

Ambarrow Court and Hill



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- Circular route
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- Parking
- Information point
- Former site of Ambarrow Court House



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Ambarrow Court and Ambarrow Hill Nature Reserve were once part of a large Victorian country estate. The house has since been demolished, but the former grounds are now managed for public access and wildlife by Bracknell Forest Council and The National Trust (respectively).



Facilities

- Surfaced and natural paths
- Interpretation & way-markers
- Places to sit and enjoy the views
- Car parking



Bluebell,
Hyacinthoides non-scripta



Ragged Robin,
Lychnis flos-cuculi

Circular route

The 0.9 mile (1.5km) loop of Ambarrow Court and Hill takes about 45 minutes to complete at a steady pace.

Longer routes

From the north and west entrances, join the Three Castles Path, 60 mile (96km) long distance route from Windsor Castle to the Castle at Winchester. You can also join the Bracknell Forest Ramblers Route, a 26mile (41.8km) walk around the borough.

History

Ambarrow Court was a country residence built in 1885 for Lt. Colonel Harvey and his wife Edith. The footprint of the house can still be seen on the ground and there is an information board about its excavation.

Bullfinch,
Pyrrhula pyrrhula



Wildlife

The woodland at Ambarrow Court is managed to encourage a range of wildlife. Removing some understorey vegetation allows more light to reach the forest floor which helps woodland flowers such as bluebells to flourish. Ambarrow Hill is largely mixed woodland of Scots pine and broadleaved trees including sweet chestnut.

The meadow at Ambarrow Court is full of life during the summer. Wildflowers such as yellow rattle, common knapweed and bird's foot trefoil, provide a colourful floral display. During summer, butterflies such as ringlet, meadow brown, gatekeeper and large skipper can be spotted.

Did you know...?

During WWI Ambarrow Court was a secret research station into radar, LEDs and lasers!

