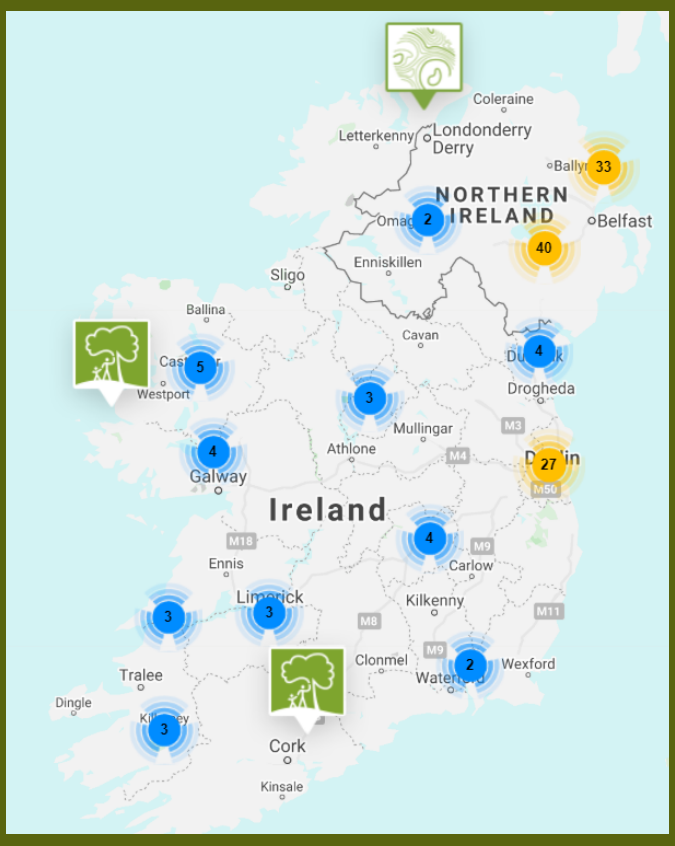
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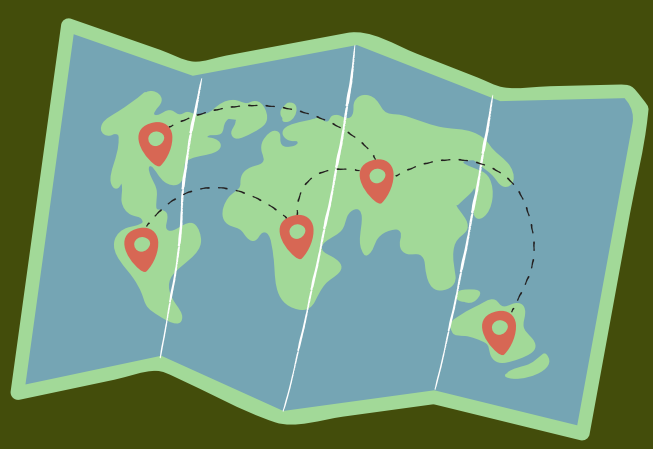
60 Irish Parks and Gardens accredited within the Republic of Ireland

2048 Hectares of park land managed to Green Flag Award standards across the country



Sites include:

- Town Parks
- Country Parks
- National Parks
- Walled Gardens
- Community Gardens
- Historic Graveyards
- University Campuses



The Green Flag Award has now been awarded to 2100 sites across 15 countries

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WHERE THE GREEN FLAG AWARD SCHEME DELIVERS SUPPORT

ENSURE HEALTHY LIVES AND PROMOTE WELL-BEING FOR ALL AT ALL AGES



The national planning framework advocates a huge increase in the number of apartment residential living spaces up to 2040 ... so parks are going to fill the space of private gardens for many more people.

ENSURE AVAILABILITY AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION FOR ALL



Green Flag Award Scheme criteria include Drought Adaption Measures; adaptive vegetation, rainwater harvesting, soil mulching, etc.

REDUCE INEQUALITY WITHIN AND AMONG COUNTRIES



The community award element of the Green Flag Award Scheme provides our community green spaces with access to the wider network of Green Flag Award Judges, and best practice management within the more formal provision of public green space.
Run in partnership with the Department of Rural and Community Development.

MAKE CITIES AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS INCLUSIVE, SAFE, RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE



The National Planning Framework contains environmental and sustainability aims that the Green Flag Award Scheme delivers strongly upon.

LEARN MORE AT HTTP://GREENFLAGAWARD.ORG/

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ENSURE SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION PATTERNS



The scheme is working with park operators towards Zero Waste Parks with specific Green Flag Award Scheme criteria to achieve this:

- Waste Minimisation
- Reduce/Eliminate Chemical Use
- Reduce/Eliminate Peat Use

TAKE URGENT ACTION TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND ITS IMPACTS



The scheme has specific criteria delivering this in the form of Climate Change Adaption Strategies. These require parks to look at the likely impacts of climate change and introduce both climate change mitigation practices, and climate change adaption actions.

PROTECT, RESTORE AND PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE USE OF TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS, SUSTAINABLY MANAGE FORESTS, COMBAT DESERTIFICATION, AND HALT AND REVERSE LAND DEGRADATION AND HALT BIODIVERSITY LOSS



As well as having dedicated scoring criteria under the survey section of; the Management of Biodiversity, we have also introduced the Pollinator Project Award for participating Green Flag Award Scheme sites. This engages in real action upon the ground to implement the All Ireland Pollinator Plan.