Recreation
Over 3,000 sporting activities take place in the Phoenix Park in the summer, recreation. This area is very popular with various clubs and groups who use the park. Football, hurling and hurling clubs are also held every year. Minnows, baseball, tennis and model aeroplane flying are organised by the park. A wide range of recreational activities including orienteering, astronomy, cross country running, cycle routes and model sporting events are also controlled by the park. Phoenix Cricket Club is the oldest cricket club in Ireland and is located in the heart of the Phoenix Park. The Club was founded in 1757 and has since been a fixture in Irish cricket. The Park is also home to the National Equestrian Centre, which is managed by the Irish Equestrian Federation, which is the governing body for horse sports in Ireland. The Park is also home to the All Ireland Polo Club, which is one of the oldest polo clubs in Europe.

Biodiversity
About 30% of the Phoenix Park is covered by woodland, which is home to a rich variety of wildlife. The park is home to a variety of species such as oak, ash, beech, sycamore and horse chestnut. A managed selection of trees is grown in the park. The Phoenix Park is a sanctuary for many species associated with the park to be permitted. The Park is managed by Phoenix Park 

VISITOR'S GUIDE
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Phoenix Park - A National Historic Park
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Phoenix Park - Significance
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The Phoenix Monument is a simple large cross which served as a testimonial to Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington, designed by Robert Smirke as a testimonial to his victory at Waterloo. It was completed in 1861 and is the tallest obelisk in Europe at just over 62 meters tall.

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The Phoenix Park Visitor Centre has a historical interpretation and a interactive presentation of the Phoenix Park through the ages. For details or bookings to the centre can be contacted on 087 2289698 or 087 2289688.

Also located is the Architectural Display beside the Phoenix Centre. A display which reviews the history of the park and its development over the years. This display is also interactive.

The Victorian Tea Kiosk serves teas and scones, which are prepared locally. Situated close to Parkgate Street entrance.

The footpath network is well-marked and signed. There are uniformed Park Rangers. For further information, summer programme, events and activities please contact the Superintendents Office at Whitefield’s, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8. +353 1 821 3021

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