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WILTSHIRE

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Wiltshire is also rolling green downs, ancient woodlands and bustling market towns. Parish churches, historic houses and country inns. Timeless monuments and contemporary luxury. Arts and culture, festivals and events. Local ales and picnics in the park. In short, the England you love in one county.

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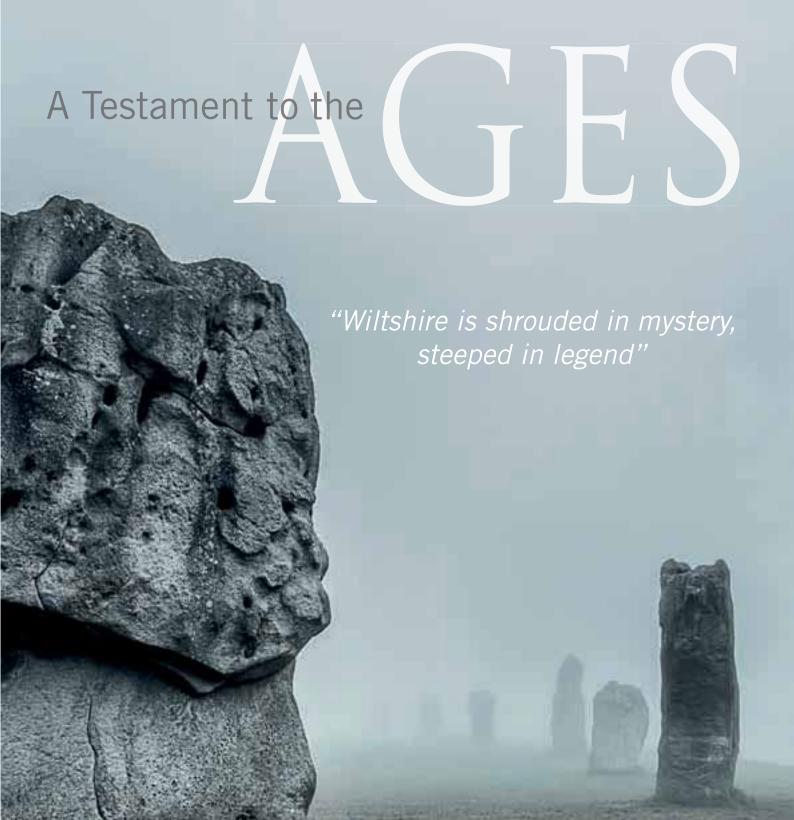
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A selection of Timeless Wonders events

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Traditional Wool Craft Classes, Avebury

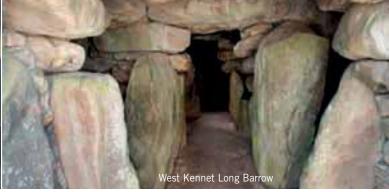
Thu 18 Feb
Wild Wednesdays, Avebury

Wed 2 Mar & Wed 6 Apr
Archaeology Walk, Stonehenge Landscape

Sat 5 Mar, Sat 7 May

Avebury





The Stonehenge and Avebury World Heritage Site is a remarkable place

If you stand on Salisbury Plain at sunrise or sunset it's easy to understand why the ancient Britons believed Stonehenge was special, and even today people from across the globe make the pilgrimage here to marvel at one of the most timeless and iconic wonders in the world. Its orientation on the rising and setting sun is one of its many outstanding features, but why it was built in this way remains a mystery.

Stonehenge and Avebury were one of the first seven sites to be added to the World Heritage list in the UK and 2016 sees the 30th anniversary of this historic milestone.

With outstanding exhibition galleries, a 360° audio-visual presentation and Neolithic houses built using authentic materials, **Stonehenge visitor centre** sets the stone circle in its historic context and brings the story of this unique prehistoric monument to life. Entry is by timed ticket, so pre-booking is strongly recommended – see www.english-heritage.org.uk/stonehenge for details. Understandably it's a popular place, so to enjoy a more peaceful experience try to visit in the early morning or late afternoon, or during the quieter months of the year. The Stonehenge Tour which picks up from Salisbury railway station and the city centre, then runs via Old Sarum to the stones themselves, is a convenient way to travel.

At **Avebury** a massive outer bank and ditch surround the world's largest prehistoric stone circle, which in turn encloses two smaller stone circles and part of the village. The Alexander Keiller Museum and Avebury Manor and Gardens are well worth a visit, and nearby you will find an 'avenue' of stones that originally led to a further site known as The Sanctuary.

Celebrations to mark the summer and winter solstices take place at both Stonehenge and Avebury and are always very popular. The wider landscape surrounding these monuments is home to numerous other ancient structures, some of them older than the stone circles themselves. Overlooking rolling countryside, its entrance guarded by standing stones, West Kennet Long Barrow contains a series of shadowy chambers and is one of Britain's largest Stone Age burial sites, while the origins of Silbury Hill, the largest man-made mound in Europe, are lost in the mists of time.

Sheltered by the massive stone walls of the surrounding Close, Salisbury Cathedral offers one superlative after another and is a magnificent example of the early English Gothic architectural style. The awesome sight of its spire soaring a breathtaking 123 metres (404 feet) above ground never fails to impress. Within the Cathedral's Chapter House you'll find the best preserved of four original 1215 Magna Carta manuscripts. An exhibition opened in 2015 explains its historic background and enduring relevance today. For an unforgettable experience, a Tower Tour leads you up narrow, winding staircases to the foot of the spire, 225 feet above ground where you can enjoy panoramic views across Salisbury, the water-meadows and the surrounding countryside.

Among Wiltshire's most iconic views are its White Horses carved into the rolling chalk downs. Of the original thirteen, eight can still be seen today. The oldest, at Westbury, dates from 1778 and is situated on a steep slope beneath the Iron Age hill fort of Bratton Camp. The most recent, at Devizes, dates from 1999 and was cut into Roundway Hill to mark the millennium.

These timeless wonders are within easy reach of all accommodation in this guide and an overnight stay is highly recommended. For an even wider range of places to stay go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation

"Misty mornings can be magical at Avebury"



















ALISBURY

Rooted in Time and Place

Immortalised in the paintings of Turner and Constable

Salisbury is known as 'the city in the countryside'. If you pause for a moment to take in the awesome sight of the Cathedral rising up from the lush green water-meadows, it's easy to understand why this has been described as 'Britain's Best View' by readers of Country Life magazine.

The Cathedral Close is an oasis of calm in the midst of the city. As you pass through its heavy wooden gates and emerge into the peaceful haven beyond you can almost believe you are stepping back in time, such is the weight of history seeping from every pore. Hidden behind the massive stone walls are The Salisbury Museum. The Rifles Berkshire & Wiltshire Museum, the National Trust's Mompesson House. Sarum College and Arundells, home of former Prime Minister Sir Edward Heath.

The historic heart of Salisbury offers a charming mix of architectural styles, where half-timbered houses sit side by side with elegant Georgian mansions. Many of the medieval names have been preserved, including Cross Keys Chequer, Trinity Street and Blue Boar Row. As well as all your favourite high street stores you'll find plenty of independent retailers offering an eclectic range of unusual items, and thanks to the compact nature of the city centre nothing is ever more than a short stroll away.

On Tuesdays and Saturdays (except the third Tuesday in October) the hustle and bustle of the historic Charter Market fills the Market Place as it has done for almost 800 years. A whole array of other interesting markets take place throughout the year, and if you visit between late-November and mid-December you can join the festivities at Salisbury's delightful Christmas Market.

The world-renowned Ageas Salisbury International Arts Festival is just one of many inspirational events on offer, while arts venues include Salisbury Playhouse (the South West's leading producing theatre) and City Hall (Salisbury's largest live entertainment venue).

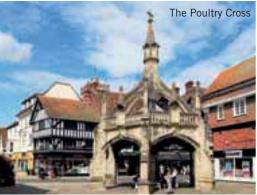
Eating out is an ever-popular pastime, thanks to an enticing range of tea and coffee shops, pubs, bars and restaurants. There's even a nightclub in a former 19th century Methodist chapel. With plenty on offer throughout the day and on into the early hours, Salisbury has been awarded Purple Flag status - the 'gold standard' for a great night out.



Nearby you will find Old Sarum (the original site of Salisbury), the World Heritage Site of Stonehenge, and other attractions such as Boscombe Down Aviation Collection and Salisbury Racecourse.

The perfect fusion of ancient and modern, Salisbury makes an unbeatable destination for day trips and short breaks alike. So come to Salisbury. It's about time.

For a comprehensive guide to the city and surrounding areas download VisitWiltshire's free Salisbury App by searching 'Salisbury' in the App Store or on Google play... and to find out more about why Salisbury makes such a great base for visiting Wiltshire go to visitsalisbury.co.uk













A selection of Salisbury events - see pages 26-27 for more

Lecture Series, Salisbury Cathedral Tue 12 Jan, Fri 19 Feb, Mon 7 Mar Relationships: An Exhibition, Salisbury Cathedral Sat 20 Feb-Sat 9 Jul St George's Day Celebrations Sun 24 April (date tbc) Fisherton Festival Mon 2 May Fri 27 May-Sat 11 Jun Ageas Salisbury International Arts Festival Reflections Exhibition, Salisbury Cathedral Mon 1 Aug-Sun 6 Nov (dates tbc) Contemporary Craft & Heritage Festival Fri 9-Sun 11 Sep Food and Drink Festival Sep (date tbc) City Carnival Fri 21 Oct (date tbc) Christmas Market Thu 24 Nov-Sun 18 Dec (dates tbc)

"So quintessentially English it's almost too good to be true" Fast, regular trains from London Waterloo"

Made of England:

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Towns and Villages

Friendly, relaxed and welcoming

Each of Wiltshire's historic towns and villages has something unique to offer, whether it be stylish independent shops and colourful markets, tempting pubs and restaurants, fascinating history and heritage or great entertainment. Plus, of course, an excellent range of accommodation to suit all budgets.

AMESBURY

Amesbury has a history dating back to 8,820BC. Imagine what life would have been like over 10,000 years ago. Think of the stories this place has to tell. Then find out more at the town's History Centre. Amesbury nestles in a loop of the meandering River Avon and is close to the ancient wonders of Stonehenge and Woodhenge.

www.amesburytowncouncil.gov.uk

BRADFORD ON AVON ≥

Perched on the edge of the Cotswolds the honey-coloured gem of Bradford on Avon is packed with buildings from centuries past, many reflecting its textile heritage. Wander across the ancient Town Bridge or along the Kennet & Avon Canal, marvel at the Saxon Church and the 14th century Tithe Barn. Numerous lovely shops and restaurants add to its charm and variety. **www.bradfordonavon.co.uk**

CALNE

For a small town, Calne packs in a lot of history. It's a story of drovers' trails and coach roads, the rise and fall of canal and rail travel and the legacy of woollen broadcloth. It's where the traditional English technique of curing ham and bacon – the Wiltshire Cure – was invented, and also where oxygen was discovered. Visit the heritage quarter to experience each chapter of its past. www.calne.gov.uk

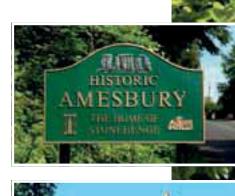
CASTLE COMBE

A quintessentially English hamlet. Arguably 'the prettiest village in England'. Also a film maker's favourite featuring regularly on the big screen in films such as *Stardust*, *The Wolf Man* and *War Horse*. In short, unmissable.

CHIPPENHAM **→**

This busy market town houses a wealth of historic buildings, the beautifully maintained John Coles Park, modern shopping centres as well as the Neeld Community and Arts Centre, Museum and Heritage Centre and Wiltshire & Swindon History Centre. The River Avon forms a peaceful backdrop to walking and cycling routes, and nearby are the villages of Lacock and Castle Combe, as well as major attractions including Bowood.

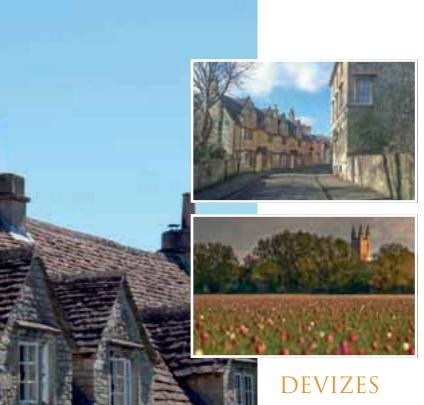
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CORSHAM

Corsham developed from Saxon origins into a prosperous town thanks to the wool trade and the quarrying of golden Bath stone. Home to a bustling Tuesday market, the historic High Street contains properties from the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries, and has the 400-year-old Almshouses at one end and stately Corsham Court at the other. The town also starred, as Truro, in BBC One's Poldark. www.corsham.gov.uk

CRICKLADE

With over 100 listed buildings, Cricklade is the best preserved example of a Saxon new town - follow the Heritage Trail to find out all about it. Cricklade lies at the southern gateway to the Cotswold Water Park and is the first town on the River Thames. North Meadow Nature Reserve is renowned for its spectacular display of rare Snakeshead Fritillaries in April. www.cricklade-tc.gov.uk

Home to both the Wiltshire Museum and Wadworth Brewery, Devizes stands on the Kennet & Avon Canal where you will find the renowned flight of 29 locks at Caen Hill, an amazing feat of engineering.

LACOCK

A stunning National Trust village where cottages and inns dating back to the 15th century have formed a breathtaking backdrop to many film and TV classics, from Wolf Hall and Pride and Prejudice to Harry Potter.



LUDGERSHALL

Were you to delve into the Domesday Book of 1086 you would find a listing for this small town on the eastern edge of Salisbury Plain. Dating from the late 11th century, Ludgershall Castle was originally a royal hunting lodge; today its ruins are in the care of English Heritage. From the castle grounds there are splendid views and local walks to nearby Collingbourne Woods. www.ludgershalltc.org.uk



MALMESBURY

This vibrant market town has so much to discover! Reported to be England's oldest borough with a stunning 12th century Abbey, visitors enjoy Abbey House Gardens, a weekly market at the original Market Cross, browsing unique shops, walks along the River Avon, fabulous cafés, restaurants, pubs and hotels, and music, history, arts and garden events. Discovering Malmesbury is a magical journey. In fact, you may never want to leave. www.discovermalmesbury.life



MARLBOROUGH

The handsome former staging post of Marlborough has evolved into a stylish and cosmopolitan town with its own chic café culture, offering the discerning visitor a unique blend of attractions and facilities. Site of a twice-weekly market its High Street is one of the widest in Europe, lined on both sides with characterful old buildings housing an array of high quality shops. www.marlboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk

MELKSHAM **★**

Melksham evolved at a ford across the River Avon and is served by excellent bus routes and a railway station. At the heart of a rural community, its friendly town centre is full of independent shops and plenty of cafés. Melksham is renowned for having spectacular Christmas lights and the busy community calendar ensures that there is always something going on.

www.melkshamtown.co.uk



In 1651 Charles II rested here after his defeat in the Battle of Worcester and today you can still enjoy a welcome break in this delightful spot with its many amenities. There is excellent walking, cycling and horse riding in the surrounding landscape, which is characterised by the Lynchets, ridges formed by ancient ploughing. The National Trust garden at Stourhead is nearby.

www.merechamberoftrade.co.uk



ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT

A bright and vibrant town with a welcoming atmosphere and a range of independent shops. The iconic black and white Town Hall on the High Street houses the Museum.

