

The Wandle Valley offers something for everyone; from cycling to fishing, heritage talks to wildlife watching, we're certain you'll find something to suit your interests!

About the project

The Living Wandle Landscape Partnership is a Heritage Lottery Funded programme that is reconnecting local people with the River Wandle through celebrating its unique heritage. Over four years, the scheme is delivering 28 projects covering wildlife conservation, access improvement, heritage exploration and learning as well as training opportunities for people to get involved with. Our aim is to enhance, protect and celebrate the industrial and natural heritage of the Wandle.

Did you know that you are within a regional park?

The Living Wandle Landscape Partnership supports the wider initiative to create a new regional park in the Wandle Valley, stretching from Croydon and Sutton through Merton and Wandsworth to the Thames in the North. Progress towards this is being coordinated by The Wandle Valley Regional Park Trust. *The vision is for the Wandle Valley to be a coherent and vital part of London's green space network, creating a place rich in heritage, where people are proud to live, work and play, that contributes to the economic vibrancy of South London.* This will be done by focussing on six key aims: landscape, heritage & culture, health & well-being, natural systems & resilience, people & communication and economic growth.

Wandle events wanted!

This leaflet includes activities organised by Living Wandle partners and other organisations along the River Wandle.

Do you have a community event taking place within the Wandle Valley that you would like promoting? Let us know by getting in touch at the details below!

For further information about our projects, events, volunteering opportunities and activities taking place on the Wandle visit:



www.wandlevalleypark.co.uk/the-living-wandle-partnership



Living Wandle Landscape Partnership



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Events & Activities

in the

Wandle Valley

April – June 2017



Regular Activities

Walks

Starting Times

Active Wandle Healthy Walks
Meet outside the Riverside Café in Ravensbury Park



Merton Health Walks
Meet outside Mitcham Junction station

Sutton Health Walks
Meet outside St Mary's Church in Beddington Park

Nordic Walking
For details contact: communityhelpers@ageuksutton.org.uk / 020 8770 6959

Melanie's Walks
For details contact: mlnunuzet@gmail.com / 07944 833605

Sutton & Wandle Valley Ramblers
For details visit: www.suttonwandleramblers.org.uk

Walking for Health
For details visit: www.walkingforhealth.org.uk/walkfinder/London

Outdoor Fitness

Starting Times

Yoga
Meet outside the Potting Shed Café in Morden Hall Park, SM4 5JD



Cycling
Meet at the Mapleton Road entrance to King George's Park,



Eco-Local Cycling
David Weir Arena, Sutton, SM5 1SL

Forever Fit Green Gym
Meet outside the Riverside Café in Ravensbury Park, CR4 4DH



Green Gym
Booking essential visit: www.ourparks.org.uk/borough/beddington-park

Yoga
Booking essential visit: www.ourparks.org.uk/borough/beddington-park

Family Activities

Starting Times

Skateboarding
Meet at Kimber Skate Park, King George's Park, Wandsworth



Archery
Meet at the Aspire Centre, Southfields, SW18 5JU



Golf in the Park
Meet at Wandle Park, Croydon, CR0 4XT



Nature Play
Meet at Pavillion Café, Beddington Park. For details visit: www.nature-play.co.uk

Little Explorers
Morden Hall Park. £2 per child. Booking essential. Contact: 0208 545 6850

Wild Wednesdays
Morden Hall Park. £2 per child. Booking essential. Contact: 0208 545 6850

Crafty Thursdays
Morden Hall Park. £2 per child. Booking essential. Contact: 0208 545 6850

General Interest

Starting Times

Comedy Club
The Colour House Theatre, Merton Abbey Mills. £5 entry.

Gin Tasting Experience
Merton Abbey Mills. Booking essential, fees apply. Visit: www.graveneygin.co.uk/shop

Eco-Local Farmers Market
Old Town Hall Gardens, Wallington

Farmers and Artisan Weekend
Sutton High Street, near Trinity Square

Guided History Tours
Morden Hall Park, SM4 5JD. For details contact: 020 8545 6850

Sam Brooks Brewery Tours
Battersea, SW11 3QG. For details: 020 7228 0598 / www.sambrooksbrewery.co.uk/tours



