

# Ormeau Park



## Route description

This route explores an historic parkland overlooking the River Lagan on surfaced paths with some hills and slopes.

## Distance

1.25 miles 2.8 km.

## Average Time

40 - 50 mins.

## Access

**By bus** - Metro Services: 7 to Ormeau Road or 78-79 to Ravenhill Road, 0.6 miles (0.9km) and 0.4 miles (0.65km) respectively from the starting point.

**By car** - Car park at recreation centre – entrance off Ormeau Embankment.

## Trail Route

Beginning at the car park beside Ormeau Recreation Centre, take the tree-lined path to the right of the recreation centre, past the all weather pitches.

Keep right at the next two junctions. Continue along this path past mature trees and woodland copses (1). You will reach a crossroads; notice the green post labelled E9 (2). Go straight on. You will pass the former Superintendent's House (3) within a garden on your left.

Continue on until you pass a small shelter. Ahead will be two roads, take the second one on the right. This leads to the outside of the former walled garden (4).

Turn left, keeping the wall on your right, and then left again on to the main path leading from the entrance to the service yard. Follow this path. You will see the bandstand on your right (5). Follow the path on your right which leads past a second shelter, some flower beds and mature conifer trees. Just beyond these on your right is a small wildflower meadow.

Continue past a triangular rose bed on your left, but veer left at the next triangular flower bed, in which there stands a bell (6) on a post.

Take the next right and then left to return to the car park.

