

WILTSHIRE'S BEST BAT WALKS

Jubilee Lake Royal Wootton Bassett

LOCATION

Situated on the edge of Royal Wootton Bassett, Jubilee Lake is a Local Nature Reserve with ancient woodland, flower-rich grassland and the lake itself providing a rich web of habitats for bats and other wildlife.

Surrounding the 8 acre reserve are County Wildlife Sites and unmanaged land of scrub and grassland.

Easy paths and seating areas make it very accessible for all ages. There is a play area for children, a café (daytime only) and toilets (open into the evening in summer months).

**Jubilee Lake Car Park, Malmesbury Road,
Royal Wootton Bassett**

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ABOUT THE WALK

Leaving the carpark (1) there is a gradual decline through the woodland valley alongside the Thunder Brook. There are two paths through this woodland on either side of the Brook which join further along (2).

In the early evening, Bats can be sighted as they emerge flying around the glades in the woods. There are known to be at least five or six species visiting this site.

At the bottom of the valley the area opens to the lake and surrounding grassland and woodland areas (3). Easy paths and seating areas make it very accessible for all ages and for wheelchairs.

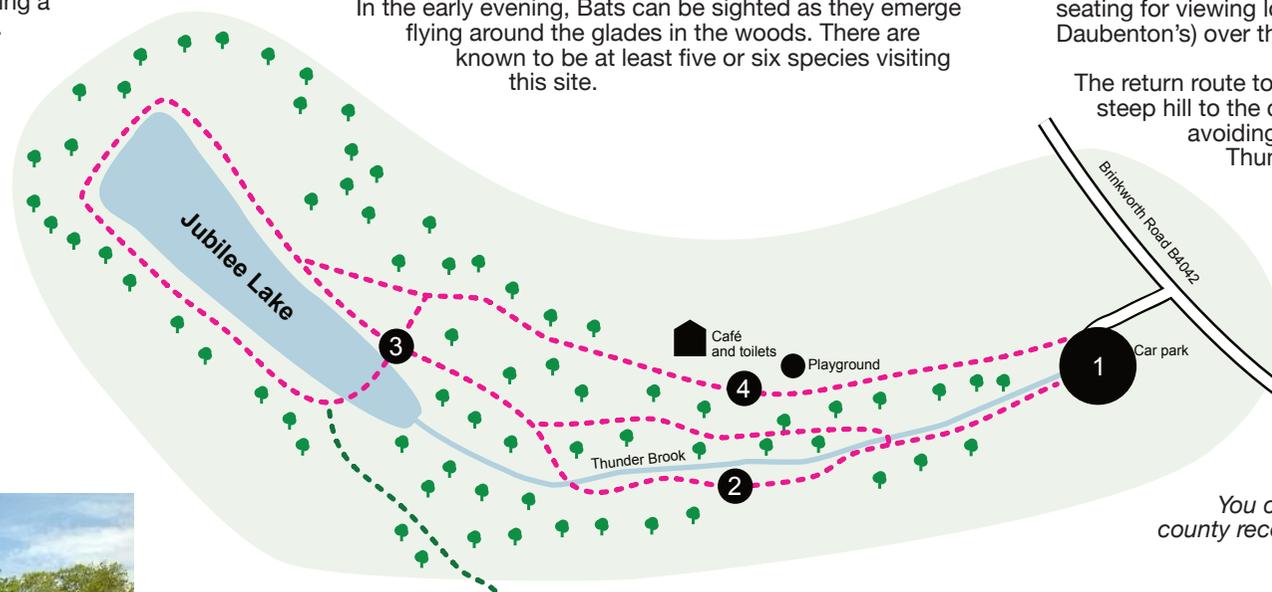
There is a circular walk around the lake and plenty of seating for viewing low-flying bats (mainly Daubenton's) over the lake.

The return route to the car park is either via a short, steep hill to the café and children's play area (4) or avoiding the steep hill back along the Thunder Brook.

The walk should take approximately one hour.

We hope you enjoyed your walk. Please submit records of the bats you encountered and identified to Wiltshire Bat Group, and feed into our growing knowledge of the county's bats.

You can submit them directly to the county recorder, or to www.irecord.org.uk



TARGET SPECIES

Common Pipistrelle, Soprano Pipistrelle, Daubenton's, Noctule and Brown long-eared bat.



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