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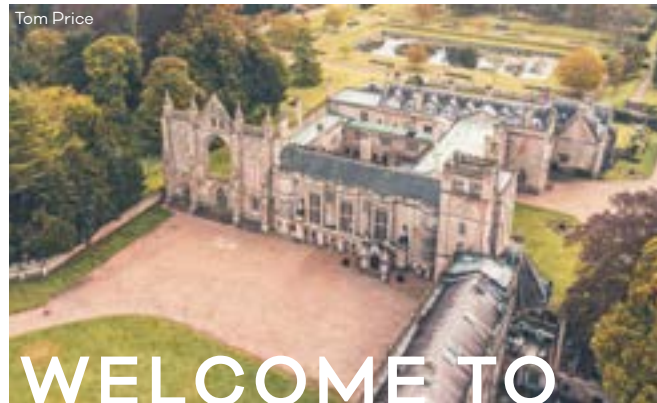
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WELCOME TO MY HOMETOWN

BY VICKY MCCLURE MBE

Wollaton Hall is home to Nottingham's Natural History Museum, while the old stable block nearby houses the fascinating Nottingham Industrial Museum. It's somewhere I've visited since I was a child and it never loses its magic.

I'm also a big fan of Paul Smith. Having one of the world's most celebrated designers come from Nottingham is something we should all be proud of.

I love the clothes and the products, but I also love the shop itself. It's full of character, and knowing the original shop is just around the corner makes it feel even more special.

If I'm meeting friends, you'll often find me at Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem. Built into the caves beneath Nottingham Castle, it's one of those places that feels uniquely Nottingham. There's so much history within its walls and it's always a great place to catch up over food or a drink.

Music has always been a huge part of Nottingham, and bringing our Day Fever events to Rock City with my husband has been incredibly special. It celebrates exactly what this city does so well, bringing people together through music. Whether you're discovering grassroots artists at Peggy's Skylight, The Bodega or The Angel, or seeing major acts at Rock City or the Motorpoint Arena, there's always something happening.

One of the things that surprises people most when they visit is just how much variety there is. One moment you're enjoying the buzz of the city centre, the next you're surrounded by rolling countryside, ancient woodland or walking through Sherwood Forest, where legend still feels very much alive.

Nottinghamshire has never tried to be somewhere it's not. It's proud of its past, excited about its future and full of people who genuinely care about where they live. I hope as you explore this guide you'll discover the places that make it so special, and perhaps find your own reason to keep coming back.

Best wishes

Vicky x

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire have always been home to me in the truest sense of the word. Not just because I was born here, but because this place has shaped my sense of identity, my work and my understanding of people. There is something about it that stays with you. A quiet strength, a sense of humour and a real honesty in the way people live their lives.

This is a city and county built on stories. From Robin Hood to lace-making, from industry to innovation, there is history everywhere you look. What I love most is how that history sits alongside constant change. Nothing here feels stuck in the past. Instead, it continues to evolve, with each new generation adding its own chapter.

For me, Nottinghamshire is all about the people. They're welcoming, resilient and creative, and you see that everywhere, from our independent businesses to our music and arts scene. It isn't something that's manufactured, it's simply who we are.

Being from Wollaton, Wollaton Park has always been one of my favourite places. It's absolutely beautiful and whether it's sunny or snowy, you're guaranteed a brilliant day out.



WHAT WE LOVE ABOUT NOTTINGHAM

At Visit Nottinghamshire, our team have a real passion for the history, culture, heritage, experiences, venues and hospitality our city and county have to offer. Between us, we have **over 113 years'** experience working in the visitor economy, so we like to think we know what makes this place so special.

1 THE INDEPENDENT FOOD AND DRINK SCENE

From Hockley and the Lace Market to market towns and countryside destinations across Nottinghamshire, the city and county are packed with **independent cafés, bars and restaurants**, making it a brilliant place to eat, drink and discover something new.

2

THE HISTORY BENEATH YOUR FEET

Nottingham's history runs deep – literally! More than **1,000 caves** lie beneath the city, while in the county at **Creswell Crags** you can explore Ice Age cave art.

3

EVERYTHING WITHIN EASY REACH

Nottingham's compact centre makes exploring easy. More than **450 venues**, including theatres, attractions, restaurants, cafés, pubs, bars and nightclubs can be found within **1.5 miles of the centre**, with excellent tram and bus connections for city travelling and exploring.

4

THE HEART OF ROBIN HOOD COUNTRY

The legend of **Robin Hood** is woven into Nottingham's identity. Follow his story from **Nottingham Castle** to **Sherwood Forest** and the famous **Major Oak**.

5

GOOSE FAIR

With more than **700 years of history**, Goose Fair is one of **Europe's largest travelling fairs**. Its rides, food and unmistakable atmosphere make it a true Nottingham tradition.

6

NOTTINGHAM IS A UNESCO CITY OF LITERATURE

Recognised for its rich literary heritage and thriving contemporary writing scene. The city and county have strong connections to famous authors including **D.H. Lawrence, Lord Byron** and **Alan Sillitoe**, to name just a few.

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THE STREET ART

Nottingham's creativity spills onto its streets, with colourful murals and hidden artworks transforming walls across the city. Artists including **Dilk, Kid30, Anna Wheelhouse** and many others have helped create its distinctive urban canvases.

THE STORY OF NOTTINGHAM & NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Originally founded by the Anglo-Saxon tribe under Lord Snot, The Snotingas established Nottingham in around **600 AD** and named it **Snotengham**. Over the years, the city's name was gradually modified until it became known as Nottingham by around the 12th century.

Some relics from the early history of the city are still evident today, including **Weekday Cross** in the **Lace Market** which marks the original location of the main market and city centre of Nottingham in the days before the Norman Conquest of 1066. You can also see part of the original Medieval Town wall from circa 1260 located within a hotel complex close to Chapel Bar, and an augmented reality version of the old Market Wall which once ran through **Old Market Square** between 1068 and 1727. At this time in history, one side of the wall was controlled by the Normans, and the other by the Anglo-Saxons!

CITY OF REBELS

The story of Nottinghamshire is shaped by rebels, pioneers and remarkable turning points in history. In 1642, King Charles raised his royal standard as a signal for his supporters to rally to his side. The event that marked the beginning of the English Civil War took place just outside **Nottingham Castle**, making the city a key historic location. Like Nottingham, Newark held a strategic position on the route northwards through England. The towns' multiple sieges left **Newark Castle** derelict with marks from hundreds of cannonballs which bombarded the structure in the 1640s still visible in the remnants today.

Home to some of the **Mayflower Pilgrims**, their steps can be traced through the Midlands, including Nottinghamshire villages like Babworth and Sturton le Steeple. Between 1606 and 1607 William Brewster and others received summonses for non-attendance at their local churches. One by one the principal players in the story of the Mayflower fled the country with their congregations.

This spirit of defiance continued with the **Luddite lace worker rebellion**. With the Industrial Revolution, came the threat of being replaced by machinery. To protect

their livelihoods, the lace workers rose in protest – the start of the Luddite movement. The secret oath-based organisation of English textile workers, also known as frame-breakers, destroyed the encroaching textile machinery to protect their craft with the enigmatic **Ned Ludd** as their figurehead. Though the rebellion lasted from 1811 to 1816, by 1870 almost all lace production in Nottingham had been mechanised, making it the centre for the global lace industry.

Nottinghamshire is also home to some notable pioneers and rebels. One of our literary heroes is the flamboyant Romantic poet **Lord Byron**. Quite the political revolutionary, Byron used his first speech in the House of Lords to back the Nottinghamshire frame-breakers. Byron's daughter, **Ada Lovelace**, often described as the first computer programmer, saw the potential to use computers as more than calculation machines, getting closer to the devices we use worldwide today. The city's first black entrepreneur, **George Africanus**, brought to England as a slave at age 3, became a powerful symbol of resilience as he went on to establish an employment agency and became a property owner and landlord in Nottingham after finding his freedom.



ROBIN HOOD

The earliest known literary reference to Robin Hood dates from around 1377, in William Langland's *Piers Plowman*, which mentions 'rymes of Robyn Hood'. By the 1400s, stories of the legendary outlaw were appearing in surviving manuscripts, and by the end of the Middle Ages, Robin Hood had become a widely recognised figure. The exploits of the famed outlaw and his band of Merry Men touch upon timeless themes of justice, brotherhood, altruism and a good dash of social rebellion.

SHERWOOD FOREST

There has been an unbroken cover of woodland in Nottinghamshire since the end of the last Ice Age, around 10,000 years ago. Once claimed as royal hunting grounds, Sherwood Forest was one of the largest Royal Forests and covered 100,000 acres. Estimated to be over 1,000 years old, the **Major Oak** now stands as a poignant monument after sadly passing in 2026.

THE RIVER TRENT

The River Trent has shaped Nottingham for more than **1,000 years**. An important crossing between northern and southern England, an early bridge was established here around 924, replacing an earlier ferry. Around 1156, during the reign of Henry II, the **Hethbeth Bridge** was built, a substantial stone crossing that served Nottingham for more than 700 years. As traffic increased, the present **Trent Bridge** you see today was built between 1868 and 1871.

Remarkably, two arches of Hethbeth Bridge still survive beside the modern crossing near County Hall, offering a glimpse of medieval Nottingham.

NOTTINGHAM LACE

The knitting frame was invented in Nottinghamshire in 1589. By the 1840s lace-making was changing from a domestic industry into an international export after the original

frame design was improved for this purpose in the early 19th century. Nottingham became internationally renowned for its lace, a proud legacy that continues today, with Nottingham-made lace featuring in the wedding dresses of Catherine Princess of Wales and Lady Diana Spencer. You can still walk around the **Lace Market** area of Nottingham today, and see the Victorian buildings, high-density warehouses and narrow streets that are characteristic of the area. **The Framework Knitters Museum** beautifully covers this interesting part of Nottinghamshire's history.

ICE AGE

Creswell Crags in North Nottinghamshire is a limestone gorge honeycombed with caves and smaller fissures. Stone tools and remains of animals found in the caves by archaeologists provide evidence for a fascinating story of life during the last Ice Age. Further evidence came to light in 2003 with the discovery of Britain's only known Ice Age rock art, and in 2019 what is believed to be the largest collection of protective marks, known as Witch Marks, was been discovered at Creswell Crags.



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and heritage



SHERWOOD FOREST

WHERE LEGENDS GROW

Sherwood Forest is home to hundreds of stunning ancient oak trees, including the iconic Major Oak. After examinations by leading tree and soil experts, the oak is thought to have come to the end of its life, but the story is far from over. The tree still stands at Sherwood Forest, the silhouette of which anchors the landscape, and will continue to delight visitors and support a vast array of wildlife.

Beyond Sherwood, the heathland of Buddby South Forest offers a habitat to a bewildering variety of birds, beetles and other species.

Spring brings fresh growth and new life to the Forest, with the sounds of the great spotted and green woodpecker, and the song of birds returning from their wintering grounds to nest.

Summer offers the buzz and colour of bees and beetles, including some of the most vulnerable indigenous species which find sanctuary in the landscape of Sherwood and Buddby.

Through autumn, as the colours of the leaves change from green to copper, the wood wide web comes alive with fabulous fungi exploding into view. And winter reveals the true shapes and characters of the ancient oak trunks, forged by the elements over centuries.

OPENING TIMES:

Visitor Centre, shop and café open daily, excluding selected holidays.

Check the website for seasonal opening times.

The Visitor Centre offers a superb café, selling a range of locally sourced foods, and the shop stocks a full range of Robin Hood souvenirs, as well as gifts for wildlife enthusiasts of all ages.

Throughout the year, there will be a full programme of brilliant events to showcase classic legends, discover unique flora and fauna, and uncover the secrets of Sherwood's fascinating and ancient environment.

Guided costumed walks can transport you back in time to life in medieval Sherwood, whilst guided nature walks showcase the range of wildlife supported by the ancient forest, from tiny lichens to a cacophony of bird life.

Seasonal family trails and activities, including archery (of course), provide hours of fun throughout the school holidays.

