

A DIY Guide to The Southern Ridges

Canopy Walk

At the back of HortPark is a gate that leads to a park connector linking HortPark and Kent Ridge Park. You can reach Canopy Walk via this park connector. Alternatively, if you wish to start your walk at Canopy Walk, you can head straight for Kent Ridge Park by alighting at any of the three spots - by bus at South Buona Vista Road (after which you proceed by foot via Vigilante Drive); at the end of Science Park; at Pasir Panjang Road (after which you proceed by foot via Pepys Road).

Kent Ridge Park stands out from other parks in that its design takes full advantage of the site's surrounding natural vegetation and topography. Breathe in the fresh air and enjoy panoramic views from the ridge.

The Canopy Walk is the other trail on the Southern Ridges that offers you the experience of walking through a secondary forest at eye-level with the forest canopy. This is a 280-metre long boardwalk that links Kent Ridge Park to the museum "Reflections of Bukit Chandu".

Listen out for the sounds of birds and insects breaking the silence and serenity of the park on the Canopy Walk. Sunbirds, doves, squirrels, lizards and white-crested laughing thrushes are also part of the rich biodiversity thriving here. Incidentally, Kent Ridge Park has the highest number and species of dragonflies recorded compared to other parks.

Highlights

- Adinandra Belukar (secondary forest)
- Boards depicting important WWII-related events
- High biodiversity of birds



About Kent Ridge Park

Kent Ridge Park is rich in historical value - one of the last battles for Singapore was fought on this hill, which oversaw the harbor and the British military depots in the Ayer Rajah area.

To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the end of WWII, a plaque is installed at Carpark B. Visitors can also view two decommissioned M114 Artillery Guns and an AMX-13 Light Tank which are displayed in the park.

Reflections of Bukit Chandu

The museum houses the history of the Opium Hill and the battalion of the Malay Regiment in the Pasir Panjang Area during WWII.

Flora at Canopy Walk

The Canopy Walk cuts through dense secondary forest filled with groves of Tembusu, Acacia and Dillenia. The Tembusu, easily recognized by its heavily fissured bark and low branching points, flowers in May and November. Other flora such as pitcher plants and wild orchids are found along this trail.

The boardwalk is disabled-friendly - it allows access to people in wheelchairs as well as parents with baby strollers.



Difficulty level : Easy
Distance : 0.3km
Walking time : 5min

