

# travel **beyond** the city this Summer

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## DISCOVER ROYAL VICTORIA COUNTRY PARK

Pack a picnic and enjoy this hidden gem on a day out at one with nature this summer.

★ **Board the Bluestar 15** in Southampton City Centre. (Buses run up to every 30 minutes).

★ **Hop off the bus** at Netley Rail Station for a 15 minute walk into **Royal Victoria Country Park**.

– Your fun filled day starts right here. The whole country park is flat making it family friendly and accessible for pushchairs and bikes.

★ **Why not start the day with a walk?** This is a great time to decide what to spend the day doing as you come across the various attractions. There are plenty of trails to follow out in the open or through the woodland. You can even follow the paths to the seafront – the beach is shingle but lovely to dip the toes in on a hot day.

★ Next, settle in a spot of your choice and lay out the **picnic blanket for lunch**. The open space is ideal for playing outdoor games or just sitting back and enjoying the views.

★ Whilst your food goes down, you could **take a ride aboard their railway** on a unique 1 mile journey around the park before continuing to explore.

– A few things to check out with the rest of your day include the play area, sensory garden, Sophie's pond, the museum and chapel.

★ To end a busy day, **grab an ice cream** from the café before making your way back to the Netley Rail Station bus stop to get the bus.



★ YOUR GATEWAY TO NATURE

