This walk takes you across all the 45 walkable bridges that span Bristol’s main waterways. They are listed in the table on the left, together with the distances between each one. The walk is a circular one of 45km (28 miles) and takes you across each bridge just once. It doesn't matter which bridge you start at, or which direction you go in, the walk will bring you back to where you started. Detailed instructions and a gpx file can be downloaded from the Facebook Group The Bristol Bridges Walk Challenge, where you can also find news and updates about the route and you can post and share your own photos and experiences. The companion handbook can be ordered from the Bristol Books website or purchased from the bookshops listed on the next page. If you complete the whole walk, you can get the badge! More details on all these matters can be found on the Facebook page. This digital map can be zoomed to show more detail.
Each one of Bristol’s bridges has a fascinating story which is woven intimately into the 1000-year history of the city. Why was it built? What was involved in its design, engineering and construction? What dramatic events sometimes swirled around and perhaps on it? In this book Jeff Lucas tells the story of each of the 45 bridges which span the main waterways of Bristol between Avonmouth and St Anne’s and which can be crossed on foot.

Illustrated with Jeff’s own revealing photography; this book will open up new ways of looking at these often beautiful structures that we usually take for granted. The bridges are linked into a 45km circular walk that takes you from the nooks and crannies of the inner city to the open vistas of the Severn Estuary and back again. This walk is also the solution to an intriguing mathematical puzzle called the “Königsberg Bridge Problem”: how to walk around a given set of bridges crossing each one only once. The problem has been solved for Bristol’s 45 bridges by Thilo Gross, a young mathematician lately at Bristol University, who contributes a chapter about the bridge problem, its importance to mathematics and the modern world and how he solved it for Bristol.

**“From Brycgstow to Bristol in 45 Bridges”** will be available at the end of June from the following bookshops:

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It can also be ordered directly from the author (post free): Email bristolbridgeswalk@gmail.com and from the Bristol Books Website (post free).