

## Cultural Trail .....

**Distance: 2.2 miles/3.6km**  
**(45 minutes at easy walking pace)**

This route takes you around the many art & heritage sites in and around the Country Park. Catch a glance of Simon O'Rourke's iconic Mother & Child sculpture on Countess Way and on re-entering the park pass by the wetlands. Halfway along the trail, the original rusty gates mark the entrance of Chester's former landfill site, which closed in the 1970's. Further on, get a chance to walk along an ancient green lane in the footsteps of farm workers on their way to the fields and nearby Knolls Farm, now sadly gone. Look out for Sarah Gallagher-Hayes' Wicker Fox and Paul Edward's Green Man as you head through the Woodland Path Nature Reserve. The trail then passes a small section of the Queen's Commonwealth Canopy on the way to the car park.

## Poppy Trail . . .

**Distance: 1.9 miles/3km**  
**(40 minutes at easy walking pace)**  
**Circular version: 3.1 miles/5 km**  
**(60 minutes)**

This WW1 Centenary Memorial walk goes from Upton War Memorial along local streets before following a bridleway through open farmland to the northern entrance to the Country Park. It then heads south to a memorial bench carved from a fallen tree by Paul Edwards, just up from the car park. Along the way there are 15 carved poppies which remember the 27 fallen soldiers on the Cenotaph. For a circular walk, head out of the park onto Countess Way and up Mill Lane to the start.

Visit the Poppy Trail information point for the full map, or download the separate trail map here:  
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## Cultural Trail Route (plus Poppy Trail)



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- ① THREE-PIECE EAGLE CARVING (Simon O'Rourke)
- ② MOTHER & CHILD CARVING (Simon O'Rourke)
- ③ TOTEM POLE (Simon O'Rourke)
- ④ DIPPING PLATFORM
- ⑤ OLD GATE POSTS
- ⑥ **FALLEN FOR THE FALLEN WWI MEMORIAL BENCH & POPPY CARVING (Paul Edwards)**
- ⑦ POET'S CORNER
- ⑧ TOTEM POLE (Simon O'Rourke)
- ⑨ OLD LANDFILL SITE ENTRANCE GATES
- ⑩ MERSEY FOREST
- ⑪ TOTEM POLE (Simon O'Rourke)
- ⑫ SHROPSHIRE UNION CANAL
- ⑬ KNOLLS BRIDGE
- ⑭ **SILVA'S MEMORIAL BENCH**

- ⑮ KNOLLS BRIDGE DAM & TELEMETRY STATION
- ⑯ OLD GREEN LANE
- ⑰ SITE OF KNOLLS FARM
- ⑱ TOTEM POLE (Simon O'Rourke)
- ⑲ **SILVA'S MEMORIAL MOSAIC (Aleta Doran)**
- ⑳ LIFE FOR A LIFE MEMORIAL FOREST
- ㉑ WICKER FOX (Sarah Gallagher-Hayes)
- ㉒ NATURE RESERVE
- ㉓ GREEN MAN CARVING (Paul Edwards)
- ㉔ TOTEM POLE (Simon O'Rourke)
- ㉕ QUEEN'S COMMONWEALTH CANOPY

① POPPY TRAIL INFORMATION POINT

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| ◀◀ ACCESS POINT | — FOOTPATHS / CYCLE ROUTES  |
| 👤 VIEWPOINT     | — GRASS PATHS               |
| P PARKING       | — CHESTER BROWN CYCLE ROUTE |
| 🪜 STEPS         | — PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY       |
| 🏠 RANGER CABIN  |                             |
| 👤 DEFIBRILLATOR |                             |

