



photo: Geoff Hill

Volunteering

Hardwick Park depends on the support of its dedicated volunteers to help out with a variety of tasks throughout the year. For further information on volunteering for Durham County Council and the Countryside Team please visit www.durham.gov.uk/volunteering



Education

Hardwick Park is a superb landscape for unique learning opportunities. Educational visits take place throughout the year and are based on either half or full day facilitated workshops. For further information or to book a trip please visit our website or give us a call.



Birthday Parties

Our outdoor birthday parties are perfect for children wanting something different to celebrate their big day. Party packages start from £275 and include 1½ hours staff led activity, food, decorations, invitations and 3 hour room hire. For further information about our party packages please visit our website or give us a call.



Where to find us

Hardwick Park is in Sedgefield, County Durham on the A177 Durham-Stockton road. 2½ miles from A1(M) junction 60.

Access

The majority of the paths around the park are well surfaced and generally flat. Wheelchairs are available for free hire from the visitor centre.

Water Safety

Due to areas of deep water, please do not enter any of the lakes and ponds within the park. Steep slopes are present around water edges so please take care when using wheeled equipment (e.g. pushchairs, wheelchairs, bicycles). Children must be supervised at all times and dogs should not be allowed to swim during icy periods.

Dogs

Dogs are welcome but must be kept on a lead between the hours

of 9am-6pm and at all times during bird nesting season.

Admission

It is free to enter the park however there are pay and display car parking charges. Annual parking permits are also available. All money raised from parking charges goes directly into the maintenance and development of the park.

Opening Times

The park is open daily from dawn until dusk. The gift shop and Tower Café are open until 4pm daily.

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Visitor Guide

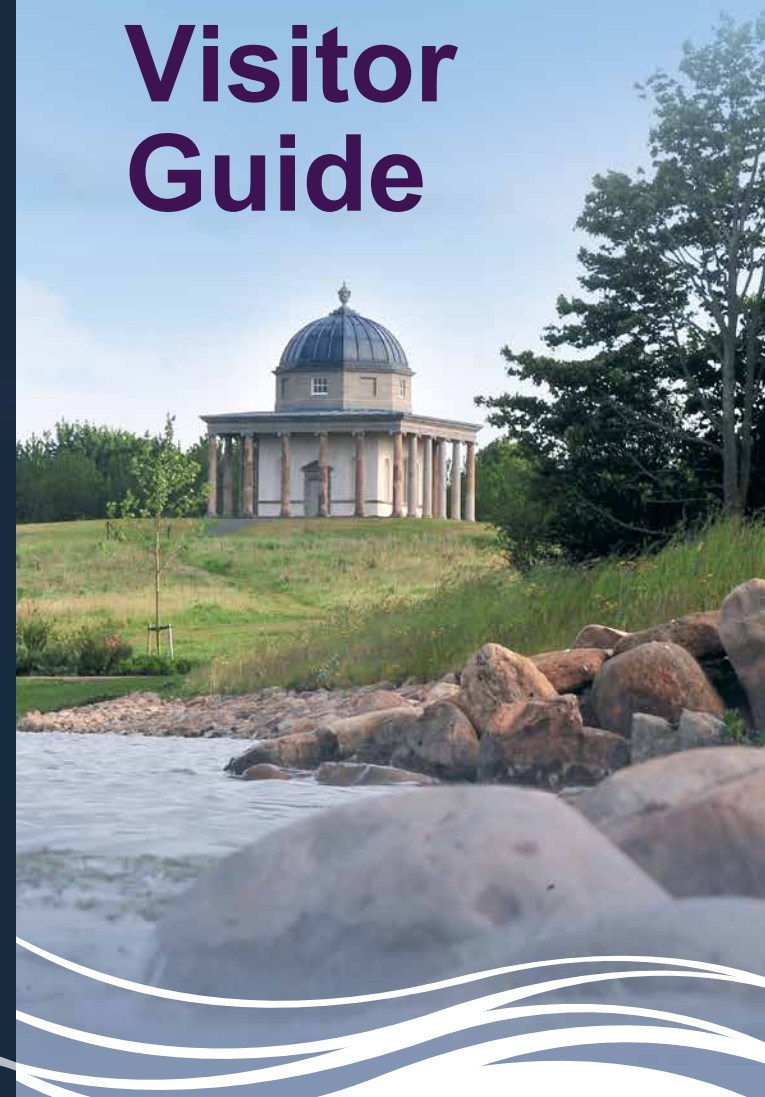




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Welcome

Hardwick Park is a great place to visit. Stroll through the historic parkland, admiring the natural beauty of the lake, woodland and wildlife. Families can also enjoy our play area.

No visit would be complete without calling into our visitor centre to learn about the history and restoration of the park. There is also a gift shop to pick up something special to remember your visit.



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The Tower Café

The Tower Café is open daily offering a wonderful selection of home made soups, sandwiches, scones, pies and cakes. Whether it is for lunch or just a hot drink after a walk, a warm and friendly welcome awaits you.

Events and Activities

There is always something new going on in the park - from exciting events, family holiday activities, specialised toddler sessions to guided walks and workshops. There really is something for everyone to enjoy throughout the year. For full listings of the events happening in the park please visit our website.



Finding your way around HARDWICK PARK

Scale 0 50 100 metres
0 50 100 yards



Key to map

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| Historical Circuit Walk
way-marked: Takes in all the views of the Park 1.75km (1 mile) | Horse riding route
way-marked: Horse-riders must stay on this route 900m (0.5 mile) | P Parking | Water |
| Avoiding slope | Other paths | P Accessible parking | Road |
| Circular cycle route
way-marked: Cyclists must stay on this route 2.3km (1.4 mile) | Unsurfaced path | WC Toilets (incl. accessible toilet) | Perimeter of Hardwick Park |
| Fen Carr Boardwalk | Fen Carr Boardwalk | Visitor Information Point | Perimeter of East Park |
| | | The Tower Café | |