

# Discover more and donate to Dogs Trust



Pete Wicks is a Dogs Trust Ambassador and presenter of the U&W Channel TV Show 'For Dog's Sake', which is filmed at Dogs Trust Basildon.

At Dogs Trust Basildon the brilliant and friendly team can care for up to 120 dogs at any one time and their facilities include a training barn, veterinary and surgical suite and a dedicated training and rehabilitation unit to enrich the lives of dogs in their care.

**In 2025, Dogs Trust found homes for almost 10,000 dogs.**

They rely on your kind support to continue their vital work.

## You can donate:

[www.dogstrust.org.uk/support-us/donation](http://www.dogstrust.org.uk/support-us/donation)



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## Explore the Essex Country Parks responsibly with your furry friends.

Did you know that Weald is part of a group of eight country parks across the county?

Take your dogs on more adventures further afield, enjoy exercise together in new places, agility areas and dog friendly cafés.



- 1 Belhus Woods:** Agility area, lakes and ancient woodland
- 2 Cudmore Grove:** Coastal adventures
- 3 Danbury:** Accessible paths, lakes and woodland
- 4 Great Notley:** Accessible paths, lakes and kids play trail
- 5 Hadleigh:** Open spaces, views and paths along the creek
- 6 Marsh Farm:** Salt marsh and river views
- 7 Thorndon:** Agility area in the south, woodlands in the north
- 8 Weald Country Park:** Pete Wicks Dog Walking Trail

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## Take the Pete Wicks Dog Walking Trail at Weald Country Park



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# Walk your dogs the Pete Wicks way

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## Pete Wicks says:

"One thing I didn't have on my bingo card this year was having an Explore Essex dog walking trail named after me!

"That said, I am grateful to see the brilliant work of rescue centres and their volunteers being recognised in this way.

"Getting outside in nature is good for all of us, so I genuinely hope people come along with their dogs and enjoy Brentwood's Weald Country Park."

**Weald Country Park** covers 520 acres of woodland, open grassland and wildflower meadows, making it the perfect place to treat your precious poochs to an adventure of different sights, sounds and smells.

## Take the new Pete Wicks Dog Walking Trail at Weald Country Park



## Take the trail

- Total distance approximately three kilometres/one hour.
- Variety of paths and surfaces, includes hills and possibly muddy areas at times.
- Shortcuts available.
- Please walk your dogs responsibly, keep them under control at all times, always pick up after them and use the bins provided.

## Map key

- Surfed path
- ⋯ Public footpath
- Path
- - - Bridleway (walkers, horse riders and cyclists)
- ⋯ Fence
- Stream
- Road
- (P) Car park
- (☕) Café
- (🎪) Kids play/Stick Man trail
- (🏠) Visitor centre
- (🚻) Toilets
- (♿) Disabled toilets
- (👶) Baby change
- (🍷) Picnic area
- (🦌) Deer park
- (🏰) Heritage site
- (🌉) Bridge
- (🏠) Private property

Approximate scale  
0 50 100 200 metres

For tips and to read more about Pete Wicks and Dogs Trust see overleaf.



# Take the Pete Wicks Dog Walking Trail

## Share your selfies

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- 1 Start at the Cricket Ground car park toilet block.
- 2 Head north and follow the line of fence through stunning open parkland.  
  
Your dog(s) will enjoy sniffs around the ancient oaks and racing through the open space down towards the lake.
- 3 Head right, away from the lake, kid's play and bridlepath and then take Chestnut Avenue (north) up the hill (avoiding the bridlepath). Delight in the changing canopies of the trees through the seasons.  
  
Keep an eye out for squirrels and other wildlife – your four-legged friends will love these woodlands.
- 4 At the top of Chestnut Avenue turn left (and head west) out of the plantations towards the path along the ridge between the fields.
- 5 Head along the ridge and stop on a bench to take in the view and have a breather while your dogs enjoy the landscape. Listen out for bird song all year round and spot clouds of butterflies in the summer.
- 6 Keep going towards Tea Cup Pond where your furry friends can enjoy a splash and take advantage of the dog tap for a refreshing drink.
- 7 Head down the hill past Stock Pond, perfect for off the lead zoomies.
- 8 At the bottom of the hill take the route between the two lakes and continue back up the hill on the surfaced route to the main car park and café.
- 9 At the dog-friendly café, you and your pooch can enjoy treats to sustain you for the last stretch.
- 10 Cut across Belvedere Field and the bottom of the mound (where stunning rhododendrons bloom) and back round to Cricket Ground car park.



Discover more:

SC: Short cut

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