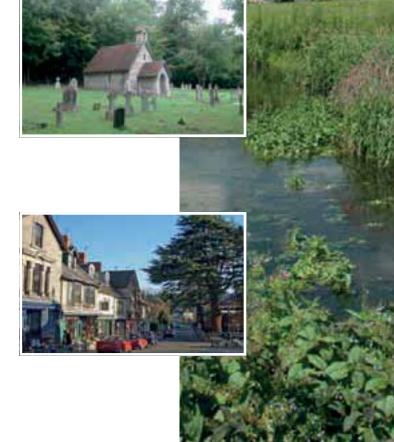
TIDWORTH

The small town of Tidworth lies close to the Wiltshire/ Hampshire border. If you are travelling through, keep an eye out for clues to its long and interesting history. The Iron Age earthworks on Sidbury Hill, the Norman church of Holy Trinity, the thatched cottages, Station Road, St Mary's Church and Tedworth House cover the centuries of this town's existence.

www.tidworthtowncouncil.gov.uk

With a mainline railway station and an excellent choice of independent shops the village of Tisbury has been a settlement for over 2,000 years and makes a great base for walking and cycling. From here you can explore attractions such as Longleat, Stourhead and Old Wardour Castle, local towns such as Wilton and Shaftesbury and picturesque villages such as Hindon and the Donheads.

www.tisbury-wiltshire-pc.gov.uk





TROWBRIDGE **★**

Trowbridge is Wiltshire's only Magna Carta Baron town. Unique industrial architecture showcases its rich past as a centre for woollen cloth production. Today it boasts many independent retailers, quality markets, an Odeon cinema, family restaurants and a Premier Inn as well as a vibrant heritage and arts scene.

www.trowbridge.gov.uk

VALE OF PEWSEY **★**

With lush meadows and pasture and a wharf on the Kennet & Avon Canal, the Vale of Pewsey makes a great base for walking, cycling and riding. You'll find charming thatched cottages, churches dating from Saxon times, and a wide range of places to eat, drink and shop, as well as a Heritage Centre in Pewsey and a mainline railway station at Great Bedwyn.

www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk



Warminster is a warm and welcoming town with many fine Georgian buildings and a wide variety of independent shops, cafés, restaurants and inns. Head to Lake Pleasure Grounds for tennis courts and a boating lake, or enjoy walking and cycling in the surrounding countryside. Longleat and Stourhead are nearby, while excellent road, rail and bus links bring Bradford on Avon and Salisbury within easy reach.

www.warminsterinfocentre.co.uk



WESTBURY **★**

On the edge of Salisbury Plain, watched over by the famous White Horse, discover Westbury, a Domesday listed town. Follow our Blue Plaque Trail to see the medieval heart, a Victorian pool and its fascinating early industrial heritage. With a lively mix of shops, pubs and restaurants, surrounded by stunning countryside with many outdoor activities close to the main Paddington-Penzance and Portsmouth-Cardiff train line. www.westburytowncouncil.gov.uk www.westburyvisitorcentre.co.uk

WIITON

Once the ancient capital of Wessex, the quintessentially English market town of Wilton nestles at the confluence of the rivers Nadder and Wylye. Within a short walk of the Market Square and St Mary's Ruin you will find the famous Italianate Church, a delightful riverside walk, the stately home of Wilton House and the factory outlets of Wilton Shopping Village.

www.wiltontown.com











Here You Can Touch and Feel the

Archaeology collections of outstanding national importance

Wiltshire's museums are the perfect place to unearth the secrets of our journey through time. Treasured exhibits at The Salisbury Museum include the Monkton Deverill Gold Torc, recovered from a Bronze Age burial mound, and the grave of the 'Amesbury Archer', the richest Beaker burial in Britain. A world-class gallery of archaeology here houses one of Europe's most extensive collections of Stonehenge and prehistoric artefacts. Spanning Neolithic, Bronze Age, Iron Age, Roman, Saxon and Medieval times, the galleries at Wiltshire Museum in Devizes cover 500,000 years of Wiltshire's history. In 'Gold from the Time of Stonehenge', award-winning displays tell the story of the prehistoric landscapes of Stonehenge and Avebury and feature finds excavated from the World Heritage Site.

On the southern edge of Salisbury Plain, **Amesbury** is the nearest town to Stonehenge and close to other ancient monuments such as Woodhenge, the Cursus, the Avenue and Durrington Walls. Following recent excavations the town can lay claim to a history dating back to 8,820BC and **Amesbury History Centre** contains one of the greatest Mesolithic collections in the country.

Iron Age hill forts are a feature of the Wiltshire landscape. **Barbury Castle** lies in the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty; **Oldbury Castle** overlooks the Cherhill White Horse; the 23-acre site at **Battlesbury Camp** is one of the best preserved in the county; **Bratton Castle**, on the edge of Salisbury Plain contains within it an even older Neolithic long barrow; while **Cley Hill** has become Britain's UFO capital with hundreds of sightings since the mid-1960s.

But history in Wiltshire is not only ancient. Later civilisations have also left their mark, bequeathing tangible connections with the past, including a clutch of impressive castles.

On the northern outskirts of Salisbury lies the massive earthwork now known as **Old Sarum**. Starting out as a Neolithic community 5,000 years ago, it later became an Iron Age hill fort. Subsequently inhabited by Romans, Saxons and Normans, it finally developed into a flourishing medieval settlement and the original city of Salisbury. Today you can see the ruins of a royal palace, a castle and no less than two earlier cathedrals.

Built as a fortress in the late 11th century, **Ludgershall Castle** was a royal hunting lodge with a great hall, tower and domestic apartments, as well as a castle farm, stables and kitchens. Today only ruins and earthworks remain, but if it could talk it would surely have a fascinating story to tell. Dating from the 14th century **Old Wardour Castle** was badly damaged in the English Civil War. Today, its unusual, hexagonal ruins provide a picturesque lakeside setting for picnics, and many a small boy scaling its turrets and ramparts has imagined himself in the title role of Robin Hood Prince of Thieves, which was filmed here in 1991. Finally, on the Somerset border, the impressive 14th century **Farleigh Hungerford Castle** offers hidden treasures, including rare medieval wall paintings in the chapel and lead 'death mask' coffins in the crypt.

Ancient and modern come together in the Saints and Sinners heritage trail, twinning four of the county's historic churches with four of our popular pubs and hotels – find out more at **visitchurches.org.uk/saintsandsinnerswiltshire**



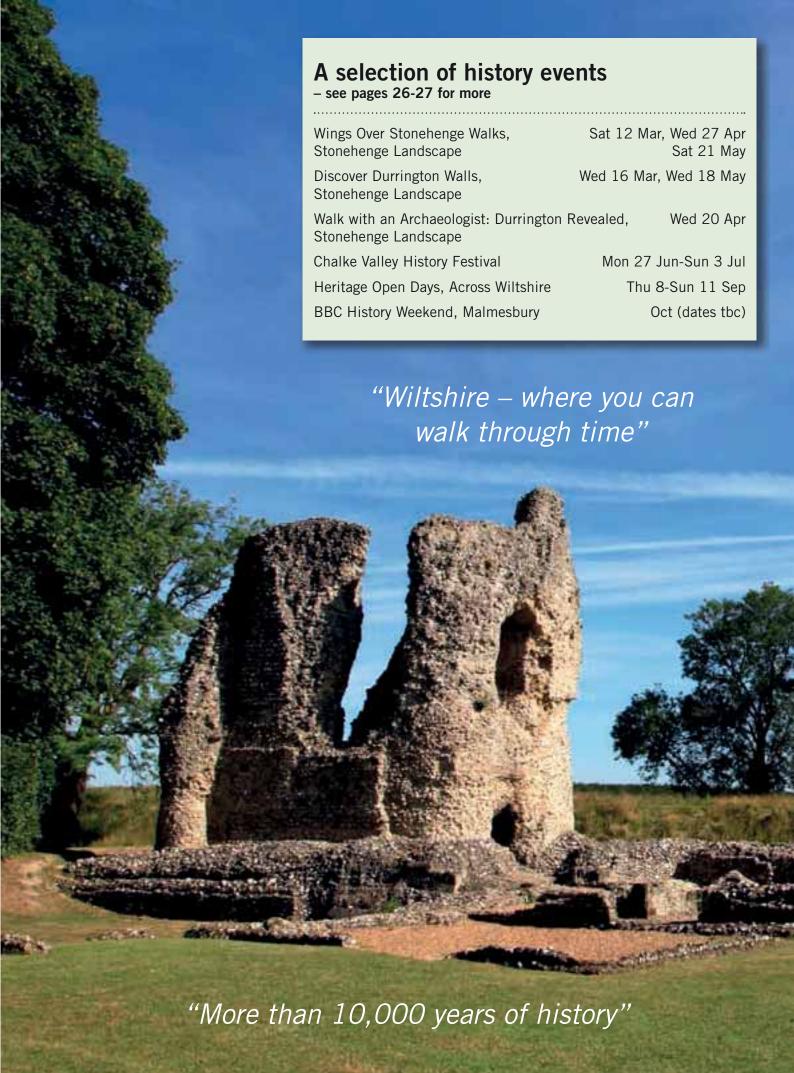












'CAPABILITY' BROWN

300th Anniversary



A selection of garden events

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Early Spring Walk with Lacock's Head Gardener

Wed 10 and

Tue 23 Feb

Bowood Rhododendron & Woodland Gardens Open

Fri 22 Apr

Elements of 'Capability' Brown Exhibition,

Sat 30 Apr

Lacock Abbey

-Sun 22 May

Toby Buckland's Garden Festival, Bowood

Sat 4-Sun 5 Jun

Longleat





Like nature, but better

2016 sees the 300th anniversary of the birth of master landscaper Lancelot 'Capability' Brown. Many of Britain's great houses owe their breathtaking pastoral settings to his ground-breaking vision, and his creativity is still inspiring gardeners today.

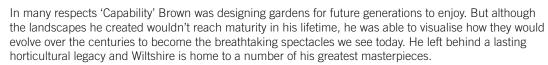






"An enduring horticultural inheritance"

His nickname stemmed from his belief that a landscape had the 'capability' of being improved. When he arrived on the scene, out went the formal, geometric styles of earlier times and in came more natural surroundings with panoramic views. Among his trademark features were inspirational tree planting, sweeping vistas and the creation of serpentine lakes. One of his favourite tricks was to use the ha-ha (a wall and ditch invisible from the house) to blur the line between the end of the gardens and the parkland beyond, creating a seamless outlook.





The park at **Bowood** is deemed to be one of the best examples of his work. Here he created a flowing mix of woodlands and lawns sloping down to a winding lake, a fitting setting for the impressive 18th century house designed by Robert Adam.

Dating from the 16th century, Longleat House is considered to be one of Britain's most outstanding examples of high Elizabethan architecture. It is surrounded by 900 acres of stunning 'Capability' Brown landscaped parkland.

Also renowned for its Elizabethan splendour is Corsham Court. Here, 'Capability' Brown undertook the landscaping of the grounds, planting specimen trees and creating the ha-ha, Great Walk and lake.

Wilton House stands on the site of a 9th century nunnery founded by King Alfred the Great. Bordered by the rivers Nadder and Wylye, the 22 acres of landscaped parkland here are said to owe much to the work of 'Capability' Brown.

At the picturesque National Trust village of Lacock, Brown is believed to have made amendments to parkland and tree planting surrounding 13th century Lacock Abbey.

In 1754 he was commissioned to prepare a scheme for the landscape around **Old Wardour Castle** but a lack of funds prevented any work being done. In 1775 he was commissioned again, with the new plans incorporating Old Wardour Castle as an eye catcher. Although his work here went on for three years, it was still incomplete when he died in 1783.

> "He saw the 'capability' of a landscape to be improved"













2016. Year of the English Garden

Through the ages the drama and majesty of Wiltshire's landscape has provided the perfect backdrop for the homes of the well-to-do.

The stories behind these magnificent residences bring the history of England to life. What's more, they come complete with equally outstanding surroundings, from acres of landscaped parkland to intimate formal and informal gardens – the perfect places to connect with the past whilst enjoying the present.

Where better to start than at **Stourhead**, home to Wiltshire's most famous garden, now owned by the National Trust. This living work of art, designed in the 18th century by 'Henry the Magnificent', is laid out around a central lake and dotted with classical temples. The gardens are open all year, and from March to October (as well as in the run up to Christmas) you can visit the Palladian mansion of Stourhead House.

At Iford Manor in the idyllic Frome valley, **The Peto Garden** is an Edwardian version of Tuscany, where romantic Italianate gardens cut into the hillside are filled with pools, streams, terraces and sculpture. Recognised by English Heritage as a Garden of National Importance, **Larmer Tree** enjoys a perfect setting amid the rolling downland of Cranborne Chase. Created by General Pitt Rivers in 1880 as 'pleasure grounds for public enlightenment and entertainment' the gardens are an extraordinary example of Victorian extravagance.

Other antidotes to our overcrowded cities include **Great Chalfield Manor**, a charming 15th century house with Arts & Crafts garden, familiar to many as a TV location from Wolf Hall and – coming soon – the second series of Poldark. Surrounded by 260 acres of parkland with a lake and 18th century walled garden is the Palladian jewel of **Lydiard House**, renowned for its elegant state rooms, original family furnishings and portraits dating from Elizabethan times. While in Malmesbury, the 5 acres of **Abbey House Gardens** sit beside the 12th century Abbey Church, straddling the River Avon.

In the glorious setting of Salisbury's Cathedral Close **Mompesson House** is a perfectly proportioned Queen Anne mansion offering beautifully furnished interiors and a peaceful walled garden. Just a few doors away is **Arundells**, home of former Prime Minister Sir Edward Heath, which remains just as it was when he lived there. A charming two-acre walled garden stretches down to the River Avon. In the nearby village of Middle Woodford, **Heale House Gardens** offers eight beautiful acres, also beside the river Avon.

On the Hampshire border **Sir Harold Hillier Gardens** is famous for its 180-acre gardens and arboretum, with the highest number of Champion Trees in the British Isles and 42,000 plants from around the world. The equally magnificent 600-acre **Westonbirt Arboretum** on the Gloucestershire border contains one of the world's finest collections of temperate trees and shrubs.

For details of stately homes and gardens with a 'Capability' Brown connection, including Bowood, Longleat and Wilton House, see pages 14-15. If all this talk of gardens has inspired you to make more of your own, **Whitehall Garden Centre** in Lacock is the place to head for.



