

# Maidstone Millennium River Park

The River Park is one of a lasting legacy of projects, funded in part by the National Lottery to celebrate the new Millennium.

The scheme is a 10km walk along the River Medway from Teston Country Park through Maidstone's town centre, to Allington and the Museum of Kent Life at Cobtree. It turns the banks of this important natural resource into a country park with free access for everyone.

Along the route are three nationally-acclaimed pedestrian bridges, riverbank and footpath improvements, more than 1500 new trees and, in Maidstone, a rose trail and an amphitheatre.

## Kent's Largest Millennium Scheme

Ten minutes away from the town centre, the 18-acre Whatman Park combines a natural landscape of woodland, wildflower meadow and islands nature reserve with rest and play areas, and the Riverstage open-air performance arena.

The River Park was started in 1998 and completed in 2001, after some of the worst floods in living memory. It could not have been realised without the substantial support of the Millennium Commission, Maidstone Borough Council, Kent County Council, the Environment Agency, the Maidstone Trust and numerous companies, trusts, schools, clubs and individuals throughout Kent.



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- 1 Hermitage Millennium Amphitheatre
- 2 The Rose Garden
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