The RSPB can also show you the living Forest in a new light, through the eyes of expert guides to help you understand its wildlife and natural history, and the work being done to preserve it.

For everything you need to know about what is happening at RSPB Sherwood Forest and Buddby South Forest, **please visit www.visitsherwood.co.uk**

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ROBIN HOOD

Nottinghamshire is the home of Robin Hood and you'll find plenty of places to visit if you're looking to live the legend and walk in the footsteps of England's most captivating folklore hero.

ROBIN HOOD TOWN TOUR

Join the famous outlaw himself on the multi-award-winning **Robin Hood Town Tour**. Entertaining, educational and inspirational, Ezekial Bone's theatrical tours are based on historical fact and explore the best places to see in Nottingham. The tour includes locations linked with the tales of Robin Hood such as the **National Justice Museum**, **St Mary's Church** and **Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem** where you'll join the legend for a pint.

SHERWOOD FOREST

No Robin Hood adventure would be complete without a journey into the countryside to see **Sherwood Forest** and the world-famous 1,000-year-old **Major Oak**, which is thought to have been one of Robin's hideouts. Don't forget to take a wander to the nearby village of **Edwinstowe** to see another **St Mary's Church**, the fabled location where Robin Hood is said to have wed his beloved Maid Marian.

NOTTINGHAM CASTLE

Enjoy the Robin Hood Adventures at **Nottingham Castle**, where you can sit back in a forest clearing to experience the ballads of Robin Hood surrounded by the storytelling screens. In the dedicated gaming spaces, you can fire your longbow in a digital archery competition or spar with Little John in the depths of Sherwood Forest. **While you're there, don't forget to snap a selfie outside with the famous statue and the iconic gatehouse!**



Explore more
Robin Hood attractions,
landmarks and events



The oldest known printed likeness of Robin Hood, from an early edition of *A Gest of Robyn Hode*, c. 1510. The woodcut depicts Robin as a medieval yeoman on horseback. Image: National Library of Scotland.

CELEBRATIONS

Celebrate Nottingham's most famous outlaw on **Robin Hood Day**, held each year on **29th October**, and get closer to the legend by walking in his footsteps as you follow the **107-mile walk** of the **Robin Hood Way**, taking you along some of the most scenic areas of Nottinghamshire. Each summer the phenomenal **Robin Hood Festival** takes place in **Sherwood Forest**, bringing the legend to life with jousting, combat displays, storytelling, music and more.



FAMILY ADVENTURES IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE



TWINLAKES PARK

Nottinghamshire offers an abundance of family activities, outdoor adventures, cultural attractions, and family-friendly events. Families will find plenty to enjoy all year round!

Looking for a family day out packed with adventure? Nottinghamshire has everything from thrilling theme parks and outdoor activities to fascinating history and active entertainment.

For younger children, **Sundown Adventureland** is a magical world of rides, play areas and attractions designed especially for little ones, while **White Post Farm & Zoo** offers animal encounters, indoor and outdoor play and plenty of family fun. **Twinlakes** and **Wheelgate Park** combine rides, attractions and adventure for a full day of entertainment.

For outdoor adventures, head to **Sherwood Pines**, where families can explore miles of forest trails, or reach new heights at **Go Ape**. **The National Water Sports Centre** offers a wide range of activities on the water and beyond, while Woodland Adventure Zone provides even more opportunities to climb, explore and play.

For more family fun, head to **Lost City Adventure Golf** for an exciting round of jungle-themed adventure golf, or hit the lanes at **Disco Bowl** for a family game of ten-pin bowling. Discover a world of colourful butterflies, exotic animals and tropical plants at the **Tropical Butterfly House**, a great day out for curious explorers of all ages.

For high-energy fun take on the climbing challenges at **Clip 'n Climb**, while **Slick City Action Park** offers gravity-defying slides and action-packed attractions for the whole family.

READY FOR A CHALLENGE?

For families looking for a challenge, Nottinghamshire has plenty of escape room experiences. Test your teamwork and problem-solving skills at **Break Escape**, descend underground at **Cave Escape**, or immerse yourself in elaborate themed challenges at **Escapologic**. Can you solve the clues and escape before time runs out?

Take the challenge outdoors with **Go Quest Adventures**, a self-guided treasure hunt trail through Nottingham city centre, where you'll solve clues and complete challenges as you explore the city.

From adventure parks and animal experiences to escape rooms, treasure hunts, climbing, bowling, water sports and outdoor pursuits, Nottinghamshire is made for unforgettable family days out.



Go Ape!



White Post Farm

Discover more
family-friendly
activities



THE ULTIMATE NOTTS BUCKET LIST

HOW MANY CAN YOU TICK OFF?

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ 1. Snap a selfie with the Robin Hood statue next to Nottingham Castle | ☐ 11. Go on an ice age adventure at Creswell Crags |
| ☐ 2. Have lunch at the oldest inn in England - Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem | ☐ 12. Immerse yourself in art at Nottingham Contemporary |
| ☐ 3. Experience 1,000 years of history at Nottingham Castle | ☐ 13. Take your tastebuds to two-Michelin-star restaurant Sat Bains |
| ☐ 4. Explore our curious caves at City of Caves | ☐ 14. Tour the town on the Robin Hood Town Tour |
| ☐ 5. Visit Wayne Manor at Wollaton Hall & Deer Park | ☐ 15. Glide like Torvill & Dean at the National Ice Centre |
| ☐ 6. Find Robin Hood's hideout, The Major Oak, in Sherwood Forest | ☐ 16. Catch a Nottingham Panthers ice-hockey match |
| ☐ 7. Unleash your creativity at Splash Art Republic - art experiences for all ages. | ☐ 17. Go white water rafting at the National Water Sports Centre |
| ☐ 8. Explore the Old County Gaol at the National Justice Museum | ☐ 18. Visit the inspiration for Peter Pan's Neverland at The Arboretum |
| ☐ 9. Check out Lord Byron's backyard at Newstead Abbey | ☐ 19. Grab a bite at The Canalhouse with the canal that extends inside the building! |
| ☐ 10. See the unique spires of Southwell Minster and visit the adjoining Archbishop's Palace | ☐ 20. Visit the birthplace of D.H. Lawrence in Eastwood |

Looking for the best things to do in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire?

Here's our guide to **20 authentic and unmissable experiences**, from soaking up the atmosphere at **England's oldest inn** to exploring **Nottingham Castle** and following in Robin Hood's footsteps through Sherwood Forest and beyond.



Explore our full bucket list
with a whopping **50 ideas!**



CULTURE & HERITAGE IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire are alive with culture, shaped by legendary writers, iconic stages, groundbreaking art and a music scene that has made its mark far beyond the county.



LITERATURE

As a UNESCO City of Literature, Nottingham boasts a thriving literary scene with talks, workshops and the annual **Nottingham Poetry Festival**. Home to famous writers like **Lord Byron**, **D.H. Lawrence**, **J.M. Barrie** and **Alan Sillitoe**, the county's historic sites like **Newstead Abbey**, **Bromley House Library** and the **D.H. Lawrence Birthplace Museum** bring our literary heritage to life.

You can pick up a **free City of Literature Trail map** at the **Nottingham Tourism Centre**.

THEATRE

Theatre buffs can enjoy a stellar variety of professional and amateur venues, showcasing everything from major touring shows to independent productions. For West End musicals, **Theatre Royal & Royal Concert Hall** offers an impressive calendar, while **Nottingham Playhouse** brings bold and imaginative productions to the stage. **Nottingham Arts Theatre** and **Lace Market Theatre** showcase local and independent productions, while **Squire Performing Arts Centre** hosts theatre, music, dance and live performances. **Lakeside Arts** presents an eclectic programme for all the family.

Across the county, **Mansfield Palace Theatre**, **Newark Palace Theatre** and **The Retford Majestic Theatre** add to the line-up, with programmes spanning touring productions, comedy, music, family shows and community performances.



Discover more
culture & heritage

LIVE MUSIC & COMEDY

From big names and major gigs at **Motorpoint Arena Nottingham** to intimate jazz nights at **Peggy's Skylight**, Nottingham's vibrant music scene is buzzing with excitement. Comedy fans can enjoy the annual **Nottingham Comedy Festival (NCF)**, bringing a range of established names and brand-new acts to the stage.

LACE MARKET & HOCKLEY

Explore street art and murals in Hockley, known for its 'Rainbow Road' celebrating the LGBTQIA+ community. The area also features **Broadway**, an independent cinema and restaurant with a unique Paul Smith-designed auditorium. Hosting various events through the year, **Sneinton Market** is a cultural hotspot and home to excellent bars and independent shops.

ART GALLERIES

Nottingham's art scene offers the ideal cultural outing. **Nottingham Contemporary**, with its distinctive lace façade, the culturally diverse **New Art Exchange** and **Bonington Gallery** all add to the city's contemporary arts offering with a changing programme of exhibitions and events. Venture outside the city to visit the **Harley Gallery** for contemporary exhibitions ranging from ceramics to photography.



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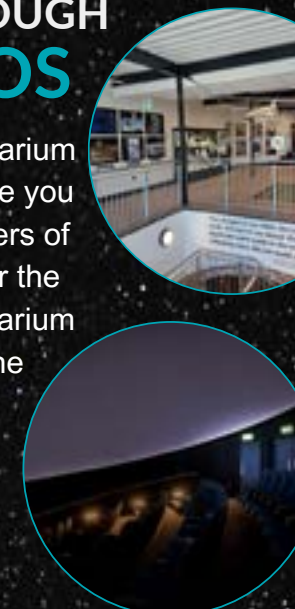


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MUSIC & NIGHTLIFE

FROM THE GRASSROOTS GIGS TO THE BIG STAGES

Nottingham has a musical history that runs deep. From the legendary stages of **Rock City** and **Nottingham Motorpoint Arena** to tiny grassroots venues, warehouse parties and summer concerts in the park, the city has a knack for producing memorable nights and discovering artists before they become household names.

Few venues are as synonymous with Nottingham's music scene as Rock City. Opened in 1980, the iconic venue has welcomed everyone from Nirvana, David Bowie and The Smiths to Arctic Monkeys and Oasis. Its famous stage, intimate atmosphere and reputation for live music have made it a rite of passage for generations of gig-goers. Rock City is part of a wider family of venues that includes **The Bodega** and **Rescue Rooms**, where emerging artists continue to build their audiences.

For a taste of Nottingham's grassroots scene, **Jam Café** on Heathcote Street is a much-loved independent venue, hosting intimate gigs and championing new and local talent. **The Malt Cross**, a beautifully restored Victorian music hall in the heart of the city, is another great place to experience live music in a truly historic setting.

The city also knows how to put on a party. **The Angel Microbrewery**, one of Nottingham's much-loved historic pubs, dates back to the 1700s and has long been a meeting place for musicians and music lovers. Today, **The Chapel** hosts live music throughout the week, with DJs at weekends, alongside local brews and a lively atmosphere. Promoters such as **I'm Not From London** are regular fixtures on Nottingham's grassroots circuit, helping bring new artists and alternative sounds to the city.

For electronic music, **Stealth** remains a city-centre favourite, while a new generation of grassroots spaces such as **Movers** and **Model** are helping keep Nottingham's underground scene fresh. **Unit 13**, **The Level**, **The Cell**, **Groovebox** and **Discos for Grown Ups** all offer their own take on a night out, from house, bass music and techno to disco and electronic sounds.

For more live music and DJs, **Queen of Hockley** keeps the party going with regular DJ sets and late-night sounds. **The Walrus** on King Street brings an underground dive-bar feel with DJs, cocktails and nostalgic tunes spanning the decades. On the edge of Sneinton Market, **Bustler Market** combines street food vendors with DJs and live events. **BOX** brings live bands and even Bandoe to a spectacular 1882 Watson Fothergill building and former bank on Thurland Street.

Summer brings music outdoors, with **Wollaton Hall** and **Deer Park** providing a spectacular backdrop for major events. Down by the water, the Nottingham **Waterfront Festival** brings live music, entertainment and community together, while **Nottingham Carnival** fills the Victoria Embankment next to the River Trent with Caribbean culture, music, dance and more.

