



Information

Distance: 7.30km (4.5miles)

Average Time: 1hr 52mins (time may vary depending on pace)

Gradient: Gently but small incline at points

Starting Point: Weymouth Park & Ride

Public Transport: N/A

Parking: Free parking at Weymouth Park & Ride operated by Dorset Council.

Accessibility: All of this route is accessible by wheelchair although there are gravel paths at certain stages which could be wet during the wetter months.

Cycle: Most of the route is open to cyclist although there is a ban on the seafront where no cycling is allowed between 10am-5:30pm 1st May to 30th September. Please note no cycling is allowed in all the gardens except through Lodmoor.

Facilities

Eating: There will be many points along the route where you can access a variety of eateries offering a light lunch to a full meal, many offering local delicacies.

Toilets: There are a number of public toilets positioned along the route and most open all year round.

1. From the Weymouth Park & Ride, walk towards the roundabout, then take the path to your left before you reach the roundabout. At the slight fork bear left and you should see the metal sculpture call the Torpedosaurs designed and created by Andy Kirkby. Continue until you reach the Rugby Club.
2. At this point you can stop for something to eat or drink, otherwise continue along the path. As you continue around the rugby club you will come to an opening, keep on the path diagonally ahead of you.
3. When you reach the path which is bordered by wooden posts turn left and cross the bridge keep to the right-hand side path which will take you past the Green Gym equipment where you can give them a try. Children can also take on the Tree Trail/Orienteering course which starts later on in the park.
4. Continue along the paved path, there is the option to stop at the play park if you have children to let them have a play. Once you pass the play area this is where the children will start the **Tree Trail/Orienteering course (map)**, otherwise just continue on the path which will become more gravelled, it is also a car park so please ensure children are supervised.
5. When you reach the end of the path take the route to your left which will take you past a variety of activities for children such as Sea Life Centre, Sandworld, Leisure Ranch and Pirate Adventure Mini Golf. Continue until you reach the traffic lights.
6. Cross the traffic lights, take a left and then right until you reach the seafront, then take a right. Just before the chalets there is an opportunity to use the Facilities or stop for refreshments at the Café up the stairs.
7. Continue along the Esplanade and just after the chalets there are the stone steps which will take you into Greenhill Gardens. There is an entrance further along the Esplanade for wheelchair users. You could try your luck at the Pitt and Putt or stop at the Café a bite to eat or just enjoy an ice cream.
8. As you exit the Gardens continue along the Esplanade until you approach the Jubilee Clock. At the traffic lights before the Jubilee Clock cross over and take the left then bear right continuing down Kings Street. Continue past the train station and the petrol garage and when you reach KFC continue around the bend staying on the right-hand side of the road.

9. Continue along the road keeping the retail park on your right until you reach the entrance to the Princess of Wales Park. Take a stroll through the tree lined retreat until you reach the tennis courts. As work is being done to improve the rest of the gardens and park you will need to cross the road as you reach the tennis courts, then turn left and continue along the dual pathway that runs along the RSPB Nature Reserve.

10. Just before you reach the bend in the road you will see a notice saying 'Welcome to Radipole Park & Gardens' – cross over the road and take the path which will bring you out onto Coronation Crescent. Continue along Coronation Crescent until you reach Kings Road, turn up Kings Road until you come to Spa Road, cross at the traffic island and turn right.

11. Once you reach the junction with Dorchester Road, cross at the traffic lights and turn right. Continue for a couple of metres and turn left into Monmouth Avenue which will bring you back to the Rugby Club. The retrace your steps to the Park & Ride.