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### **Away Visitor Guide**

# Blackburn Rovers Ewood Park

Capacity: 31,367 (all seated)

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#### What is Ewood Park like?

Having had three new large stands built during the 1990s, Ewood Park is rather impressive with both ends of the stadium boasting larger lower tiers.

The only undeveloped stand is The Riverside, which is a smaller-tiered stand that runs down one side of the pitch.

Away fans are housed in the Bryan Douglas Darwen End, where the facilities provided are good although space is tight. The Darwen End is shared with home supporters but, if demand requires it, the whole of the stand can be made available. Normally, the away allocation is for three quarters of the stand at just under 4,000 tickets, which are split between the whole of the upper tier and part of the lower tier (with the lower tier being allocated first).

Food on the concourse includes a range of Holland's pies; chicken Balti, peppered steak, potato and meat, and cheese and onion, as well as sausage rolls, hot dogs and burgers.

#### **Directions**

Exit the M6 via Junction 29 for the M65 towards Blackburn. Leave the M65 at Junction 4 (A666) and follow signs towards Blackburn. Turn right at the first set of traffic lights and Ewood Park is about one mile down the road on the right-hand side.

#### Car parking

Various private car parks are available in the area around Ewood Park (especially along Branch Road), costing in the region of £5.

The roads immediately around Ewood Park are closed off for crowd safety for around 30 minutes after the game. Therefore, if you want to get away reasonably quickly then, as you come down the hill on the A666, you will pass a BP Petrol Garage on your left. Turn right at the next traffic lights into Branch Road and down on your left, there are some industrial units offering matchday parking. After the game, turn left out of the car parks so that you are going away from Ewood, then turn right at the second mini roundabout and this will take you back up to the M65.

#### By train

From Swansea, the journey to Blackburn takes roughly between five-and-a-half and six hours. The nearest station is Mill Hill, which is around a 15-minute walk from Ewood Park and is served by trains from Blackburn with the journey only taking a few minutes.

Blackburn station, itself, is a few miles from the ground and is a good 30-minute walk away.

#### Pubs for awayfans

Behind the Darwen End is a fan zone area, in which away supporters are admitted and you can enjoy food and drink.

The closest pubs to Ewood Park is the Fernhurst, which is part of the Hungry Horse chain and only a five-minute walk from the visitors' turnstiles.

Meanwhile, other recommended pubs include the Golden Cup, which is a 20-minute walk from Ewood Park and allows you to park for £5, along with the Black Bull if you enjoy real ale. Elsewhere, just around the corner from the entrance to Blackburn Railway Station is a

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Wetherspoons outlet called The Postal Order.



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#### Hotels

There are several hotels within a couple of miles of Ewood Park.

The Fernhurst is the closest to the stadium, which is only a two-minute walk away, while the Blakewater Hotel is a five-minute walk from Blackburn Railway Station.

Also, within 10 minutes of the town centre, you may want to try Willows by Marston's Inn and the Hill View Hotel.

#### Disabled facilities

For full information on access, ticketing and parking, visit the club's website - <a href="https://www.rovers.co.uk/fans/supporters-with-disabilities/">https://www.rovers.co.uk/fans/supporters-with-disabilities/</a>