

ACCESS GUIDE – APPLEY PARK PICTURE PARK FRAME

Address

Appley Park, Garden Walk, Ryde, Isle of Wight

Postcode for Sat Nav: PO33 1ND will take you to nearby car parking.

What 3 Words for frame: ///teach.budget.lands

How to get there:

By Car

Drive east along Ryde Esplanade and follow signs for Appley Park. There is an Isle of Wight Council pay and display car park at Appley Park. From the car park take the tarmac path in an easterly direction for 0.1 mile, this is relatively flat but later becomes a woodland path. Alternatively walk along Garden Walk until Appley Tower and then turn right (south) up a flight of 7 wooden steps. These have a handrail on the right side at 70 cm, Then up an inclined woodland path to the frame.

By Public transport

Take any bus to Ryde Esplanade bus station and walk east for 1 mile. This is a flat walk until Appley Tower, or enter through the car park, as directed above.

By Foot / Bike

Go east from Ryde Esplanade and you will find Appley Park is well signed.

Nearest Public toilets

The nearest public toilets are in the car park at Appley Park as detailed above.

Car and bike parking

There is an Isle of Wight Council pay and display car park at Appley Park. The large car park has a hard surface with spaces reserved for people with a blue badge. There are railings close to the Frame, where a bike could be secured.

Site entrance and getting around the site

This is not really a site, it is only a piece of artwork. It is a person-sized frame through which there is a super view.

At the point of the frame the path is approximately 80 cm wide, and undulating.

What you can see

• The view through the frame is of Appley Tower and the Solent beyond including the skyline of Portsmouth Harbour,

- Look for the bat box in the tree next to it. This is for bats to roost in on summer days rather than the winter,
- Look skyward at the different trees around the frame Scots pine, oak and ash, and look on the ground for different leaves,
- Walk to Appley Tower and look for the ammonites,

What you can hear

- Appley Beach people playing on Ryde Sands,
- The sounds of the Solent ferries, gulls, the hovercraft,
- Bees in the ivy,

What you can smell

• The Solent is sometimes a bit whiffy!

What you can touch

- The different textures of tree bark,
- Walk towards Appley Tower and feel the bas-relief sculpture of the HMS Sirius Memorial.

We look after Appley Picture Frame for you as visitors...we hope you enjoy your visit.