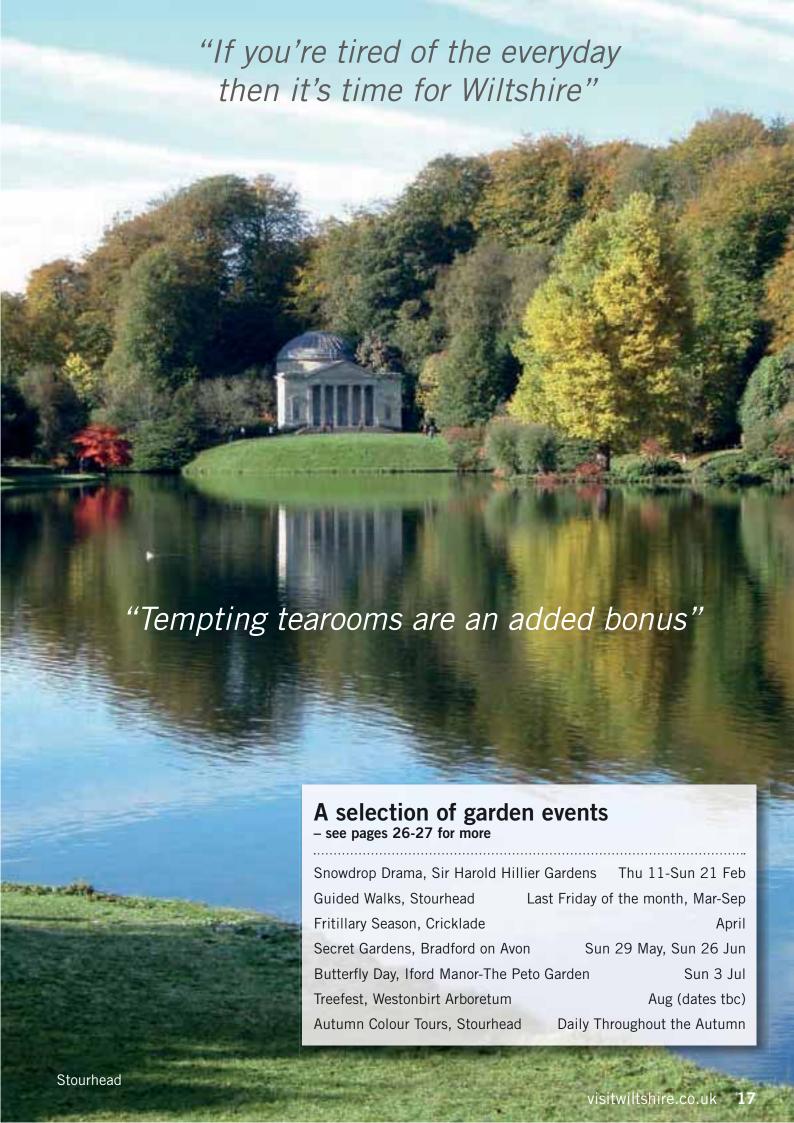












Forged in an Industrial E R



A selection of industrial heritage events

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Crofton Beam Engines in Steam

Diesel Gala, Swindon & Cricklade Railway

Wiltshire Steam & Vintage Rally, Oare

Steam Gala, Crofton Beam Engines

Swindon Railway Festival, STEAM Museum

Steam & Vintage Weekend, Swindon & Cricklade Railway Selected weekends from March to August

Sat 16-Sun 17 Apr

Sat 11-Sun 12 Jun

Sun 25 Sep

Sat 10 & Sun 11 Sep

Sat 13-Sun 14 Aug

Caen Hill Locks, Kennet & Avon Canal

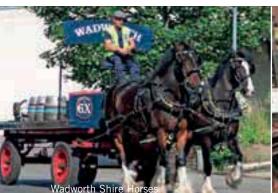






Railways and canals were vital to Wiltshire's prosperity

Stretching right across the centre of the county, the Kennet & Avon Canal makes a relaxing and unhurried way to enjoy Wiltshire's timeless scenery. Originally used to transport goods and materials during the industrial revolution, today it provides a soothing backdrop for walking and cycling along the tow path. It is home to the oldest working steam-powered beam engine in the world at Crofton Pumping Station, as well as the astonishing feat of engineering at Caen Hill Locks, near Devizes.







"The Wadworth Shire horses are an ever-popular sight"

In 1835 Isambard Kingdom Brunel chose to site the factory for his Great Western Railway in Swindon. Today you can step back in time at STEAM Museum, housed in the Grade II Listed buildings of the former railway works, and discover the story of the men and women who built, operated and travelled on this iconic railway. Swindon & Cricklade Railway and the Watercress Line offer further opportunities for train buffs to experience our railway heritage, while other aspects of transport history can be enjoyed at Atwell-Wilson Motor Museum in Calne and Boscombe Down Aviation Collection, near Salisbury.

Founded in 1875, Wadworth Brewery still operates from its original location in Devizes, where its brewer's drays can be seen making deliveries around the town. On a guided tour you can meet the mighty Shire horses, see the sign writers at work, learn how traditional ales are made, and enjoy a few samples as well.

Many Wiltshire towns owe their modern-day prosperity to the production of woollen broadcloth in centuries past. With the exception of Wilton Carpets the textile industry is long gone, but superb examples of industrial architecture remain, providing a tangible bond with the

At the peak of its textile production Bradford on Avon was home to more than 30 cloth factories. Today, the impressive walls of Abbey Mill still flank the river, while the cottages of spinners and weavers can be seen clinging to the hillside. In Trowbridge the history of weaving dates back over 1,000 years and the woollen cloth industry here left a rich architectural legacy ranging from the late-16th to the mid-19th century. Trowbridge Museum continues the theme, with a nationally important collection relating to West Country woollen cloth production. Displays include working looms, and you can even have a go at handloom weaving yourself.

For history in action head to Wilton Windmill near Marlborough: set high on the North Wessex Downs it is the only working windmill in Wessex and still grinds flour for sale. Or Whitchurch Silk Mill, the oldest silk mill in the UK still in its original building, where silk is woven on 19th century machinery.

Further links with the past can be found at our many local museums. Calne Heritage Centre tells the story of the town and its surrounding area; Chippenham Museum and Heritage Centre highlights aspects of trade and industry including a working model of a flourmill; at Market Lavington Museum 120 years of professional photography illustrate the life and work of the village; while displays at Royal Wootton Bassett Museum depict the town's social, rural, commercial and industrial history.

"Wiltshire is the ideal place to uncover the history of textile manufacturing"













A Canvas for CREATIVITY

Wiltshire is a beautiful and diverse county. If you appreciate art in any of its forms you'll find plenty to inspire you in our many galleries, theatres, arts centres and cinemas.

The purpose-built, 300-seat concert hall at **Wiltshire Music Centre** in Bradford on Avon hosts more than 90 concerts each year. According to Sean Rafferty of BBC Radio 3 it has 'the finest acoustic outside London', so it's no surprise that it attracts internationally renowned musicians and world class music from classical to folk and jazz.

In Swindon the **Wyvern Theatre** offers a mixed programme of concerts, comedy, drama, dance and musical theatre. The **Odeon Cinema** in Trowbridge has seven fully digital 3D capable screens showing all the latest blockbusters, plus alternative content via satellite from National Theatre Live and the Royal Opera House Live. The **Pound Arts Centre** in Corsham is another thriving venue, offering a year-round programme of performances, films and exhibitions.

Throughout the year **Salisbury Playhouse** stages a range of theatre, including plays, musicals, one-night events and children's productions. Many of these are created here in Wiltshire, using the skills of the Playhouse's on-site scenery and costume departments. **City Hall** is Salisbury's largest entertainment venue, with three seasons of live entertainment throughout the year and a wide range of productions to suit all interests.

Also in Salisbury, **Fisherton Mill** exhibits work by leading artists, furniture makers and sculptors, with studio workshops where you can visit artists at work; **The Young Gallery** presents twice-yearly exhibitions from its permanent collections, as well as ad hoc exhibitions from other artists; and at **Sarum College** you can browse the art exhibitions in their Grade I Listed buildings, enjoy an event or attend a lunchtime concert, course or public lecture.

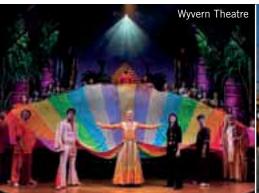
For those interested in the creative arts, the **Black Barn Gallery** in the heart of the Wylye Valley exhibits work by some 25 artists and crafts people, ranging from jewellery and glassware to sculpture, photography and painting.

Swindon Museum & Art Gallery features impressive and thought-provoking works by some of Britain's finest modern artists; the magnificent Inigo Jones Double Cube Room at **Wilton House** contains the greatest collection of paintings by Van Dyck still in its original setting; and **Corsham Court** houses furniture by Chippendale, mirrors by Adams and family portraits by Sir Joshua Reynolds. While just over the county border the **Victoria Art Gallery** in Bath offers an exciting programme of exhibitions and stunning collections from Turner and Gainsborough to the moderns.

Other historic properties such as **Bowood**, **Lacock**, **Longleat**, **Old Sarum**, **Old Wardour Castle** and **Stourhead** host events such as firework displays, open-air theatre and concerts, historic re-enactments and Christmas celebrations.

Wiltshire's arts and entertainment will leave you calm, soothed and refreshed. For more information on the many timeless pleasures to be enjoyed around the county go to: **visitwiltshire.co.uk/whats-on**















"We're a creative lot in Wiltshire"









Festivals and Events to Fire the MAGINATION

"Remember to double check dates and times as these can sometimes change"

Escape the everyday and enjoy some of our timeless pleasures

Wiltshire's festivals and events showcase the county's outstanding creativity and inventiveness. Often based on stories that have helped shape the history of England, they provide authentic and entertaining experiences... and 2016 is all set to be another bumper year:

With its first event in April, and more taking place every month from then until September, Gurston Down Hill Climb gets the season off to a cracking start. It is followed on Saturday 30 April by **Downton Cuckoo Fair** which takes place on the picturesque village greens, with over 250 stalls, craft demonstrations, maypole and Morris dancing, music and more. Then, during the first fortnight of May, Swindon Festival of Literature celebrates all things well thought, well written and well said, with novelists, poets, politicians, travellers, scientists, storytellers, sportsmen, historians, comedians, artists and activists.

Marlborough Food & Drink Festival in May is a magnet for foodies. With more than 100 local and regional exhibitors it promises a display of culinary delights, with plenty of products to tantalize your taste buds. From 27 May-11 June the Ageas Salisbury International Arts Festival showcases an array of theatre, dance, comedy, classical and popular music, visual arts and a full literature programme. 2016 is the third of four festivals tracing the passage of the sun from sunrise to sunset, focusing this year on the mid-day sun and the arts and culture of New Zealand.

Over the second bank holiday weekend in May Chippenham Folk Festival combines nationally acclaimed performers with dynamic young musicians, dancers and singers. In all there are more than 200 individual events in and around the Georgian town of Chippenham. This is closely followed on 4 and 5 June by Toby Buckland's Garden Festival celebrating all things horticultural amid the beautiful surroundings of Bowood, including specialist nurseries, live music, local food and garden speakers.

For two months from early June to early August, Iford Arts Festival presents opera, jazz proms and cloister concerts from the idyllic surroundings of the Grade I Listed Peto Garden at Iford Manor. From 7 to 10 July, Barbury Castle International Horse Trials and Show sees the world's top eventers compete over this renowned cross country course set in a natural amphitheatre formed by the beautiful Marlborough Downs.

Popular with visitors of all ages Marlborough College Summer School runs from 10 July to 6 August, with 2016 seeing a wide range of new courses alongside traditional favourites. Taking place from 22 to 24 July the Village Pump Folk Festival is a small and friendly festival. In a beautiful location nestling under the Westbury White Horse, it combines big name stars with Morris dancing, family activities, workshops, bars, stalls and food outlets. The ancient market town of Malmesbury has been home to a carnival for over 90 years. These days Malmesbury Carnival & Festival has grown into a whole range of events throughout August, with something to suit all ages and tastes. From 21 to 28 August the annual Edington Music Festival features sacred choral works including plainchant, new commissions, organ recitals and some of the most complex and beautiful music ever written.

Devizes Festival Fortnight runs from late August to early September, offering two whole weeks of colourful events, including Picnic in the Park, the Confetti Battle, Carnival Parade and Devizes International Street Festival. Now in its third year the Salisbury Contemporary Craft & Heritage Festival from 9 to 11 September showcases both contemporary crafts and heritage skills, combining craft makers' stalls and hands-on workshops with tours, talks, trails and much more.

From 14 to 30 October, Trowbridge Arts Festival will once again be bursting at the seams with arts and cultural events to visit, watch and take part in. Now in its fifth successful year, Salisbury Christmas Market runs from late-November to mid-December and offers tasteful, high quality gifts and festive goods, with a strong emphasis on products from Britain and Europe. A programme of festive music from local choirs and other groups completes the seasonal experience.

And, of course, it doesn't stop there... there's a huge and diverse range of other arts, culture and heritage events on offer all around the county and our website is a great place to find out more: visitwiltshire.co.uk/whats-on

"For more festivals and events see pages 26-27"







Favourite PE Locations

A perennial favourite with filmmakers, Wiltshire has taken centre stage in a wide range of productions from swashbuckling adventures to Jane Austen classics, Hogwarts to Wolf Hall. The following is just a small selection of big screen movies and TV costume dramas filmed around the county – for more information go to www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/film

Downton Abbey (2015) - Filming for the sixth and final series of this hit TV series took place in the National Trust village of **Lacock**, much to the delight of visiting tourists.

Poldark (2015 and 2016) - The novels on which this series is based may have been set in Cornwall, but it was the charming Wiltshire market town of **Corsham** that locations scouts selected as the perfect match for 18th century Truro in the first series, while **Great Chalfield Manor and Gardens** features in series two.

Wolf Hall (2015) - In this BBC serialisation of Hilary Mantel's novel, the exterior of **Lacock Abbey** represented Wolf Hall, the Seymour family seat, while the interiors of fellow National Trust property **Great Chalfield Manor** stood in for Austin Friars, home of Thomas Cromwell.

War Horse (2011) - Often referred to as 'the prettiest village in England', stunning **Castle Combe** played a major role in *War Horse* and featured in *Stardust*, *The Wolf Man* and *Dr Dolittle*.

The Young Victoria (2009) - In Momentum Pictures' film about the life of Queen Victoria, **Wilton House** doubled not only as Prince Albert's home, Rosenau Castle, but also as Buckingham Palace.

Harry Potter & The Half Blood Prince (2009) / Harry Potter & The Chamber of Secrets (2002) - Sequences from both of these family favourites were filmed at Lacock Abbey, including scenes where its cloisters represented the corridors at Hogwarts.

Lark Rise to Candleford (2008–2011) - Locations near Corsham in north Wiltshire featured in this popular BBC costume drama.

Cranford (2007) - The village of Lacock, with its cottages and inns dating back to the 15th century was the backdrop to this BBC production.

Pride & Prejudice (2005) - In this cinema version of the Jane Austen classic, starring Keira Knightley and Matthew Macfadyen, viewers will recognise not only **Wilton House** – which doubled as Pemberley, the family seat of Mr Darcy – but also the magnificent gardens at **Stourhead**, where Elizabeth Bennett initially rejects his proposal of marriage.

Chocolat (2000) - River scenes from this film featuring Juliette Binoche and Johnny Depp were filmed at **Fonthill Lake**, near the charming village of Fonthill Bishop on the Fonthill Estate.