Nottingham's festival calendar is just as eclectic. **Green Hustle** combines music, sustainability and community, while **Beat the Streets** brings the city's music industry together for an annual fundraising festival supporting local homeless charities. **Hockley Hustle** takes over venues across the city with an eclectic mix of established and emerging artists, while **Dot To Dot Festival** has become a favourite for discovering the next big thing. **Download Festival** on the border of Nottinghamshire is known worldwide for its Rock music line-up's and atmosphere.

Metronome is a brilliant place to catch live emerging musicians, comedy nights, contemporary sounds and creative events. Then there's **Peggy's Skylight**, Nottingham's answer to Ronnie Scott's, an acclaimed jazz and global music venue bringing intimate performances and an international flavour to the city.

Nottingham is renowned for its creative culture, with events and performances around every corner. You never quite know what you'll discover next.

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GET OUTDOORS

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Thoresby Park

COUNTRY PARKS & GARDENS

Home of the iconic **Major Oak** and miles of woodland trails perfect for walking and wildlife spotting, **RSPB Sherwood Forest** is the perfect place for family adventures with fantastic trails and activities available. **Thoresby Park** covers over 1,000 acres of rich unspoilt English countryside, with a range of facilities and attractions open to the public all year round, including outdoor events, courtyard shops and the acclaimed Gallery.

Wollaton Hall & Deer Park, one of Nottingham's most iconic destinations combines 500 acres of historic parkland with the spectacular Elizabethan Wollaton Hall. Wander through the grounds, spot the resident deer and enjoy sweeping views across the park, with gardens, woodland and walking trails to explore.

Stretching along the River Trent, **Victoria Embankment**, is where riverside calm meets city life. Take in the stunning **Memorial Gardens**, go for a peaceful stroll or run along the gentle flow of the river.



Discover more
outdoor activities

ADVENTURE SPORTS

Discover Nottinghamshire's heritage and culture through outdoor activities. Set in 270 acres of parkland, **Holme Pierrepont Country Park**, home of the **National Water Sports Centre**, is one of the UK's top sporting and outdoors destination. Just ten minutes from the city centre, there is something for everyone from white water-rafting to sky tykes for the little ones.

At **Adventures at Mill Waters** in Sutton-in-Ashfield you will find plenty of action-packed outdoor experiences, with kayaking, activities and challenges for families looking to get active in the countryside.

Our country parks and gardens are always a popular way to explore stately homes and take in a breath of fresh air. Venture out into the countryside and enjoy a wide range of activities from walking and running trails to mountain biking and bushcraft as you uncover the picturesque **Rufford Abbey Country Park** and **Clumber Park**. For a high wire adventure, **Go Ape at Sherwood Pines** is the ultimate experience featuring zip slides, rope bridges, off-road Segway trails and more.



Holme Pierrepont



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Nottingham Panthers

SPECTATOR SPORT

Including the oldest Football League Club in the world and one of the finest International Test Cricket Grounds, Nottinghamshire has a strong sporting pedigree.

We boast **Notts County F.C.**, **Nottingham Forest F.C.** and **Mansfield Town F.C.** for football fans, with a **Brian Clough statue** just off **Old Market Square** to cement our love of the game.

We're also home to **Trent Bridge Cricket Ground** and the **Nottingham Panthers**, East Midlands' only professional ice hockey team. With **Nottingham Rugby**, we've also got a true contact sport on our hands, while **Nottingham Racecourse** and **Southwell Racecourse** are home to horse racing.

Notable events include the **Nottingham Open** each June at the **Nottingham Tennis Centre**, Test Cricket every summer, and the ice hockey season, running from September to April each year.

GET INVOLVED

In these parts, we love to get stuck in. Put your ice-skating skills to the test at the home of Olympic legends **Torvill & Dean** at the **National Ice Centre** or take on an adventure on water and land with all the family at the **National Watersports Centre**. If you're a keen runner or eager to take on a challenge, don't hesitate to join the annual **Robin Hood Half Marathon** or the **Outlaw Triathlon** – another to tick off your bucket list.

The **David Ross Sports Village** at the **University of Nottingham** also hosts major national and international sporting events, from **Touch Rugby** to **Flying Disc**, bringing competitors from across the UK and beyond to the city.

There are plenty more ways to get active too, including paintball, axe throwing, cèilidhs and climbing, while golf, pony trekking, fishing, wild swimming and rowing are also available seasonally.



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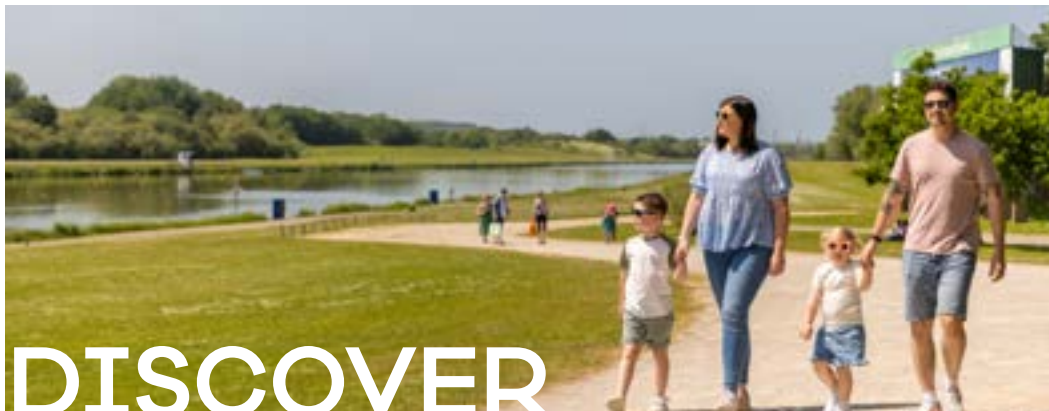


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TRENT BRIDGE



DISCOVER HOLME PIERREPONT COUNTRY PARK

Outdoor adventures, memorable experiences and short breaks, all in one incredible Nottinghamshire destination.

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Home to the **National Water Sports Centre**, the park combines family activities, exciting water sports, peaceful open spaces and a choice of accommodation. Whether you are planning a family day out, short break, birthday celebration, sports camp or group event, there is plenty to discover.

FAMILY ADVENTURES

Enjoy a walk through the Country Park, let younger visitors burn off some energy in the free **Adventure Play Park** or challenge family and friends to a round of **nine-hole mini golf**.

Those looking for a bigger adventure can take on the dual-level **Sky Trail** high-ropes course. Younger visitors can build their confidence on **Sky Tykes**, a mini high-ropes experience just 2ft above the ground, while **Archery Combat** provides an energetic test of teamwork and accuracy.

Activity packages are also available for birthdays, schools, youth groups and celebrations, making it easy to bring everyone together for an active and memorable day.

TAKE TO THE WATER

The water is at the heart of Holme Pierrepont. Beginners, families and groups can enjoy **kayaking** and **paddleboarding** on the calm Lagoon, with equipment available to hire on site.

For something more exhilarating, gather your group and take on the twists, turns and drops of the purpose-built white water course. Led by experienced guides, **white water rafting** combines adrenaline, teamwork and plenty of laughter.

The centre is also home to a 2km **Regatta Lake** and welcomes rowing clubs, athletes and teams for competitions, training camps and residential stays. Its specialist facilities support participants at every level, from developing athletes to elite sports teams.



ADVENTURE, RELAXATION, AND INCREDIBLE SHORT BREAKS



STAY A LITTLE LONGER

Turn your visit into a Nottinghamshire short break at the park's **19-acre campsite**. Choose from traditional camping and touring pitches or cosy, insulated camping pods, surrounded by parkland with activities right on your doorstep.



The pet-friendly campsite includes modern shower and toilet facilities, a campsite shop and convenient access to Nottingham and the wider East Midlands.

READY, SET, PADEL

Take to the brand-new courts beside the lake at **Barrio Padel**. Delivered in partnership with Barrio Padel, the facility welcomes experienced players and complete beginners. **Book a court via padelmates.se**, pick up a racket here and get ready to play.



MEET, CELEBRATE AND CONNECT
Holme Pierrepont offers flexible **meeting rooms**, **conference facilities** and **event spaces** for **corporate events**, training sessions, teambuilding days, sporting events and outdoor celebrations. With catering, accommodation, activities and extensive grounds available in one location, it offers much more than a traditional meeting or event venue.

KEEP ACTIVE AND UNWIND

The park is also home to a friendly, fully equipped gym, with inspiring views, fitness classes and membership options for the local community and day passes for visitors.

Delegates attending residential sports camps or conferences can also use the gym as part of their stay. After an active day, unwind at **Saunahood**, an outdoor wellness experience combining a traditional wood-fired sauna with invigorating cold-plunge baths.

PLAN YOUR VISIT

Check availability, explore the full range of experiences and book at: nwscnotts.com





TOURS & TRAILS

From exploring underground caves and gorgeous green spaces to the legend of Robin Hood and Nottingham's haunted past, discover our unique history and heritage on foot.

TOUR GUIDES

What better way to learn about our beautiful city and county than from experts and colourful characters with the local knowledge and historical expertise. Nottingham offers some of the most atmospheric and remarkable guided tours, each revealing a different layer of the city's past and present. Walk in the footsteps of **Robin Hood**, as **Ezekial Bone** brings the legend to life with the **Robin Hood Town Tour**. Set against the backdrop of the city, this fun, theatrical exploration of our favourite outlaw takes you along key sites and cultural gems as you uncover the ancient legend.

Explore the city's hotspots for paranormal experiences with the **Original Nottingham Ghost Walk**. This storytelling tour around the Castle Quarter will have you entranced with rich tales of Nottingham's haunted history. From the **Cursed Galleon of Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem** to the disturbing tale of the Human Pin Cushion, this guided tour is full of ghoulish goings on.

Discover the city's remarkable caves and embark on a journey that takes you through a labyrinthine network of man-made caves. Immerse yourself in the winding passageways of the underground world at the **City of Caves** or head to **Nottingham Castle** to explore its famous caves, including **Mortimer's Hole**, carved into the very foundations of the medieval castle.

For even more ways to explore, discover guided experiences from **Good Tours**, **Top Tours Global**, **Treasure Hunt Nottingham**, **Walking Tours in Nottingham**, **Ye Olde England Tours** and **Watson Fothergill Walk**, each offering a different way to uncover the stories across the region.

At the **National Justice Museum**, explore centuries of crime and punishment on a self-guided visit or join a character-led tour that brings the historic courtroom, prison and stories of justice to life.



Discover more
tours and trails

TRAILS

March to your own drum and explore Nottinghamshire's nature, heritage and stunning landscapes on foot. Explore a variety of walking trails which will take you around some of the unmissable destinations during your visit. Get to know the ins and outs of **Sherwood Forest**, home of the **Major Oak**, and wander through its magical woodland using its various walks and trails.

While the **Attenborough Nature Reserve Circular Trail** offers peaceful waterside strolls, rich with wildlife and sweeping views, **Clumber Park's** circular trail takes you along the stretches of the lake, stunning wooded areas and open views of the striking parkland.

Wander past lakes, ponds and waterfalls as you explore the grounds of Lord Byron's ancestral home with the **Newstead Abbey Ground & Parkland Walk**. Stroll among the roaming deer at **Wollaton Park** and follow the path as it takes you along tree-lined avenues, the lake and the grand hall.

Discover the **Welbeck Estate** walking trails that lead you through fantastic scenery and take you to excellent attractions, like **Creswell Crags**, along the way. Here, the trail leads you through a striking limestone gorge and ancient caves.

You can pick up a **Nottingham City Trail Map** from the **Nottingham Tourism Centre** for just 50p!



Robin Hood Town Tour



STREET ART IN NOTTINGHAM

Nottingham's street art scene turns the city into an ever-changing open-air gallery, with colourful murals and creative works appearing across the city centre and beyond.

