Ranger-led activities - The following activities are 1 hour, sessions are suitable for children 4 and up. Activities take place in a closed woodland with special areas for each.

**Pond Dipping** - £45 for up to 20 participants, extra £2.25 per participant up to 30 in total See the wealth of hidden wildlife living in our specially made dipping ponds. Nets, trays and ID charts provided.

Mini Beast Hunt - £45 for up to 20 participants, extra £2.25 per participant up to 30 in total

A mini woodland safari in search of beetles, centipedes, spiders and all sorts of tiny fauna. Magnifying bug pots and ID charts provided.

Den Building - £45 for up to 20 participants, extra £2.25 per participant up to 50 in total

Create a hide out in the woods using natural materials. A great team activity available all year round.

**Self-led Trails** - Our self-led trails can be done at any time. Sheets are available for each trail at **40p** each.

**Adventure Orienteering** - Using a simple map of the park find all the marked posts then match wildlife the tile atop it to your sheet. Around 2.5 - 3 km

**Tree Identity Trail** - A small easy to access woodland contains groups of 15 different species of tree.

Use the twigs, leaves, flowers and fruit pictures on your sheet try to identify which is which.

A small booklet about the tree species in the trail is available for 80p

**Ladybird Trail** - A walk through the woodland searching for 32 models of UK Ladybirds. Identify each one on your sheet and see which one we've added to catch you out! Around 0.5 km

**Pirate Treasure Hunt** - Follow the directions to travel on a pirate adventure around the park. Find all the treasure signs to complete the trail. Can be adapted for larger groups. Around 2.5 km.

**Message in a Bottle** - A short trail around the Lake suitable for younger children. Match the names, faces and island maps on the bottles to find the missing child. Around 0.8 km

**Photo Hunt -** Using a simple map, look around the marked areas. Find the objects that the close-up photos depict. Around 2 km

**Seasonal Trails** - Seasonally themed trails - ask about availability.

**Orienteering Course** - A permanent orienteering course created by the Nottingham Orienteering Group. Suitable for older children but can be adapted to suit. Map and information sheet **50p.** 

Sensory Trail - Stimulate your senses with a variety of 'home-made' activities using touch, sound and vision in a little woodland next to the lake.

**FREE and permanently available**. Feely buckets of natural materials are available to hire for £10 a day.

Mushroom Circle -Use our giant mushroom circle by the lake for the games and activities suggested on the notice board or create your own. FREE and permanently available.

Giant Snakes & Ladders - A giant version of the traditional board game. Playable by many children at once, available to hire for £15 a day

**Giant Jigsaws -** Build the picture from the pieces - several designs available. **£2 each per half day**.





## **More Information & Booking**

For more information, enquiries and bookings please contact us and speak to one of the Rangers.

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All Ranger led activities must be booked in advance and are subject to staff availability. We will attempt to accommodate booking where possible

Please ensure that children wear appropriate clothing and footwear, and come equipped for all weather conditions. It is also recommended that all visitors use insect repellent for their visit and keep arms and legs covered.

**For ALL VISITS,** a pre-visit is essential to familiarise group leaders with the area and the facilities at the Country Park. Risk Assessments must be completed before any self-led or Ranger-led activities. Risk Assessments must then be sent with the Booking Form prior to the visit.

The Park Rangers will lead the sessions but supervision of the children is the responsibility of teachers and helpers. Please ensure you bring enough assistants for the age and needs of your group.

All groups should report to the Rangers' Office on arrival.

In the event of an emergency or adverse weather conditions the Ranger Service reserves the right to cancel any bookings or arrangements made.

## Activities for Schools & Organised Groups at Rushcliffe Country Park



