

Madeley Pitmounds Local Nature Reserve is made up of five separate sites and was formally declared as such in February 2016. Some sites, like Madeley Court and Blists Hill are more accessible than others

The pit mounds were created from the spoil of mining and were abandoned in the early 1900s. Since that time nature has been gradually reclaiming the sites and today they are a rich mix of woodland, scrub, grassland, marsh and streams which in turn supports a wide variety of wildlife. Look for Woodpeckers, Slow-worms, butterflies, bats, wildflowers, dragonflies - and species which like Silver birch and even heather!

Observant walkers and visitors [bring binoculars if you have them] may be lucky enough to encounter a variety of species during a stroll around one or more of these special locations. Please observe our 'Code of Conduct' and enjoy your visit!



Code of conduct:

Please do not drop litter –
use litter bins where provided.

To avoid disturbing wildlife
please keep to designated paths
where possible.

Do not pick wildflowers.

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countryside and heritage
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Welcome to Madeley Pitmounds Local Nature Reserve – providing havens for wildlife and walkers only a few minutes from the centre of Madeley. This leaflet shows you where the sites are and how to get to them. You may see quite a lot of a site in 30 minutes, but the more time you spend exploring the more you are likely to see.

You can use this guide at any time of year, though the best months for wildflowers, birds and butterflies are likely to be April to September.

Don't forget that the footpaths leading to, from and around these sites are also part of a much wider network of routes [Additional 'Routes around' and 'Nature Walks' leaflets and booklets are available for free from Madeley Town Council]. You are also not too far from the Ironbridge Gorge, Telford Town Park and many other parts of the 'countryside on your doorstep'.