A good place to start is at Bridlesmith Gate, where murals by artists including **Laura Decorum** and **Dilk** bring colour to the historic street, before stepping into Bridlesmith Walk to discover work by Nottingham artist **Anna Wheelhouse**.

Nearby, local illustrator and artist **Emily Catherine** has also made her mark, with a mural celebrating **Nottingham's Purple Flag status** and its safe night-time economy.

Continue towards Fletcher Gate and the Lace Market to find **Rubes'** huge lace-inspired mural, celebrating Nottingham's famous lace heritage, and **Kid30's** striking blue-and-yellow bird on High Pavement. Hockley and Broad Street are also at the heart of the city's creative scene, with large-scale murals, painted shutters and smaller pieces waiting to be discovered.

Much of the city's newest street art has been created through **Art Fest Nottingham**, which brings local, national and international artists together to transform walls across Nottingham.



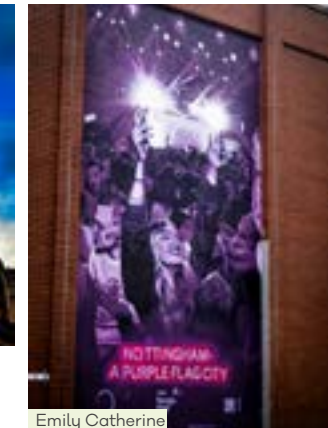
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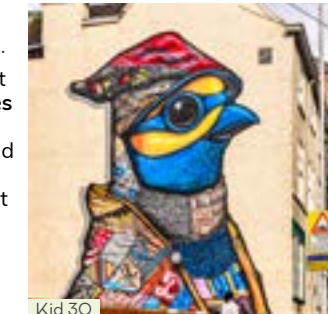
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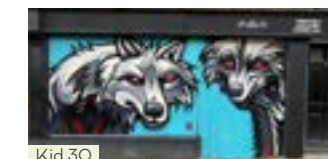
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INDEPENDENT & LUXURY SHOPPING

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire offer delightful shopping experiences, blending unique independent boutiques with luxury brands, catering to a variety of tastes and preferences. Whether you're a fashion enthusiast or a lover of unique finds, Notts promises a true retail adventure.

Nottinghamshire is a great place to shop, with a mix of independent stores, specialist retailers, local makers and well-known brands. From finding a unique gift to picking up something for yourself, there's plenty to discover beyond the high street.

In Nottingham city centre, start at **Debbie Bryan** for beautiful gifts, crafts and locally inspired products, or visit **The Bead Shop**, where you'll find an extensive range of beads and jewellery-making supplies. Book lovers can spend time browsing the shelves at **Bookwise**, while **The Worm that Turned** is packed with unique gifts, toys and nostalgic finds.

For something more specialist, **Gauntleys** of Nottingham is a long-established independent tobacconist, opened in 1880 and known for its extensive selection of cigars, pipes, fine whiskies and spirits.

Of course, shopping can work up an appetite. Treat yourself to a handmade doughnut from **Doughnotts**, browse the shelves at **Deililah's Deli** for quality food and drink, before stopping by its fantastic café.

If you're after a bigger shopping trip, **Victoria Centre** is your one stop shop in the city. **Frasers Plus Designer Outlet East Midlands** in the county, brings together designer and high-street brands, all under one roof and at outlet prices.

Just off **Old Market Square**, discover iconic British fashion at **Vivienne Westwood** in **Flying Horse Walk**, a historic shopping arcade also home to **Inspired**, a gallery and shop showcasing work from artists and designers, and **The Cheese Shop**, packed with artisan cheeses and accompaniments.

Nottingham is also home to some big names with independent roots and plenty of character. Browse designer fashion at **Paul Smith**, whose first shop opened in the city in the 1970s or discover contemporary menswear from Nottingham-born **Universal Works** in Hockley. Dig through new releases and vinyl at nearby **Rough Trade**, hunt for vintage finds at **Glass Onion** on Bridlesmith Gate, or discover the colourful clothing and signature dungarees of **Lucy & Yak**.

For even more independent finds, head to **Sneinton Market Avenues**, Nottingham's answer to Camden, where former market units are now home to an eclectic community of independent traders, makers, breweries and creatives.

From independent gems in the city to outlet shopping further afield, Nottinghamshire offers plenty of opportunities to shop local, find something different and take home a little piece of the county.



The Worm That Turned

Discover more great places for shopping



TOURISM CENTRE SOUVENIRS & GIFTS

The award-winning **Nottingham Tourism Centre** is located in the heart of our city just off **Old Market Square**. The shop is packed with souvenirs and keepsakes, giving you the opportunity to take a little part of Robin Hood home with you.



AY UP DUCKS

Ey up, me duck! Purchase a duck to remember your visit to Nottingham.

SWORD & BOW AND ARROWS

Defend Nottingham with your own wooden sword or bow and arrow set. Perfect for kids to become Robin Hood!

ROBIN HOOD HATS

Complete your Robin Hood set with a hat! Pair it with a tunic, sword, bow and arrow.

MUGS

Enjoy your brew with Nottingham-themed mugs including the Robin Hood statue and 'Ay up Duck'.

COASTERS

Pair your mug with a matching coaster.

PRINTS

Take home a piece of Nottingham with prints featuring Robin Hood, Brian Clough, and other iconic Nottingham images.

GREETINGS CARDS

Send your best wishes with Nottingham-themed greetings cards featuring Robin Hood, Nottingham Castle, and more.

POSTCARDS

Share Nottingham with friends and family through our range of postcards.

NOTTINGHAM LACE

Take home a piece of Nottingham lace. Available as napkins, hankies, dinner mats, and coasters.

NOTTINGHAM CALENDAR

Plan your year with Nottingham & Nottinghamshire as your perfect backdrop.

NOTTINGHAM COOKBOOK

Bring Nottingham's culinary delights home with the Nottingham cookbook.

TOTE BAGS

Jazz up your shopping with Nottingham tote bags in various designs and colours.





TASTE OF NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

From Michelin-starred dining and creative small plates to international flavours and award-winning classics, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire have a food scene to suit every occasion. Whether you're looking for a special night out or somewhere relaxed to eat after a day of exploring, there's plenty to tickle your fancy.

IN THE CITY CENTRE

For an unforgettable dining experience, Restaurant **Sat Bains** is a destination in its own right. Located just outside the city centre, this two-Michelin-star restaurant showcases creative fine dining through its multi-course tasting menus. In the city, **Cleaver & Wake** offers contemporary fine dining in a stylish waterside setting at The Island Quarter, while **Bramleys at The Orchard Hotel** serves modern dishes in the contemporary surroundings of the University of Nottingham campus.

In the city, discover Spanish-inspired sharing plates at **Iberico World Tapas** or **Bar Iberico**, while **Taquero** brings Mexican flavours to the table. For the flavours of Bangkok, **Zaap Thai Street Food** serves colourful Thai street food in a lively setting. Head to Hockley for Vietnamese cuisine at **Pho**, or try **Mesa**, known for its bold small plates and fusion flavours. For French-inspired dining, **Bistrot Pierre** offers classic dishes.

Nottingham is also renowned for its Indian food. Head to the city's own 'Curry Mile' along Maid Marian Way, where favourites **Calcutta Club** and **MemSaab** serve authentic Indian cuisine, or discover the flavours of Kerala at **Kayal**. Close to Motorpoint Arena, **Anoki** also offers another option for an elegant fine dining experience.

For something a little different, **Mowgli** serves Indian street food in a tapas-style format, perfect for sharing. **The Alchemist** adds a touch of chemistry and theatre to the experience, with imaginative dishes and cocktails served with plenty of flair.



Discover more
great places to eat out

Fothergills, opposite Nottingham Castle, is another great choice, with seasonal food, local drinks and a terrace overlooking the castle and Robin Hood statue. For relaxed all-day dining, **Cosy Club Nottingham** combines grand, characterful interiors with a varied menu spanning brunch, small plates, comfort food and cocktails.

ACROSS NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Venture beyond the city for dining experiences in some of the county's most attractive settings. **Tom Browns**, beside the River Trent in Gunthorpe, combines food and drinks with regular live entertainment.

At **Langar Hall Restaurant**, locally sourced ingredients and seasonal cooking take centre stage in an elegant country-house fine dining setting in the Vale of Belvoir.

Hemisphere in West Bridgford, a Gold Award winner at the Nottinghamshire Tourism Awards, brings modern European, Asian and Australasian influences to its small-plate menus, while **Hickory's Smokehouse** in Nuthall offers an authentic taste of all things smokin', inspired by the very best pitmasters from America's Southern States.

From Michelin-star tasting menus to creative small plates, street food, international flavours and local favourites, Nottinghamshire is a destination worth exploring one plate at a time.



COSYCLUB



Discover Cosy Club Nottingham, set within the beautifully restored former Reform Club on Victoria Street.

Blending historic grandeur with modern flair, Cosy Club is the perfect spot for breakfast, brunch, lunch or dinner. Get together for a family brunch, bottomless bubbles, expertly crafted cocktails, or just unwind in a cosy corner.

Visiting for a celebration? Cosy Club offers private dining and event spaces tailored to every occasion.

Whether you're exploring the city or planning a special get-together, Cosy Club Nottingham delivers unforgettable hospitality.

Cosy Club

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PANDA MAMI

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Discover a world of flavours at Panda Mami Nottingham, a vibrant city-centre buffet serving a wide selection of dishes inspired by cuisines from around the globe. From Asian favourites and freshly prepared dishes to classic comfort food and indulgent desserts, there's plenty to explore. Its relaxed atmosphere and extensive choice make it ideal for families, friends and groups.



THE MALT CROSS

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Step into history at the Malt Cross, a stunning Victorian music hall in the heart of Nottingham.

Perfect for laid-back drinks or vibrant live entertainment, enjoy fresh seasonal dishes, sip your way through an extensive selection of craft beers and real ales, featuring 22 on draught, and relax as you enjoy the seasons under the beautiful glass dome.



BARs, CAFÉS AND TEAROOMS

From elegant afternoon teas and vintage tearooms to independent cafés, lively bars and countryside coffee stops, Nottinghamshire has plenty of places to pause, relax and enjoy something delicious.



CAFÉS & TEAROOMS

In Nottingham city centre, discover the charming **Josephine's Tea Lounge & Bistro**, with its elegant vintage surroundings and convenient location, making it a great choice for a pre-theatre treat. For afternoon tea, homemade cakes and speciality teas, **White Rabbit Teahouse** offers a cosy vintage setting perfect for catch-ups and celebrations.

For a sweet treat, head to **The Pudding Pantry**, known for indulgent brunches, pancakes and cakes, or discover the chocolate-inspired treats at **Carlton House Chocolate Orange Tearooms**. For a hearty breakfast, **Warsaw Diner** serves up American-style pancakes and classic breakfast favourites, while cycle-inspired **Spokes Café** at Jubilee Campus is a great spot for coffee and a bite to eat. **Corner Café Bar** at **New Art Exchange** is another relaxed choice for catch-ups with a bespoke vegan menu.

Beyond the city, **Homemade** and **Mulberry Tree** offer welcoming café settings for coffee, cake and lunch. For a taste of the countryside, **Thaymar Farm Shop and Tea Room** combines traditional treats with a browse around the farm shop.



Discover more
cafés, tearooms
and bars

BARs

When evening comes, Nottingham's café culture gives way to a lively and varied bar scene. **Revolución de Cuba** brings Cuban-inspired cocktails, food and Latin atmosphere to the city centre, while **The Barley Twist**, set across two floors of a former sweetshop on Carrington Street, specialises in local craft beers, natural wines and artisan bottles.

For something more playful, head underground at **The Walrus**, a neon-lit dive bar with cocktails. **Penny Lane** takes inspiration from classic British seaside arcades, combining nostalgic games such as air hockey, skee ball and donkey derby with cocktails and casual food.

On Broad Street, **The Queen of Hockley** brings together cocktails, music and late-night atmosphere across a lively multi-level venue in the heart of the city's creative quarter. Further afield, **The Beeston Social** combines a bar, kitchen and retro arcade in a colourful space inspired by its local community.

