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timeless wonders



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timeless pleasures



Stourhead

timeless places



Marlborough Downs

timeless nature

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WHY I LOVE

Wiltshire

Travel writer Helen Ochyra explains why her home county of Wiltshire is her favourite place to be.

My favourite place in England is somewhere most people have never heard of. Here I walk between ancient trees, bounding down to a pond marked by the watery arrowheads of swimming ducks. In the spring a blanket of bluebells covers the forest floor. Sometimes I have the glades and pathways to myself, sometimes I see dozens of dog walkers. On some visits I need my wellies to squelch through the mud, on all visits I switch off my phone and my whirring mind and listen instead to a chorus of birdsong, the occasional splash of those ducks on the pond.

This is Drew's Pond Wood in Devizes, just one of the innumerable places that make Wiltshire special. A first visit to Wiltshire perhaps focuses on the county's home-grown wonders of the world. Not just the famous stone circle of Stonehenge, but also Avebury – a stone circle far bigger, where you can touch the stones and feel the weight of history – and West Kennet Long Barrow, a Neolithic tomb you stoop to enter, atop a chalky ridge amid the fields.

Second visits – and 20th visits – allow time for the lesser known. I love to tuck into a Sunday roast at the Market Inn in Salisbury, my reward for a walk across the water meadows, views of the slender

spire of the city's cathedral all the way. The finest of four surviving 1215 Magna Carta manuscripts is found here too, and one of the county's best theatres – the Salisbury Playhouse.

I love to choose my favourite, fleeting, rhododendron colour at Bowood estate's Woodland Garden, and to stroll the postcard-perfect formal gardens at Stourhead. And I love to climb up next to Westbury white horse, standing beside the brilliant white beast carved into the chalky escarpment of Salisbury Plain, before visiting the Iron Age hillfort it sits below.

Wiltshire is the perfect place to experience Britain's cultural heritage. Here, cultural heritage doesn't just mean Bronze Age gold at Wiltshire Museum and classical concerts at the Wiltshire Music Centre, here cultural heritage reaches through to the present day; it is in the food we eat, the TV shows we watch, the places we make our footprints.

In Wiltshire, culture is about life's pleasures. It means enjoying the first refreshing plug of local Wadworth 6X ale on a hot day, or a ploughman's lunch made with Wiltshire cured ham. It means looking through the window in Lacock Abbey where the world's first photographic negative was taken, and walking in the footsteps of Lady Mary from Downton Abbey in the main street of the village.

Through Wiltshire runs the historic Kennet & Avon Canal, but this is no museum piece. This working waterway is a place for exploration – at narrowboat pace of course. You'll find Crofton Beam Engines still using steam to keep the canal full of water, and the Caen Hill lock flight bringing narrowboats uphill through a series of 29 locks. But you'll also find beer gardens with moorings so you can stay the night and cafés on the waterfront slicing homemade cakes to order.

Nature is never far from view in Wiltshire and the county is home to several Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. My favourite is the Cotswolds, and the Cotswold Water Park is where I learned to sail – and that I loved off-road cycling. The 150 or so lakes here make for great birdwatching too, and there is always a dragonfly or two to follow as they dart above the water.

Westbury White Horse



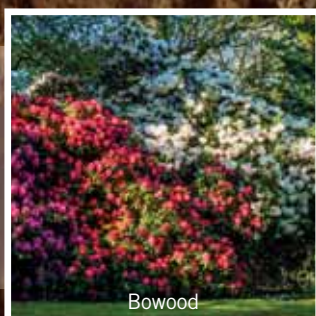
Magna Carta Exhibition

“There is always time for Wiltshire”

My favourite nature spot in Wiltshire though is Longleat, where I first encountered a lion. Yes, there are lions in Wiltshire, not to mention a cluster of very cheeky monkeys.

There is a lot to love about Wiltshire, but I admit that my first love will always be Devizes, the market town at Wiltshire's heart. My favourite nights are always spent in The Vaults, tucked behind the Town Hall. I have sat on a wooden bench outside sipping pale ales in the sunshine with my husband, and gathered the family around the largest table to play board games and swap tips on the best pint of local beer on tap.

For work I travel the world but there is always time to come home.



