

## **Bouskell Park Loop**

A circular step-free jaunt around a beautiful park steeped in history in Blaby, Leicestershire. Great for adults and kids alike.

Distance 0.7 kilometers / 0.4 miles

**Duration** 40 minutes













Bousket Park

Welford Rd





**Step 1:** Take a stroll around Bouskell Park and learn more about the history of this park. The walk starts off Welford Road.

**Step 2:** Tap the icon in the bottom left corner of your screen to switch between map and text view

**Step 3:** Walk across the footbridge which crosses an unnamed tributary stream, which rises near Countesthorpe and flows through Blaby into the River Sense near Glen Parva. Follow the path right.

**Step 4:** Fosse Foxes are located around tourist attractions in the district. They have been designed by artists, designers and community groups.

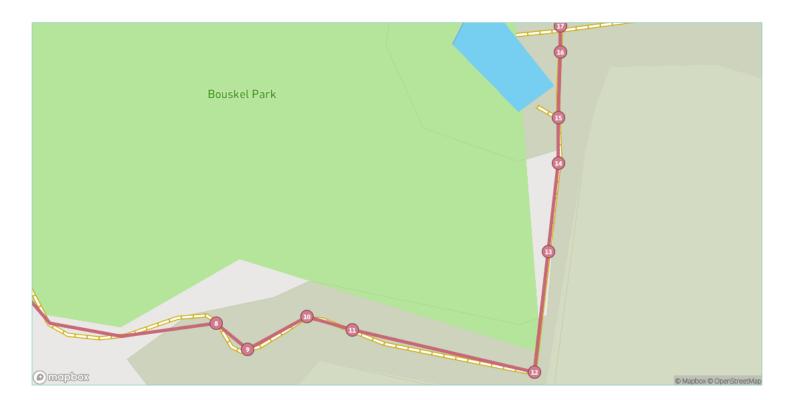
**Step 5:** Follow the gravel path as it bears slight right.

**Step 6:** There are plenty of benches dotted around the park.

Step 7: Continue to follow the gravel path

**Step 8:** Continue along the path, taking your time to listen to the sounds around you. Take in all the colours around you.





Step 9: This path is suitable for buggies.

**Step 10:** Continue ahead following the gently winding path.

**Step 11:** Could you take turns with members of your family to 'hopscotch' until the path turns left?

**Step 12:** Continue along the path as it heads left.

**Step 13:** Take a break on a bench on carry on ahead.

**Step 14:** Go and take a look over the waters edge...

**Step 15:** What wildlife can you see? This might be a good place to use your nature notes.

**Step 16:** Carry on left rather than use the gate.





**Step 17:** You may want to extend your walk by going through the gate and going onto the permissive path through the woodland, this route is otherwise known as the Victorian 'Long Walk'.

**Step 18:** Ice houses were common in country houses from 1600. Iced dishes at formal dinners and parties helped demonstrate status and wealth.

**Step 19:** You might take a moment to sit on the bench and take a moment to appreciate the nature around you.

**Step 20:** Continue along the path as it bears around to the left.

**Step 21:** Looking on your right you will see Blaby Hall, this was traditionally the home of the lord of manor but now converted into offices.

**Step 22:** Keep going to complete this loop.

**Step 23:** The park has preserved over 800 years of rural landscape, from a medieval village to a country house garden and a landscape park.

**Step 24:** This is the end of the walk. We hope you enjoyed a pleasant stroll around Bouskell Park.