Find out more about Active Wandle visit: wandlevalleypark.co.uk/ActiveWandle

One-off Events and Activities

Date	Time	Location	Event / Activity
01 – 16 April	10.00 – 17.00	Stable Yard, Morden Hall Park	Wandle Weft & Warp; textile exhibition by TURF
02 April	20.00	Colour House Theatre, Merton Abbey Mills	Blues Bentley Explosion. £8 adult, booking essential
03 – 07 April	11.00 & 14.30	Colour House Theatre, Merton Abbey Mills	The Princess and the Toad. £10 adult, £8 conc, booking essential
03 April	Ask at venue	East Croydon United Reformed Church	Talk; Sopwith Aircraft and the Great War. £2 donation, booking essential with Croydon Natural History Society
06 April	10.00 – 12.00	Pavilion Café, Beddington Park	Kite Making Workshop. Free, drop-in session
07 April	19.30	Wandle Park, Croydon	Bat Walk. Free, meet at Wandle Park tram stop by the park
07 April	19.30	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	Amphibian Walk. £5 adult, £2 child (8+ yrs), booking essential
09 April	14.00	Café in Wandle Park, Croydon	Kite Making Workshop. Free, drop-in session
10 April	19.30	St Mary's Church, Beddington Park	Talk; Geological History of Beddington Park. Free, booking essential
10 – 13 April	10.00 – 12.00	Garden Centre, Morden Hall Park	Easter Baskets craft session. £2 per basket, drop-in session
10 – 11 April	11.00 & 14.00	Sutton Ecology Centre, Carshalton	Peter Rabbit Egg Hunt. £4 per child (3+ yrs), drop-in session
11 April	13.00 – 15.00	Grange Garden, Beddington Park	Folklore Flower Trail. Free, drop-in session.
14 – 17 April	10.00 – 17.00	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt. £4 per child, drop-in session
17 April	10.30 – 13.30	Pavilion Café, Beddington Park	Easter Egg Hunt. £2 per child, drop-in session
22 April	10.00 – 13.00	Tennis courts, Beddington Park	Cycle Fun Day. Drop-in session, bikes available to borrow
22 Apr– 25 Jul	14.00 & 16.00	Colour House Theatre, Merton Abbey Mills	Sleeping Beauty. £12 adult, £10 conc, booking essential
23 April	14.00	Meet at Kingswood Lane, CR6 9AB	Botany Walk. Croydon Natural History Society. £2 donation
29 April	19.00	The Diamond Centre, Carshalton, SM5 4DT	Charity Quiz Night. £10 per person, booking essential contact Sue on 020 8643 7743
29 Apr-1 May	10.00 – 17.00	Morden Hall Park	Morden Country Fair. £7.50 adult, £6 conc, £3 child. Drop-in or pre-booking discount
05 – 21 May	Various	Various locations in Wandsworth	Wandsworth Arts Fringe. Details at wandsworthfringe.com

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06 – 07 May	11.00 – 16.30	Watermill Way, Merton, SW19 2RD	Merton Priory Chapter House Open Day. Free, drop-in session
07 May	20.00	Colour House Theatre, Merton Abbey Mills	Live music; Dave Raphael & Nick Hyde Live. £7 adult, booking essential.
13 May	11.30	Wandle Park, Croydon	Pickleball Taster Session. Free of charge, drop-in session. Meet at the tennis courts
13 May	10.00 - 13.00	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	Introduction to Photography. £5 adults only, booking essential
13 May	12.00 – 16.30	Morden Library, Merton Civic Centre	Merton Heritage Discovery Day. Free of charge, drop-in session
14 May	20.00	Colour House Theatre, Merton Abbey Mills	Live music; Cabaret – This is our Story. £10 adult, £8 conc, booking essential
02 June	20.30 – 21.30	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	Bioblitz (late) Moths and Amphibians. Free of charge, booking essential
03 – 04 June	10.00 – 16.00	Stable Yard, Morden Hall Park	Annual Bioblitz, wildlife activities for all the family. Free of charge, drop-in session
03 June	20.30 – 22.00	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	Bioblitz (late) Bat Walk and Moth Trapping. Free of charge, booking essential
03 June	10.00 – 16.00	Sutton Ecology Centre, Carshalton	Grasses and Meadows Study Day. £20 adults only (16+ yrs), booking essential
04 June	20.00	Colour House Theatre, Merton Abbey Mills	Live music; Roadhouse Live. £7 adult, booking essential
10 June	12.00 – 17.00	Three Kings Piece, Mitcham Common West	Mitcham Carnival, fun for all the family. Free of charge, drop-in session
12 June	19.30	St Mary's Church, Beddington Park	Talk; Roses Grow On You. Free of charge, booking essential
17 June	10.00 – 16.00	Sutton Ecology Centre, Carshalton	Wildflower Study Day. £20 adults only (16+ yrs), booking essential
23 June	13.30 – 14.45	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	Honeybees and Bee Keeping Demonstration. £5 adults only, booking essential
24 – 30 June	Various	Various locations, Croydon	Croydon Heritage Festival, variety of activities. Details at croydonheritagefestival.co.uk/our-events
26 Jun - 01 Jul	Various	Various locations across London	London Rivers Week, variety of activities. Details at thames21.org.uk/londonriversweek
01 July	11.00 – 15.00	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	National Meadows Day, wildlife activities for all the family. Free of charge, drop-in session
01 July	10.00 – 12.00	Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Park	Introduction to Photography. £5 adults only, booking essential
01 July	10.00 – 16.00	Sutton Ecology Centre, Carshalton	Butterfly Study Day. £20 adults only (16+ yrs), booking essential

