

Route 7

South Park, Mowden & Hummersknott

Route - 60 minutes

This route takes in much of the West End of Darlington and also one of Darlington's largest parks - South Park. The ride begins at the main gates to South Park.



- Start at the main gates to South Park on Parkside. Head into the park and immediately turn left and follow the path along the river to the other entrance to the park on Victoria Embankment.
- On leaving the park turn left across the bridge and follow Polam Lane until you reach a T junction. Turn left at the T junction then right onto the off road route on Grange Road. Cross the road at the next signalised crossing and then enter Southend Park turning to the left.
- At the end of the park travel straight ahead over to Harewood Terrace. Turn right uphill and turn left at the top of Harewood Terrace and cut through in between the houses to Hadrian Court. Turn right and head uphill on Blackwell Lane then take the second right onto Hartford Road.
- At the crossroads with Coniscliffe Road take care to cross the road and continue straight ahead onto Elton Parade. At the crossroads with Cleveland Terrace turn left, past Abbey Infant School and before you reach Carmel Road North, join the off road route on the right. Cross Carmel Road North via the toucan crossing and then continue along the off road route on the right.
- Follow the tree lined route alongside the cemetery until you reach the road.
- Turn right onto the road then left at the T junction. Follow the road down the hill and turn right at the T junction at the bottom of the hill (Edinburgh Drive).
- Continue past three junctions on your right and after the third junction turn right onto an off road route. Head up the hill with the high brick wall on your right hand side. Exit Nunnery Lane to the left onto the road then turn immediately right by Wilton Lodge.
- Continue along Nunnery Lane until you see an off road route on your right near the doctors surgery. Join this route and then cross Carmel Road North using the toucan crossing and rejoin the road heading into Millbank Road.
- Continue straight over at the mini roundabout then take the second road on the right, Cleveland Avenue. At the next mini roundabout turn left (Abbey Road) and continue on this road all the way into the town centre (Duke Street). Continue straight ahead into the traffic restricted area and at the T junction (Skinnergate) turn right. At the end of Skinnergate turn left onto the road travelling down Houndgate with the Life Pulse sculpture on your left hand side.
- Turn right at the T junction onto Feethams and join the off road route on the left just before the roundabout. Carry on until you reach the first crossing of the ring road. Cross the ring road here then follow the cycle path down the bank behind the shops. Follow the road round to the right and cross Victoria Road onto Bedford Street until you reach South Park.

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- Traffic-free path
- On-road route
- Rough bridleway
- Cycle lane
- Cycle parking
- Toucan crossing
- Pedestrian crossing
- Hospital
- 4x Track
- BMX Track
- Building
- 20mph zones
- LNR Local Nature Reserve

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