Sense & Sensibility (1995) - The National Trust's Mompesson House in Salisbury's Cathedral Close achieved celebrity status as the London home of Mrs Jennings, while the Double Cube Room at Wilton House was used for ballroom scenes in the film.

Other big screen films featuring Wiltshire locations include *The Wolfman* (2010), *The Other Boleyn Girl* (2008) and *Saving Private Ryan* (1998). TV series filmed here include *Doctor Who* (2010), *The Victorian Farm* (2009), *Tess of the d'Urbervilles* (2008) and various episodes of *Time Team*, while Salisbury Cathedral was the inspiration behind TV mini-series *Pillars of the Earth*, based on the best-selling book by Ken Follett and shown in the UK in 2013.























Events CALENDAR 2016

January 2016

Going to Town: Swindon Museum & Art Gallery	To Sat 12 Mar
Unity and Loyalty – First World War Red Cross Hospital Exhibition, Chippenham Museum	To Sat 30 Apr
Lambing, Roves Farm	Fri 8-Mon 25 Jan
Wiltshire in 100 Objects, Trowbridge Museum	Sat 30 Jan- Sat 2 Apr
John Craxton Exhibition, Salisbury Museum Sat 30 Jan-Sat 7 May	

February 2016

Falconry Experience Day, Sir Harold Hill	lier Gardens Sun 7 Feb
The Gingerbread Race, Roves Farm	Sat 13-Sun 21 Feb
Ghost Stories by Candlelight, Larmer Tre	ee Fri 19 Feb
Brilliant Young Musicians Concerts, St Peter's Church, Marlborough	Sundays 21 Feb, 10 Apr, 15 May & 19 Jun
Pet Care Day, Studley Grange Butterfly	World Feb (date tbc)

March 2016

Easter events and Easter Egg Hunts, around Wiltshire	Mar & Apr (various dates)
Wilton House Antiques Fair	Fri 4-Sun 6 Mar
Rena Gardiner Exhibition, Mompesson Hous	se Sat 12 Mar- Sun 30 Oct
Larmer Tree Races	Sun 13 Mar
Commonwealth Day, Chippenham	Mon 14 Mar
Forest Forge Theatre Company, Whitchurch	Silk Mill Tue 15 Mar
Impress, an Exhibition of Print, Fisherton Mill	Sat 19 Mar-Sat 30 Apr
An American Toy Story Exhibition, American Museum	Sat 19 Mar- Sun 30 Oct
Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race	Fri 25-Mon 28 Mar
Race Meeting, Castle Combe Circuit	Mon 28 Mar
A Weather Eye: Light & Landscape, W. Swindon Museum & Art Gallery	/ed 30 Mar-Sat 16 Jul

April 2016

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Lambing, Roves Farm	Sat 9-Tue 26 Apr
Calne Spring Sing	Sat 16 Apr
Gurston Down Speed Hillclimb	Sat 16-Sun 17 Apr
Jeremiah! Inspired Interiors, American Museu	m Tue 19 Apr-Fri 1 Jul
Downton Cuckoo Fair	Sat 30 Apr
Cloth Road Arts Week, West Wiltshire	Sat 30 Apr-Sun 8 May
World Leaders of the 1970s, Arundells	Apr-Jul (dates tbc)

May 2016

Racing, Salisbury Racecourse Sun 1 May	(fam), Sat 28 May (eve)
The Great Tisbury Brocante	Mon 2 May
Lions May Day Fayre, Trowbridge	Sat 7 May
Cloth Road Artist's Exhibition, Trowbridge	Museum Sat 7 May- Sat 29 Oct
Royal Wootton Bassett Carnival	Sat 14 May
Stourhead Immortal Triathlon	Sat 14-Sun 15 May
Brilliant Young Musicians Concerts, St Peter's Church, Marlborough	Sundays 21 Feb, 0 Apr, 15 May & 19 Jun
Writing for Eternity, Salisbury Museum	Sat 21 May-Sat 3 Sep
Chippenham Folk Festival	Fri 27-Mon 30 May
Ageas Salisbury International Arts Festival	Fri 27 May-Sat 11 Jun
Three Little Pigs, Roves Farm	Sat 28 May-Sun 5 Jun
Lions Fun Day, Bradford on Avon	Mon 30 May
Listen to the Band, Larmer Tree	Mon 30 May
St Aldhelm's Fair, Malmesbury	Mon 30 May
Sheep Dog Trials, Studley Grange Butterfly	World May (date tbc)
May Fayre, Mere	May (date tbc)
Swindon Festival of Literature	May (dates tbc)

June 2016

CalneFest Music Festival, Calne	Sat 4 Jun
Ludgershall Summer Fête	Sat 4 Jun
Swindon Comic Con, STEAM Museum	Sat 4-Sun 5 Jun
The Handlebards perform Shakespeare, Larm	ner Tree Sun 5 Jun
Corsham Summer Fête	Sat 11 Jun
Corsham Walking Festival	Fri 17-Sun 19 Jun
Forest Live, Westonbirt	Fri 17-Sun 19 Jun
Amesbury Carnival & Show	Sat 18 Jun
Bradford on Avon Sculpture Garden Sat 18-S	un 26 Jun (exc Mon)
Cricklade Town Festival	Sun 19 Jun
Birds of Prey, Lydiard Park	Sun 19 Jun
The Chippenham Games	Tue 21-Wed 22 Jun
'Bibury Cup' Race Day, Salisbury Racecourse	Wed 22 Jun
A Midsummer Night's Dream (Open Air), Lydia	rd Park Fri 24 Jun
Armed Forces Weekend, Around Wiltshire	Sat 25-Sun 26 Jun
Calne Summer Festival & Carnival	Sat 25 Jun
Iford Arts Festival, Iford Manor	Jun-Aug (dates tbc)
Music Brew, Three Daggers, Edington End Ju	un/beg Jul (date tbc)

July 2016

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Material World Textile, Art & Craft, Fisherton Mill Salisbury	Sat 2 Jul-Sat 27 Aug
Barbury Horse Trials, Marlborough	Thu 7-Sun 10 Jul
Royal International Air Tattoo, RAF Fairford	Fri 8-Sun 10 Jul









July 2016 continued

Summer Fayre & Evening Concert, Westbury	Sat 9 Jul
Racing, Salisbury Racecourse Sat 9 Jul (ladies ev	ve), Sat 23 Jul
Motown Summer Soul, Sir Harold Hillier Gardens	Sat 9 Jul
Native American Pow Wow, Bush Farm Bison Centre	Sat 9 Jul- Sun 10 Jul
Marlborough College Summer School Sun 10	Jul-Sat 6 Aug
Larmer Tree Festival, Tollard Royal Wed 1	l3-Sun 17 Jul
Sense & Sensibility (Open Air Theatre), Lydiard Park	Fri 15 Jul
Marlborough International Jazz Festival Fri 1	L5-Sun 17 Jul
Melksham Party in the Park	Sat 16 Jul
Play Festival, Trowbridge	Sat 16 Jul
Village Pump Folk Festival, Westbury Fri 2	22-Sun 24 Jul
Gurston Down Speed Hillclimb Sat 2	23-Sun 24 Jul
WOMAD, Malmesbury Thu 2	28-Sun 31 Jul
Wilton Horse Trials, Wilton House Sat 3	30-Sun 31 Jul
Live Music in the Park, Warminster	Sun 31 Jul
Piglet Racing, Studley Grange Butterfly World	Jul (date tbc)
Civil War Re-enactment, Bradford on Avon	Jul (date tbc)
Classic Vehicle Show, Atwell-Wilson Motor Museum	Jul (date tbc)
Wilton Carnival	Jul (date tbc)
Edward Heath; A Life in Cartoons, Arundells Jul-N	ov (dates tbc)

August 2016

Malmesbury Carnival Events	Throughout Aug
Wessex Country Fair, Wilton House	Sun 14 Aug
Wilderness Gathering, Bush Farm Bison Cent	
	Sun 21 Aug
Evening Racing, Salisbury Racecourse	Fri 19 Aug
Carnival Soap Box Derby, Trowbridge	Sun 21 Aug
Edington Music Festival	Sun 21-Sun 28 Aug
Melksham Comic Convention	Sat 27-Sun 28 Aug
Race Meeting, Castle Combe Circuit	Mon 29 Aug
Devizes Festival Fortnight Late Aug-6	early Sep (dates tbc)
Cricklade Show	Aug (date tbc)
White Horse Festival, Westbury	Aug (date tbc)
Family Activities, Mompesson House	Thu/Fri in Aug

September 2016

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End of the Road Festival, Larmer Tree Garde	ens Fri 2-Sun 4 Sep
Calne Heritage Week	Mon 5-Sun 11 Sep
Mere Carnival	Sat 10 Sep
John Constable: Salisbury Cathedral from the Meadows, The Salisbury Museum	Sat 17 Sep- Sat 25 Mar 2017
Tisbury Carnival	Sat 24 Sep
Marlborough Literary Festival	Fri 30 Sep-Sun 2 Oct

September 2016 continued

Bradford on Avon Arts Festival	Sep (dates tbc)
Pewsey Carnival & Feast	Sep (date tbc)
Westbury Music and Arts Festival	Sep (date tbc)

October 2016

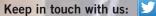
Great Western Brick Show, STEAM Museum	Sat 1-Sun 2 Oct
Trowbridge Arts Festival	Fri 14-Sun 30 Oct
Warminster Festival Tue 18 Oct-	Wed 2 Nov (dates tbc)
Spooky Halloween Tours, Old Wardour Castl	e Fri 28-Sun 30 Oct
Warminster Carnival	Sat 29 Oct
Race Meeting, Castle Combe Circuit	Oct (date tbc)
Hop Fest, Three Daggers, Edington	End Oct (date tbc)
Longleat Halloween Spooktactular/Fireworks N	lights Oct (dates tbc)
Marlborough Big and Little Mop Fairs	Oct (dates tbc)
Mere Literary Festival	Oct (dates tbc)
Philosophy Town Festival, Malmesbury	Oct (date tbc)

November, December & Christmas 2016

Christmas Lights Switch On and Christmas	Nov & Dec
Shopping Events, around Wiltshire	(various dates)
Longleat Festival of Light	Late Nov-early Jan
Christmas Season, American Museum Thu 2	24 Nov-Sun 18 Dec
Salisbury Christmas Market Thu 24 Nov-Sun	18 Dec (dates tbc)
Calne Christmas Festival	Sat 26 Nov
Christmas Market & Lights Switch On, Warmins	ster Sat 26 Nov
Wishing Tree, Corsham	Sat 26 Nov
Santa Specials, Swindon & Cricklade Railway	Sat & Sun from
Sat 2	26 Nov-Sun 18 Dec
The Christmas House, Mompesson House	Sat 26 Nov-
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The Christmas House, Stourhead Sat 2	6 Nov-Wed 21 Dec
Christmas Fair, Larmer Tree	Fri 2-Sun 4 Dec
Christmas Street Fayre and Lights Switch-On, We	estbury Sat 3 Dec
Christmas at STEAM Museum	Sat 3 & Sun 4 Dec
Christmas Exhibition, Trowbridge Museum	Sat 3-Fri 23 Dec
Christmas Wreath Making Workshop,	Sun 4 Dec
Old Wardour Castle	
Mere Christmas Fayre	Dec (date tbc)

Additional events on a variety of themes can be found on pages 4-33 of this guide, and full details of these and many other festivals and events can be found on our website: visitwiltshire.co.uk/whats-on

Please be sure to double check dates and times prior to arrival, as details can be subject to change















Food to Feed the

A wealth of traditional Wiltshire specialities

When it comes to local food and drink, Wiltshire's pedigree is second to none. The market town of Calne is the place where the longestablished English technique of curing ham and bacon - known as the Wiltshire Cure - was invented by the Harris family, Many other unique Wiltshire recipes have been handed down through the generations, and traditional local specialities such as Wiltshire Lardy Cake, Wiltshire Loaf (a cheese, not a bread) and Malmesbury Pudding taste as good today as they have ever done.

Across the county you'll find top quality indoor and outdoor markets, as well as farmers' markets specialising in local food from local producers, including seasonal fruit and vegetables, meat, poultry and game, cheeses, free range eggs, artisan loaves and more.

With such an emphasis on top quality local fare you won't be surprised to hear that Wiltshire sets great store by its mouth-watering range of foodie events. Sample the beer festivals in Chippenham (April) and Swindon (October). Or savour the food and drink festivals in Devizes and Marlborough (May), Swindon (June) and Calne, Melksham and Salisbury (September). Wander among an array of tempting stalls, relishing the aromas of freshly-ground coffee and herbs, and eat your fill from sizzling sausages, barbecues or a hog roast, before washing it all down with one of our excellent wines, ciders or beers - look out for wines from a'Beckett's Vineyard and The Pear Tree at Purton, or beer from Wadworth Brewery, the Three Daggers at Edington and the Red Lion at Cricklade.

Eating out is another of the many pleasures to be enjoyed on a holiday or short break to Wiltshire and seasonal menus at restaurants, wine bars and bistros across the county make the most of our top quality local produce. Happily, life moves at a gentler pace here so you can take your time to savour the culinary magic wrought by our chefs, bakers and brewers.

A hearty Wiltshire breakfast makes a great start to the day, but if you feel a little peckish later on we have coffee shops and tea rooms – as well as the occasional ice cream parlour - offering a mouth-watering array of cakes and pastries, giving you the perfect excuse to linger over elevenses or treat yourself to afternoon tea. Town pubs and country pubs, pubs with gardens and pubs with ghosts - Wiltshire has an abundance of friendly watering holes offering tasty food and drink at reasonable prices. Walkers, cyclists, families, dogs - all are widely welcomed.

If celebrations are the order of the day, The Bell at Ramsbury and The George & Dragon at Rowde have both been awarded two AA Dining Rosettes for the high standard of their food. When you really want to push the boat out, look no further than the Red Lion Freehouse at East Chisenbury, The Harrow at Little Bedwyn, or the hotel restaurants at Lucknam Park near Chippenham and Whatley Manor near Malmesbury, all of which are holders of a coveted Michelin star (or two!)

