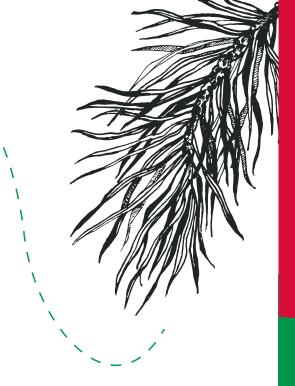




# Walking trails at Beechenhurst

There are miles of tracks to discover here at Beechenhurst, or you can explore the woodland along one of these four routes. All routes start at Beechenhurst.



## Trail information

#### Beechenhurst Trail

13 km (8 miles) **3½ hours** 

This 'Ramblers Route' explores the north-west part of the forest. A challenging walk with opportunities to explore further. Walkers should expect several ascents and descents on unsurfaced paths. OS Explorer Map OL14 is advised for this trail.

#### **Woorgreens Nature Reserve**

2.5km (1.5 miles) **1 hour** lake only 4km (2.5miles) **1½ hours** full trail

From Speech House Woodlands car park follow the yellow way markers. The site of an old open cast mine, Woorgreens is a haven for wildlife, including dragonflies, butterflies, reptiles and birds. The site is jointly managed with Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust. Please note the lakeside trail can be muddy in wet weather.

### Sculpture Trail

7 km (4.5 miles) **2 - 3 hours**Shortcut A: 3.5 km (2.2 miles) **1½ hours**Shortcut B: 4.8 km (3 miles) **1½ - 2 hours** 

This thought provoking trail takes in a series of sculptures inspired by the forest; its trees, wildlife and industrial past. The trail uses a mix of hardstone tracks and unsurfaced pathways with two short cut options available. More information is available at the trail start or a Sculpture Trail leaflet can be purchased from the cafe.

## **Beechenhurst to Speech House link path** 000

1km (0.6 miles) **30 mins** 

An uphill link to Speech House Woodlands, passing close to Cyril Hart Arboretum and the historic Speech House. If you do venture off the path, take care crossing the road.

## **Emergency info**

Key locations:

Beechenhurst. GL16 7EL Grid Ref: SO614120

**Nearest access road:** B4226 Speech House Road (Coleford to Cinderford road)

**Nearest minor injury unit:** Lydney & District Hospital, Grove Road, Lydney, Gloucestershire, GL15 5JE

Nearest A&E hospital facilities: Gloucestershire Royal Hospital, Great Western Road, Gloucester, GL1 3NN

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#### Forest code

- Protect and respect wildlife, plants and trees.
- Guard against all risks of fire.
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- Make no unnecessary noise.
- Take only memories away.
- The forest is for everyone. Please be aware of other visitors.

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