Country Parks

The two Country Parks near by these are:

- **Rufford Country Park**

**Rufford Country Park**
Ollerton
Nottinghamshire
NG22 9DF

*Map showing how to get to Rufford Country Park*
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Located near Ollerton, on the edge of historic Sherwood Forest, this 150 acre park is one of Nottinghamshire’s most popular visitor attractions. At the heart of the park are the picturesque remains of a 12th century Cistercian monastery and later country house. Around them lie gardens, meadow and woodland. The attractions of Rufford range from a contemporary **craft centre** with gallery exhibitions and ‘potters in residence’ to peaceful walks around the lake.

**Enjoy your visit**
There’s plenty to do all year round at Rufford. Enjoy a tasty cooked lunch in the Victorian-style Savile Restaurant, relax over a coffee in the Coach House Café or browse in the Lakeside Garden Shop. Join in one of our regular park events, take the dog for a walk in the woods, or explore the Abbey ruins, said to be one of Nottinghamshire’s most haunted spots!

- **Sherwood Forest Country Park**

**Sherwood Forest Country Park**
Edwinstowe
Mansfield
Nottinghamshire
NG21 9HN

*Map of Sherwood Forest Country Park*
tel: 01623 823202 (general enquiries)
tel: 01623 823202 ext. 32 (catering: Forest Table Restaurant)
tel: 01623 824490 (local visitor information)
fax: 01623 823202
e-mail: sherwood.forest@nottscc.gov.uk

**Visitors welcome!**
Browse around the **Visitor Centre** shops or relax after a stroll in the Forest Table Restaurant. Take a walk to the mighty **Major Oak**, pick up one of our fun family nature
trails, or just stand and admire the weird and wonderful shapes of the ancient oak trees, twisted by age and weathered into living sculptures. Take time out to appreciate the unique ecology of Sherwood. The natural decay of fallen wood means the woodland teems with insect life, fungi, birds and bats. In partnership with the Sherwood Trust, we currently have a woodland grazing project at Sherwood, with Hebridean sheep and Dexter cattle helping ensure that open areas of medieval heath land do not revert to scrub. Sherwood Forest Country Park welcomes around 500,000 visitors each year, ranging from local residents to overseas tourists, from special needs groups to school outings.

Home of a legend!

Sherwood Forest has a fascinating history and is the legendary home of Robin Hood.

Ancient woodland

This 450 acre country park was designated a National Nature Reserve in 2002 by English Nature, the Government agency responsible for safeguarding our natural environment. Visit their website at: www.english-nature.org.uk. The site is managed by us and maintained by our country park rangers, working to a Woodland Management Plan drawn up as a partnership between English Nature and ourselves. Sherwood Forest Country Park contains some of the oldest trees in Europe, veteran oaks five centuries old and the world-famous Major Oak, still producing acorns after standing at the heart of Sherwood Forest for an estimated 800 years!

Water Meadows Swimming and Fitness Complex

Bath Street
Titchfield Park
Mansfield, Notts.
NG18 1BA

Tel: 01623 463882 (Reception/Enquiries)
Fax: 01623 463911

Email: ContactWatermeadows@mansfield.gov.uk

Introduction

Since opening in 1990, Water Meadows has been a major attraction. The centre was refurbished in 2002 with the addition of new facilities. The centre provides a wide range of activities during the school holidays and is an ideal place to visit in the poor weather to sample the sub tropical atmosphere of the Leisure Pool.
Facilities at Water Meadows include:

- 25m x 6 lane Competition Pool
- Leisure Lagoon
- Wave Machine
- 50m Twister Flume
- Falling Rapids Ride NEW!
- Fast Drop Flume NEW!
- Geysers & Water Cannons
- Jacuzzi
- Catering Facilities
- Health Suite & Fitness Room
- The Body Drier NEW!

Swimming Times and Activities

**Leisure Pool**

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Please note that public swimming sessions may include shared use of the competition pool with schools or clubs. Last ticket for both pools: 45 minutes before closing.

**Group Swimming Bookings**

Discount swimming prices available for groups of 12 or more. Pre-booking essential and a payment required as lump sum on arrival. Please see the price list for more information.

**Price List**

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Early Bird Swim £3.40 £2.40 £1.70  
Break Dip Swim £3.40 £2.40 £1.70  
Under 4's FREE FREE FREE  

**Health Suite**  
Sauna £5.20 £4.30 £2.60  
Sauna - Discount Rate £4.70 £3.70 £2.35  
Sauna - Gown Hire £0.50 £0.50 £0.50  
Sunbed £4.00 £3.00 £3.00  

**How to Find Us**

Watermeadows is on Bath Street, which is approached from Nottingham Road, or the ring road (St Peters Way). Directions are provided by brown tourist signs. There is a pay and display car park directly outside, of which the ticket value is redeemed when you use the facility (in 50 pence denominations, up to a maximum of £2.00). If using public transport, the 737, 747 and 757 buses (for Nottingham) pass by the complex. The train and bus stations are about a 10 to 15 minute walk. For information on bus routes past Watermeadows link to Local Bus Routes past Watermeadows and Titchfield Park.

*Why not make a day of it by visiting Mansfield's other attractions?*  
Enjoy a picnic in the landscaped gardens of Titchfield Park (right behind Watermeadows) and let the kids run around on the brand new play area. You can visit Making It! Discovery Centre, only 100 yards from Watermeadows, or Mansfield Museum.
and Art Gallery in the centre of town. If retail therapy is your thing, you are just 5 minutes away from St Peters and Portland Retail Parks. For more information on things to do, visit our **Places to Visit in Mansfield** page.

**Discover Sherwood Forest with Centre parcs!**

Deep in the heart of the Nottinghamshire countryside, it's one big nature reserve, with beautiful woodland, exhilarating open heathland and a breezy watersports lake with a sandy beach.

Life at Sherwood revolves around the continental Village Square with its whitewashed walls, pantiled roofs and leafy terraces. There’s an inviting cluster of eating places here, including our lovely contemporary Indian restaurant, Rajinda Pradesh. The village square is also home to the magical Leisure Bowl, with ten-pin bowling. The Sub-tropical swimming paradise is here and has now been extended to include a new scuba diving and lane swimming pool.

The Jardin des Sports has doubled in size to include a new Fitness Suite, Golf Simulator, Sports Café and the colourful purpose built Time Out Clubhouse. Sherwood’s Aqua Sana is in a class of its own – a Roman Style indulgence with everything from and Indian Blossom Stream Room to Japanese Zen Garden.

**Introduction**

There's something for everyone at Sherwood Forest and you can do as much or as little as you like. First-class leisure facilities provide for active relaxation and relaxed activity. There's plenty of scope for everyone to do their own thing. There’s pure pampering at the Aqua Sana and Spa, and a cosmopolitan mix of high quality restaurants, bars and pavement cafés to be enjoyed.

Some activities can be pre-booked when you receive your arrival pack, whilst others can only be booked once you are on the village. All activities are subject to a charge.

[http://www.centerparcs.co.uk/sf/sf_c1_intro.jsp](http://www.centerparcs.co.uk/sf/sf_c1_intro.jsp)