"While away the hours over a long lunch with friends or family"



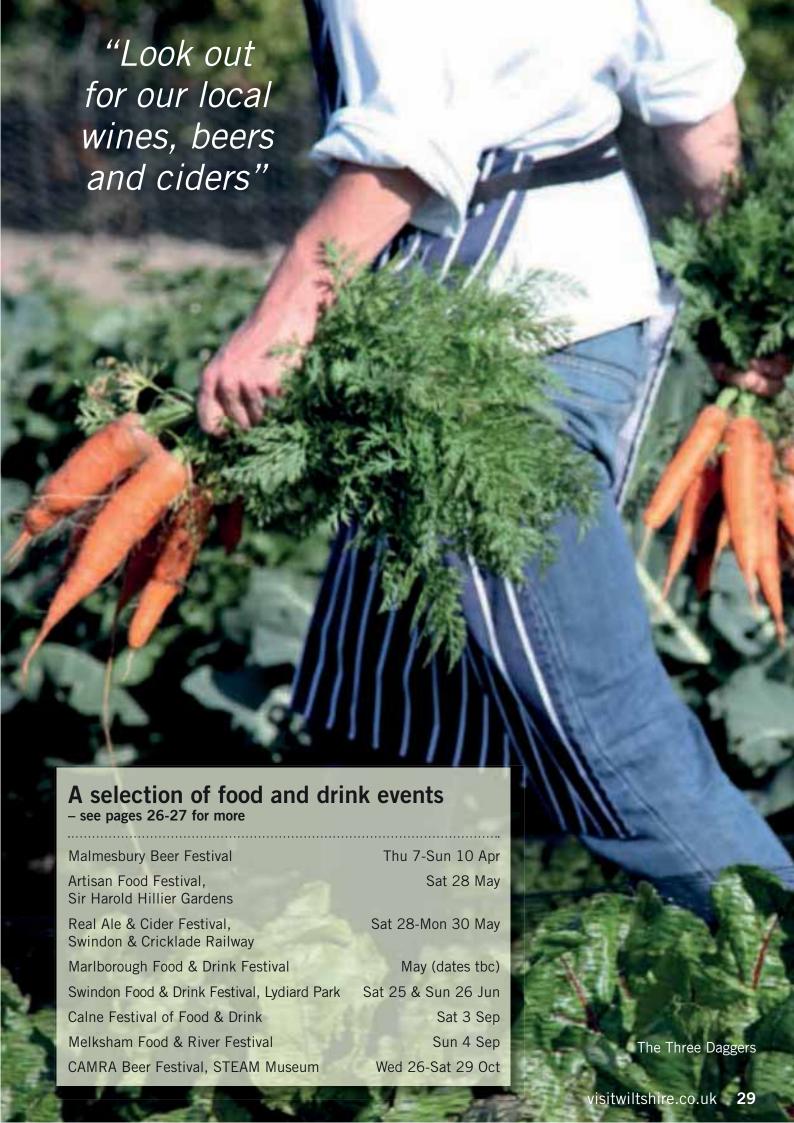


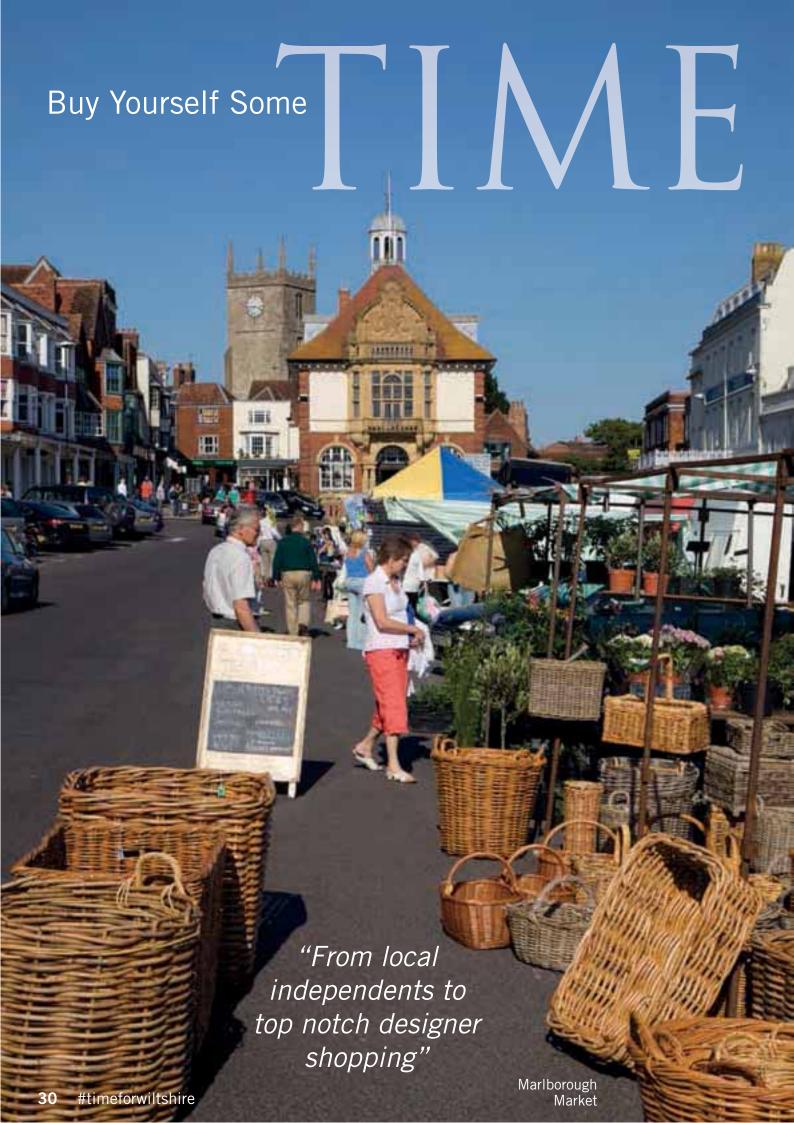


















Peaceful, relaxed, unhurried, the shopping streets of Salisbury and many historic Wiltshire towns are home to a wealth of independent retailers, offering interesting and individual items you won't find on every high street.







"Only in Wiltshire will you find a shop in the middle of a prehistoric stone circle!"

For elegant shopping in a stylish, cosmopolitan setting, Marlborough and Bradford on Avon are popular choices, while numerous small, family-run outlets continue to thrive across the county as they have for generations. Many of the Bath stone buildings on Corsham's High Street are independent businesses, providing irresistible retail opportunities, while the bustling village of Tisbury offers a tempting selection of shops and amenities.

If there were a prize for the most unique location it would surely go to the **The Henge Shop**, located within the world's largest prehistoric stone circle at Avebury. Elsewhere around the county, other popular centres serve visitors and local communities alike. Find collectables and reclamation at Fairfax Antiques near Chippenham or antique clocks and barometers at P A Oxley near Calne; source local produce at Allington Farm Shop near Chippenham, Neston Park Farm Shop near Melksham or Edington Farm Shop near Westbury. Or discover exclusive items for the home at **Bow House Lifestyle** in Marlborough.

In Salisbury you can discover organic toiletries at Neal's Yard Remedies, or locate fine lingerie at Just Jane. Head to Chas H Baker for classic and contemporary menswear, or Ingrams for briefcases, handbags and luggage. An eclectic range of shops can be found in the covered Cross Keys Shopping Centre, while Fisherton Mill, with its galleries, studios and workshops, is an Aladdin's cave of interesting and individual items.

Wiltshire does top notch designer shopping too. Housed in the tastefully converted Grade II Listed buildings of the former Great Western Railway works, the recently expanded McArthurGlen Designer Outlet Swindon makes a great day out for all the family, with over 90 stores selling a wide range of high street and designer labels at up to 60% off recommended retail prices, plus cafés, restaurants and children's activities.

As befits a county famous for its local produce, Wiltshire is proud of its range of markets, from indoor and outdoor to farmers', artisan and international. What better way to spend a morning than browsing the many stalls where every imaginable item is on offer, from top quality fruit and vegetables to meat, cheeses, eggs, haberdashery, clothes, shoes, jewellery and more.

Trowbridge, Wiltshire's county town, has a Market Charter dating back to the year 1200 with markets every Wednesday. Salisbury's Charter Market has been coming to the city on Tuesdays and Saturdays (except the third Tuesday in October) for almost 800 years. Other bustling market towns include Amesbury (Wednesday), Bradford on Avon (Thursday), Calne (Friday), Chippenham (Friday and Saturday), Corsham (Tuesday), Devizes (Thursday), Marlborough (Wednesday and Saturday), Melksham (Tuesday), Pewsey (Tuesday), Royal Wootton Bassett (Wednesday), Warminster (Friday) and Wilton (Thursday). Additional markets may take place on other days.

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An Ever-Changing LATIDS CAPE

Today life is hectic. Too hectic.

We're all so busy. 24/7 this, 4G that. Forever rushing around. So escape to Wiltshire! Easy to explore, yet off the beaten track, Wiltshire is one of Britain's best kept secrets. It's an enchanted place where you feel close to the earth and the ever-changing big skies. The landscape's mood alters with the seasons, connecting you not just to nature, but to time itself. See how the light changes the texture of the hills and think of others admiring the same spectacle over thousands of years.

At times gentle, at times wild, almost half the county's landscape lies within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. From the lush meadows of the Pewsey Vale to more austere expanses of upland, the North Wessex Downs is a nationally protected landscape. So too is Cranborne Chase and the West Wiltshire Downs, which stretches in a giant undulating swathe across the south of the county.

Parts of north and west Wiltshire lie within the Cotswolds, where dry stone walls, narrow winding lanes and honey-coloured villages meld seamlessly into rolling hills. Acres of ancient woodland can be found in the Savernake Forest as well as on the borders of the New Forest National Park. And at the heart of the county lies the vast, untouched expanse of Salisbury Plain. With its big skies and broad horizons this untamed plateau is home to rare and endangered species which thrive in the sparsely populated landscape.

Other havens for wildlife include the 37 nature reserves managed by Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, covering a variety of natural habitats from chalk grassland and woodland to wetland and bog. Langford Lakes between Salisbury and Warminster is a great spot for birdwatching enthusiasts. The National Nature Reserve at North Meadow near Cricklade is renowned for its spectacular display of rare Snakeshead Fritillaries during April, while West Woods near Marlborough and Grovely Woods near Wilton are carpeted with bluebells in May.

Wiltshire is also blessed with outstanding chalk streams and rivers. The gin-clear waters of the Wylye, Nadder, Bourne and Ebble offer excellent trout fishing and some delightful riverside walks. Flowing south from Pewsey the River Avon supports an abundant variety of wildlife, including the endangered water vole. The River Kennet winds through the North Wessex Downs, skirting the prehistoric sites of Avebury and Silbury Hill. Even the young River Thames gets a look in, as it meanders through the north of the county, close to the Saxon town of Cricklade.

Miles of ancient drove roads and quiet country lanes make exploring Wiltshire a pleasure. Among the many charming hamlets nestling amid unspoiled, rolling countryside, the stars of the show are Castle Combe, arguably the prettiest village in England, and the stunning National Trust village of Lacock, both of which are great favourites with film-makers.

Any time is Wiltshire time: spring meadows carpeted with flowers... shadows of hay bales lengthening in the setting sun... autumn mist hanging like a blanket over winding river valleys... frost glistening on the flanks of mighty standing stones – rural England at its very best.

Wiltshire is calming, comforting, refreshing. Let Wiltshire put back what the rest of the week takes out.

To find out more and to book your rural break, go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation













"The perfect antidote to overcrowded cities"

A selection of walking and cycling events

- see pages 26-27 for more

Wiltshire Wildcat Sportive, Salisbury Racecourse

Cycle Wiltshire, Salisbury

Corsham Walking Festival

Warminster Wobble Cycling Festival

Walkers are Welcome Festival, Bradford on Avon

Cricklade Kermesse

Wiltshire 100 & Big Wheel Bike Ride, Devizes

Sat 12 Mar

Sat 7-Sun 8 May

Fri 17-Sun 19 Jun

Mid-Jun (date tbc)

Fri 2-Sun 4 Sep

Sep (date tbc)











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- sometimes you need to escape and let time stand still

Sturdy shoes recommended

Travelling under your own steam gives you time to appreciate Wiltshire's beautiful and varied landscape. With over 8,200 paths for walkers and cyclists our countryside might well have been invented with outdoor pursuits in mind, so there's something for all levels of enthusiasm from stress-free family outings to demanding long distance trails.

Wiltshire is blessed with an outstanding array of walks that can comfortably be accomplished within half a day, leaving ample time to relax over lunch. Follow in the footsteps of the ancient drovers, meander through our market towns or amble along the towpath of the Kennet & Avon Canal. You'll also find plenty of challenging longer routes where you can stride out to your heart's content. Walk the Wansdyke, roam along the Ridgeway or tackle the Thames Path. Depending on how hard core you are, you can take on their entire length over several days or cherry pick the sections that suit you best.

Seasoned experts, enthusiastic amateurs and nervous newbies alike will find plenty of on- and off-road cycle routes to suit their level of ability. These range from short hops such as the Golden Way to long-distance trails, including one of several National Cycle Routes and part of the National Byway. Whichever you follow, you'll find new stories around every corner... and there's a range of exciting cycling events throughout the year to watch or take part in too, such as Cycle Wiltshire in May and the Wiltshire 100 and Big Wheel Bike Ride in September.

Whether walking or cycling, the many interesting properties in the care of The Churches Conservation Trust are great places to stop for a breather, and at end the day a refreshing drink in one of our country pubs goes down a treat – see visitchurches.org.uk/ saintsandsinnerswiltshire for details of a heritage trail combining the two!

If you're happy heading off in the morning with just a packed lunch and a map for company, that's fine by us. But if you'd like a little help with planning an itinerary, arranging places to stay – even transporting your luggage – local specialists are only a phone call away.

Other ways to experience our breathtaking countryside include a hands-on falconry adventure; a day's fishing or a round of golf; pony trekking or a canal boat trip; a skydive or hot air balloon flight; a treasure hunt or off-road driving experience.

And if the weather throws a spanner in the works there are ample indoor activities to choose from too, from spas and cookery schools to escape games, go karting and laser combat.

Details of walking and cycling routes around Wiltshire, as well as a wide range of other things to do, can be found on visitwiltshire.co.uk/ outdoor-activities and there's additional information on walking Wiltshire's white horses on whitehorsewalk.co.uk

For an excellent range of maps and brochures to help you on your way contact one of the Information Centres listed on page 57. Alternatively, maps and routes for cyclists and walkers can be downloaded from the Connecting Wiltshire website: connectingwiltshire.co.uk

Many of our accommodation providers actively welcome walkers and cyclists, providing extra facilities such as drying rooms for wet clothing. They are also often happy to advise on their favourite local routes. Go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation for details.



















Make Yourself at

"Wiltshire offers a warm welcome and accommodation to suit every pocket"

The ultimate indulgence

At the upper end of the market our breathtaking country house hotels combine excellent facilities with levels of comfort and service that are second to none. Some offer Michelin-star dining, others luxurious spas, an on-site golf course or their own riding stables. Many are surrounded by acres of beautiful English parkland. Happily, however, top quality doesn't have to mean stiff and starchy, as most are also well known for their warmth and informality, welcoming adults and children alike.

Hotels aplenty

We also have an excellent range of comfortable two, three and four star hotels to match your budgetary needs, a number of which have been awarded AA Dining Rosettes for the quality of their food. Whether you choose a city centre property or one whose location is more rural and remote, you are sure to sleep soundly and wake refreshed for another busy day ahead.

Family-run B&Bs

Town or country, old or new, Wiltshire offers a great choice of family-run bed and breakfasts. If you like to get to know your hosts on holiday and enjoy the cosiness of staying in someone else's home, this could be the ideal option for you. Many B&Bs are housed in characterful buildings, most bedrooms are en suite, and a hearty English breakfast made from local produce makes the perfect start to the day.

