

Queen's Valley Reservoir



Queen's Valley Reservoir is owned by Jersey Water and is kept open for the enjoyment of the general public.

The reservoir is the newest reservoir in Jersey and was completed in November 1991. The reservoir is the Company's largest, holding a maximum of 1,193 megalitres of untreated water (enough to supply Jersey with water for approximately 48 days). The reservoir is in fact two reservoirs with the lower section being by far the largest. The wall is a rock filled embankment with a bituminous concrete core.

Water feeds into the reservoir from its catchment area of 516 hectares (1,275 acres) which extends as far West as La Grande Route de St Martin and nearly up to St Martin's village in the North.



Guidelines

Care	Please be careful. Steep and slippery slopes, unprotected heights, changing water levels, deep water and submerged machinery make the reservoir a potentially hazardous place, particularly in wet weather.
Cars	Please only park your car in the designated car parks and do not block any gates. Vehicles are parked at their owners' risk.
Cycling	Cycling is not permitted around the reservoir.
Disabled Access	Due to the nature of the terrain around the reservoir we regret that the paths are not suitable for wheelchair access.
Dogs	Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times. Please clear up after your dog and deposit waste in the bins provided at the entrance to the reservoir. Do not let your dog enter the water.
Ducks	Please do not feed the ducks or other wildlife.
Footpaths	For your own safety please keep to the designated footpath.
Fishing	Fishing is only permitted to members of the Jersey Freshwater Angling Association and only in certain locations.
Litter	For reasons of hygiene there are no litter bins provided around the reservoir. Please take all litter and rubbish away with you.
Opening Hours	The reservoir is open during daylight hours all year around.
Parental Responsibility	The reservoir is un-staffed. Children should be supervised by an adult at all times.
Swimming	For hygiene and safety reasons do not enter or allow your pets to enter the water.
Toilets	There are no public toilets at the reservoir.



The reservoir is fitted with underwater aerator machinery designed to maintain the quality of the water in the reservoir. The equipment releases air bubbles into the water at predetermined intervals which helps to turn over and mix the water. If you see the water in the reservoir bubbling in certain locations this is what is happening.

The large tower near the dam is where water leaves the reservoir. The tower has three 'draw off' pipes at varying depths through which water can be taken for transfer to the water treatment works.



The tower also acts as the overflow in case the water level rises too high - excess water would enter the tower and run safely down a large pipe in to the spillway below the reservoir.

There are several routes around the reservoir. The full walking circuit is 1.9 miles (a map showing the walking routes and distances is on the following page).

The reservoir has a natural wealth of flora and fauna and is home to many species of birds and wildlife.

We hope that you enjoy your walk around Queen's Valley Reservoir.

For your own safety, the enjoyment of the reservoir by others and for hygiene reasons please follow the guidelines on the reverse of this page.

Walking routes and distances

