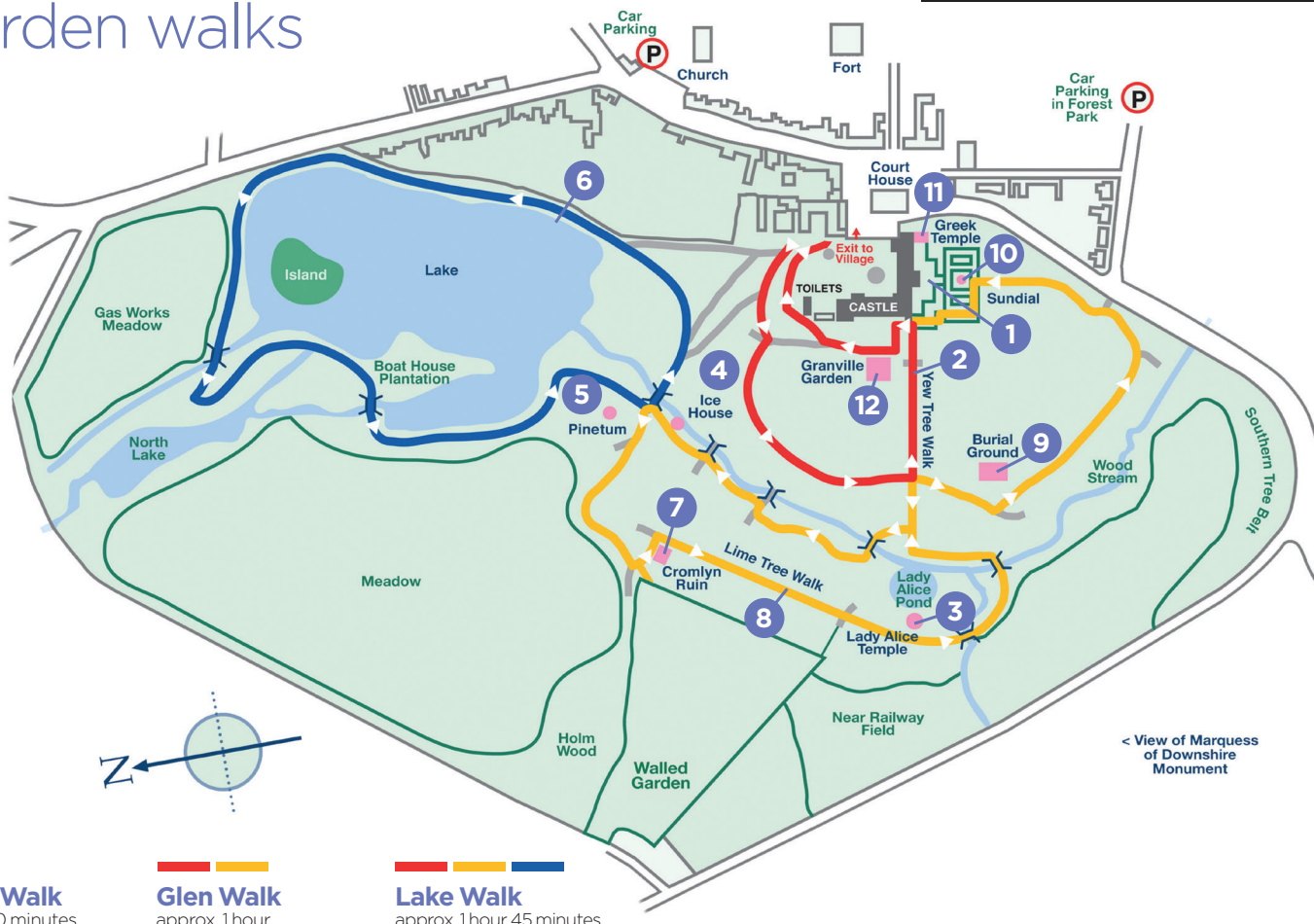


# Hillsborough Castle

## Garden walks



**1. Hillsborough Castle**  
The south façade, symmetrical in itself, and seventeen bays long. The central section breaks forward to a formal tetrastyle portico of giant columns with flattened Ionic capitals.



**2. Yew Tree Walk**  
By about 1895 the old line of the Moira Road had been transformed into a dramatic Yew Walk. Paired Irish (Florencecourt) yews (*Taxus Baccata* 'Fastigiata').



**3. Lady Alice Temple**  
A domed temple constructed in 1880 and containing a circular seat behind a screen of Ionic columns. Named after Lady Alice Maria Hill (Countess of Bective).



**4. Ice House**  
Large rustic arched entrance of rounded sandstone giving way to a vaulted tunnel and brick lined coned store. A fernery has been established around it which includes several tree-ferns (*Dicksonia Antarctica*).



**5. Pinetum**  
Amongst some excellent specimens of pines, spruces and firs is a commemorative *Pinus radiata*, planted by the current Marquis of Downshire.



**6. Lake**  
While no principal rooms from the Castle have the benefit of views down over the lake to the north, this lake does nevertheless add greatly to the feeling of serenity and withdrawal which the grounds of the Castle achieve.



**7. Cromlyn Ruin**  
Late 18th century sham ruin of standing stone and lintel intended to represent an earlier Christian Church of Cromlyn. Original chapel dates to 7th century.



**8. Lime Tree Walk**  
Approximately 150 years old, with a spectacular moss path.



**9. Quaker Burial Ground**  
The Old Burial Ground is the remaining portion of the site of a former Quaker Meeting House. Today it is marked by a hedged enclosure planted with rows of Irish yews.



**10. Jubilee Garden**  
A specially designed garden commemorating HM The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Year, and including the sundial in front of the South façade of the Castle.



**11. Greek Temple**  
Summer House in Doric style dating from mid-19th century. The temple stands at the end of the terrace giving way to a blind doorway.



**12. Granville Garden**  
Replanted by Lady Granville in the late 1940s and early 1950s. The magnificent Rhododendron (a Cornish Red) behind the garden is included in the Guinness Book of Records.