Stay on a farm

If your idea of holiday heaven is to wake up to the sounds of the countryside with oodles of fresh air to blow the cobwebs away, a Farm Stay property could be the answer to your dreams. Many are situated in Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Some are on working farms, others simply in farm locations. You may be able to meet the animals or help out on the farm if you wish, and as Farm Stay properties are renowned for their hearty breakfasts, you could even find yourself eating the very eggs you collected fresh that morning.

Pubs and restaurants with rooms

It's all in the name! For comfortable accommodation combined with delicious evening meals, look no further than our range of pubs and inns or restaurants with rooms.

Self-catering

If you prefer to do your own thing on holiday then one of our self-catering cottages might suit you down to the ground. Many come complete with traditional features such as thatched roofs, inglenook fireplaces or flagstone floors. Some even have fishing rights on streams nearby. With no restrictions on what you do or when you do it these homes from home offer the ultimate in flexibility. Eat out or cater for yourself – either way you are free to come and go as you please.

Camping and caravanning

Whether caravanning or sleeping under canvas, our peaceful and well-equipped campsites provide the ultimate rural experience, perfect for lovers of the great outdoors. If you opt for a spot of glamping you don't even have to do without any of your creature comforts, as luxury canvas lodges and bell tents include everything from wood burning stoves to private showers.

Or for something a little different...

Keen to escape the stresses and strains of everyday life? You could snuggle up in a cosy glamping pod, take to the open road in a horse-drawn gypsy caravan, or spend the night under a canopy of stars in a traditional shepherd's hut.

For details of all our accommodation as well as the latest offers go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation

"Farm stay: does exactly what it says on the tin!"



visitwiltshire.co.uk

Choosing and booking your ACCOMMODATION

We hope the information contained within these pages has whetted your appetite and inspired you to visit Wiltshire in 2016 – now you just need to find somewhere to stay!

To help you on your way, a selection of accommodation is featured on pages 39-47. If you can't see what you are looking for there, a wider range of places to stay can be found and booked on our website. Just go to **visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation**

What type of accommodation are you looking for?

As you would expect, our website has a wide range of hotels, bed & breakfasts and self-catering cottages to choose from. You'll also find farm stay properties, caravan and campsites, as well as shepherd's huts, horse-drawn gypsy wagons, canvas lodges and glamping pods.

Next steps

Planning your short break or holiday to Wiltshire using our website couldn't be easier: just click on the 'Accommodation' tab to get started.

You can search by location and/or type of accommodation, narrow the search by adding keywords, filter by price, room type, or facilities, and check availability for your preferred dates.

Individual property details

Once you have found somewhere you like, you can check out its full details online, as comprehensive information is provided for each property. We also highlight details of what's nearby – from attractions, events and activities to shopping and eating out, including distances from your chosen accommodation – and once you have made your decision you can add it to your itinerary.

And finally...

Do check out our events calendar on pages 26-27 as there are loads of exciting festivals, events and celebrations going on that you might like to join in with while you are here!



"Keep an eye on our Special Offers page for a range of seasonal breaks, activity breaks, last minute deals and more"







"Booking is easy, either via VisitWiltshire or direct with the accommodation provider"



BRADFORD ON AVON, TROWBRIDGE AND VILLAGES

BRADFORD ON AVON ★ ★ ★ Country House Hotel D2









BEST WESTERN LEIGH PARK COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL & VINEYARD Leigh Road West, Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire, BA15 2RA T: 01225 864885

E: info@leighparkhotel.co.uk

www.leighparkhotel.co.uk

Relaxing, informal venue with its own walled garden and vineyard, only 15 minutes' drive from the Georgian city of Bath. Stunning views over the Wiltshire Downs. Ideal for weddings, meetings and conferences.



BRADFORD ON AVON

★ ★ ★ ★ Self-Catering D2



CUMBERWELL COUNTRY COTTAGES

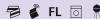
Cumberwell Farm, Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire, BA15 2PQ T: 01225 869230 E: enquiries@cumberwellcountrycottages.com www.cumberwellcountrycottages.com

Seven unique, luxurious and spacious self-catering cottages set in a peaceful, rural location on the edge of an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, only 5 miles from Bath and 1 mile from Bradford on Avon.

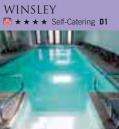
Bedrooms 1 or 2 per unit **Sleeps** Between 2-4 in seven cottages **Prices** £265-£855











CHURCH FARM COUNTRY COTTAGES AND THE OLD GRANARY Winsley, Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire, BA15 2JH T: 01225 722246 E: stay@churchfarmcottages.com

www.churchfarmcottages.com Well-equipped cottages and a delightful granary (¾ mile) on working farm. Pub/farm shop/co-op 500m. Bradford on Avon 2 miles. Longleat 12 miles. Indoor pool, games room, free WiFi. Excellent walking/cycling.

7 Cottages: Three 2-person and four 4-person sleeping up to 22. £245-£595 short break, £345-£1,095 per week. **Granary:** Sleeps up to 12. Short breaks £995-£2,195, £2,595-£3,295 per week.















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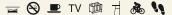
THE POLEBARN, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 7EG T: 01225 777006

www.thepolebarnhotel.co.uk

Natasha Owen

Our family run boutique townhouse is situated just a short walk from the Civic Centre, train station and shops. After a comfortable sleep, enjoy a freshly cooked breakfast using products sourced locally.

Bedrooms 10 Bathrooms 10 en suite shower rooms S £60 D £70-£85 T £90 F £110 Tr £105

















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PAXCROFT COTTAGE

62b Devizes Road, Hilperton, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 6JB T: 01225 765838 E: paxcroftcottages@hotmail.com

www.paxcroftcottages.pwp.blueyonder.co.uk

Mrs Sylvia Styles

Our lovely home is in a rural setting on the outskirts of Trowbridge, overlooking the Wiltshire Downs and convenient for Bath and all of Wiltshire's attractions. You would be very welcome.

Bedrooms 3 **Bathrooms** 2 en suite, 1 private **S** From £40 **D** From £60 **T** From £60 **F** From £70 (one child)





BOWOOD HOTEL, SPA AND GOLF RESORT, Derry Hill, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 9PQ











DERRY HILL



QUEENWOOD LODGE, Bowood Hotel, Spa and Golf Resort, Derry Hill, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 9PQ

T: 01249 822228 E: resort@bowood.org

www.bowood.org

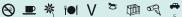
Furnished to the highest standard Queenwood Lodge is rented out on an exclusive basis, giving you complete privacy. Perfect for groups of golfers, spa goers or friend and family breaks

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{Bedrooms} & \textbf{4} & \textbf{Sleeps} \ 8 \ \text{adults plus} \ 2 \ \text{children} \\ \textbf{Prices} & \text{From} \ \pounds1,120 \ \text{per night for DBB (based on 8 people sharing)} \\ \end{array}$

















Bedrooms 43 Bathrooms 43 en suite S £130-£230 D £140-£240 Su £210-£330 _D_ TV ※ L |●| V ~ 闡 🐚 ∰ 号 🔑 🗪 🕻 ∞

T: 01249 822228 E: resort@bowood.org



VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter D3



ABBOTTS BALL FARM COTTAGE

Situated on the stunning Bowood Estate, just outside Chippenham, all the bedrooms are individually designed in a contemporary house style using heritage colours. Relax in front of log fires in winter

or on the terrace with a chilled glass of wine looking out over the surrounding parkland in summer

Choose between fine dining in the Shelburne Restaurant or more casual dining in the Clubhouse

treatments to indulge a little further. For those up for a challenge, Bowood is home to an 18-hole championship golf course. During your stay, explore the grounds of Bowood House and Gardens with

complimentary access (during the open season). For an exclusive break away with friends and family,

Brasserie. Bowood offers a luxurious spa for use by all guests and a wide selection of beauty

enjoy the privacy of Queenwood Lodge, with your own private chef and waiting staff

Worton Road, Potterne, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 5PW T: 01380 721661 E: hazel@abbottsballfarm.com

www.abbottsballfarm.com Mrs Hazel Hobbs

Comfortable, spacious cottage on a small farm with livery yard. Peaceful surroundings with outstanding views. Convenient for K&A Canal. Longleat, Lacock, Bath, Salisbury and Stonehenge. Good local pubs.

Bedrooms 3 Sleeps 5 Prices £269-£703 Short breaks available













VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter D4



Canfield, White Street, Easterton, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 4NZ T: 01380 812426

Anne Blagbrough

Quality furnishings, fine views and an ideal touring location – winter breaks, minimum 2 nights' stay. Own small garden. TV and DVD. Dogs welcome at a charge of £15 per week

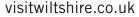
Bedrooms 1 Sleeps 2 Prices £170-£295











ACCOMMODATION

CHIPPENHAM, MALMESBURY AND VILLAGES

SLAUGHTERFORD

★ ★ ★ Farmhouse C2



★ ★ ★ ■ ★ ★ ★ Hotel A3

CRUDWELL

MANOR FARM

Slaughterford, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN14 8RE T/F: 01249 782243

E: ianmanorfm@btinternet.com

A working farm near the pretty Cotswold village of Castle Combe. You can enjoy horse riding and walks along the Macmillan Way and River Bybrook. Breakfasts include home-grown produce.

Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms 2 en suite \$ £30 D £60 F £65











CORSTON

★ Bed & Breakfast B3



THE OLD COACH HOUSE

Corston, Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 0HD T: 01666 826943 E: jcoachhouse@aol.com

www.corstoncoachhousebandb.co.uk

Delightful old coach house with well-appointed annexe, 3 miles from Malmesbury, M4 within easy reach. Tastefully furnished double bedroom with excellent en suite facilities. Pretty, elevated garden.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Bedrooms} \ 1 & \textbf{Bathrooms} \ 1 \ en \ suite \\ \textbf{S} \ From} \ \pounds 55 & \textbf{D} \ From} \ \pounds 80 \\ \end{array}$















Crudwell, Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 9EW

T: 01666 577409 E: reception@mayfieldhousehotel.co.uk www.mayfieldhousehotel.co.uk

A family-run Cotswold country hotel set amidst beautiful countryside in the Avon Valley, just 10 minutes from the M4. With Malmesbury, Tetbury, Westonbirt Arboretum and the Cotswold Water Park all on our doorstep, it's the perfect spot to relax, unwind and explore. We offer 28 en suite rooms including family rooms, disabled levels 1 and 2, and dog-friendly accommodation.

Our AA Rosette restaurant serves beautifully cooked, locally sourced fare produced by talented local chefs. Our fine wine cellar is sourced from the multi-award-winning Great Western Wines of Bath and Thomas Panton of Tetbury, and our bar serves great local real ale from the cask. Sunday lunches are relaxed and traditional family affairs, while special occasions can be catered for in the Stoneroom.

Bedrooms 28 Bathrooms 28 en suite \$ From £68 D From £88 T From £88 F From £108 Half board à la carte dining packages from £59 per person





















THE OLD POST OFFICE COTTAGE

Silver Street, Gastard, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 9PY

E: pjcollier@talktalk.net or mail@theoldpostofficecottage.com www.theoldpostofficecottage.com Peter and Jenny Collier

for Lacock, Castle Combe and Bath. Village pub 150 yards.

A well-equipped cottage in the grounds of owners' Grade II Listed

home. Quiet village location 2 miles from Corsham and convenient

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Wiltshire Approved Accommodation C2



MEADOWBROOK COTTAGE

3 Middlehill, Box, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 8QR T: 01225 744667 E: kate.kls@btinternet.com

www.meadowbrookcottage.co.uk

Katherine and Clive Sugg

Situated on a small-holding with off-road parking, guests receive a warm welcome. We offer comfortable beds, a hearty breakfast with freshly laid free-range eggs, sausages and home-made preserves















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LACOCK

GASTARD

★ ★ ★ Self-Catering C2







VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter C3



LITTLE NOTTON FARMHOUSE, 16 Notton, Lacock, Wiltshire, SN15 2NF T: 01249 730954 (evening and answerphone) M: 07979 867912 E: sue_perfectrooms@hotmail.com

www.littlenottonbedandbreakfast.com

Susan Coleman

The house is a 16th century farmhouse situated close to Lacock, Corsham, Castle Combe. It has great character with beamed ceilings, Aga and real log fire. Superb accommodation and beautiful gardens.

Bedrooms 3 Bathrooms 3 en suite \$ £60 D £80-£95 Tr £110





PICCADILLY CARAVAN PARK

Folly Lane West, Lacock, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 2LP T: 01249 730260

Prices £330-£400

E: info@piccadillylacock.co.uk www.piccadillylacock.co.uk Peter Williams

A peaceful, pleasant location close to the National Trust village of Lacock. Facilities and grounds are immaculately kept and showers have been recently upgraded. 2.5 acre level site with good screening.

Prices £19-£24.50 per night

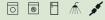






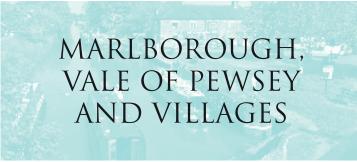






★ ★ ★ ★ Bed & Breakfast C5

AVEBURY



WEST GRAFTON

Wiltshire Approved Accommodation D6



MAYFIELD

West Grafton, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 3BY T: 01672 810339 E: angela.orssich@gmail.com

www.mavfieldbandb.com

Angela Orssich

Beautiful $15^{\rm th}$ century thatched house oozing with history. Set in its own grounds with swimming pool and tennis court. Super breakfasts using local produce. Close to Marlborough, Stonehenge and Avebury.

Bedrooms 3 Bathrooms 2 en suite, 1 private \$ From £60 D £80-£100 T £80-£100 F with private bathroom £150













OGBOURNE ST GEORGE

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter C6

MANOR FARM

T: 01672 539294 www.manorfarmavebury.com

BUCKERFIELDS BARN, Buckerfields Nursery, Ogbourne St George, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 1TF T: 01672 560213 M: 07976 912927

High Street, Avebury, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 1RF

Listed 18th century building situated within the famous stone circle at Avebury. Pub 100 yards away. Ideal for Ridgeway/Wessex Way

walkers and visiting the many ancient sites around the area.

E: info@buckerfieldsbarn.co.uk www.buckerfieldsbarn.co.uk Terence and Sonia Wright

Four comfortably furnished, high quality self-catering apartments. Created from a barn on an old farmyard, now a small plant nursery run by the hosts, and surrounded by lovely gardens.

Bedrooms 4 one bedroom apartments Sleeps 2 persons per

apartment Prices on application

Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms 1 private S £70-£80 D £90-£100 T £90-£100















MILTON LILBOURNE

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter D6



STABLE COTTAGE

Milton Lilbourne, Pewsey, Wiltshire, SN9 5LQ T: 01672 562819 E: info@stable-cottage-ml.co.uk www.stable-cottage-ml.co.uk

A detached, single storey converted farm building set in a very quiet location overlooking farmland. The perfect peaceful hideaway, snug and warm. Stonehenge 35 minutes; London Heathrow 1 hour.

