

Vour Guide to Western Adventure Loop

Difficulty level: Moderate

Forget conventional, manicured parks; find the wild side of Singapore on this Western Adventure Loop. The loop brings you through parks and greenways in western Singapore, where you can choose to unwind amid nature or go on an outdoor adventure unlike any other on this island.

Birdwatchers, look out for the 50 bird species that have been sighted on the loop along Bukit Panjang Park Connector. Thrill-seekers get their adrenaline pumping on the rugged terrain of Zhenghua Park and Dairy Farm Nature Park. Go ahead and work out a sweat; there are ample lush, tranquil areas to rest in afterwards.

Walking time: 2-3hr • Cycling time: 1hr

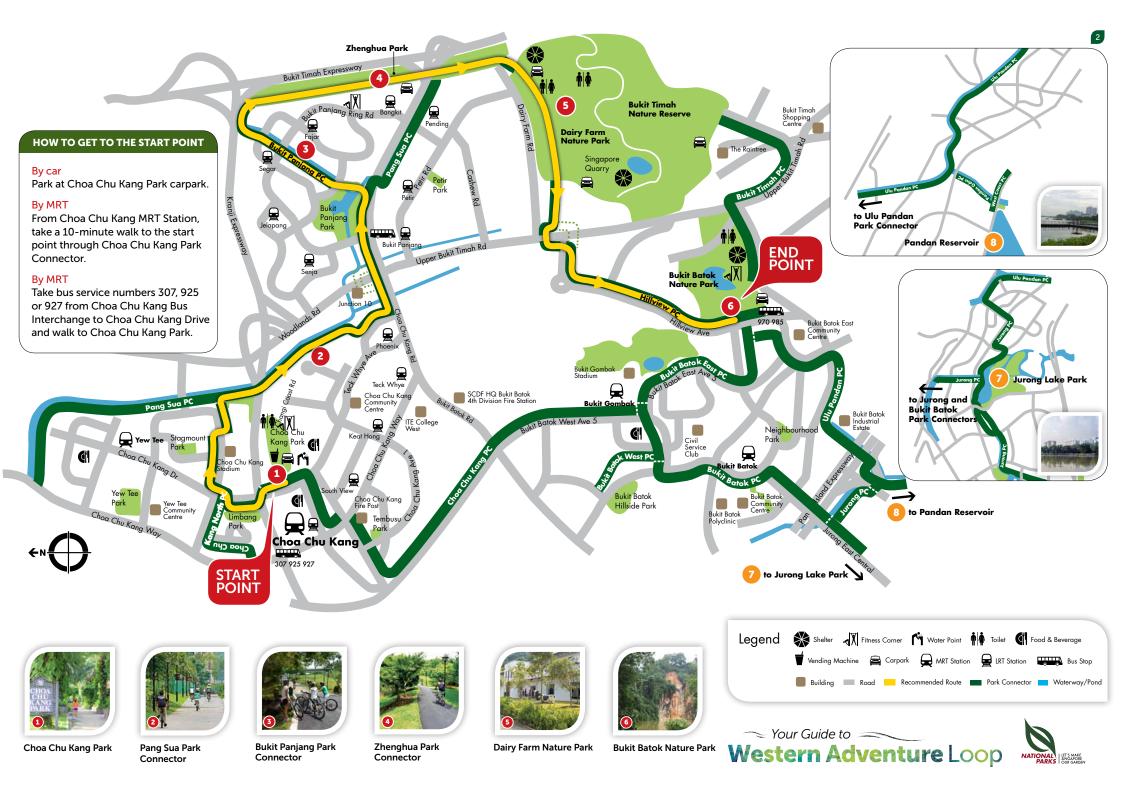
Tips for a safe and enjoyable trip

For all users

- Hydrate before any physical activity.
- Bring along your handphone, in case of emergency.
- Follow all traffic rules and observe traffic signals.
- · Look out for other cyclists and pedestrians.
- Keep to the left side of the track if you intend to stop.
- Clean up after your pets and keep them leashed.

For cyclists

- Wear helmets that fit well.
- Switch on your front and rear lights when it is dark or visibility is poor.
- Keep within the speed limit of 15km/h.
- Dismount and push your bicycle where necessary.
- Do not brake or swerve your bicycle suddenly.
- Give way to pedestrians.



→ Breadfruit

START POINT

Choa Chu Kang Park

Durians

Begin your journey of exploration here at Choa Chu Kang Park – a lush, green space among the 'hardscape' of the surrounding area. Spot and identify various fruit trees such as durian, breadfruit and assam. Take a break and dine at the restaurant within the park while kids frolic in the children's playground.