Bowood



Cotswold Water Park



Devizes



Kennet & Avon Canal

“Somehow, time has more meaning in Wiltshire”



Stonehenge Visitor Centre



Salisbury Cathedral



Cherhill White Horse



The Devil's Den

SHROUDED IN MYSTERY...

steeped in legend

Stonehenge and Avebury. Two inimitable stone circles. One outstanding World Heritage Site. One that also embraces West Kennet Long Barrow, Silbury Hill and numerous associated sites across the wider landscape. Together they have a magnetism that has drawn people to them for thousands of years and celebrations marking the summer and winter solstices still take place today. No visit to Wiltshire would be complete without experiencing their magic for yourself.

If you stand on Salisbury Plain at sunrise or sunset, it's easy to see why the ancient Britons believed **Stonehenge** was special. Even today, visitors from around the globe make the pilgrimage here, to marvel at one of the most timeless and iconic wonders in the world. Among its many unique features is its orientation on the rising and setting sun, but why it was built in this way remains a mystery. The landscape surrounding Stonehenge is equally ancient – and fascinating – with Bronze Age burial mounds at Kingbarrow Ridge, a massive henge at Durrington Walls, and two huge earthworks known as The Cursus and The Avenue.

Stonehenge visitor centre brings its story to life through outstanding exhibition galleries, a 360° audio-visual presentation and Neolithic houses built from authentic materials. Pre-booking is strongly recommended as entry is by timed ticket – for details go to www.english-heritage.org.uk/stonehenge or book at www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/shop. Understandably it's a popular place, so try to time your visit for the early morning or late afternoon, or during the quieter months of the year. **The Stonehenge Tour** makes a convenient way to travel. Picking up from Salisbury railway station and the city centre, it runs via **Old Sarum** to the stones themselves, before returning via **Salisbury Cathedral**.

On a misty morning at **Avebury** you can understand the appeal this sacred place held for our ancestors. Here, a massive outer bank and ditch surround the world's largest prehistoric stone circle. This, in turn, encloses two smaller stone circles and part of the village. Nearby stands an 'avenue' of stones that once led to a site known as The Sanctuary, and from the early Neolithic causewayed enclosure of Windmill Hill you can enjoy spectacular views across

the surrounding landscape. For the full Avebury experience be sure to visit Avebury Manor and Gardens and the Alexander Keiller Museum... and try your hand at dowsing to seek out the mysterious ley lines hidden underground.

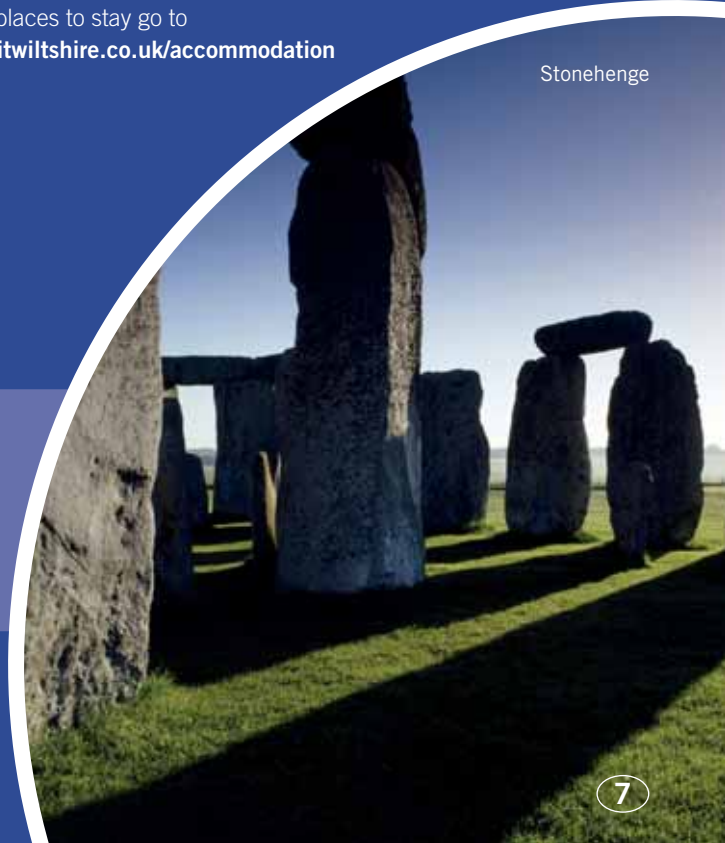
Overlooking rolling countryside near Avebury, **West Kennet Long Barrow** is one of Britain's largest Stone Age burial sites, containing a series of shadowy chambers. Close by, its origins lost in the mists of time, **Silbury Hill** is the largest man-made mound in Europe. Among Wiltshire's other iconic 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. For further inspiration, view our white horse film here: www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/videos

