



Your gift for life.

The Royal Parks Legacy Scheme

How you can help safeguard The Royal Parks in your will

For over 500 years
The Royal Parks
have made a world
of difference to the
lives of Londoners.

Over the centuries The Royal Parks have brought people together to enjoy the simple pleasures of nature and history in a restful place.

Their beautiful gardens, glorious monuments and listed landscapes are a vital ingredient of Britain's heritage and history.

Their wildflower meadows are a safe haven for birds, butterflies and other flying visitors.

Their rolling green spaces are oases for meditation and relaxation, reducing city stress and bringing happiness.

Their open air sports grounds promote vitality and healthy competition for children of all ages.

Imagine *your legacy* making a world of difference in the future...

Almost 500 years ago Henry VIII was thundering across Hyde Park hunting deer and wild boar.

Today, visitors stroll along the banks of the Serpentine, relax in meadowland, play football together, listen to open air concerts and enjoy this spacious, green oasis of calm in the centre of our frenetic and vibrant capital.

London life without Hyde Park? Unimaginable.

800 years ago St James's Park was a marshy water meadow housing a leper hospital.

Today the lake is home to Bahama Pintails, Chiloe Wigeon and five Pelicans. The lawns and flowerbeds, dating back to Nash, are a refuge for tired office workers, a safe haven for local residents and a birdwatchers paradise.

London life without St James's Park? Unimaginable.

And then of course there is the incomparable **Richmond Park**.

A Site of Special Scientific Interest and a National Nature Reserve of over 2,000 acres which, it is believed, contains more ancient oaks than the whole of France and Germany combined.

London life without Richmond Park? Unimaginable.

The eight Royal Parks have been enriching people's lives for over 500 years.

We want them to go on enriching the lives of future generations.

Help protect their future and unlock their full potential by making a gift in your Will.

The Royal Parks Foundation protects the past and supports the present to create new opportunities for future generations.

New opportunities are currently blooming at:

Bushy Park The sleeping beauty of The Royal Parks. Bushy's spectacular Woodland Gardens are being rescued, together with Earl Halifax's 18th century Brewhouse and the magnificent Arethusa Fountain, with its links to Inigo Jones and Sir Christopher Wren. The restoration includes new education projects with local community groups and a wildlife conservation programme along the Longford River.

Regent's Park More than 80 energetic partners are working together to regenerate sport in Regent's Park and to provide dozens of new pitches, plus a clean, warm, safe pavilion. Surrounding areas are some of the most deprived in Britain and your gift could help secure the future success and well-being of a whole new generation of sportsmen and women, living in our capital city.

We make London life less taxing

Your legacy to The Royal Parks Foundation could ensure your estate is taxed less.

The value of your legacy to The Royal Parks Foundation (registered charity number 1097545) will be deducted before you are assessed for inheritance tax. If, at present, your estate is worth more than the inheritance tax threshold and you want the Chancellor of the Exchequer to get less of your money – please remember us in your Will.

Amending your Will

If you already have a Will you only need to add a codicil in favour of The Royal Parks Foundation. Contact us if you would like us to send you a simple codicil form or download one from our website: www.royalparksfoundation.org

If you don't have a Will maybe it is a good time to do one to protect the future of your family and friends? It is the only way to ensure that your treasured belongings are given to those you want to inherit from you. If would like help in finding a list of local solicitors who regularly draft Wills please contact us.

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I would like further information please

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Telephone number _____

Email address _____

I would like

- A list of local solicitors so I can make a Will
- More information on how to support The Royal Parks
- Not to be approached for a legacy again
- More information on arranging a tribute in lieu of flowers
- The Royal Parks Foundation to telephone me

My intentions

- I intend to put The Royal Parks in my Will in the future
- I have already put The Royal Parks in my Will

Other details _____

The Royal Parks and The Royal Parks Foundation would like to send you information about the Parks, our programme of activities and events and about our fundraising initiatives. We may review your details and use them for our market research and analysis. If you prefer us not to use your details in this way please tick here.



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Their extensive ancient woodlands form an unofficial arboretum for London.

Their playgrounds and education centres excite enquiring young minds.

Their outdoor venues welcome world class music, art and entertainment to delight all ages.

Their scent-filled trails are a walking paradise for humans and their four-legged friends.

5000 acres of Heaven on Earth in a City.
Can you imagine what London life would be like without them?

A Warrant of Appreciation and our Book of Tributes

We will send a special Warrant of Appreciation to those who promise us a legacy. We would like to acknowledge your gift in advance and this beautiful certificate is our way of saying thank you for protecting The Royal Parks for future generations.

After your legacy has been received, your generous gift will be inscribed in a "Book of Tributes" which will be lodged in Hyde Park. Your relatives and friends will have the opportunity of seeing the book and adding their own special pictures, photographs and messages if they would like to.

Tributes in lieu of flowers

Many people prefer to choose donations to charities instead of flowers at their funeral. If you would like to support us this way, all you have to do is tell your next of kin and/or your Executors that you would like such gifts to come to The Royal Parks Foundation and give them our address.

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