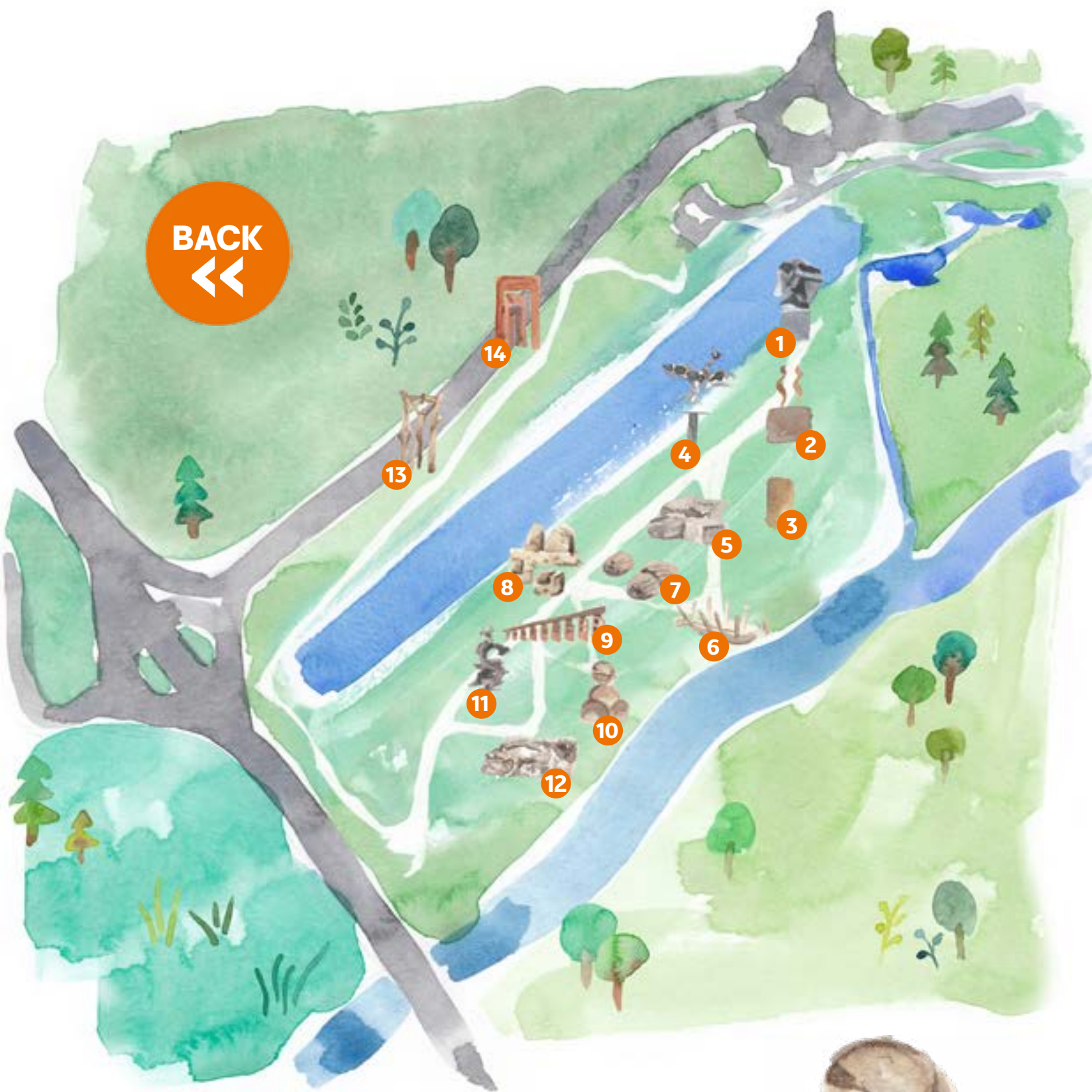


Artwork: Untitled 1990 **Artist:** Miles Davies

The steel artwork is formed of a series of hinged sections that act like doorways to different views. The sculpture references the heritage of the local railways and industrial architecture. This is the first of two sculptures by Miles Davies within the trail.

Follow the grass path on the right hand side of the sculpture.

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10 Artwork: Helios XVI Artist: Barry Mason

Helios XVI is a stone sculpture created to celebrate the summer solstice. Only at this time is the face of the globe shape fully illuminated by the sun, creating a sculptural calendar. The artist has a specific interest in landscapes and sun-paths, shadows and the passage of time. The sculpture is one of a series of Helios sculptures.

Walk back to the gravel path and turn left, continuing along the path.



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11 Artwork: Little Prince Artist: Jane Ackroyd

Little Prince is inspired by a children's story written by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry. The story follows a young prince who visits various planets, including Earth and explores our relationship to nature, people and our planet. The artist has created features from the story in steel, including a tree, asteroid and a pyramid.