Salisbury Cathedral is a magnificent example of early English Gothic architecture. Its glorious Chapter House a fitting home for the finest of four original 1215 **Magna Carta** manuscripts. Other claims to fame include the tallest spire in Britain, Britain's largest close and cloisters, and the world's oldest working clock. For an unforgettable experience – and stunning panoramic views – take a Tower Tour up narrow spiral stairs to the foot of the spire, 225 feet (over 68 metres) above ground.

Wiltshire's World Heritage Site and other timeless wonders are within easy reach of all accommodation in this guide and an overnight visit is highly recommended. For a wide range of places to stay go to

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Stonehenge



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stories around every corner

Perfect for walkers and cyclists – as well as all manner of other sporting enthusiasts – Wiltshire’s breathtaking countryside might well have been invented with outdoor pursuits in mind.

For those on foot we have an outstanding array of walks you can comfortably complete in just a few hours. Leaving you free to relax over lunch. Or tea. Follow in the footsteps of the ancient drovers. Meander through our market towns. Amble along the towpath of the Kennet & Avon Canal. Even if you’re short on time, you’ll never be short on views!

Those in search of a more serious, long-distance route can stride out to their heart’s content too. Walk the Wansdyke. Roam the Ridgeway. Hike the White Horse Trail. Tackle their entire length over several days (sturdy shoes recommended). Or cherry pick the bits you like best. Either way, escape and let time stand still.

At your happiest heading off in the morning with just a packed lunch and a map for company? That’s fine by us. But if you need a little help with planning your itinerary, arranging places to stay – even transporting your luggage – give one of our local specialists a call. **Footpath Holidays, Foot Trails and Guided Walks in Wiltshire** are here to take the hassle out of your holiday.

Cyclists – whether seasoned experts, keen amateurs or just starting out – will find plenty of options too. From the confidence-building to the downright daring. Looking for a stress-free family outing? Give the Golden Way a go. After the excitement of off-road adventure? The Longleat Estate is a great place to start. Keen to test your mettle on a demanding long-distance trail? The 160-mile Wiltshire Cycleway should provide more than enough of a challenge.

If you haven’t brought your wheels with you, it’s no problem. Hire a bike from **Hayball Cyclesport** in Salisbury, or the **Towpath Trail** in Bradford on Avon. There’s also a range of exciting cycling events throughout the year, including the Wiltshire 100 and Big Wheel Bike Ride in September. Take part yourself or just go along to watch.

A great choice of walker- and cyclist-friendly accommodation can be found on our website. Many of these accommodation providers are happy to advise on their favourite local routes... and many actively welcome outdoor enthusiasts by offering extra facilities such as drying rooms for wet clothing. To find out more go to **visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation**

