



Access and Practical Information for Nothe Fort

helping everyone to have their best Dino Day ever!

How to get here

Location: Nothe Fort, Barrack Road, Weymouth, Dorset, DT4 8UF

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Just Park location No. 6208

By Cycle

Cyclists are welcome to park their bicycles in Nothe Fort. Please could they be parked neatly by our bin storage area, using the bike racks provided.

Please note Nothe Fort does not hold any responsibility to bicycles stored in the grounds.

By Bus

Buses stop at Boot Hill, with a 10-minute walk to the Fort through Nothe Gardens, or the Esplanade on Weymouth Seafront.

Bus Number 10 – from Dorchester – walk from the Esplanade

Bus Number 1 – from Portland – disembark at Boot Hill

By Train

Great Western Railway (GWR) and South Western Railway (SWR) run a regular service from Bristol and London to Weymouth.

By Land Train

Travel on the iconic Weymouth Land Train, on the Route 1 Harbour Tour. Hop off at Hope Square and take a short walk to Nothe Gardens.

Head to weymouthlandtrain.com for more details.

By Ferry boat

It is a beautiful 20-minute walk along the seafront and harbour to Nothe Fort. There is a local ferry rowing boat that runs during the summer months from the harbour side, on Custom House Quay, to the bottom of Nothe Fort. It is the most fun way to visit Nothe Fort!

By Car

There are 3 Council operated pay and display car parks in Nothe Gardens. Charges apply between 8am – 6pm. Just Park location No. 6208.

Disabled parking spaces

There are 9 disabled parking bays in Nothe Gardens, 3 of these disabled parking bays are situated close to Nothe Fort.

Electric Charge points - here are 3 new electric recharging charge points situated in Nothe Gardens. You can charge as a guest using the App or the Driver Portal. Operated by mer, head to uk.mer.eco for more information.

Exploring our venue

A tarmac road leads towards the Fort through two large tunnels. The entrance to the Admissions area has steps, but there is an accessibility entrance gate. Fort staff are on hand to open the gate. The tarmac then becomes stone and gravel in the parade ground, with some uneven or gradient sloped areas for drains.

The Fort has three levels which can be accessed via a lift. There are two sets of stairs (20-30 steps) leading from the Parade Ground level to the basement level, and three sets of stairs (20-30 steps) leading to the Ramparts.

There are handrails surrounding parts of the Parade Ground where the gradient changes.

There are some areas of the upper Ramparts that are only accessible via stairs. Some rooms or exhibits have ramp access, but not all, due to the narrowness of some of the underground tunnels.

There are seats in every exhibit to allow visitors time to rest and take in the surroundings.

Accessible toilets facilities

There are two accessible toilets on site in addition to other toilet facilities. These include baby changing tables.

Public toilet facilities

3 urinals and one enclosed toilet in the Male toilets, and 3 cubical toilets in the Female toilets. There are also public toilets just outside the Fort on the approach.

Refreshments/special diets

The Fort View Café will be open and available for refreshments, and offers gluten free, vegetarian and vegan option. Please ask on the day.

Bring your own picnics

Visitors may bring their own picnics. There are picnic tables in the Parade Ground as part of the Café outdoor seating, and in the Family Room, and up on the Ramparts.

Drinking water refill point

One water refill area available in the Staff room, not advertised. Please ask a member of staff if you need access.

Quiet area

For our weekend of Dinosaur themed events, we will have a quiet area set up in our Artist-in-Residence room, accessible from the Parade Ground level. The room will have comfortable seating, colouring, and sensory items available.

Enjoying the show

Designated viewing area for wheelchair users/BSL sign readers

There are viewing areas suitable for wheelchair users and BSL sign readers, these will be marked out.

Performance area

The display area is open air in the Parade Ground of the Fort, which has a capacity of 300 seated.

For the performance, there may also be extra seating available at tables.

Good to know

Please note: Regular entrance fees (£10.50 adult, £8.50 concession and £4.50 child aged 5-16, under 5s free) apply. The Iguanodon Restaurant Show is free as part of the entrance ticket.

We recommend 2/3 hours for a visit to Nothe Fort.

We strongly recommend downloading the app before visiting as we are on a peninsular and phone reception can sometimes be limited.

More information can be found here: <https://nothefort.org.uk>