



ACCESS GUIDE – BLACKGANG VIEWPOINT

Address

A3055 Blackgang Road, Ventnor, Isle of Wight

Postcode for Sat Nav: PO38 2JB

What 3 Words for site entrance:

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How to get there:

By Car

Blackgang viewpoint is located on the A3055 Blackgang Road.

By Public transport

Buses are available from the Viewpoint Car Park Stop (Route 6) outside the site entrance. Flat access from bus stop to site.

By Foot / Bike

There are a number of footpaths (C10, C11, C12, C35, C36) and the Coastal Path that converge on or near the site.

Nearest Public toilets

There are no toilets nearby. The nearest public toilets are in the village of Niton. Here you can also find refreshment opportunities.

Car and bike parking

The car park has a hard surface with some loose stones and potholes. There are no specific disabled bays.

There are cycle racks within the car park.

There is a map on an Activity Pillar within the car park.

As well as visual information, the Activity Pillar contains a QR code that has an audio link to verbal information.

A dog waste bin is provided in the car park.

Getting around the site

There are no formal paths around the site.

There is a raised grass seating area surrounding the car park which affords the best views. The seating area is accessible by steps or a ramp constructed of compacted aggregate.

There are seats and picnic benches within this area.

The picnic area has a loose gravel surface with vegetation growing through. Vegetation can cause a trip hazard. It is on a level with the car park. The picnic area has a large map of the site and surrounding area, information on the surrounding countryside and three picnic bench / seats that are designed for people with mobility problems.

The whole of the site is free from gates and stiles.

What you can see

Within the site you will be able to:

- See the beautiful vistas over the West Wight Countryside and on a clear day Dorset's Jurassic Coast,
- Watch butterflies basking on the chalk cliff faces in summer,
- If you are lucky you may spot family groups of Peregrine falcons with the adults teaching the young to catch pigeons,
- On a clear night, spot the Milky Way,

What you can hear

- Listen for a skylark – their song can last for an hour,
- Hear the buzzards mewing as they circle high on the air currents above the site,
- If you hear screaming, it is likely to be from the roller coaster in the nearby theme park,

What you can smell

- In Spring the hawthorn blossom has a strong sweet smell, often described as vanilla and almond with a splash of spice,
- Or this smell may come from the Ice Cream van,

What you can touch

- The tactile sculpture is made from recycled sea glass,
- The limestone quarry walls within the picnic area and the chalk walls surrounding the car park, offer different sensory experiences,

We look after Blackgang Viewpoint for the benefit of the plants and animals that live here and for you as visitors...we hope you enjoy your visit.