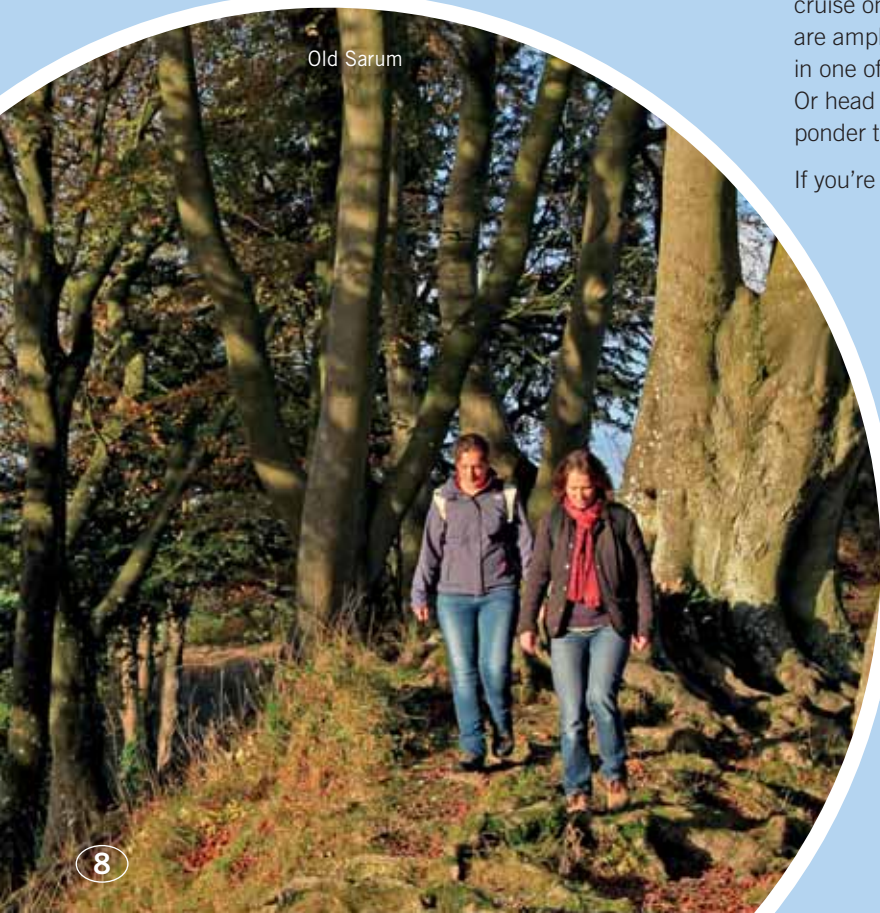
Further details of walking and cycling routes around Wiltshire, as well as a wide range of other things to do, can be found at **visitwiltshire.co.uk/activities**. Maps and routes for cyclists and walkers can be downloaded from **connectingwiltshire.co.uk** or contact one of the Information Centres listed on page 67.

While you’re out and about around the county, take the opportunity to visit one of the interesting properties cared for by The Churches Conservation Trust. They’re great places to pause for a breather. At end of a busy day, a refreshing drink in one of our country pubs goes down a treat too. For details of the ‘Saints and Sinners’ heritage trail combining the best of both worlds, go to **visitwiltshire.co.uk/itineraries**

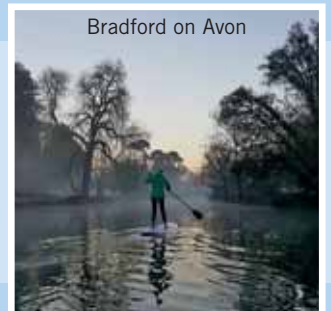
At the last count, Wiltshire had over 8,200 paths for walkers and cyclists. Travelling under your own steam gives you time to appreciate the beauty of Wiltshire’s timeless landscape. Other options include pony trekking or a horseback safari, a day’s fishing or a round of golf. Canoeing, paddle boarding or a narrowboat cruise on the Kennet & Avon Canal. If the sun fails to shine there are ample indoor activities too. Unwind with a luxurious treatment in one of our spas. Master new culinary skills on a cookery course. Or head for the Crop Circle Exhibition and Information Centre to ponder the meaning of these mysterious formations.

If you’re tired of the everyday, it’s time for Wiltshire.

