



Calke Abbey is a busy place to be, with visitors of all ages and dogs of all sizes and energy levels! It's also home to wildlife and livestock, some of which grazes in the parkland. Following the guidelines below means you can help us protect nature while still enjoying Calke with your four-legged friends.

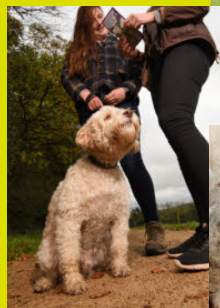
## Paws for Thought



- We've got plenty of walks to explore with your dog - speak to a member of the team in the ticket office for recommendations and updates on where you might encounter livestock on the estate.
- Always pick up after your dog and use the dog waste bins provided. Extra waste bags can be picked up from the ticket office.
- Do not leave dogs in your car - if you're making a quick stop for the loos we have dog tether spots in the stableyards for your convenience.
- Your dog can enjoy a cooling drink from the water bowls outside the café - a team member will happily refill these if they're getting low.
- Dogs are not permitted in the house and other stableyard buildings, except the ticket office and café. Registered assistance dogs are permitted in these areas.
- Not everybody loves dogs, so please stop yours from approaching other visitors unless they're clearly welcomed with open arms.

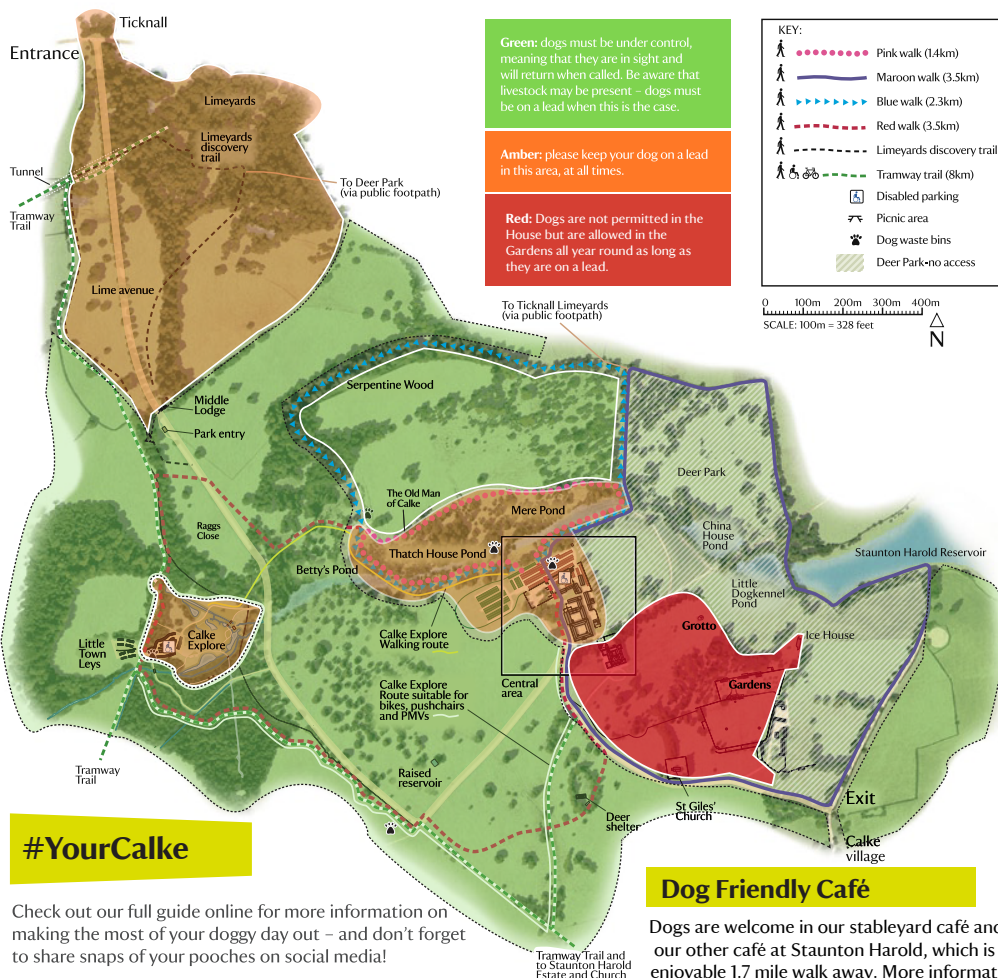


## Dog Walkers' Pocket Guide



**National Trust**

**Calke Abbey**  
Help protect the parkland with this simple guide.



**Green:** dogs must be under control, meaning that they are in sight and will return when called. Be aware that livestock may be present – dogs must be on a lead when this is the case.

**Amber:** please keep your dog on a lead in this area, at all times.

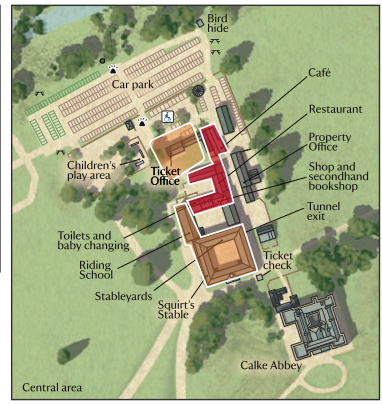
**Red:** Dogs are not permitted in the House but are allowed in the Gardens all year round as long as they are on a lead.

**KEY:**

- Pink walk (1.4km)
- Maroon walk (3.5km)
- Blue walk (2.3km)
- Red walk (3.5km)
- Limeyards discovery trail
- Tramway trail (8km)
- Disabled parking
- Picnic area
- Dog waste bins
- Deer Park-no access

0 100m 200m 300m 400m  
SCALE: 100m = 328 feet

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## #YourCalke

Check out our full guide online for more information on making the most of your doggy day out – and don't forget to share snaps of your pooches on social media!

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## Dog Friendly Café

Dogs are welcome in our stableyard café and at our other café at Staunton Harold, which is an enjoyable 1.7 mile walk away. More information on this route is available from the Ticket Office.



## Follow the Herd

**Grazing is used to maintain wood pasture – a habitat considered threatened and requiring national conservation.**

Keeping dogs on leads, even when there are no cattle visible, helps protect the herd from becoming scared or even being injured. It also ensures no traces of dog poo are left behind – this can give cattle deadly infections.

Calke is home to several important breeds of cow and sheep, including:

- Longhorn cattle, kept on the Calke estate since the 19th century
- Lley and Romney sheep, for conservation grazing
- Portland Sheep – a National Trust owned flock and once one of the rarest breeds in Britain