



Choose from three contrasting circular walks and discover this magnificent estate for yourself.

PARK WALK (1 km/0.6 miles) - - - - -

Take a step back in time with a gentle stroll around the formal parkland surrounding Chorleywood House. The current Victorian house replaced a much older Georgian mansion and is now private apartments. Please respect the tenants right to privacy.

Discover the extensive formal gardens, lawns and fine specimen trees such as holm oak and laburnum and admire the restored Sunken Garden and Wisteria Circle.

WOOD WALK (1.2km/0.7 miles) - - - - -

Head for the quiet seclusion of the woods, dominated by oak, cherry, beech and ash trees. In spring time the floor is bright with bluebells, wood anemone and wild daffodils and also supports the nationally rare coralroot bittercress. Along the walk the canopy opens up to reveal panoramic views across the Chess Valley.

The route also passes the Dell Nature Reserve, an area of chalk grassland managed by Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust. Look out for cowslips, violets and the bright blue speedwell.

VALLEY WALK (1.5km/0.9 miles) - - - - -

In late spring the pink blossoms of the Chestnut Avenue fall to form an inspiring carpet walkway. Steeper paths lead further down to the picturesque banks of the River Chess, a popular summer picnicking area. This chalk stream is an important habitat supporting many kinds of plants and animals including brown trout, water voles and kingfishers.

More adventurous walkers could join the Chess Valley Walk a 10 mile route which heads towards Chesham to the north and Rickmansworth to the south.

