Rutland Water - 16 November 2025

In November we went to the Anglian Water Birdwatching Centre at Egleton which is located on the west side of Rutland Water. It consists of three lagoons, scrub and deciduous woodlands, ancient meadows and reedbeds. We arrived at 10 am approximately and it was dry with a very cold wind. We visited most of the 20 hides and we saw a total of 52 bird species as follows:

Mute Swans, a Whooper Swan, Canada Geese, Pink-footed Geese, Greylag Geese, 2 Egyptian Geese, Shovelers, Mallards, Wigeons, Teals, Tufted Ducks, Gadwalls, Pintails, 1 Pochard.

Lapwings, Golden Plovers, 1 Common Snipe, Dunlins, 1 Green Sandpiper.

Little Egrets, 1 Great White Egret, 1 Grey Heron, 2 Great Crested Grebes, Moorhens, Coots, Cormorants, 3 Great Black-backed Gulls, Black-headed Gulls, Common Gulls.

3 Red Kites, 1 Kestrel, 1 Marsh Harrier.



Great White Egret at Rutland Water

Pheasants, Jackdaws, Carrion Crows, Magpies, Woodpigeons, Blackbirds, 1 Redwing, Starlings, Great Tits, Blue Tits, Long-tailed Tits, Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Goldfinches, 1 Wren, 1 Robin, 1 Blackcap, 1 Pied Wagtail, Goldcrests.

We left the reserve at 4 pm and despite the cold wind we had an enjoyable day.

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