BOX Nottingham combines live sport with food and drinks, and **Yarn** offers craft beer beside the **Theatre Royal & Royal Concert Hall**. For late-night atmosphere, **The Hockley Arts Club** and **Das Kino** add even more variety to Nottingham's eclectic bar scene.

Whether it's coffee and cake, afternoon tea, cocktails or a local craft beer, Nottinghamshire has plenty of places to sit back and relax.



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PUBS, BREWERIES, BEER GARDENS & DISTILLERIES

Welcome to a place where pubs, breweries and beer gardens bring together heritage, craftsmanship and community. Nottinghamshire's beer scene has deep roots, from historic inns and cave cellars to independent breweries creating some of the region's finest ales.

PUBS AND BREWERIES

Thanks to Nottingham's unique network of caves, which were historically used to store and mature ale, Nottinghamshire was once famed throughout the land for its brewing tradition. Today, that heritage lives on through a thriving independent beer scene, with breweries ranging from long-established names to a new generation of craft producers.

Blue Monkey, **Castle Rock** and **Lincoln Green** continue Nottinghamshire's brewing tradition. Castle Rock Brewery also operates a collection of much-loved pubs, including **The Embankment**, housed in the former offices and dispensary of Jesse Boot, founder of **Boots**. The building's history adds another layer of character to this popular riverside pub, combining Nottingham's industrial and pharmaceutical heritage with an excellent selection of Nottingham-brewed ales.

For all things craft ale, **Liquid Light Brewery** and **Neon Raptor** are two of Nottingham's standout independent breweries, both located around the **Sneinton Market** area, making the area a great destination for discovering the city's contemporary beer scene.

In Basford, **Black Iris Brewery** occupies a site beside the former **Shipstone's Brewery**, connecting Nottingham's historic brewing story with its modern craft beer movement. Local favourite, **The Lion**, sits next door, making it easy to pair a brewery visit with a traditional pub.

The **Hand & Heart**, built directly into Nottingham's historic cave system, offers the chance to enjoy a drink or a bite to eat surrounded by the city's subterranean heritage. For a relaxed drink, **The Kilpin**, **The Barrel Drop**, **The Kean's Head** and **The Dragon** are also firm favourites for beer lovers, each offering a distinctive atmosphere and a strong selection of beers.

VISITOR FAVOURITES

Nottingham's historic pubs are an essential part of the city's drinking heritage. **Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem** and **The Bell Inn** both lay claim to being England's oldest inn, while **The Malt Cross** combines a fascinating Victorian music hall with a lively city-centre setting. **Ye Olde Salutation Inn**, another of Nottingham's historic pubs, is also well worth a visit.

If you're looking for somewhere to eat, drink and be merry, **The Cross Keys** in the historic Lace Market is a great place to start. Outside the city, **The Robin Hood and Little John** dates back to 1726, when it was a coaching inn where travellers could rest their horses before the long climb over nearby Red Hill.

For a countryside pub experience, **The Anchor** in Gunthorpe is worth incorporating into an itinerary exploring the county. With a tempting menu, it's an ideal place to stop for a meal as well as a drink.

Check out our beer festival dates in our **What's On** guide on page 44-45.



The Canalhouse

BEER GARDENS

When the sun comes out, Nottinghamshire's pubs come into their own. **Sir John Borlase Warren** has a city-centre rooftop terrace garden, making it a popular spot for enjoying a drink outdoors.

The Magic Garden is surrounded by a lush, quirky garden and offers a tempting cocktail menu, while **Binks Yard** provides a spacious outdoor terrace with a brilliant events calendar in the heart of the city.

The Organ Grinder, a Blue Monkey Brewery pub, combines fine ales with a small rooftop garden and classic pub snacks such as pork pies and Scotch eggs.

The Canalhouse is famed for the canal that runs inside the building, with its beer garden occupying part of the old canal docks. Meanwhile, **The Lincolnshire Poacher** offers a traditional pub setting, a range of ales and whiskies, cosy booths and regular outdoor food events.

DISTILLERIES

Based on the historic **Welbeck Estate**, on the edge of Sherwood Forest, **DropWorks Rum Distillery** is Europe's largest rum distillery and home to a new generation of British rum. Every drop is made from scratch on site, using bespoke copper stills, carefully selected ingredients and innovative distilling techniques. Visitors can go behind the scenes on a distillery tour, learn about the journey from fermentation to bottle and discover the different styles and flavours of DropWorks rum through a guided tasting.

From centuries-old inns and pubs built into caves to independent breweries, craft beer bars, historic buildings and inviting beer gardens, Nottinghamshire offers plenty of ways to discover its brewing heritage and raise a glass to its vibrant and modern beer scene.

Discover more
great spots to enjoy a
cold one



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📍 HAMBLETON BAKERY

LOCAL PRODUCE & VINEYARDS

Nottinghamshire's culinary scene is rich with locally produced food and drink. Boutique cafés, restaurants, farm shops, and markets also highlight fresh and local ingredients.



Wolds Wine Estate

FARM SHOPS & DELIS

Welbeck Farm Shop and **Thaymar Farm Shop** offer a variety of local produce. Thaymar is known for its ready meals and its ice creams, while **Hambleton Bakery** is famed for its tasty artisan breads, delicious savouries, cakes and desserts.

ICE CREAM

Thaymar Ice Cream & Tea Room boasts over 35 flavours, including award-winning Elderflower and Gooseberry ice cream. **Mulberry Tree Café** offers homemade ice creams, including Bluebells ice cream, made on a local farm using fresh cow's milk.

ARTISAN CHEESE

Nottinghamshire is famous for Stilton cheese, which has Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) status, ensuring it is made with traditional methods and local milk. When it comes to grilled cheese, **BIG Melt** is not to be missed, offering sandwiches made with authentic artisan sourdough bread and an exclusive blend of cheeses.



Discover more amazing local produce

WINE & SPIRITS

DropWorks Rum Distillery, the largest rum distillery in Europe, produces modern British rum using bespoke ingredients and innovative distilling techniques. (See page 31)

Set amongst the rolling countryside of south Nottinghamshire, **Hanwell Wine Estate** is a family-run vineyard where grapes are hand-tended for English wine. Visitors can explore the vines on guided tours and tastings, sample locally produced wines or follow a self-guided vineyard trail. The estate also has a Café Bar and Shop, alongside a programme of events and creative workshops.

At **Wolds Wine Estate** in Stanton-on-the-Wolds, more than 4,000 vines produce small-batch natural wines, alongside an orchard used to make the estate's craft ciders. Guided tours take visitors through the vineyard and orchard, with tastings and an introduction to English viticulture and cider making. You can also enjoy locally sourced food overlooking the vines at the **Vineyard Café** or extend your visit with a stay in one of the estate's luxury glamping pods.



Welbeck Farm Shop



DISCOVER WELBECK

One of Nottinghamshire's Great Historic Country Estates

Welbeck is one of the great historic country estates, covering 15,000 acres across Sherwood Forest, Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. Home to Welbeck Abbey, the former seat of the Dukes of Portland, the estate today combines culture, food, heritage and countryside, offering visitors the perfect day out or relaxing short break.



Jules Lister

At its cultural heart is **The Harley Gallery**, where exhibitions by leading contemporary artists and makers change throughout the year. Families can also enjoy creative activities inspired by the current exhibitions.

The Portland Collection Museum showcases a world-class collection built by the Dukes of Portland and their families over more than 400 years. Visitors can discover extraordinary works of art and historic treasures, from ancient Roman gems to the pearl earring Charles I wore at his beheading, alongside works by artists including **Van Dyck, Michelangelo** and **Sir Thomas Lawrence**.

Food lovers can browse the award-winning **Welbeck Farm Shop**, renowned for its exceptional local produce, including fruit and vegetables grown in the estate's **Walled Kitchen Garden**. The shop also showcases the popular Made at Welbeck range, featuring estate-made bread, cheese, raw milk, beer, gin and rum. Afterwards, relax over breakfast, lunch or homemade cake in the welcoming **Harley Café**.

Beyond the courtyard, miles of picturesque **walks** invite visitors to explore the estate's beautiful landscape, while dog owners can pre-book exclusive access to the secure **Welbeck Dog Park**.

For a deeper insight into life on the estate, a range of bookable experiences includes tours of the **Walled Kitchen Garden**, **Welbeck Abbey Brewery**, occasional **exclusive tours of Welbeck Abbey**, and behind-the-scenes tours and tastings at the award-winning **DropWorks Rum Distillery**.

For those keen to learn new skills, the internationally acclaimed **School of Artisan Food** offers hands-on courses in breadmaking, baking, cheesemaking and more.

Why not stay longer? Choose from **nine holiday cottages**, including dog-friendly and hot tub options, or enjoy five-star luxury at **Cuckney House**, an elegant manor house sleeping up to **40 guests**.

Whether you're seeking culture, countryside, food or adventure, Welbeck offers memorable experiences you'll want to return to again and again.

Plan your visit at www.welbeck.co.uk.





IBIS NOTTINGHAM

CITY STAYS

Here in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire we have some great places to stay with self-catering available, giving you the freedom and flexibility to eat when you like and enjoy your stay at your own pace.



Colwick Hall

If you're looking for the perfect blend of culture, comfort and character, a city break in Nottingham is the perfect choice. From boutique charm and historic elegance to modern convenience or self-catering stays, Nottingham's hotel scene has something for every traveller.

For a convenient city-centre stay, **Ibis Nottingham Centre** and **Garner Nottingham City Centre Hotel** keep you close to the action, while **Leonardo Hotel Nottingham** is ideally located close to Nottingham Station. All offer easy access to the city's attractions, shops, restaurants and nightlife easily traversed by our eco friendly tram network.

If a stay at one of Nottingham's boutique hotels is more to your taste, there are plenty of distinctive options. Enjoy views of **Nottingham Castle** at **Four Points Flex by Sheraton Nottingham**, or stay and dine at **Hart's Hotel & Kitchen**, known for its stylish surroundings and expertly prepared food. A little further afield, indulge in an afternoon tea at **Colwick Hall's Byron's Brasserie**, set within the historic country house and grounds.



Discover more
city stays

There's plenty more choice when it comes to finding your Nottingham base. **Park Plaza Nottingham** offers spacious rooms and an 11th-floor fitness suite, while **Hilton Nottingham** combines the character of its Victorian building with an indoor pool and sauna. **Crowne Plaza Nottingham** invites guests to unwind at its **Urban Escape** spa and pool, and **Nottingham City Centre Hotel by Sunday** places you among the distinctive streets of Hockley and the historic Lace Market.

Shape your stay exactly the way you want at the self-catering **Castle House**. This grand Georgian townhouse offers spacious, luxurious interiors in the heart of the city, with a terrace overlooking **Nottingham Castle**.

Just beyond the heart of the city, **Mercure Nottingham Sherwood Hotel**, **Jubilee Hotel** and the eco-friendly **Orchard Hotel** offer stylish contemporary stays, with excellent connections making it easy to explore Nottingham and its many attractions.



The Orchard Hotel



CASTLE HOUSE

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Castle House is a luxurious six-bedroom self-catering townhouse in Nottingham's historic Castle Quarter, offering stylish interiors, a private rooftop terrace and hot tub overlooking Nottingham Castle.



LEONARDO HOTEL

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Located in the city centre, Leonardo Hotel combines stylish decor with unbeatable convenience - just a five-minute walk from the train station and 12 miles from East Midlands Airport.



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COUNTRYSIDE RETREATS & HIDDEN GEMS



Gardener's Cottage

ESCAPE TO THE COUNTRYSIDE
Stay in the **Gardener's Cottage** at **Newstead Abbey** and you'll be walking in the footsteps of romantic poet, Lord Byron and enjoying the same stunning park vistas and surrounding countryside that truly inspired him.

Nestled within **Sherwood Forest**, on the historic **Welbeck Estate**, the 18th-century country manor of **Cuckney House** offers self-catering accommodation with grandeur. Set in a secluded woodland, on the outskirts of the charming village of Cuckney, it's the perfect place to explore the Nottinghamshire countryside and seek out all the Welbeck Estate has to offer, including the farm shop, garden tours and more.

