

BERRYLANDS TO NONSUCH PARK

What you'll see

Nonsuch Park is the site of one of Henry VIII's palaces described as 'unparalleled' in its time. Now there is a handsome mansion house surrounded by formal gardens, a museum, vast wild parkland with easy, flat paths and a great café. Cycling is allowed on designated paths in the park. Millais painted the background to his famous 'Ophelia' at the Hogsmill River. (9 miles, round trip)

- A** Start at Berrylands Station. Berrylands is also easily reached by bike from Kingston along Lower Marsh Lane.
- B** At the roundabout with South Lane expect traffic. Turn right. Shortly afterwards, ride under the A3 through the subway.
- C** Follow the roads through the 'Painters Estate', take Millais Road, Van Dyke Avenue and Gainsborough Road to Manor Drive.
- D** Use the footpath between Paddock Close and Tamesis Gardens.
- E** Take the gravel road (Royal Avenue) past St Mary's Church.
- F** Turn right into Woodlands Avenue. Writer HG Wells lived in a property on the corner.
- G** Pass under the railway at Dewsbury Gardens.
- H** At the main London Road turn right. You may prefer to dismount and use the pedestrian crossing. The entrance to Nonsuch Park is on the left.
- I** Cross the busy A24 and walk to Briarwood Road.
- J** Use the bridge at Stoneleigh Station (carry bikes up and down steps) to cross the railway.
- K** If you walk with your bike you can enjoy the Hogsmill path (1.1km). Take the steep Barrow Hill down and cross turn right at Old Malden Lane. After 250m you will find a gate to the Hogsmill path.
- L** When you reach the A3 you can remount your bike, turn left to find a subway under the road.