1. Choa Chu Kang Park

Pang Sua Park Connector

A scenic park connector by the canal, Pang Sua is the place for spotting birds, eagles and other fauna such as the White-bellied Sea Eagle (Haliaeetus leucogaster) and Pacific Swallow (Hirundo tahitica). Visit the two butterfly gardens planted along this park connector and discover the many species of butterflies in Singapore. It will be hard not to spot colourful creatures like the Common Grass Yellow (Eurema hecabe contubernalis) and Plain Tiger (Acerbas chrysippus chrysippus) butterflies.

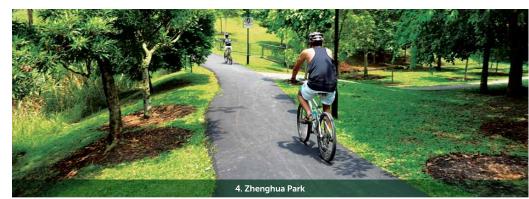
2. Pang Sua Park Connector

3. Bukit Panjang Park Connector



Bukit Panjang Park Connector

This park connector's abundant greenery and proximity to well-established parks encourage the presence of a diverse variety of wildlife, including macaques as well as birds like Scaly-breasted Munia (Lonchura punctulata) and Sunda Pygmy Woodpecker (Dendrocopos moluccensis). Look out for the elusive Sunda Pangolin (Manis javanica) that was once spotted on a tree along this park connector!





4 Zhenghua Park

A pleasant retreat from the hustle and bustle of city life, Zhenghua Park's rugged terrain is the perfect platform for cycling enthusiasts, trail runners and those wanting a good hike. Pockets of vegetation are deliberately left wild to add to the park's rural charm.

Visitors may occasionally find rubber seeds, dispersed from the parent plant Para Rubber (Hevea brasiliensis), scattered on the ground. Spot more than 20 different species of forest giants such as the Shorea (Shorea ovalis) planted throughout the park as well.



Little Grebe

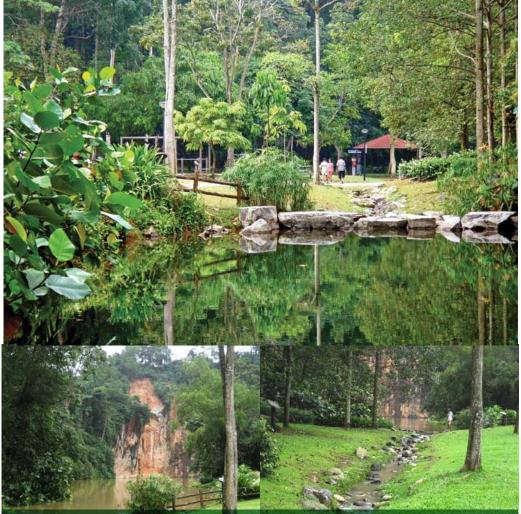
 \rightarrow Singapore Quarry

5 Dairy Farm Nature Park

Nestled within the park is the Wallace Education Centre, where visitors learn about the changing landscapes of Dairy Farm Nature Park and Bukit Timah Nature Reserve.

At the southwestern end of the park lies the Singapore Quarry, offering visitors a tranquil setting with a scenic view. In the short time since the site was transformed from a quarry into a wetland, it has attracted many fauna, including the Little Grebe (Tachybaptus ruficollis), a critically endangered bird that was previously found only in Lorong Halus, as well as numerous species of dragonflies, many of which are rare.

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6. Bukit Batok Nature Park

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The serene ambience of the park provides the ideal backdrop for a peaceful nature walk. Near the entrance of the park, at the foot of a high cliff wall, is a picturesque pond. The quarry pond – a relic from the area's mining days – runs deep and still.

If you have the time, you may wish to visit the following attractions.

• O Jurong Lake Park

Jurong Lake Park has several attractions including the Chinese Garden and Japanese Garden. Here, birdwatchers can spot birds such as the Great Egret (*Casmerodius albus*) and Great-billed Heron (*Ardea sumatrana*) in the area; photographers capture the beauty of the lake; and water sports lovers take part in various activities along the park's 2.8km water promenade.





▶ **(3)** Pandan Reservoir

Pandan Reservoir was designed to integrate a water fountain and landscaped banks with the existing wetlands along the reservoir. Visitors jog, kayak, canoe, sail, row and fish in the reservoir park. Radio-controlled electric boat sailing enthusiasts line the reservoir banks while practitioners of gigong move as one with nature.

We hope you have enjoyed exploring the Western Adventure Loop. For another adventure, embark on the North Eastern Riverine Loop.

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