Price on application





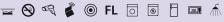












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MERE, WARMINSTER, WESTBURY AND VILLAGES

WARMINSTER

★ ★ ★ ★ Hotel E2







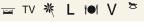
THE BISHOPSTROW HOTEL AND SPA

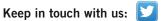
Boreham Road, Bishopstrow, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 9HH (A Longleat Group Hotel) T: 01985 212312 E: info@bishopstrow.co.uk www.bishopstrow.co.uk

The Bishopstrow Hotel and Spa is without a doubt one of the finest luxury hotels in Dorset and Wiltshire and is a temple to relaxation - guests receive the warmest of welcomes and the ultimate in hospitality. All rooms are beautifully furnished and decorated. Our award-winning Mulberry restaurant provides a modern, light and spacious dining experience. Relax in our boutique spa with one of our many treatments or enjoy the thermal experiences, indoor or outdoor pools, fitness suite and tennis courts. Close to Salisbury, Bath, Longleat and Stonehenge.

Bedrooms 32 Bathrooms 32 en suite

\$ £120-£195 D £160-£515 T £160-£515 F £280-£550 (2 adults + 1 child)









ZEALS

■ ★ ★ ★ ★ Bed & Breakfast F1



CORNERWAYS COTTAGE

Longcross, Zeals, Mere, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 6LL

T: 01747 840477 M: 07484 215936

Comfortable cottage in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Close to Longleat, Stourhead, Salisbury and Bath. Golf, riding, fishing and walking nearby. Discounted day tickets for Longleat.

Bedrooms 3 **Bathrooms** 2 en suite, 1 private **S** £60 **D** £75 **T** £70















Welcome

HORNINGSHAM

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter E1



HORNINGSHAM B&B

197 Pottle Street, Horningsham, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 7LX T: 01985 844454 E: susiehilleary@btinternet.com

www.horningshambnb.com

Susanna Hilleary

Family home situated in a quiet country lane. Wonderful views, lovely garden, walks and cycling. Within easy reach of Stourhead, Bath, Salisbury, Frome and Stonehenge. Several good pubs nearby.

Bedrooms 3 **Bathrooms** 2 en suite, 1 private **S** £45 **D** £75-£80 **T** £65















CHAPMANSLADE

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter E1



BLACK DOG FARM

Chapmanslade, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 4AE T: 01373 832858 M: 07878 954563 E: ifrasermills@aol.com

www.blackdogfarm.co.uk Lvn and Fraser Mills

A warm welcome awaits you at this renovated Grade II Listed farmhouse on the Wiltshire/Somerset border. After a good night's sleep, a delicious breakfast will be on offer to start the next day

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Bedrooms 3 Bathrooms 3 en suite

S From £65 D From £75 T From £80 F From £90





The Wiltshire Holiday Cottage Specialists



















A comprehensive selection of cottages, barn conversions and apartments throughout Wiltshire, including the cathedral city of Salisbury

01747 828170 enq@hideaways.co.uk www.hideaways.co.uk









SALISBURY ★ ★ Hotel F5







THE CATHEDRAL HOTEL

7-9 Milford Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2AJ

T: 01722 343700 E: info@cathedralhotelsalisbury.co.uk www.oldsarumhotels.co.uk

In the heart of Salisbury, close to shops, cinema, theatres and the Market Place the hotel has a modern feel to it while maintaining the character of this old building. Our menu offers a great choice of freshly prepared food available from early morning until 10pm daily and 9pm Sundays. Throughout the week we offer a quiet relaxed environment and at the weekend the bar comes to life entertaining, locals and visitors alike until 2am with DJ music. Our guests always comment on the great service and welcome they received no matter what the occasion they visited for.

All our rooms are secondary glazed, but if you want a quiet room at the weekend, please request this at the time of booking. All our rates include a cooked and continental breakfast. Ideal base for touring this great city and surrounding county of Wiltshire. Winner of The South Wilts Tourism Business Of The Year Award 2015.

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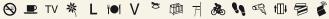


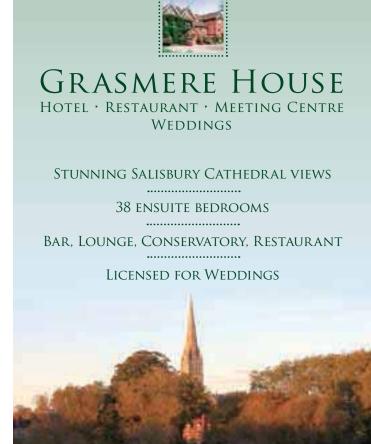














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Bedrooms 3 **Bathrooms** 3 en suite **S** £40 **D** £70-£80 **T** £70-£80

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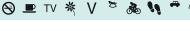


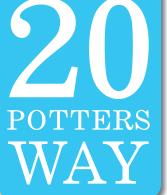
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Bedrooms 3 Bathrooms 3 en suite \$ £60-£75 D £85-£95 T £85-£95 F £95-£140



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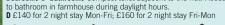
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Bedrooms 1 Bathrooms Compost toilet adjacent to the hut. Access

















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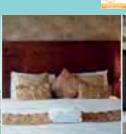
Bedrooms 4 Bathrooms 4 en suite \$ £70-£85 D £85-£100 T £85-£100 Tr £100-£135

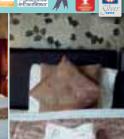
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Bedrooms 16 Bathrooms 16 en suite \$ £45-£55 D £80-£95 T £80-£95 Tr £95-£120 F £120-£140

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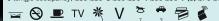




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Bedrooms 5 Bathrooms 5 en suite





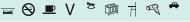




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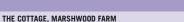
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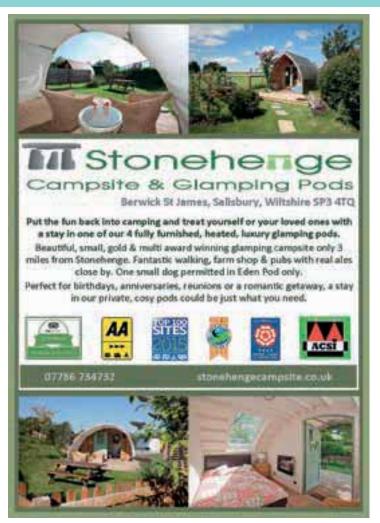












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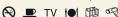
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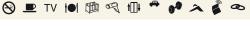
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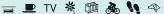
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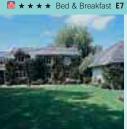








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The 13th century George Hotel houses an Aviation Heritage Centre - showing the story of the first use of planes by the Military in the area. Also, the

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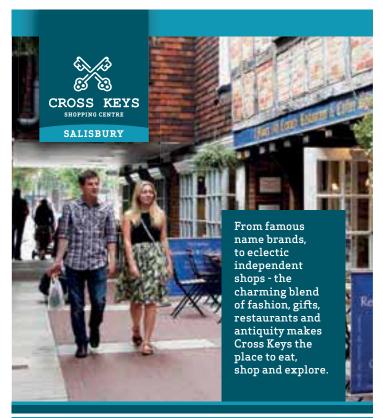
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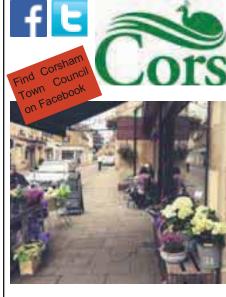
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Open: Every day (except Wed) from mid-Mar to early Oct Admission: Engines static: A £4.50 S £4 Under 16s FREE. Engines in steam: A £8, S £7 Under 16s FREE.



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hidden treasure, Corsham - with its Bath Stone buildings and peacocks roaming the roads - is well worth a visit.

Here you'll find history, a town that celebrates the Arts, great independent shops, award winning restaurants, country walks and lots, lots more. You can also walk in the footsteps of Ross Poldark the BBC One hit drama was filmed in the High Street.

On the edge of the Cotswolds and just 20 minutes from Bath, why not come and discover beautiful Corsham?

www.corsham.gov.uk/visit

EDINGTON MUSIC FESTIVAL

www.edingtonfestival.org

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T: 01380 831454 E: info@edingtonfestival.org This annual Festival of sacred choral music is one of the oldest in the world, with an international reputation. Three choirs from the great cathedrals and colleges sing 4 services a day in the beautiful 14th century Priory Church. The complex and exquisite music

includes plainchant, new commissions and organ recitals.

The Priory Church, Edington, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 4PG

Dates: Sun 21-Sun 28 Aug. Matins, Eucharist/Choral Matins, Choral Evensong and organ recitals daily. Wed 24 Aug: Evensong will be recorded and broadcast on Radio 3 at 3.30pm. Prices: The Festival is FREE and unticketed, all welcome

GREAT CHALFIELD MANOR AND GARDEN

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/great-chalfield-manor

M National Trust Map Ref: D2



Near Melksham, Wiltshire, SN12 8NH T: 01225 782239 E: greatchalfieldmanor@nationaltrust.org.uk

Discover Great Chalfield Manor, a charming 15th century manor house with beautiful Arts and Crafts garden to explore. Romantic gardens offer terraces, topiary houses, gazebo, lily pond, roses and views across the spring-fed fishpond.

Open: 27 Mar-30 Oct. Garden: 11am-5pm (Tue-Thu), 2-5pm (Sun). Manor via guided tours: 11ani-opin (10e-110), 2-5pin (Sun). Manor via guided tours: 11am, 12noon, 2, 3, 4pm (Tue-Thu), 2, 3, 4pm (Sun). Closed Mon, Fri, Sat. Admission: Manor and Garden: A £9 Ch £4.50 F £22.50 Garden only: A £5.60 Ch £2.80 F £14 National Trust members and under 5s go FREE.

THE POUND

www.poundarts.org.uk

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The Pound arts centre, Pound Pill, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 9HX T: 01249 701628 E: box.office@poundarts.org.uk

The Pound is a thriving arts centre in Corsham offering world class theatre, film, music, comedy and talks, plus workshops, an exhibition space, a café bar, and three resident artists. We are a creative hub for the community and also manage two high profile arts festivals: The Blue Sky Festival and Magic and Mayhem which take place in a variety of locations around Corsham. For more information call the box office or visit our website

Open: Mon to Sat 10am-9.30pm all year. **Admission:** Entry to the arts centre is FREE. Event prices vary - please contact us for details











Lacock Abbey, Fox Talbot Museum & Village

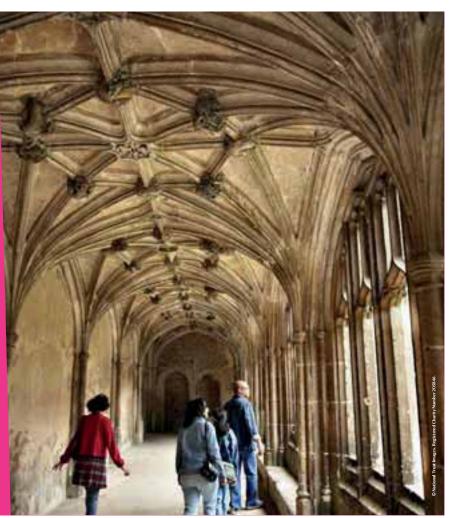
Discover 800 years of history at Britain's birthplace of photography. Explore furnished rooms, beautiful cloisters, wooded grounds and a quintessential English village, famous from film and TV.

Members and under 5s go free.

Lacock is near Chippenham, SN15 2LG 01249 730459 / nationaltrust.org.uk/lacock

National Trust







In 2016 Longleat, home to the Marquis of Bath, celebrates the 50th anniversary of its incredible Safari Park. The subject of the BBC's Animal Park for many years, Longleat was the very first drive-through safari experience outside Africa. The 6th Marquis introduced lions to his private estate in 1966 – we now have over 1,000 animals which we will celebrate during what will be an incredible year.

Join us over the Easter period when we mark our actual birthday with great fun shows and events for all the family. An African Summer will then take over the park with exciting live shows, parades and brilliant activities. And later in the year, The Festival of Light at Longleat, our stunning Chinese Lantern Festival, returns for the third time to top off a year of celebrations fit for a king!

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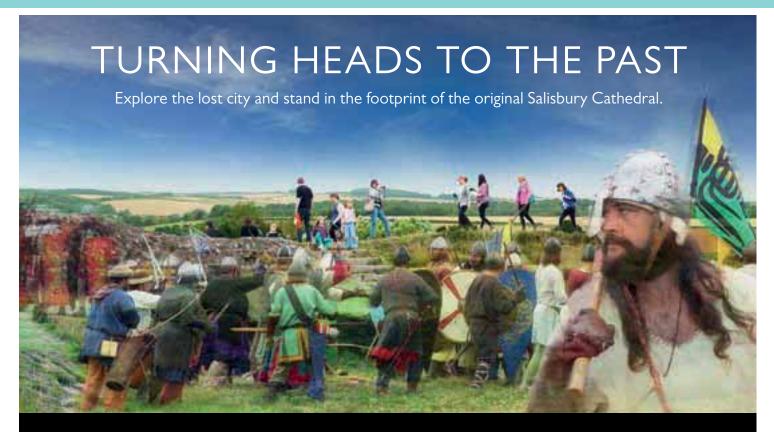
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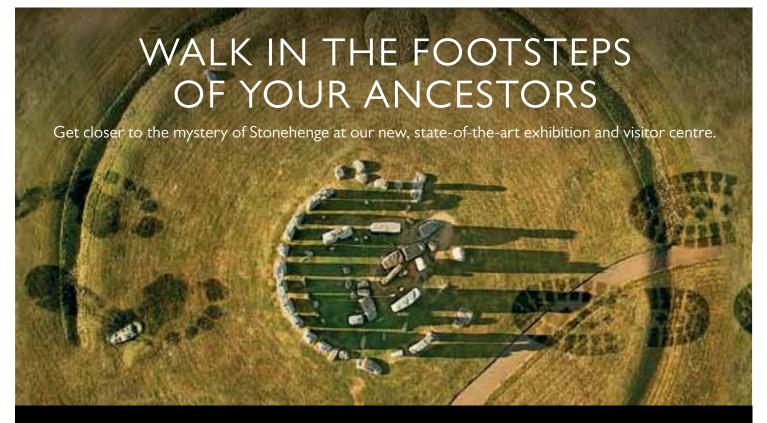






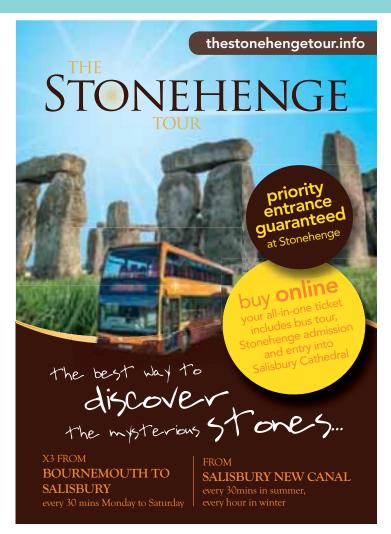


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Melksham

T: 01225 703377 E: info@vintage-classics.co.uk

Open: All year round

Hire Charges: From £145 per day

www.vintage-classics.co.uk

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WARMINSTER





Warminster is a busy, friendly market town, first settled in Saxon times. It has many fine Georgian buildings, and hosts a wide variety of independent shops, with numerous cafés, restaurants and historic inns. Market day is Friday.

