



parkcycle
Richmond Park

Group Hire Information

Welcome

Parkcycle is Richmond Park's Cycling Centre located at the Roehampton Gate car park. We look forward to your visit and would like to give you as much information as we can to enable you to enjoy your unique day out riding the safe and traffic free trails of Richmond Park.



An Outstanding Historic Royal Park!

Richmond Park is London's largest Royal Park and the largest urban park in Europe and is designated as a “Site of Special Scientific Interest” and a National Nature Reserve.

Richmond Park was established in its present form in 1625 by Charles I, turning the area on the hill above his relocated palace in Richmond into a hunting park for red and fallow deer.



Richmond Park – Ideal for Biking!

Richmond Park is large and offers tens of kilometres of traffic free shared trails through the parks natural and wild habitats.



The latest bikes & equipment

Our bike of choice is the Trek Marlin 5 mountain bike.

The bike comes with disc brakes and is geared in order to enable riders to easily navigate the hills and undulations of Richmond Park! We also provide free helmets to all.

We also have road, hybrid and a small number of tandem bikes too!



Many Options for your cycle ride!

To help plan a route and the time you need, you may want to consider what features you want to see in the park.

We have developed 8 suggested routes on our route planner guide which can be viewed on the website.



Things to see and do!

With a number of places of interest and places to eat and drink it is easy to plan a full day of activities in Richmond Park.

Isabella Plantation - An ornamental woodland garden, full of exotic plants;

Pembroke Lodge - A beautiful Georgian mansion set in 13 acres of landscaped grounds with spectacular view. **Pen Ponds** - Pen Ponds are more or less in the centre of the park and was created in 1746. It is a great place to see water birds as it is a lake divided in two by a causeway. **Cafes** and refreshments can be found at Pembroke Lodge, Roehampton Car Park.



King Henry's Mound - Pembroke Lodge Gardens

"traditionally the spot thought to be where King Henry VIII stood on 19 May 1536 to watch a rocket fired from the Tower of London."


Route Planning

Once you have decided what you want to see suggested routes can be downloaded to your smart phone using the **QR code** via the signage at the unit or from the website

Route Planner


	Easy/Leisurely			Light Effort			Moderate Effort	
Route Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Terrain	Flat	Undulating	Undulating	Undulating	Undulating	Hilly	Hilly	Hilly
Typical Ride Time <i>(excl. long stops)</i>	1hr	1hr 30	1hr 50	1hr 45	1hr 50	2hr 10	2hr 20	2hr 30
Distance km	5.5	7.8	9.9	9.4	9.9	11.5	12.5	13.3
Distance miles	3.4	4.9	6.2	5.9	6.2	7.2	7.8	8.3
Park Attractions								
Isabella Plantation				✓	✓		✓	
Pen Ponds	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
White Lodge <i>(Royal Ballet School)</i>	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓
Pembroke Lodge								
Visitor Centre		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pembroke Lodge Gardens		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ian Dury Bench/Poet's Corner		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
'The Way' Gates		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Viewpoints								
Sawyers Hill		✓	✓					
Pembroke Lodge		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
King Henry's Mound <i>(Telescope)</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Refreshments								
Pembroke Lodge Tea Rooms		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Roehampton Gate Café	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pen Ponds Kiosk	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Broomfield Hill Kiosk						✓		✓
Kingston Kiosk						✓	✓	✓
Ham Gate Kiosk						✓	✓	✓

<https://www.parkcycle.co.uk/ride-planning.aspx>



ROUTE 4

- Light Effort
- Undulating
- Typical Ride Time 1 Hr 45 *(excl. long stops)*



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Distance	Route
9.4km/5.9 miles	RHG - PP - HC - PL - RiG - SG - RoG - Parkcycle

Keeping Safe

- We recommend everyone wears a cycling helmet; we can provide helmets for free.
- Many of the trails are shared so you need **to let pedestrians know you are there with a bell** or a polite greeting and **give way**.
- Keep to the trails speed limit of **10 mph** (fines may be given by the police!)
- Take care if you descend **Broomfield Hill**; most accidents occur here so we advise always ascending it rather than descending
- All **children** in baby seats/trailers **must be secured as ALL TIMES** with the safety straps
- Children must **wear helmets at all times** when **using baby seats or tag-alongs**



ACCIDENTS & EMERGENCIES

For breakdowns and hire problems call 07968 697541

For emergency services call 999
For non emergency police call 101

The Rules

There are a few rules that you are must follow as part of the terms of hire.

- Adhere to the rules of the Parkcycle and the Royal Parks
- Please follow all reasonable written and verbal instructions and warnings given by the Parkcycle for staff
- You must not behave in a way which disrupts the safety or enjoyment of others; offensive, irresponsible or unsafe behaviour, theft or vandalism, will not be tolerated
- Stay inside the park boundaries;
- **DO NOT SKID the bikes!!!**



Be respectful of deer, wildlife and dogs

You must keep to the designated routes
Cycling on the grass is strictly prohibited
....you may be fined!

Your Arrival

As you will be a larger group your organiser should ensure you **arrive in good time*** in order to begin your hire on time;

We need to:-

- Find the correct sized bike for you
- Carry out a final safety check on the bike we are giving you
- Explain the use of the gears and brakes to you
- Give you safety and route planning information
- Record the bike number for our booking system



**** Large Groups should arrive at least 15-30 minutes ahead of their booking time by arrangement**

We will look after you!

Whilst we check each bike before allocation once you have your bike please take it on a short test ride to make sure that:-



- You are happy with the sizing and the height of the saddle
- That there are no issues with the brakes , gears or handling of the bike
- That the tyres are inflated correctly



How to find us

Parkcycle is located
next to the cafe at:

Roehampton Gate Car Park

Richmond Park

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We look forward to seeing you!



Please feel free to email us with any question about your cycle and we will do our best to help!

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