You can also stay in a renovated former Methodist Chapel at the **Old Chapel Apartments** in Edwinstowe, near Sherwood Forest. These self-catered apartments are beautifully appointed and furnished in a luxurious modern style - perfect for couples looking for a little space or families and friends holidaying together. For a cosy feel, the **Ropemaker's Cottage** offers a beautiful hideaway in a village setting, while **Riverside Rest** is the perfect base for families to experience the best of the Sherwood Forest area.



Discover more
countryside retreats

HIDDEN GEMS

Tucked away in the peaceful and picturesque village of Lamley, **Dickman's Cottage** offers a charming countryside retreat. The self-catering cottage, built in the late 18th-century, seamlessly blends modern-day-comforts with historical charm.

Located in The Dukeries and Sherwood Forest district, **Browns of Holbeck** provides adult-only accommodation with their boutique Bed and Breakfast. Discover the nearby **Creswell Crag**, a stunning limestone gorge with a history dating back 60,000 years, and explore the countryside along quiet country lanes.

Flo's Cottage is a 19th-century agricultural estate workers' cottage, with many of its original features remaining, creating a relaxing atmosphere in a charming rural setting. Situated in the small riverside hamlet of Averham, market towns like Newark-on-Trent and Southwell, where you'll also find the welcoming self-catering **Southwell Holiday Cottage**, and tourist hotspots like Sherwood Forest and Nottingham city centre are just a few miles away.



Browns of Holbeck



WOODBOROUGH HALL

Just 15 minutes from Nottingham city centre, the award-winning Woodborough Hall offers a peaceful countryside escape set within four acres of beautiful gardens.

The Hall provides an elegant setting to celebrate, dine and spend time with family and friends. With stylish, comfortable rooms, it is the perfect choice for a relaxing stay, business trips or special occasions.

Renowned for its excellent food and warm professional service, Woodborough Hall has received awards and recognition from the AA, Visit Nottinghamshire and TripAdvisor.

For quality accommodation, delicious dining and a memorable experience in beautiful surroundings, Woodborough Hall is well worth a visit.

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VILLAGE
HOLIDAYS

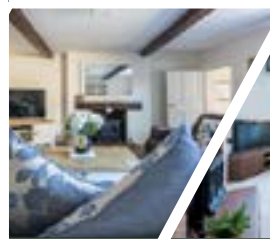
**STUNNING
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IN THE HEART OF
SHERWOOD FOREST

Luxury self-catering holiday homes in beautiful village locations - the perfect base for a relaxing break or adventure



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CAMPING, FARM STAYS AND HOLIDAY PARKS



SHERWOOD PINES

Whether you're pitching up at a peaceful caravan site, settling into a cosy camping spot, unwinding on a welcoming farm retreat or treating yourself to a stylish glamping stay, our vibrant region offers a blend of rural charm and modern comfort.

CAMPSITES

Nottinghamshire offers a fantastic mix of camping and caravan spots, from forest hideaways to lakeside retreats.

Sherwood Pines Campsite and **Sherwood Forest Holiday Park** immerse you right in the county's legendary woodlands, while **Holme Pierrepont Country Park** and **Walesby Forest** put adventure and outdoor activities right on your doorstep. Peaceful rural escapes like **Waleswood Camping and Caravanning Park**, **Milestone**, **New Hall Farm**, and **Smeaton's Lakes** offer tranquil settings and wide-open countryside, ideal for fishing, walking and cycling.

GLAMPING

Family and deluxe **Bothy Pods** and **Geodomes** at **Sherwood Pines** provide a perfect retreat for you to base yourselves in the heart of Sherwood Forest. For a peaceful countryside escape, **Southwell Retreats Glamping Pods** offer a relaxing base near the historic market town of Southwell. With **Holme Pierrepont's** cosy camping pods or deluxe camping pods you can explore the stunning parkland and its wide range of activities, all while having your home comforts within reach.

Wolds Wine Estate is a unique location for a glamping getaway, overlooking its vineyard set in 11 acres of peaceful Nottinghamshire Wolds countryside.



Discover more
camping, glamping
& farm stays

FARM STAYS/COTTAGES

For those seeking the charm of cosy cottages and a true rural escape, a farm stay in the countryside could be the ideal holiday.

The converted Victorian barns at **Glebe Farm Cottages** are the ideal place to relax and enjoy peaceful riverside walks. Popular for its tranquillity and relaxing atmosphere, **Orchard Hill Farm** and **Rose and Sweet Briar Cottages** offer a charming self-catering getaway, with stunning countryside views. For a little more luxury, **Dunstall Lodge Farm** offers well-equipped and beautifully renovated barns on a family-run livestock farm.

HOLIDAY PARKS

If you're looking to combine the magic of nature with the adventure of thrilling rides and attractions, enjoy an action-packed stay at **Wild Acre Village**, **Sundown Adventureland** or at **Twinlakes** in one of their luxury glamping Pods.

For a woodland escape, **Forest Holidays** at Sherwood Forest offers cabins among the trees, with hot tubs and forest trails right on the doorstep.



Sherwood Forest Holiday Park



CYCLING IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

From traffic-free trails through Sherwood Forest to riverside rides, canals and quiet country lanes, Nottinghamshire is a brilliant county to explore on two wheels. More than **650 miles of countryside and urban cycle routes** criss-cross the county, including National Cycle Network Routes 6, 15 and 64.



First Hand Photography

HIRE A BIKE

Don't have your own bike? **Lime e-bikes** are available to hire across Nottingham, making it easy to explore the city and join routes along the **River Trent**. Simply find a bike using the Lime app, unlock it and start riding. In the county bike hire is also available at **Thoresby Park**, **Sherwood Pines** and **Clumber Park**.

NOTTINGHAM TO TRENT LOCK

For a scenic ride from the city, head towards **Trent Bridge** and **Victoria Embankment** and follow the River Trent west. The route takes you towards **Beeston Lock and Weir**, before continuing past **Attenborough Nature Reserve** and alongside the river towards **Trent Lock**. Stop here for a well-earned bite to eat or drink beside the water before heading back.

SHERWOOD PINES

A perfect destination for mountain biking, **Sherwood Pines** offers trails for different abilities. Newer riders can build confidence on the **2km green-graded Pedal and Play** trail before progressing to the **6km blue-graded Robin Hood Adventure Trail**. More experienced riders can test their abilities on the **Skills Loop** and **Bike Park**, with further challenges for developing off-road riding.

THE DUKERIES CYCLE TRAIL

Explore north Nottinghamshire on the **32-mile Dukeries Cycle Trail**, travelling through the historic estates and landscapes of **Clumber**, **Welbeck** and **Thoresby**, with opportunities to connect with **Sherwood Forest** along the way.

NOTTINGHAM TO WORKSOP

For a longer adventure, follow **National Cycle Network Route 6** from Nottingham towards Worksop. The route travels for around **40 miles** through the county, linking Nottingham with **Newstead Abbey**, **Sherwood Forest** and **Clumber Park** through a mixture of towns, villages, canalsides and off-road trails.

Nearby trails continue towards **Pleasley Vale**, **Kings Mill Reservoir**, **Mansfield** and **Rainworth**, opening up plenty of possibilities for creating longer rides.

NEWARK TO COTHAM

For something gentler, the **5-mile Newark to Cotham Cycle Route** follows part of a converted former railway line. Its relatively flat terrain makes it an accessible ride, with historic Newark-on-Trent providing a great place to explore before or after your journey.

THE LOOP: A NEW EAST MIDLANDS ADVENTURE

For a bigger adventure, The Loop is a **150-mile active travel route** connecting cities, towns, waterways and countryside across the East Midlands. Following existing public paths, waterways and trails, it provides plenty of opportunities to explore Nottinghamshire by bike.

Within Nottinghamshire, The Loop connects destinations including **Creswell Crags**, **Welbeck**, **Clumber Park**, **High Marnham**, **Besthorpe Nature Reserve**, **Holme**, **Kelham**, **Fiskerton**, **Hoveringham**, **East Bridgford**, **Radcliffe-on-Trent**, **West Bridgford**, **Nottingham** and **Attenborough Nature Reserve**, before following the Trent towards **Trent Lock**.

The route brings together some of the county's best landscapes, attractions and communities, making it a great option for anything from a shorter day ride to a much longer cycling adventure.



EDEN HALL SPA

SPAS & WELLBEING

RELAX & UNWIND

Whether you're looking for a full day of pampering, a countryside escape or a more holistic approach to wellbeing, Nottinghamshire has plenty of ways to slow down, switch off and recharge.



Aqua Sana - Centre Parcs

For a luxurious spa day, **Eden Hall Spa** is set within a Grade II listed mansion surrounded by beautiful gardens. Spend the day moving between the indoor pool, sauna, steam room, hot tubs and outdoor Spa Garden, with treatments, seasonal dining and plenty of space to relax.

At **Center Parcs** Sherwood Forest, **Aqua Sana Forest Spa** offers a relaxing escape among the trees. Discover a collection of spa experiences, pools, saunas, steam rooms and relaxation spaces inspired by nature, with a wide choice of treatments to complete your visit.

If you'd rather stay in the city, **Urban Escape** provides a convenient urban retreat at **Crowne Plaza Nottingham**. With an indoor pool, sauna, jacuzzi and treatments, it's an easy way to fit some relaxation into a city break.



Discover more
spas & wellbeing

For something more holistic, **Natural Vibes Wellbeing** in Beeston offers Reiki, Himalayan salt spa sessions and wellbeing experiences designed to help you relax, restore balance and recharge.

For a spa break surrounded by parkland, **Thoresby Hall Hotel Spa** is another tempting choice, combining historic surroundings with leisure and spa facilities. Enjoy the extensive grounds covering over 1,000 acres, with a range of facilities and attractions and step away from the hustle and bustle of city life.

From luxurious spa days to peaceful holistic experiences, make time for yourself in Nottinghamshire.



Eden Hall Spa



Laura Jayne

NORWOOD PARK

SOUTHWELL'S HIDDEN HISTORIC GEM

Nestled on the outskirts of the historic town of Southwell, Norwood Park is a Georgian country estate steeped in history. Once part of Southwell's medieval deer park, the estate offers plenty of ways to enjoy its beautiful parkland, from seasonal events and golf to countryside stays and unique experiences.

BE OUR GUEST

Throughout the year, Norwood Park welcomes visitors for a vibrant programme of seasonal events. Join them for afternoon teas, history tours, wine tasting evenings, murder mystery dinners, festive celebrations and more. It's a rare opportunity to step inside a historic country house that isn't usually open to the public for a behind-the-scenes experience with a modern twist.



Esther Louise Triffitt

STAY A WHILE

There's always something new to uncover at Norwood. From ancient parkland and Bramley apple orchards to its herd of Highland cattle, the estate is home to a rich mix of wildlife, nature and heritage. Want to make a break of it? Stay in one of five beautifully restored **self-catering cottages**, or embrace a little more adventure with the estate's new **off-grid glamping pod**. With dog-friendly options and hot tubs available, you'll be sure to find the perfect match for your stay.

The estate's unique accommodation makes an ideal base for exploring, from Southwell's magnificent **Minster** and **National Trust Workhouse** to **Sherwood Forest** and the wider attractions of Nottinghamshire.

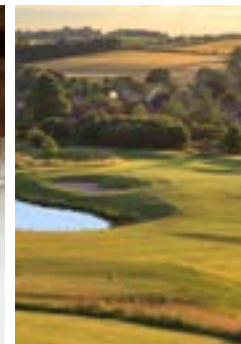
Norwood Park can also be privately hired for weddings, celebrations and corporate events, offering guests a chance to experience the venue as exclusively their own.

Check the latest events and public opening dates before visiting and discover more:

www.norwoodpark.co.uk | 01636 302099



Faye Wilde



TEE OFF

For golfers, the estate offers another way to explore its beautiful parkland. **The award-winning 18-hole championship course** and 9-hole par 3 course welcome players of all abilities, while the driving range, pro shop and welcoming courtyard café make it easy to enjoy a relaxed day out, whether you're a seasoned golfer or a visitor picking up a club for the first time.



