

Geneva Wood & Brankin Moor LNRs

Route 7 - 45 Minutes / 1.3 Miles

Two different and adjacent Local Nature Reserves with an abundance of wildlife.

About the route

Passing through the plantation site of Geneva Wood and Brankin Moor Local Nature Reserves, this walk is situated between Skerne Park and Firthmoor.

Encounter woodland areas which are affluent with Orchids, woodland plants, and mature trees such as: Scots Pines, Oak, Ash and Elm.

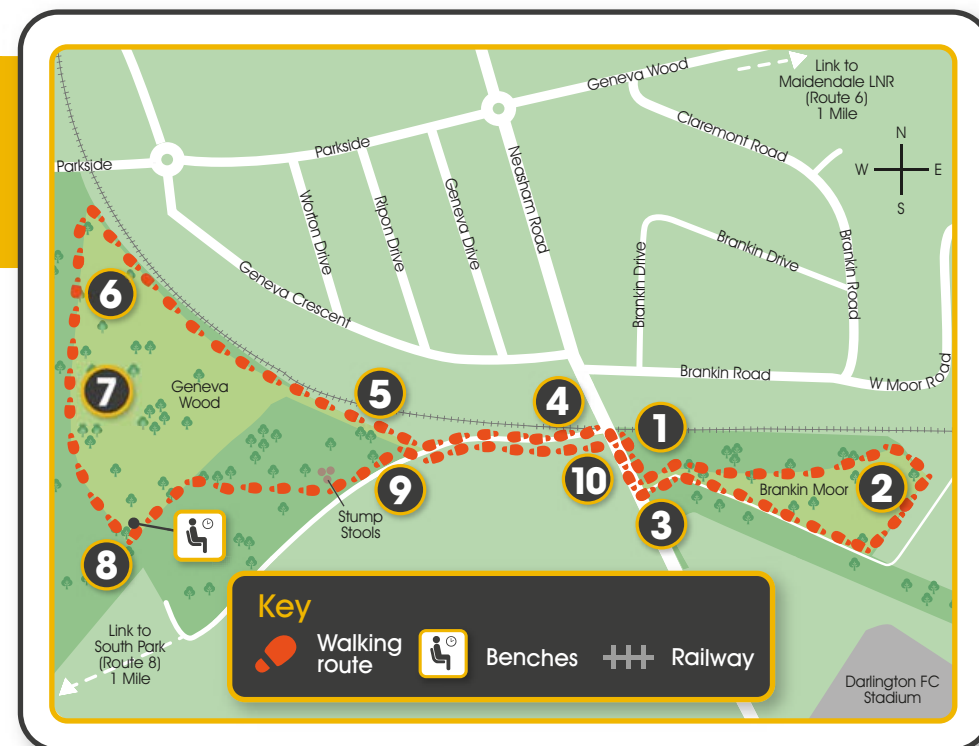
Walking instructions

Start on Neasham Road, south of the rail bridge (stadium side).

You can also access from Skerne Park via the underpass.

- 1 Head towards the stadium and take the signed path on your left.
- 2 Follow the path around the woods, returning to the main road.
- 3 Cross the road and turn right.
- 4 Turn left onto the signed track before the rail bridge.

- 5 Continue, veering right onto the path into the edge of the woods (near the telegraph pole).
- 6 Keeping the fence to your right continue to the end, turning left onto the clear track.
- 7 Continue veering left towards the gate.
- 8 Turn left at the gate to the clearing by the bench.
- 9 Follow the tree lined avenue to come out of the woods near the stump stools.
- 10 Turn left to return to the start.



Health & safety

Wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather.

Be careful when walking as lighting is restricted because of the trees.

Be careful near ponds and keep children away from the edge.

Take care crossing the main road.

Things to see

Look out for Great Crested Newts and Dragonflies that visit the pond areas and butterflies such as the unusual White Letter or the Purple Hairstreak. Birds like the Coal Tit, Gold Crest and the Sparrow Hawk can be seen in this area and frequent sightings of Foxes and Roe Deer have also been reported.

This route links to

- Maidendale Nature Reserve (Route 6) via Firthmoor.
- South Park (Route 8) via rail underpass.
- This walk is close to bus routes 13A/13B.