Contact Details

For further information and to book, please get in touch with the venues:

The Colour House Theatre

✉ colourhousetheatre.co.uk

☎ 0208 542 5511

Morden Hall Park

✉ nationaltrust.org.uk/morden-hall-park/whats-on

☎ 0208 545 6853

Croydon Natural History & Scientific Society

✉ cnhss.co.uk

✉ cnhssprogramme@btinternet.com

Beddington Park

✉ sarah.price@sutton.gov.uk

☎ 0208 770 6060

Wandle Park, Croydon

✉ wandlepark.wordpress.com

✉ andrew.dickinson@croydon.gov.uk

Sutton Ecology Centre

✉ suttonnature.wordpress.com/events

☎ 0208 770 5820

Merton Heritage Centre

✉ local.studies@merton.gov.uk

☎ 0208 545 3239

Places of Interest

Place

Museum of Wimbledon

www.wimbledonmuseum.org.uk

020 8296 9914

Croydon Airport Visitor Centre

www.croydonairport.org.uk/Visitor-Centre

Carshalton Water Tower

www.carshaltonwatertower.co.uk

Nonsuch Palace Museum & Gallery

www.friendsofnonsuch.co.uk

020 8240 0227

Wandle Industrial Museum

www.wandle.org

020 8648 0127

Honeywood Museum

www.friendsofhoneywood.co.uk

020 8770 429

Museum of Croydon

www.museumofcroydon.com

020 8253 1022

Deen City Farm

www.deencityfarm.co.uk

020 8543 5300

Morden Hall Park

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/morden-hall-park

0208 545 6850

Battersea Arts Centre – Moving Museum

www.bac.org.uk

020 7223 2223

Opening times

Saturday & Sunday;

14.30 – 17.00

1st Sunday of the month;

11.00 – 16.00

Sunday;

14.30 – 17.30 (£2 per adult)

Sunday & Bank Holidays;

14.00 – 17.00

Wednesday; 13.00 – 16.00

Sunday; 14.00 – 17.00

Wednesday to Friday; 11.00 – 17.00

Saturday & Sunday; 10.00 – 17.00

Tuesday to Saturday;

10.30 – 17.00

Tuesday to Sunday;

10.30 – 16.30

Open all week;