MARKET TOWNS & VILLAGES

Beyond Nottingham's city streets, Nottinghamshire is dotted with picturesque market towns and villages, each offering its own blend of history, countryside, independent businesses and places to explore. From medieval farming traditions to woodland adventures, there's plenty to discover when you venture off the beaten track.

Start in Bingham, a welcoming market town with independent shops, cafés and plenty of opportunities to enjoy the surrounding countryside. For a fascinating glimpse into medieval rural life, head north to Laxton, home to England's last working open-field farming system – a remarkable tradition that has shaped the village for centuries. Laxton is also home to the **National Holocaust Centre**, the first and only permanent place of its kind in the UK, solely dedicated to Holocaust remembrance and education, with two powerful permanent exhibitions.

Closer to Nottingham and on the tram route, Beeston combines a lively town centre with art, culture and the outdoors. Explore its colourful street art, browse the shops and cafés, or head to **Highfields Park**, **Beeston Marina** and the waterways for a walk or cycle.

In north Nottinghamshire, Tuxford makes a great stop for history lovers. Visit the working **Tuxford Windmill** or explore the unique **Museum of the Horse**. It was originally inspired by the collections at Saumur in France and Verden in Germany. While there are racing, military and hunting museums, this is the only museum in the UK that holds a collection covering utilitarian equestrian items from antiquity to the present day and from many parts of the world.



Discover our
market towns & villages



For heritage and engineering, Papplewick is home to the impressive **Papplewick Pumping Station**, while nearby Epperstone and Lowdham offer peaceful village escapes and countryside walks. Lowdham is also home to a historic railway signal box.

Head towards the heart of Robin Hood Country and discover **Wellow**, famous for its Maypole and traditional village character.

Finally, Edwinstowe is an essential stop for anyone following the Robin Hood story. Explore **Sherwood Forest** and discover the village's connections to the famous outlaw including **St Mary's Church**, where, according to the legend, Robin and Marian were married, and even a statue of the couple representing their connection to this historic location.

From charming villages and medieval traditions to legendary connections, Nottinghamshire's towns and villages are full of stories just waiting to be discovered.



ESCAPE TO NEWARK & SHERWOOD

In the heart of Nottinghamshire, Newark and Sherwood offers a weekend escape that exceeds expectations. Visitors quickly discover that the area's appeal lies not only in its rich heritage, but also in its diverse landscapes, charming towns and unique attractions waiting to be explored.

Enjoy the picturesque market town setting of **Newark**, where cobbled streets, independent shops, and a lively riverside atmosphere create an inviting and memorable stay. The town's rich Civil War heritage is unmissable, from the striking ruins of **Newark Castle** overlooking the River Trent to the award-winning **National Civil War Centre**, where immersive exhibits bring the period vividly to life. Regular markets and local events also add to Newark's welcoming charm.

Just a short journey away, **Southwell** enchants with its magnificent **Minster**, an architectural gem renowned for its intricate stone carvings and peaceful ambience. The town's relaxed pace, complemented by its selection of cafés, boutiques and galleries, makes it ideal for a gentle afternoon of exploration and unwinding.

Across the district, there are plenty of opportunities to get outdoors and experience nature. **Rufford Abbey Country Park** combines atmospheric medieval ruins with woodland walks and seasonal events, while

Thoresby Park offers a stately home setting alongside courtyard shops, galleries and creative spaces. For those seeking fresh air and activity, **Sherwood Pines** provides extensive walking and cycling trails, as well as family-friendly adventures, and nearby **Vicar Water Country Park** offers tranquil lakeside paths and wide-reaching views.

Closer to Newark, **Sconce and Devon Park** provides an accessible green space rich in both history and outdoor activity. As the town's largest park, it combines open grassland, riverside walks and a Civil War earthwork fortification with modern facilities, making it perfect for relaxed strolls, picnics or family time.

Food and drink add yet another layer to the experience, with farm shops, cosy rural pubs and contemporary eateries showcasing the best of local produce.

Whether it's a countryside ramble, a cultural discovery or a peaceful riverside moment, Newark and Sherwood delivers a refreshing and accessible retreat, all within easy reach for a spontaneous weekend away.

VISIT »
NEWARK &
SHERWOOD



Discover Newark and Sherwood and start planning your trip
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WHAT'S ON

NOTTINGHAM



FIND OUT WHAT'S ON

ALL YEAR ROUND
ROBIN HOOD TOWN TOUR
THE ORIGINAL
NOTTINGHAM GHOST
WALK

WITCHES MARKS TOURS
Creswell Crags
Discover the largest collection of protective symbols, also known as 'witch marks', in the UK.

JANUARY - MARCH
BEAT THE STREETS
Each year the festival, held across Nottingham City Centre, brings together hundreds of local artists to put on a great show of live music for charity.

LIGHT NIGHT
As darkness descends, stunning light installations and special events bring the city centre to life for after dark adventures.

SNOWDROPS IN BLOOM
Belvoir Castle
Early February to March
Immerse yourself in the beauty of seasonal blooms as you wander through the enchanting winter gardens of this historical estate.

FESTIVAL OF SCIENCE & CURIOSITY
Various venues
Early - Mid February
Join this family-friendly festival which takes science and technology out of the lab and into our everyday lives.

APRIL
ST GEORGE'S DAY
Various venues
23rd April
Come together and celebrate the patron saint of England.

EM-CON
Motorpoint Arena Nottingham
See amazing cosplay and meet your favourite stars from film & TV at the biggest pop-culture convention in the East Midlands.

MAY

OUTDOOR CINEMA AND THEATRE
Various venues
May - September
Grab a picnic blanket and enjoy an open-air film or theatre performance.

DOT TO DOT FESTIVAL
Various Venues
End of May
Enjoy this city-wide showcase of diverse and exciting musical talent. Dot to Dot is credited with featuring rising talent that have gone on to become household names, such as Ed Sheeran and Dua Lipa.

NOTTINGHAM INDEPENDENTS' CASTLE BEER FESTIVAL
Nottingham Castle
Mid May
Get ready for a weekend of great beer, live music and street food in the heart of Nottingham.

JUNE
NOTTINGHAM PUPPET FESTIVAL
Various venues
Local, national and international puppet artists bring their talents to the city, with a medley of free street theatre, shows, workshops, music and more.

NOTTINGHAM POETRY FESTIVAL
Various venues
Early - Mid June
Celebrate the city's exciting literary scene with a blend of fascinating live and online events that are sure to leave you feeling inspired.

JULY
PATCHINGS FESTIVAL OF ART, CRAFT & PHOTOGRAPHY
Patchings Art Centre
Mid July
Meet artists, designers and makers demonstrating and exhibiting a wide range of skills and techniques.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE PRIDE
Nottingham city centre
Late July
Join Nottinghamshire's LGBTQ+ community as the city comes together to celebrate equality and love of all kinds.

NOTTINGHAM BEACH
Old Market Square
End of July - early September
Make a splash at Nottingham's urban beach with live music, rides, food & bucketloads of sand.

AUGUST
ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL
RSPB Sherwood Forest
Various dates in August
Celebrate the county's iconic legend through live re-enactments, storytelling, sword-fighting, archery and meeting the legend himself!

NOTTINGHAM CARNIVAL
Victoria Embankment
End of August
Celebrate Nottingham's Caribbean heritage! Colourful parades, great food and music!

NEWARK FESTIVAL
Riverside Park
Late August
Join in the festive fun and celebrations of music, family, food and fun.

SEPTEMBER
HERITAGE OPEN DAYS
Various venues
Early - mid September
Enjoy exclusive tours and events at heritage sites and attractions across Nottinghamshire.

FESTIVAL OF FOOD AND DRINK
Thoresby Park
End of September
Some of the UK's best culinary creators congregate to offer mouth-watering fare, with celebrity chefs, a cookery school, live music, stalls and children's activities.

GOOSE FAIR
Forest Recreation Ground
End of September - October
Enjoy one of Europe's largest travelling fairs with a history that stretches back over 700 years.

ROBIN HOOD HALF MARATHON
Victoria Embankment
End of September
Join thousands of runners, challenge yourself and test your fitness at this fantastic sporting event.

OCTOBER
NOTTINGHAM BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL
Trent Bridge
Early October
Enjoy hundreds of different craft beers, ciders and ales along with a serving of delicious food and live entertainment.

MAYHEM FILM FESTIVAL
Broadway Cinema
Mid October
A film festival showcasing the best in horror, sci-fi and cult cinema.

BRAMLEY APPLE FESTIVAL OF FOOD & DRINK
Southwell
End of October
See the original Bramley Apple tree and participate in celebrations across Southwell, including craft stalls in the beautiful Minster.

HOCKLEY HUSTLE
Various venues
Late October
Join this vibrant festival full of music acts and street entertainment. Celebrate the local community and support local charities.

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER
BONFIRE NIGHT
Various Venues
5 November

WINTER WONDERLAND
Old Market Square
Mid November - Late December
Step into a world of wintry bliss. Enjoy a festive square filled with traditional fairground rides and market stalls offering the perfect presents.

WINTER LIGHT TRAIL
Wollaton Hall
Late November - early January
As twilight descends, head to Wollaton Hall and gardens for a visually stunning multi-sensory experience of light and music.

CHRISTMAS AT NEWSTEAD ABBEY
Newstead Abbey
End of November - Early Jan
Discover Lord Byron's ancestral home over the Christmas period with activities for the whole family.

TOURIST & TRAVEL INFORMATION



TRAVEL SERVICES

Nottinghamshire is a well-connected region with a variety of travel options for visitors, with many now offering contactless payment methods.

BUS TRAVEL

Nottingham City Transport (NCT)

The primary bus service operator within Nottingham city, NCT offers extensive routes covering the city and surrounding suburbs.
www.nctx.co.uk

Trentbarton

Another significant operator providing services throughout Nottinghamshire, including connections to Derbyshire and Leicestershire.
www.trentbarton.co.uk

Stagecoach

Operates in parts of Nottinghamshire, particularly in rural areas and smaller towns.
www.stagecoachbus.com

Nottsbus On Demand

Flexible, on-demand bus travel across parts of Nottinghamshire.
www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/travel-notts/travelling-by-bus/hotbusondemand

NET TRAMS

A quick and convenient way to travel across the city and its suburbs. It connects key destinations including the city centre, Nottingham Station, and various park and ride locations.

Tram Routes:

Line 1 - Runs from Hucknall to Beeston and Chilwell.

Line 2 - Connects Phoenix Park to Clifton.

Tram information:

<https://www.thetram.net/network-information>

TRAIN TRAVEL

East Midlands Railway (EMR)

The primary train service operator for the region, offering frequent services to London, Leicester, Sheffield, and other major cities.
www.eastmidlandsrailway.co.uk

CrossCountry

Provides connections to destinations such as Birmingham, Cardiff, and Edinburgh.
www.crosscountrytrains.co.uk

Northern Rail

Services to northern parts of England, including Leeds and Manchester.
www.northernrailway.co.uk

Station Information Nottingham Station

The central hub for train travel, offering amenities such as waiting rooms, cafés, and accessibility services.

Smaller stations include Beeston, Newark, and Mansfield, which provide access to regional and local services.