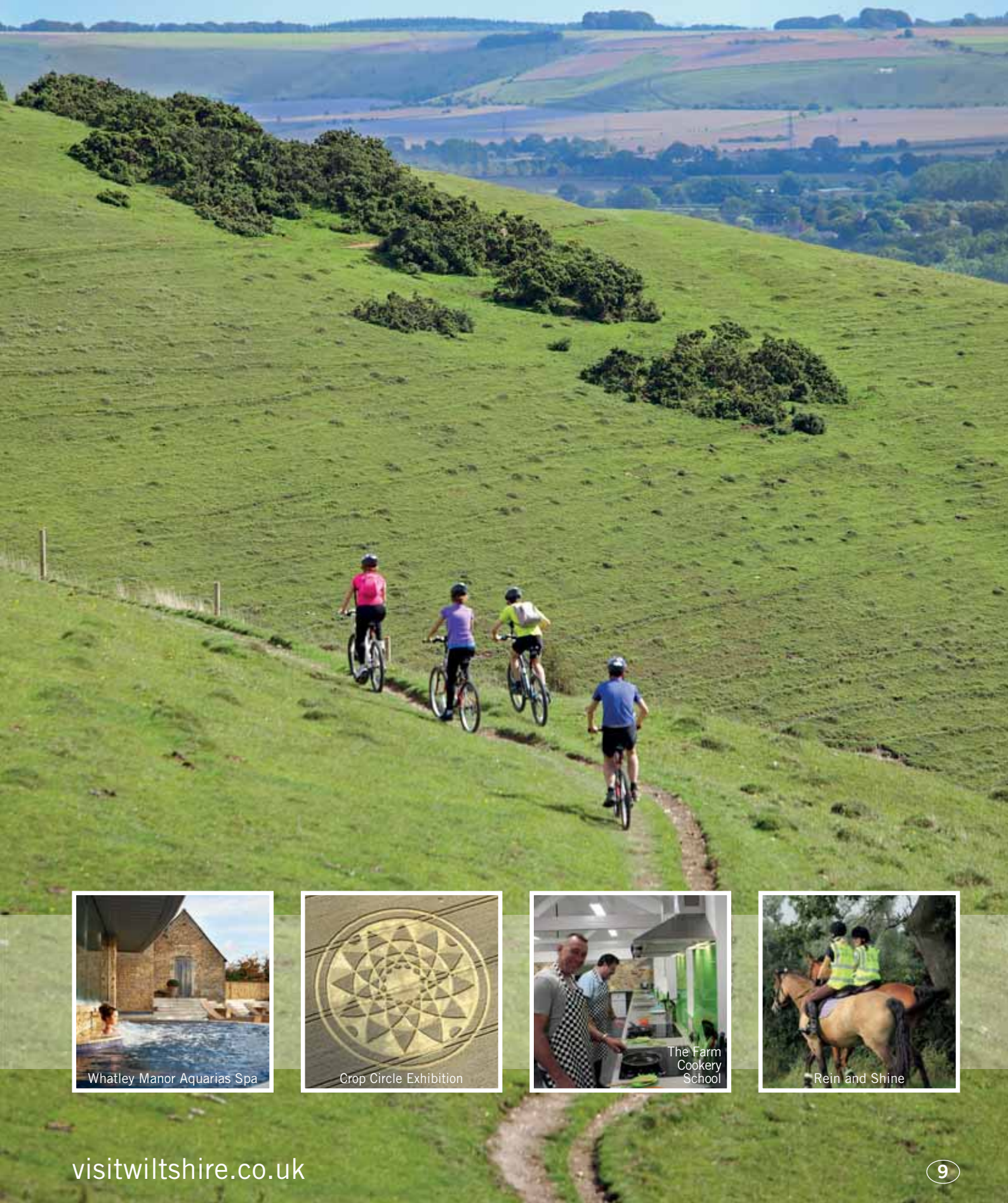
Old Sarum



Bradford on Avon



“Take the children... take the dog... above all, take your time!”



