

Botanic Gardens



Trail Route

This is a circular walk that can be started from any of seven entrances to Botanic Gardens. This description begins at the main entrance at the Stranmillis Road.

Once inside the main gates of the park you will see the statue of Lord Kelvin **(1)** in front of you. Follow the path to the right; this leads past the front of the Ulster Museum and to the entrance of the Tropical Ravine **(2)**.

From the ravine take the flagstone path to the right. Continue past an entrance gate to your right and straight ahead to the herbaceous borders **(3)**.

The path goes along the top border and then doubles back on itself along the lower border. Follow this until you reach a low wall and set of

Route description

This route through an historic city park is along surfaced paths with a few steps and some slight hills.

Distance

0.8 miles 1.3 km.

Average Time

25 - 35 mins. plus time to enjoy the gardens.

Access

By bike – The park is adjacent to National Cycle Network Route 9.

By bus - Metro Services: any 7 or 8 bus.

By car - On-street parking around Botanic Avenue and Stranmillis area.

steps on your right that leads through the stone pergolas in the centre of the rose garden **(4)**.

Beyond the rose garden, go right on the tarmac path and then take the narrow path on your left which leads on to the main path round the park. Turn right and follow this path past the bowling green and two further entrances on your right. Pass the rockery and then the main lawn on your left, until you reach a three-way junction.

From here you can see the Palm House **(5)**. Pause to enjoy the splendour of the Palm House, both inside and out. To complete the walk, continue along the path, which leads past the oak and conifer collections, back to the entrance at Stranmillis Road.