COACH TRAVEL

National Express

Offers frequent coach services connecting Nottingham with destinations across the UK, including London, Birmingham and major airports.
www.nationalexpress.com

Megabus

Affordable coach travel connecting Nottingham with destinations across the UK.
www.megabus.com

FlixBus

Budget-friendly coach services connecting Nottingham with cities across the UK and beyond.
www.flixbus.co.uk

AIRPORT TRAVEL

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Email: tourist.information@visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk
www.visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk

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Nottinghamshire, NG24 1JY
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visitorinformationcentre@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk
www.visitnewark.co.uk/contact

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Mansfield, NG21 9RN
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sherwoodforest@rspb.org.uk
www.visitsherwood.co.uk

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Grantham NG31 6PY
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box1@southkesteven.gov.uk

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AccessAble Guide to Nottinghamshire

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Places of Interest & Key Attractions

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| 1 Arboretum | 13 Nottingham Playhouse |
| 2 Bonington Art Gallery | 14 Old Market Square |
| 3 Brian Clough statue | 15 Robin Hood statue |
| 4 Broadway Cinema | 16 Sneinton Market |
| 5 City of Caves | 17 Speakers' Corner |
| 6 Motorpoint Arena | 18 St. Mary's Church |
| 7 National Ice Centre | 19 Stonebridge City Farm |
| 8 National Justice Museum | 20 The Cornerhouse |
| 9 Nottingham Castle | 21 Theatre Royal & Royal Concert Hall |
| 10 Nottingham Central Library | 22 Trinity Square |
| 11 Nottingham Contemporary | 23 Victoria Clock Tower |
| 12 Nottingham Council House | 24 Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem (PH) |

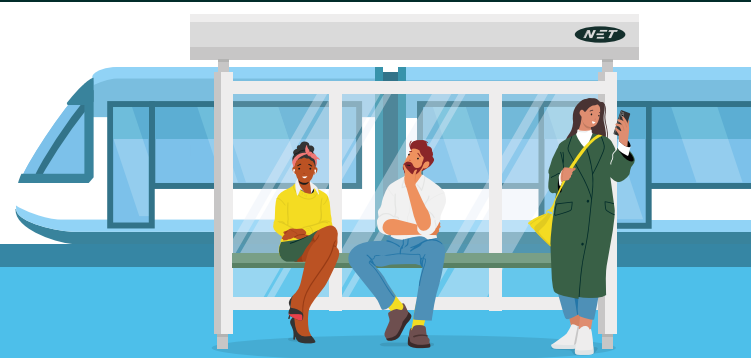
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| 1 Broad Marsh (Canal Street) | 13 Talbot Street (Stanley Place) |
| 2 Curzon Street | 14 Trinity Square (North Church St) |
| 3 Crowne Plaza (Hanley Street) | 15 Upper Parliament Street |
| 4 Huntingdon Street (Union Road) | 16 Victoria Centre (multi-storey) |
| 5 Lace Market (Pilcher Gate) | 17 Victoria Centre (underground) |
| 6 Maid Marian Way | |
| 7 Mount Street | |
| 8 Nottingham Castle (Canal Street) | |
| 9 Nottingham Station (Queen's Road) | |
| 10 Sneinton Market Sq. (Aberdeen St) | |
| 11 St. James Street | |
| 12 Stoney Street | |
- Tram Stops**
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|-------------------------------|
| A Nottingham Trent University |
| B Royal Centre |
| C Old Market Square |
| D Lace Market |
| E Nottingham Station |

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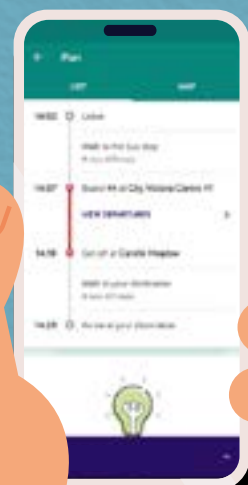
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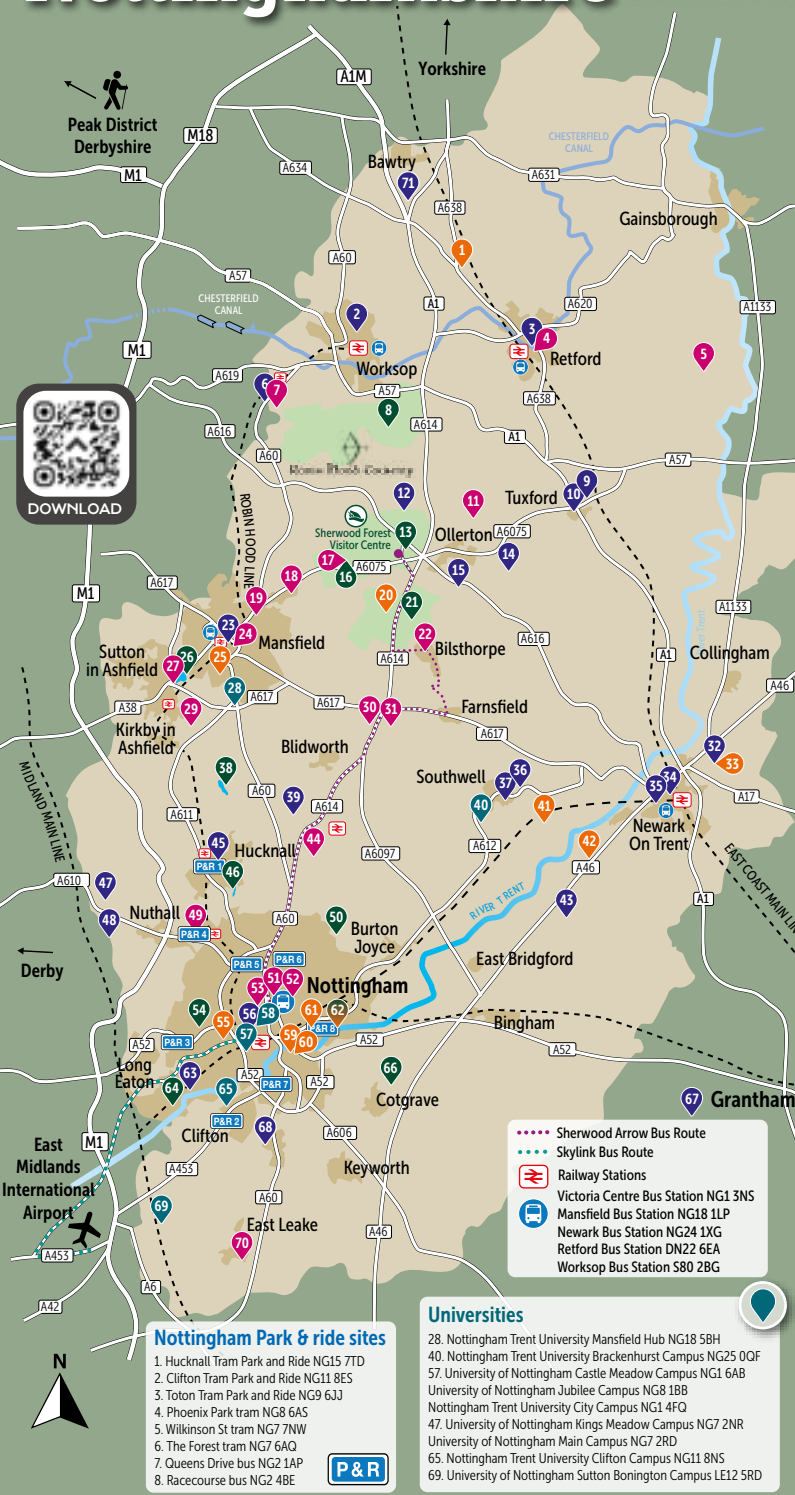
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History & heritage

2. Mr Straw's House S81 0JG
3. Bassetlaw Museum DN22 6LD
6. Creswell Crags S80 3LH
9. Walks of Life Museum NG22 0HR
10. Museum of the Horse NG22 0LA
12. Thoresby Courtyard NG22 9WH
14. National Holocaust Memorial Centre NG22 0PA
15. Wellow Maypole NG22 0FE
23. Mansfield Museum NG18 1NG
32. Newark Air Museum NG24 2NY
34. National Civil War Centre NG24 1JY
35. Newark Castle NG24 1BG
36. Workhouse National Trust NG25 0PT
37. Southwell Minster and Archbishop's Palace NG25 0HD
39. Papplewick Pumping Station NG15 9AJ
43. Flintham Museum NG23 5LF
45. St Mary Magdalene Church - Byron's Burial Place NG15 7AS
47. DH Lawrence Birth Place Museum NG16 3AW
48. Bennerley Viaduct DE7 8PX
56. Nottingham Castle NG1 6EL
63. Beeston Canal Side Heritage NG9 1LZ
67. Belvoir Castle NG32 1PE
68. Ruddington Framework Knitters Museum NG11 6HE
71. The Scooby Rock DN10 6AJ

Attractions & Entertainment

4. Majestic Theatre DN22 6DX
5. Sundown Adventure Land DN22 0HX
7. Welbeck Estate Harley Gallery S80 3LW
11. Walesby Forest NG22 9NG
17. Go Ape NG21 9JL
18. Clipstone Colliery Power House NG21 9EH
19. i-Jump NG19 9AL
22. Bilthorpe Heritage NG22 8OF
24. Mansfield Palace Theatre NG18 1NG
27. Notts Adventures NG17 4PA
29. Sherwood Observatory NG17 5LF
30. Wheelgate Park NG22 8HX
31. White Post Farm NG22 8HL
44. Patchings Art Centre NG14 6NU
49. Clip and Climb NG8 6AR
51. Motorpoint Arena and National Ice Centre NG1 1LA
52. Stonebridge City Farm NG3 2GY
53. National Justice Museum City of Caves NG1 1HN
70. Manor Farm Park and Woodlands LE12 6LU

Parks & green spaces

8. Clumber Park S80 3BE
 13. Sherwood Forest NG21 9HN
 16. Sherwood Pines NG21 9JL
 21. Rufford Abbey Country Park NG22 9DF
 26. Kingsmill Reservoir NG17 4PA
 38. Newstead Abbey NG15 8NA
 46. Bestwood Country Park NG6 8TQ
 50. Gedling Country Park NG4 4PE
 54. Wollaton Park and Deer Park NG8 2AE
 62. Holme Pierrepont Country Park NG12 2LU
 64. Attenborough Nature Reserve NG9 6DY
 66. Cotgrave Country Park NG12 3JW
- Locations highlighted above put on regular events and/or have visitor attraction onsite.

Sport & Leisure

1. Spa at Ye Olde Bell DN22 8OS
20. Center Parcs - Aqua Sana Forest Spa NG22 9DN
25. Mansfield Town FC - One Call Stadium NG18 5DA
33. Newark Showground NG24 2NY
41. Southwell Racecourse NG25 0TS
42. Eden Hall Day Spa NG23 5PG
55. Nottingham Tennis Centre NG7 2QH
59. Notts County FC - Meadow Lane Stadium NG2 3HJ
- Nottingham Forest FC - City Ground Stadium NG2 5FJ
60. Trent Bridge Cricket Ground NG2 6AG
61. Nottingham Greyhound Stadium and Nottinghamshire Racecourse NG2 4BE

Universities

28. Nottingham Trent University Mansfield Hub NG18 5BH
40. Nottingham Trent University Brackenrurst Campus NG25 0OF
57. University of Nottingham Castle Meadow Campus NG1 6AB
- University of Nottingham Jubilee Campus NG8 1BB
- Nottingham Trent University City Campus NG1 4FQ
47. University of Nottingham Kings Meadow Campus NG7 2NR
- University of Nottingham Main Campus NG7 2RD
65. Nottingham Trent University Clifton Campus NG11 8NS
69. University of Nottingham Sutton Bonington Campus LE12 5RD

Nottingham Park & ride sites

1. Hucknall Tram Park and Ride NG15 7TD
2. Clifton Tram Park and Ride NG11 8ES
3. Toton Tram Park and Ride NG9 6JJ
4. Phoenix Park Tram NG8 6AS
5. Wilkinson St tram NG7 7NW
6. The Forest tram NG7 6AQ
7. Queens Drive bus NG2 1AP
8. Racecourse bus NG2 4BE



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Wollaton Hall & Deer Park

Wollaton Hall & Deer Park. Designed by Robert Smythson and built between 1580 and 1588 for Sir Francis Willoughby, the Grade I listed Elizabethan mansion is one of Nottingham's most iconic landmarks. Set within 500 acres of historic parkland, home to herds of red and fallow deer, the Hall now houses Nottingham's Natural History Museum and famously became Wayne Manor in The Dark Knight Rises.

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