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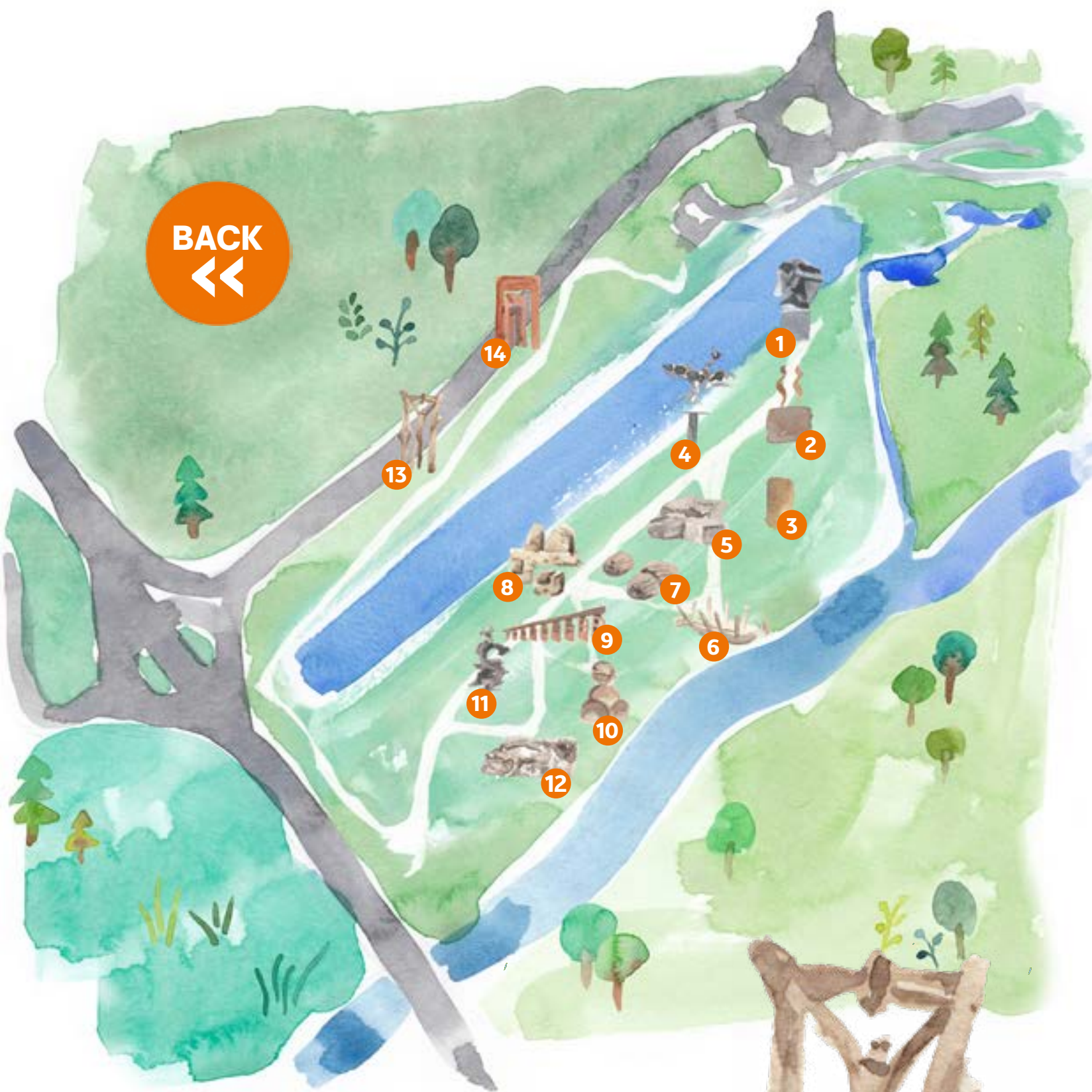
12 Artwork: Quarry Artist: Simon Perry

Quarry depicts a wolf-like creature emerging out of stone, ready to capture its prey. The sculpture relates to the history of the landscape, with wolves living wild in the UK until the 15th century, and also the recent history of the site as a quarry providing building materials for the city's modern network of roads.

Walk back to the gravel path and turn left. Continue away from the rowing lake towards the flyover. Turn right and walk between the pillars to view the artworks by local street artists.

Turn right onto the tarmac path. Continue along the path, keeping left until you reach the sculpture trail map board. Turn right up the slope and continue along the track.

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13 Artwork: Peterborough Arch Artist: Lee Grandjean

Peterborough Arch stands proudly alongside Longthorpe Parkway and was created specifically for this location. Striding towards the city centre – the sculpture represents the arrival of new communities moving into Peterborough. The straight lines on the figure's left represent the built environment of the City and on its right the organic shapes represent the natural landscape.

Continue along the track.



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14 Artwork: Untitled 1989 Artist: Miles Davies

Structured like a series of interlocking doorways, as you walk around the sculpture it frames contrasting views across the busy Longthorpe Parkway and the tranquil setting of the Park. The sculpture is made from steel that changes colour as it oxidises in the air, mirroring the changing colours of nature.

Continue along the track to Thorpe Meadows car park.



Park Code

Food and Drink

You are welcome to bring a picnic, or food and drink can be purchased nearby.

Park Rangers

Nene Park is maintained and patrolled by Park Rangers during the day. If you need advice or assistance during your visit, **contact the Duty Ranger 07860 308081.**

Park Code

Please enjoy your walk and always follow the Park Code and Countryside Code.



You can touch the outdoor sculptures but please be careful as the surfaces are delicate.



All visitors Protect plants and wildlife.



Please use the bins provided or take your litter home.



Dog walkers Keep your dog in sight and under control. Clean up after your dog and please prevent your dog from approaching wildlife and other visitors.

Please see our full Park Code on our website www.nenepark.org.uk

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