Routes to Mugdock Country Park (2005)

Mugdock is easily accessible from the trunk road system. The directions below are given to assist you in finding your way from the motorway or trunk road. If you want more detailed directions, e-mail the Scottish Organiser indicating your intended approach route.

From the north-west:

From the A 82(T) just after the Erskine Bridge slip roads, and heading towards Glasgow, take a left-hand fork on to the A 810 to pass through Duntocher to Bearsden.

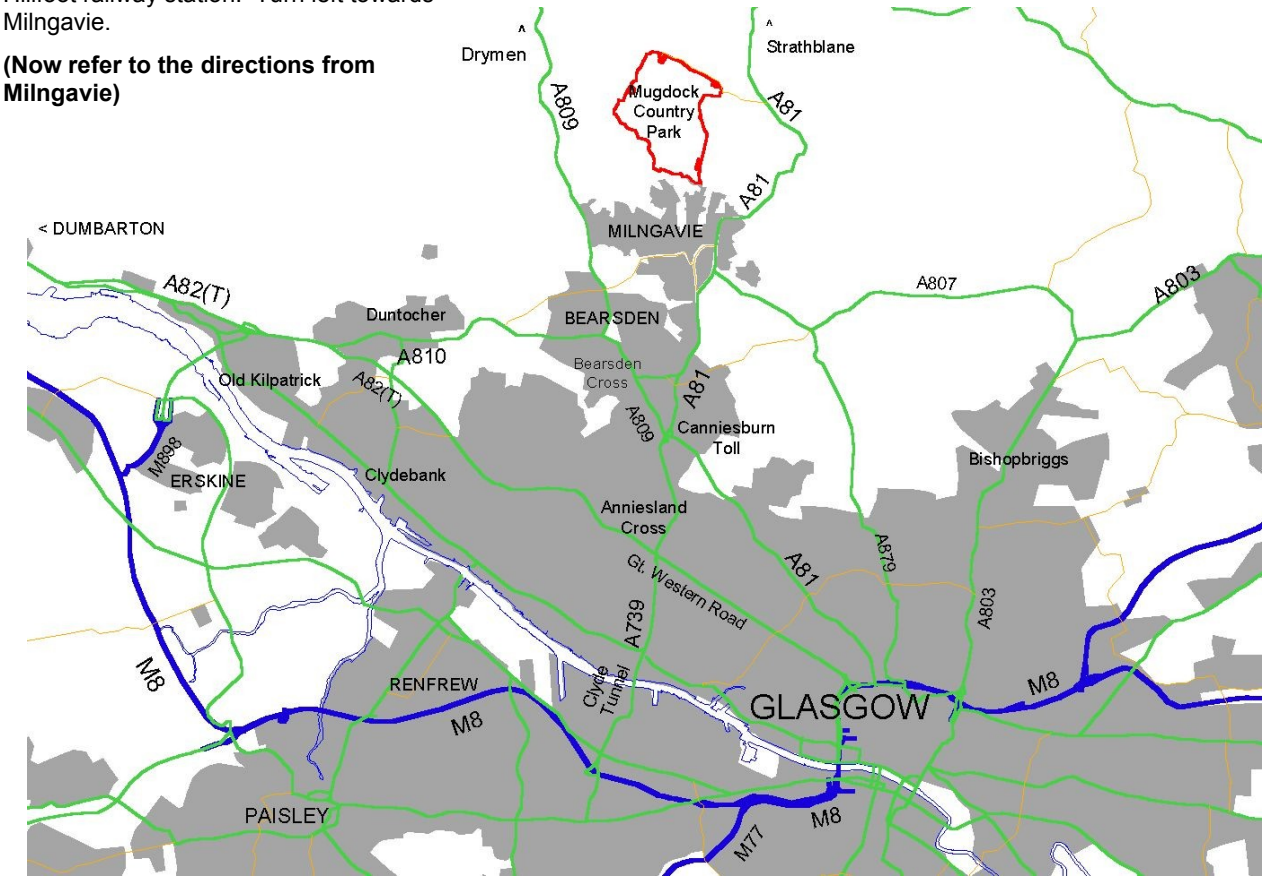
In Bearsden, the road swings south at a "Y" junction where it becomes the A 809. Follow the road south to traffic lights at Bearsden Cross . At the lights, turn left along Roman Road to meet the A 81 Strathblane road near Hillfoot railway station. Turn left towards Milngavie.

(Now refer to the directions from Milngavie)

From the north:

If it is more convenient to approach from the north, follow the A81 to Strathblane, and continue towards Glasgow. About 1½ miles south of Strathblane there is a well-signposted acute right turn for Mugdock Country Park.

Follow this road until it reaches a "T" junction and turn right, almost immediately passing a small Country Park car park on your left. Continue along the road for another ¾ of a mile until you reach the Visitor Centre Car Park on your left.



From the south-west:

(The easiest approach is through the Clyde Tunnel, but crossing the Erskine Bridge allows you to join the route from the north-west if preferred.)

From the Clyde Tunnel, carry on towards Anniesland Cross and along the Bearsden Road towards Canniesburn Toll Roundabout. Approaching Canniesburn Toll on the "Switchback" dual carriageway, keep to the right lane so as to be able to take the second exit at the roundabout. The route to the park is signposted from here. Follow the A81 through Bearsden and into Milngavie.

(Now refer to the the directions from Milngavie)

From the south:

Follow the M74 until the junction with the M73, and follow this briefly to join the M8 westbound for Glasgow and Greenock. Stay on the M8 until you approach the Glasgow City Centre, where traffic from the M80 will merge from the left (M8 Jct. 13). Try to stay in the centre lanes, as the left-hand lanes soon become separated for the Townhead off-ramp (Jct. 15). Immediately after the Townhead interchange, move to the left lane (if you have to) to leave the motorway at junction 16 (signposted for Aberfoyle).

Follow the signs for the A81, shadowing the motorway for ½ a mile, then swinging right at traffic lights at a roundabout to pass underneath it to join the Maryhill Road (A81). Follow this main road out of the city until it becomes a suburban dual carriageway and the speed limit becomes 50 mph. As you approach Bearsden, the speed limit will drop to 40 mph, and after about 600 yards the road will split into two filter lanes. Keep to the right-hand lane (still signposted A81) to merge with traffic from the Canniesburn Toll Roundabout, joining you from the left. Carry on along this road towards Milngavie.

From Milngavie:

In Milngavie you will pass a McDonald's on your left and a car dealership on your right just before a roundabout. Take the A81 (third exit, but watch out, the first exit is a "No through road" local access and is easy to miss) which should take you past a Rugby Club and under a railway bridge to traffic lights. Follow the main road up out of the built-up area. You pass an Esporta sports club on the right and a reservoir on the left before climbing through a series of bends to more open countryside.

The road to Mugdock is well sign-posted on the left as the road straightens out. Following this side-road to a "T" junction, turn right, almost immediately passing a small Country Park car park on your left. Continue along the road for another ¾ of a mile until you reach the main Visitor Centre Car Park.

Craigend Field lies a couple of minute's walk beyond the Visitor Centre.