



Brompton Cemetery walk

A Victorian "Magnificent 7" parkland cemetery in Chelsea

Start / Finish West Brompton underground station

Length 1.25 miles / 2 km.

Time 1 hour 30 minutes

Travel West Brompton is on the District Line, and West London Line, in Travelcard Zone 2. Free parking on Sunday (not match days)

Walk Notes West Brompton Cemetery is one of the "Magnificent 7" Victorian parkland cemeteries around London. It is Chelsea, between Earls Court and the King's Road. There is a beautiful chapel, and circular colonnade of Bath Stone. The main walkways are maintained, but many of the graves are ivy covered and overgrown. The catacombs are only open on the cemetery's annual open day. It has more of the air of a park than the other Victorian cemeteries. It is managed by Royal Parks.

This walk heads down its central avenue, past the most showy mausoleums, to the circular colonnade, and chapel. The return is a 'S' shape past some of the more interesting mausoleums.

There are tours on Sundays at 2pm (£6, only 2/month in Winter, see 'friends' website), but its as nice to just wander around. It really is a hidden oasis in the middle of Chelsea - used by joggers, dog walkers, and people just taking a short cut - its next to the football ground.

The cemetery is open from dawn to dusk

For a picnic, there is a Tesco Express opposite the south entrance to the cemetery

- [Friends of Brompton Cemetery](#)
- [Royal Parks - Brompton Cemetery](#)

Eat Just past the tube station is the Prince of Wales pub

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Walk Directions

OpenStreetMap (not OS) mapping is used in the PDF for licence reasons.

1. Turn right out of the station, and 100m, turn right into the grand cemetery entrance.
2. Walk down the main avenue. Continue to the chapel at the far end. (Bear left for the south exit, and a Tesco Metro for picnics)
3. Turn left, walk to the cemetery wall, and walk back along the left hand path (from the 'going out' perspective)
4. At the 'lion', cross to the right hand path on the other side of the cemetery.
5. Leave the cemetery by the gate you entered. Just past the tube station is the suggested pub.