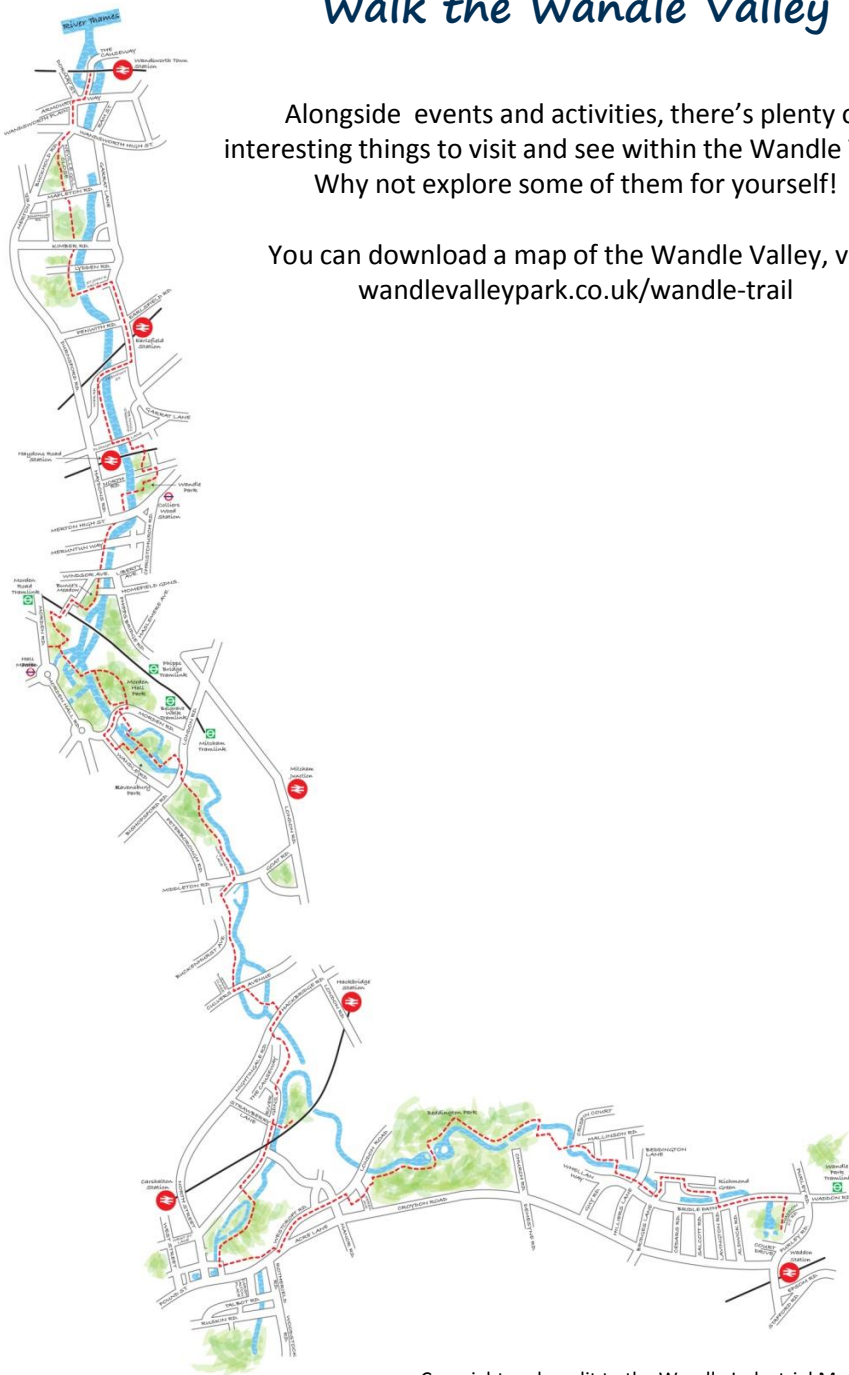
09.00 – 18.00

Various openings for exhibitions & performances

Walk the Wandle Valley

Alongside events and activities, there's plenty of interesting things to visit and see within the Wandle Valley. Why not explore some of them for yourself!

You can download a map of the Wandle Valley, visit wandlevalleypark.co.uk/wandle-trail



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Volunteer in the Wandle Valley

There are many volunteering opportunities to get involved with in the Wandle Valley Regional Park; from helping at one-off events to regularly committing time to a project or group. Whether you're interested in heritage and culture, wildlife and conservation, leisure activities or something completely different, there's something for everyone!

Name	Type	Website	Email
Wandle Trust	E	WandleTrust.org	Volunteers@WandleTrust.org
London Wildlife Trust	N	WildLondon.org.uk	Volunteering@WildLondon.org.uk
National Trust	N H	NationalTrust.org.uk	MordenHallPark@NationalTrust.org.uk
Deen City Farm	N	DeenCityFarm.co.uk	Volunteers@DeenCityFarm.co.uk
Sustainable Merton	E	SustainableMerton.org	SustainableMerton@googlemail.com
Eco Local	E	EcoLocal.org.uk	Info@ecolocal.org.uk
Mitcham Orchard	N	MitchamOrchard.co.uk	MitchamOrchardTeam@gmail.com
Friends of Ravensbury Park	N	Facebook.com/FriendsOfRavensburyPark	lesleysorrell@live.co.uk
Wandle Industrial Museum	H	Wandle.org.uk	Office@wandle.org
Merton Priory Trust	H	MertonPriory.org	Info@mertonpriory.org
Regional Park Trust	V	WandleValleyPark.co.uk	Info@wandlevalleypark.co.uk
Living Wandle	V	WandleValleyPark.co.uk/volunteering	LivingWandle@wandsworth.gov.uk

NB* the type of volunteering above relates to: E = Environment, N = Nature, H = Heritage