There are excellent road, rail and bus links, and ample car parking. In the heart of town the Lake Pleasure Grounds provide tennis courts, a boating lake, children's playground and skateboard park. The Smallbrook Meadows Nature Reserve next to it is a lovely mosaic of water-meadows between the Were and Wylye rivers. A short walk from the centre of town leads to the 30 mile circular walk around Salisbury Plain's Live Firing Range.

Longleat, Center Parcs, Stourhead House, Bath and Salisbury are all within easy reach. The beautiful surrounding villages and countryside provide numerous opportunities for peaceful walking, cycling and riding.

Come and enjoy.

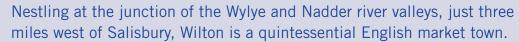
Discover Warminster at Warminster Community Hub, Central Car Park, Off Station Road, Warminster, BA12 9BT T: 01985 218548 E: discover@warminstercommunityhub.co.uk

www.warminsterinfocentre.co.uk

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Wilton - The Ancient Capital of Wessex





With a history spanning over 2,000 years the town gave its name not only to Wiltshire, but also to the famous Wilton Carpets which are still made here today.

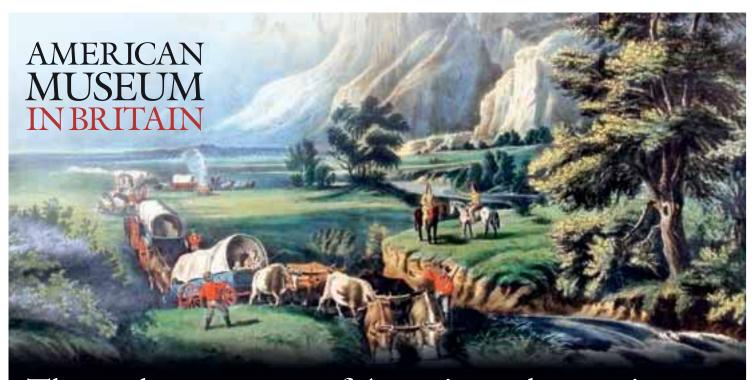


Wilton offers a unique and varied day out for visitors of all ages:

- Attractions including the famous Italianate Church, Old St Mary's Church Ruin, Wilton House and Wilton Shopping Village
- Choice of independent shops
- Weekly market on Thursdays and W.I. market on Fridays
- Free parking and cash points
- Wide range of traditional, family-owned shops, pubs, cafés and other services
- Delightful walk along the River Wylye



Visit www.wiltontowncouncil.gov.uk for further details



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www.americanmuseum.org | Claverton Manor, Bath | 01225 460503 | info@americanmuseum.org











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Whether you are travelling by car, coach, train, air or sea, Wiltshire is easily accessible – go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/plan-your-visit for details. You can also plan your trip to and around the county at connectingwiltshire.co.uk

Find the perfect place to stay

Plenty to Choose From - Wiltshire has a fantastic range and variety of accommodation, including stylish hotels, comfortable bed & breakfasts, well-equipped self-catering cottages, friendly campsites and quirky alternative accommodation.

Special Offers - Our accommodation providers pride themselves on offering excellent value for money with a range of discounts available year round. So keep an eye on the special offers section on our website to make sure you don't miss a bargain.

Quality You Can Trust - All accommodation providers featured in this guide are partners of VisitWiltshire. All have been quality assessed by, or have applied for a rating from, one of the national bodies or one of their recognised agencies, or are part of one of the local schemes listed below.

What the Ratings Mean



Quality in Tourism and the AA now rate guest/serviced accommodation to the same criteria, awarding one to five stars in each of the categories (or one to five pennants for holiday, touring, and camping parks and holiday villages in the case of the AA).

These ratings reflect the overall quality of the experience. Places that 'go the extra mile' may achieve a Gold or Silver Award (Quality in Tourism) or, in the case of the AA, Red, Yellow, Gold or Silver Stars. Please be aware that ratings may change throughout the year.

The Wiltshire Approved Accommodation Scheme is a stepping stone towards the National Quality Assurance Standards. It is delivered in partnership with VisitEngland and, while accommodation providers meeting the standard will not yet be participating in the national scheme, they will be demonstrating their commitment to quality improvements. A qualified assessor will have inspected properties against a standard, indicating they are legal, safe and clean.

Accommodation providers listed under Alternative Accommodation have been quality assessed, but not star rated due to the individuality of this category. It covers accommodation such as campervans, wigwams, tipis, yurts, and accommodation that cannot provide facilities or services associated with mainstream accommodation.

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter - The VisitWiltshire

Accommodation Charter is not a quality rating, but indicates businesses that have signed with VisitWiltshire to agree to provide clean, safe and legal accommodation.

Pricing and Meal Arrangements - Unless otherwise stated, hotel and guest accommodation prices are per room, per night including breakfast; self-catering prices are per week. Breakfast is not usually included at selfcatering, camping or caravanning establishments.

Please be aware that prices listed within this publication are the starting prices for each establishment and may vary according to the type of room, the day of the week, or the time of the year.

Meeting Your Requirements - Please read accommodation descriptions carefully, cross-checking symbols against the key on page 58. Remember to confirm the price, facilities and cancellation policy at the time of booking.

How to Find Your Accommodation - Accommodation within this guide has been grouped according to location (eg Corsham, Lacock and Villages). Within each location, establishments are grouped by accommodation type (ie hotels, guest accommodation, self-catering, camping and caravanning). Within each of these accommodation types, providers are listed alphabetically by town or village and then by establishment name. Standard accommodation entries have a map reference which cross-refers to the map on page 59.

Find Out More - For further details on quality assessments visit our website: visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation/grading-information

Details of businesses included in this guide are based on information supplied by them at the time of going to press. Whilst every effort has been made to ensure accuracy, VisitWiltshire can accept no liability for any errors or

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Information Centres

For information before you travel, take a look at visitwiltshire.co.uk For local information, please contact one of the Information Centres listed below.

Amesbury Community & Visitor Centre

2 Flower Court, Amesbury, SP4 7JE Tel: 01980 622525

Bradford on Avon Town Council

St Margaret's Hall, St Margaret's Street, Bradford on Avon, BA15 1DE Tel: 01225 864240

Email: office@bradfordonavontowncouncil.gov.uk

Calne Visitor and Community Information Centre

Bank House, The Strand, Calne, SN11 0EN Tel: 01249 814000 Email: calne@calne.gov.uk

Chippenham Customer Services

High Street, Chippenham, SN15 3ER Tel: 01249 665970 Email: enquiries@chippenham.gov.uk

Corsham Area Information Centre

Arnold House, 31 High Street, Corsham, SN13 0EZ Tel: 01249 714660 Email: info@visitcorshamarea.co.uk

Cricklade Visitor Information Point

Town Council Office, Ockwells, 113 High Street, Cricklade, SN6 6AE Tel: 01793 751394 Email: admin@cricklade-tc.gov.uk

Devizes Visitor information is available at a number of locations in the town, including the Kennet & Avon Canal Museum and Wiltshire Museum.

Contact Devizes Tourism Partnership c/o Wiltshire Museum, 41 Long Street, Devizes, SN10 1NS Tel: 01380 800400 Email: tourism@devizes.org.uk

Malmesbury Tourist Information Centre

Town Hall, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ Tel: 01666 823748 Email: tic@malmesbury.gov.uk

Marlborough Town Council

5 High Street, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 1AA Tel: 01672 512487

Email: enquiries@marlboroughtowncouncil.gov.uk

Melksham Tourist Information Centre

Church Street, Melksham, SN12 6LS Tel: 01225 707424 Email: info@visit-melksham.com

Salisbury Information Centre

Fish Row, Salisbury, SP1 1EJ Tel: 01722 342860 Email: visitorinfo@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk

Trowbridge Information Centre

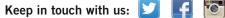
The Civic Centre, St Stephen's Place, Trowbridge, BA14 8AH Tel: 01225 765072 (Option 3) Email: tic@trowbridge.gov.uk

Warminster Community Hub

Central Car Park, Off Station Road, Warminster, BA12 9BT Tel: 01985 218548 Email: visitwarminster@btconnect.com

Westbury Visitor Centre

1 High Street, Westbury, BA13 3BN Tel: 01373 825784 Email: info@westburyvisitorcentre.co.uk









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Quality in Tourism

Gold

Quality in Tourism Gold Award

Silver

Quality in Tourism Silver Award

VisitEngland Rose Award

Quality in Tourism Walkers Welcome

Quality in Tourism Cyclists Welcome

Quality in Tourism Families Welcome

Quality in Tourism Pets Welcome

AA

The AA

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AA Silver Stars Award

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AA Highly Commended Award Hotels

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AA Highly Commended Award Guest Accommodation

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EnjoyEngland Breakfast Award



AA Dining Rosette



Green Tourism Award



Welcome to Excellence

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World Host

Key to Room Types and Abbreviations in this Guide

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{D} - \text{Double} & \textbf{Su} - \text{Superior} \\ \textbf{F} - \text{Family} & \textbf{T} - \text{Twin} \\ \textbf{K} - \text{King} & \textbf{Tr} - \text{Triple} \end{array}$

S – Single

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Key to Accommodation Symbols

If a facility is of particular importance to you (eg cot, evening meals, credit cards) please confirm availability with the establishment at the time of booking.

Ground floor rooms available

Non-smoking throughout

Designated smoking bedrooms available

Tea/coffee making facilities in bedrooms

Television in bedrooms

***** Garden

L Licensed

Evening meals provided by prior arrangement

V Special diets catered for by prior arrangement

Children welcome (gives minimum age of children accepted)

Cot available

High chair available

Cyclists welcome

Walkers welcome

Dogs accepted by prior arrangement

Hairdryer available

† Passenger lift

Off-road parking (gives number of spaces available)

Credit cards accepted

Gym

Swimming pool

Wireless internet access (WiFi)

Wedding venue

Mobility Level 1

Mobility Level 2

Mobility Level 3

Mobility Level 4

Additional Self-catering, Camping and Caravan Symbols

Electric cooker

Gas cooker

FL Free linen provided

Washing machine

Tumble-dryer

Freezer

Microwave

- Microwa

Shower

R

BBQ Electric h

Electric nook-up

Gas/electricity by meter

Shop on site

Additional Wedding Symbols

Civil marriage licence (gives maximum capacity)

Buffet (gives maximum capacity)

Sit down meal (gives maximum capacity)

WP Wedding planner

🔆 Gardens

On-site accommodation (gives number of rooms)

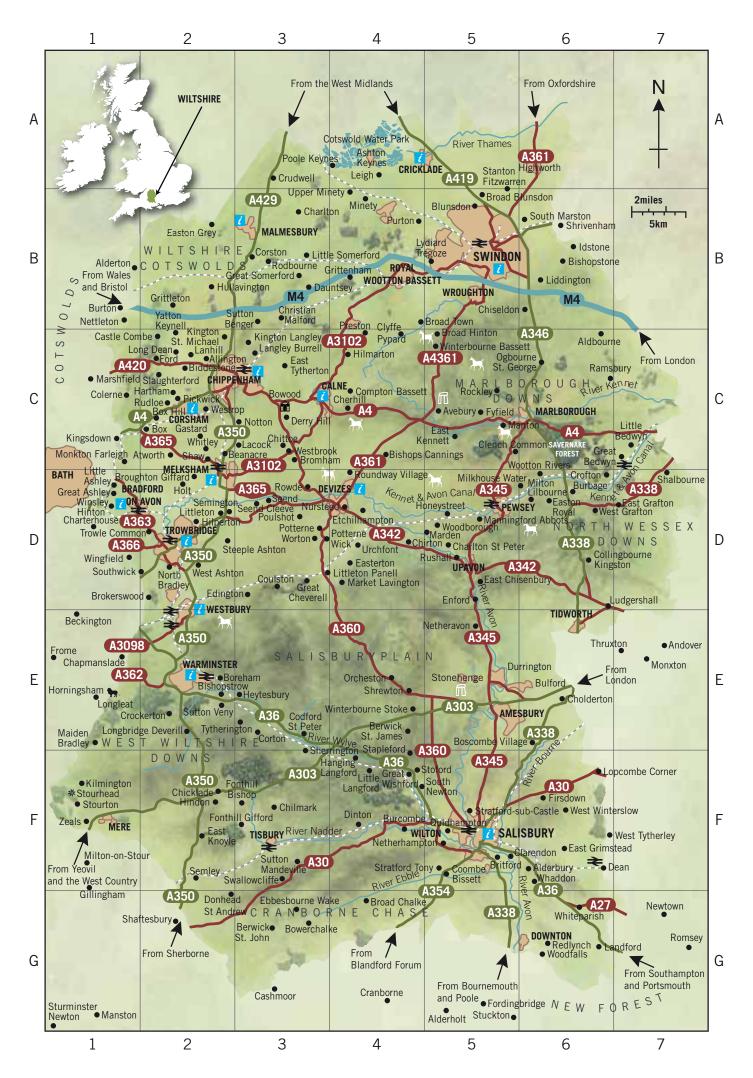
Helicopter pad

Exclusive use (gives maximum capacity)

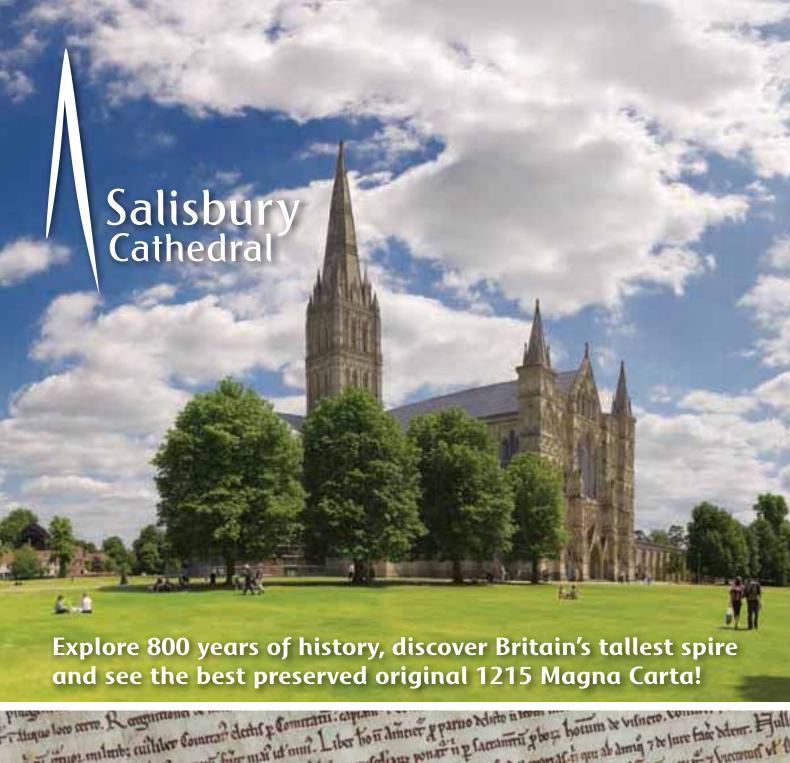
Evening reception (gives maximum capacity)

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