

Welcome to the Green Flag Award

The international mark of quality



Birkenhead Park, The Wirral, UK
Green Flag Award winner since 2007

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The Green Flag Award® is a non-profit international accreditation scheme that recognises and rewards well managed parks and green spaces.

Originating in 1996 - today the Green Flag Award proudly flies above more than 2,000 places in over 15 countries around the world.

Parks are judged against eight key criteria

A Welcoming Place

Healthy, Safe and Secure

Well Maintained and Clean

Environmental Management

Biodiversity, Landscape and Heritage

Community Involvement

Marketing and Communication


Management

Wellington Botanic Garden, New Zealand
Green Flag Award winner since 2018

The full standard is explained in our free guidance manual – *Raising the Standard*, which was developed over 20 years in consultation with green space professionals, industry experts and park users.

The Award is open to any free to enter park or green space, anywhere in the world. This includes but is not limited to:

City Parks	Neighbourhood Parks
Nature Reserves	Country Parks
University Campuses	Cemeteries/Burial Grounds
Woodlands	Botanic and Historic Gardens



The Green Flag Award recognises and rewards the hard work of managers, staff and volunteers - the people behind the places - whilst also supporting ongoing improvements by:

- Raising the profile of public parks and recognising their value to the community
- Helping to protect funding, staffing and resources
- Providing an independent assessment & written feedback report by sector professionals
- Providing a framework to develop a long-term Management Plan

Award process

Applications are submitted every year and are assessed by our judges over two stages - a review of management documentation followed by a judges site visit.

All applicants that meet the international standard receive the Green Flag Award flag in recognition of their success.



Centennial Parklands, Sydney, Australia
Green Flag Award winner since 2015



Our judges are trained parks and green space professionals who give their time voluntarily to support the scheme. Our network of over 1,000 judges around the world include park & landscape managers and other sector related specialists.

St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, Ireland
Green Flag Award winner since 2015

Application process

An application consists of a short online form and submission of your current Management Plan.

Start your journey by contacting the national operator in the 'Our Network' section of the website for further information and costs. You will get all the support you need to apply.

Hatanpää Mansion Park
and Arboretum, Tampere, Finland
Green Flag Award winner since 2018



Parque Fundidora, Monterrey, Mexico
Green Flag Award winner since 2019



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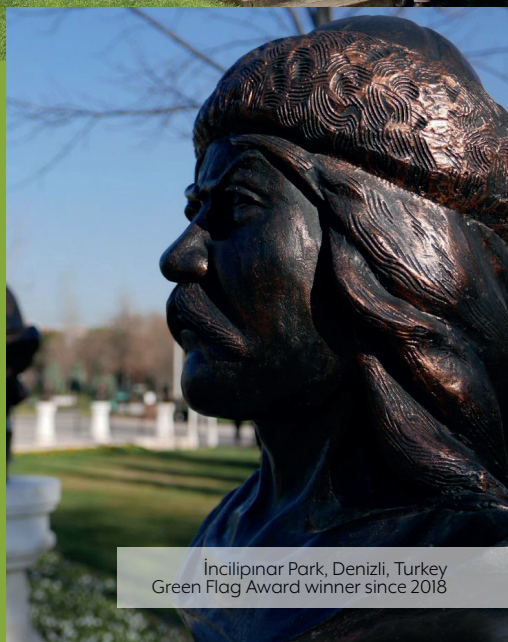


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