Welcome to Vogrie

Vogrie Country Park is patrolled and managed by Midlothian Ranger Service. Please act responsibly and do not damage or remove any plants or animals. Please do not drop any litter, and clean up after your dog. Thank you.

Join in....

Useful Information

Vogrie Country Park Information:
Tel 01875 821716
Barbeque (1 and 2) and Events Field Hire
(see map overleaf for location):
Tel 01875 821716
9 Hole Golf Course tee times bookable
24 hours ahead:
Tel 01875 821716
Miniature Railway:
Tel 01875 822388 or 07957856687
The Cedar Tree Cafe and Soft Play:
Tel 01875 823695
Midlothian Ranger Service for countryside information, events, school & group visits and resource box hire:
Tel 01875 821990

FREE resource boxes are available to all, full of useful equipment to pond dip, mini beast hunt or to explore the nature of the park.

The Ranger Service organises and leads FREE curricular based environmental education activities for schools and groups.

PLEASE REMEMBER
• No Firearms
• No Fires
• No Swimming

Discover Vogrie’s secrets for yourself

Just 12 miles from Edinburgh’s busy city centre, Vogrie Country Park offers a haven of peace and tranquillity in the heart of Midlothian’s countryside. Vogrie retains much of its character as a Victorian parkland estate, with sweeping carriage drives, beautifully landscaped grounds, an original walled garden and the baronial styled Vogrie House.

With expanses of rolling parkland, woodland walks, meadows, ponds and streams, Vogrie offers visitors a chance to enjoy nature in a unique and very special setting.

Explore the wilder side of Vogrie

Enjoy a leisurely stroll around the parkland or get away from the crowds and get into the wildlife. Choose your own path or try one of our suggested walks through quiet woodland or alongside the River Tyne.

Experience the amazing variety of flora and fauna at Vogrie

Trees include exotic species such as Western Red Cedar and Sequoia, imported from every corner of the globe during Vogrie’s Victorian heydey. Native species such as oak, ash, rowan and alder make up a diverse natural woodland home to over 50 species of birds.

An abundance of wildflowers provide a changing tapestry of colour throughout the year - from wood anemones in early spring, to delicate wild orchids in the summer months. The quiet observer might even see stoats, sparrowhawks, bats or buzzards.

Enjoy Vogrie’s excellent range of visitor attractions, catering for every age and interest

• Car and coach parking, charged from 10am-6pm
• Disabled parking.
• Fully accessible toilets at the main car park area and at the adventure playground by Vogrie House
• Vogrie House and The Cedar Tree Cafe & Soft Play Area
• A nine hole ‘pay as you play’ golf course
• An adventure play area and toddlers play park
• Picnic areas and open lawns in Victorian Policy areas
• 2 barbeque sites for private hire
• An events field for private hire
• 2 outdoor shelters, suitable for up to 30 persons
• A miniature trailway run by the Esk Valley Model Engineering Society

Join in....
You are very welcome to explore and enjoy Vogrie for 365 days of the year from dawn until dusk. There are walks, adventure play, golf, BBQ sites, a café & a wealth of countryside paths and wildlife to discover.

Woodlands, Water and Wildlife

Habitats found at Vogrie include a mixture of woodlands, ponds & streams, grassland and parkland. Midlothian Ranger Service wildlife records show that this variety of habitats supports a diverse range of species.

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From Country Estate to Country Park

Vogrie (boggy place) lands were purchased by James Dewar in 1719. His descendant Lt Colonel Alexander Cumming Dewar built Vogrie House in 1876. The Royal Hospital for Nervous Disorders owned the Estate from 1923 -1963. Vogrie House was then used as the base of the Civil Defence Force until 1972. Vogrie was designated Scotland’s second country park in 1982.