Whatley Manor Aquarias Spa



Crop Circle Exhibition



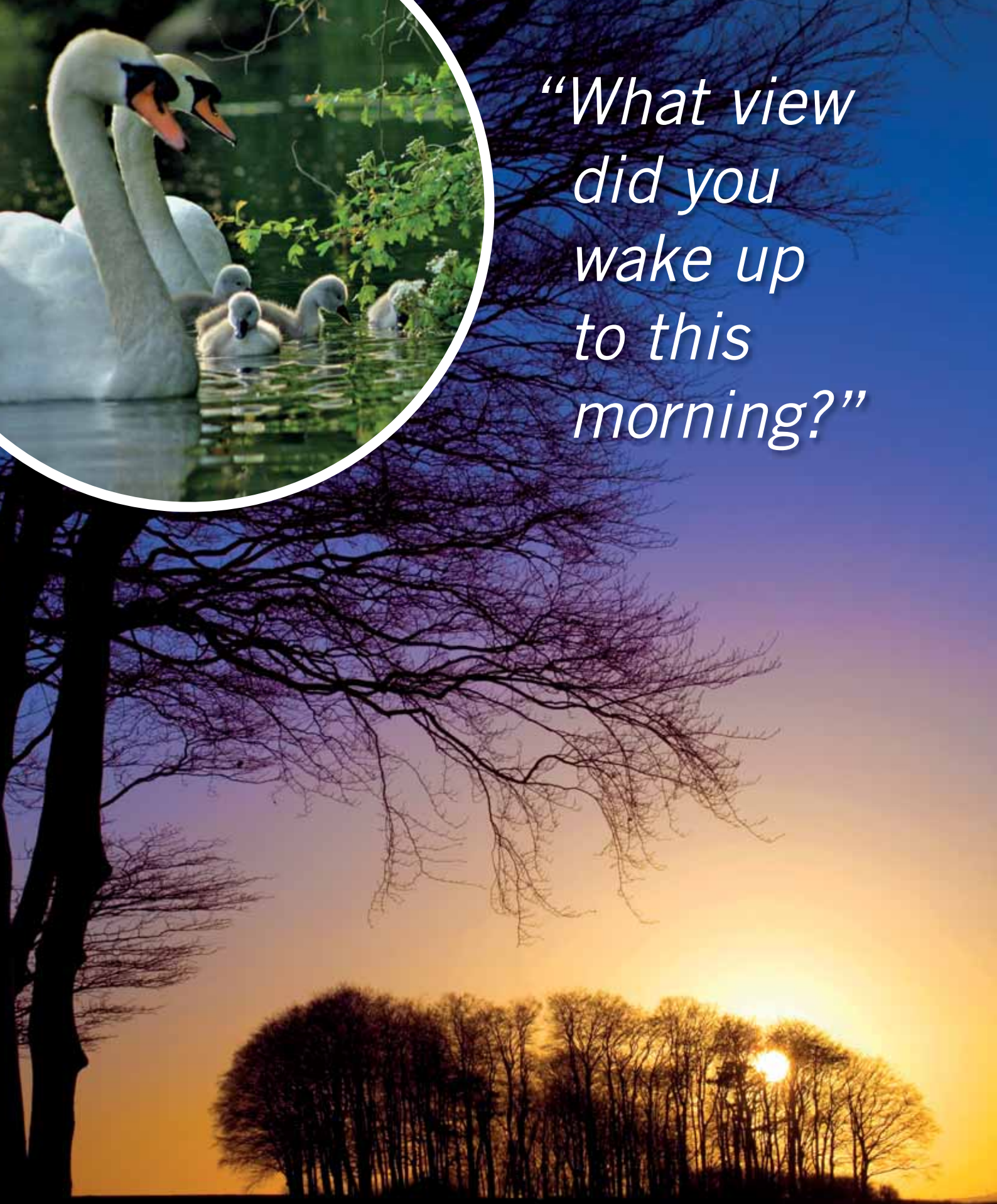
The Farm
Cookery
School



Rein and Shine



*“What view
did you
wake up
to this
morning?”*



Hackpen Hill

TIMELESS

Natural Beauty

Easy to explore, yet off the beaten track, Wiltshire is one of Britain's best kept secrets; rural England at its very best.

Almost half the landscape lies within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Miles of ancient drove roads and quiet country lanes make exploring a pleasure, and charming hamlets nestle amid rolling, unspoiled countryside. Among them the stunning National Trust village of **Lacock**, and **Castle Combe**, arguably one of the prettiest villages in England.

Wiltshire is calming, comforting, refreshing. An enchanted place where you feel close to the earth and the ever-changing big skies. Here, 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.

With big skies and broad horizons, the vast, untouched expanse of **Salisbury Plain** lies at the heart of the county. Sometimes gentle, sometimes wild, this untamed plateau is home to rare and endangered species which thrive in the sparsely populated landscape. Acres of ancient woodland can be found on the borders of the **New Forest National Park** and in the **Savernake Forest**. 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. From the lush meadows of the **Vale of Pewsey** to more austere expanses of upland, the **North Wessex Downs** are a nationally protected landscape. As are **Cranborne Chase** and the **West Wiltshire Downs**, which stretch in a giant undulating swathe across the south of the county.

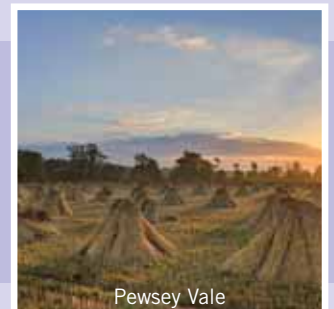
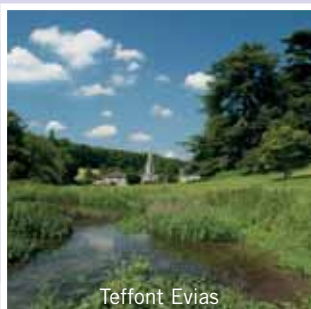
Wiltshire is blessed with outstanding chalk streams and rivers. The gin-clear waters of the **Wylde, Nadder, Bourne and Ebble** offer excellent trout fishing and delightful riverside walks. Flowing south from Pewsey the **River Avon** supports an abundant variety of wildlife, including the endangered 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.

