Bitts Park

Open and accessible to all

Time
14 - 27 mins

Distance
1.4 km (0.9 miles)

Steps
Approx 1,800

Route
Tarmac
(grass option)

Start point
Bitts Park
car park
CA3 8UZ

Parking
Pay and Display

Bus routes
All city buses:
Market Hall stop

Walk category
Easy

This circular walk on level ground follows tarmac roads and paths. It is suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs. There is an alternative shorter route across grass, (best in dry weather). Please be aware of traffic when walking on roads.

Bitts Park was the very first public park to be established in Carlisle. Some of the paths date back to 1818, built by unemployed weavers to form a riverside walkway beside the River Eden. Today, the park is best known for the vibrant flower displays, imaginative landscaping and maze. There is much to enjoy including a statue of Queen Victoria, a children's play area (including FunSplash water park), tennis courts and an Eden benchmark sculpture close to the river. Toilets are located close to Bitts Park tennis courts.

Bitts Park has received a Green Flag Award for reaching high standards in maintenance and sustainability since 2005.

Calories used
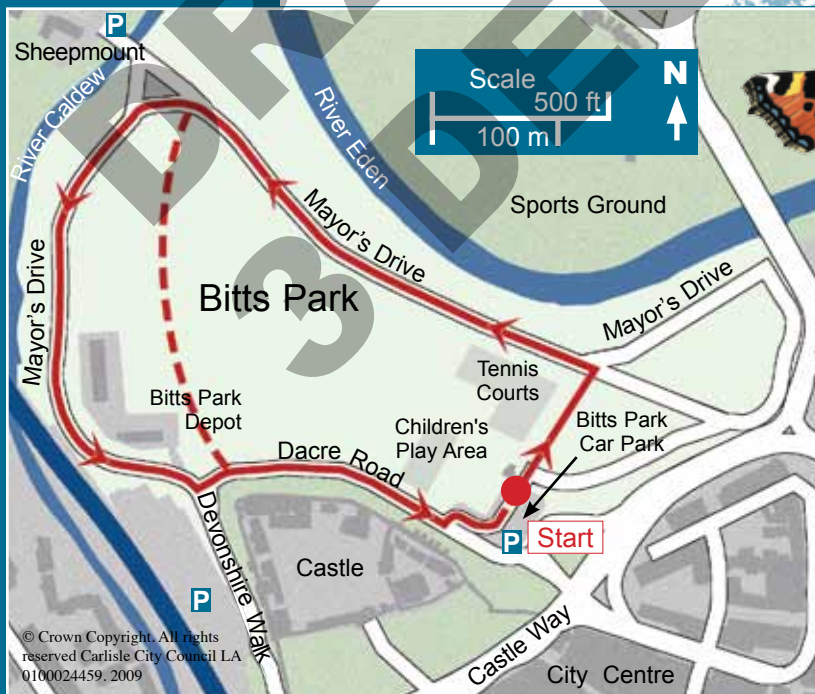Women: 104 kcal
Men: 124 kcal

Route description

Enter the park and walk straight ahead, with the tennis courts on your left.

At the junction, turn left onto a tree lined path (Mayor's Drive). Walk along to the yellow gated barrier, then turn left (be aware of traffic on road) Follow the route on the road around the edge of the park.

On reaching Bitts Park Depot and the skatepark, turn left at the junction and continue carefully along Dacre Road (Castle on right) for a short walk back to the start point.

Alternatively, enter the park at the yellow barrier and cross the park (towards the castle) to follow the metal fence line back to the start.

Small tortoiseshell

Scale
500 ft
100 m

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Sheepmount
River Caldew
River Eden
Mayor's Drive
Sports Ground
Mayor's Drive
Bitts Park
Bitts Park Depot
Tennis Courts
Children's Play Area
Mayor's Drive
Bitts Park Car Park
Dacre Road
Devonshire Walk
Castle
Start
Castle Way
City Centre

Devonshire Walk