

# BEDFONT LAKES COUNTRY PARK

**Bedfont Lakes Country Park** formed part of a large orchard that supplied Covent Garden market until the 1920s. The area was then worked for sand and gravel until the 1950s, and used as a refuse site until 1973 leaving a mixture of polluted lakes, wasteland, and abandoned machinery.

In 1988 Hounslow Council granted permission for a huge revitalisation of the area. 2 million cubic metres of soil and refuse were used to form the hills, creating the highest point in the Borough and then seeded with a wildflower mix.

The existing lakes were extended and footpaths were laid out around the 180 acre site.

The Park opened to the public in July 1995 and since then it has won several national awards for its design and management which include the Green Flag Award, Millennium Marque and London in Bloom trophies.

Bedfont Lakes Country Park gained Local Nature Reserve status in 2000 and became a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation in 2007. It is now one of the best places in London for watching wildlife.

Its several habitat types support a wide variety of insects, mammals, amphibians, and fish. Over 350 plants and 155 bird species have also been recorded, an amazing total given the site's recent industrial history.

The Ranger Service manage/monitor the site and lead schools and other group visits. The Rangers also undertake site patrols, safety checks, and by-law enforcement to ensure that the site is a safe place for visitors to come to.



## Access Information



- Good condition of paths (compacted gravel)
- Medium slope gradients throughout the park

Contact Bedfont Lakes on 0845 456 2796

## Public Transport Information

- Bus: H26, 116 then a short walk along Clockhouse Lane
- Tube: Heathrow Terminal 4 (Piccadilly Line) then a short bus or taxi ride
- Rail: Ashford Station is one mile away

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| 1  | Bedfont Road, Car Park | 12 | South Lake  |
| 2  | Motte Lake             | 13 | Clockhouse Lane, Information Centre<br>Car Park and Toilets (also disabled) |
| 3  | Dog Exercise Area      | 14 | Fishing Lake  |
| 4  | Motte                  |    |   |
| 5  | Playground             |    |   |
| 6  | Large Arena            |    |   |
| 7  | North Lake             |    |   |
| 8  | Small Arena            |    |   |
| 9  | Millennium Monolith    |    |   |
| 10 | Nature Reserve         |    |   |
| 11 | New Lake               |    |   |



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- T** Toilets (also disabled)  
**P** Car Park

Total Route Length  
 1.6 miles  
 2.6 kilometres

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 1 mile  
 1.6 kilometres

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 0.6 mile  
 1 kilometre

Motte Lake

