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ORIENTEERING AT APPELEY PARK WITH GOODLEAF



APPLEY PARK



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Appley Park is one of the Isle of Wight's best kept secrets.

The park is part of the historic grounds of St John's House, which was landscaped by Humphry Repton. In the parks' grounds are lodges and parkland trees that were once associated with the grand house.

There's loads of wildlife in the park. You might see red squirrels, particularly among the ancient woodland of Little Appley Park. The main park is mostly grassland with some wonderful ancient trees. On the shore you will find the shells of periwinkles, slipper limpets and dog whelks - and their eggs. Lugworm casts can be seen at low tide. Little egrets, black-headed gulls and oystercatchers feed on the beach. Woodpeckers and garden birds frequent the wooded parkland.

The park is bordered to the north by the sandy Appley beach, which is a perfect place to swim after your orienteering adventure!

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Goodleaf's orienteering course is an easy stroll around Appley Park. The course should take about half to three quarters of an hour to complete at a gentle walking pace.

Start your orienteering adventure at the bench by the car park - shown on the map as a chequered flag. As you follow the course you will discover discs; if the marker is at a tree it is fixed to a bird box. The markers are numbered from one to twelve and they also have a letter on them.

Write the letter in the appropriate box below. Once you have completed the entire course you will have twelve letters.

Rearrange the letters to spell out a mystery phrase and write your answer in the green boxes!

GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR SEARCH!

Use the clues below and the map overleaf to help you find the discs.

We've helped you with the first and last letters! Can you do the rest?

- 1 Start at bench beside the car park.
- 2 Large Oak tree.
- 3 East side of shed.
- 4 Interpretation board (map of park).
- 5 Medium-size Ash tree (it has lichen on its trunk).
- 6 Tall Oak tree.
- 7 Oak tree.
- 8 Seat carved from a log.
- 9 Lamp post beside owl carving.
- 10 Lamp post beside Appley Tower.
- 11 Play area fence.
- 12 Finish at bench beside the car park.

Rearrange the twelve letters to make a mystery phrase in the boxes below.

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Your name

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