The 37 nature reserves managed by **Wiltshire Wildlife Trust** cover a variety of natural habitats. From chalk grassland and woodland to wetland and bog, they are havens for flora and fauna. The National Nature Reserve at **North Meadow** on the outskirts of Cricklade is renowned for its spectacular display of rare Snakeshead Fritillaries during April. **West Woods** near Marlborough and **Grovely Wood** near Wilton are carpeted with bluebells in May. **Langford Lakes** between Salisbury and Warminster is the perfect spot for birdwatching enthusiasts. While **Lower Moor Farm** near Cricklade is a mosaic of lakes, brooks and ponds linked by boardwalks, ancient hedges, woodland and meadows.

Wiltshire is a county for all seasons. Ancient woodland carpeted with bluebells. Shadows of hay bales lengthening in the setting sun. Blankets of mist floating low over meadows. Frost glistening on mighty standing stones. Any time is Wiltshire time. So escape to Wiltshire in 2018 and discover the perfect antidote to overcrowded cities.

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

*“Wiltshire puts
back what the
rest of the week
takes out”*





Longleat Festival of Light



Marlborough College Summer School



Tisbury Brocante



Iford Arts Festival

2018 Events

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 sometimes change.

Long-running Events 2018

Creative Chippenham, Chippenham Museum	To Sat 17 Mar
<i>Feast!</i> Exhibition, Stonehenge	To September 2018
40 th Anniversary Exhibition, Mompesson House	Throughout 2018
Stonehenge 1918-2018 – Various Events	Throughout 2018
Lectures, Boscombe Down Aviation Collection	Selected dates Jan-May
Lunchtime Concerts, Sarum College	Fri 26 Jan, Fri 23 Feb, Fri 23 Mar
Young Musicians Concerts, St Peter's Church	Selected dates Jan-Jun
The Winds & Words of War, Wiltshire Museum	Tue 2 Jan-Sun 22 Apr
Mo Lancaster: Linocuts, Victoria Art Gallery	Sat 13 Jan-Wed 14 Mar
Dizzy's 30 th Birthday Exhibition, Trowbridge Museum	Sat 13 Jan-Sat 31 Mar
Salisbury Snapped! Exhibition, Salisbury Museum	Sat 13 Jan-Sun 26 Aug
Brian Graham: Towards Music, Salisbury Museum	Sat 27 Jan-Sat 12 May
Euston Road School, Swindon Museum & Gallery	Wed 31 Jan-Sat 14 Apr
Royal Women, Fashion Museum	Sat 3 Feb-Sat 28 Apr
Tribe Photography Exhibition, Lacock	Sat 3 Feb-Sun 20 May
Spring Study Days, The Merchant's House	Weds 21 Feb, 7 Mar, 21 Mar
Genius of the Place: Foundations, Stourhead	Sat 10 Mar-Sun 23 Dec
Inflatable Fun Dayz, Westbury	Selected weekends Mar-Sep
Steaming Weekends, Crofton Beam Engines	Selected dates, Mar-Oct
Predators Killer Animatronic Exhibition, Longleat	Sat 24 Mar-Mon 3 Sep
FL Griggs: Visions of England, Chippenham Museum	Thu 29 Mar-Sat 16 Jun (dates tbc)
British Art Between the Wars, Swindon Museum & Art Gallery	Wed 25 Apr-Sat 1 Sep
Race Days, Salisbury Racecourse	Selected Dates Apr-Aug
Walking the Dead Tours & Guided Walks, Wiltshire Museum	Selected dates May/Jun/Jul
Les Colombes Exhibition, Salisbury Cathedral	Thu 10 May-Mon 23 July
Art in the Garden, Sir Harold Hillier Gardens	Sat 12 May-Sun 14 Oct
Iford Arts Festival, Iford Manor	Sat 26 May-Sat 4 Aug
A Celebration of Flowers, Victoria Art Gallery	Sat 26 May-Sun 2 Sep
Crop Circle Exhibition, Crop Circle Information Centre	Fri 15 Jun-Sun 12 Aug
Recreate Exhibition, Fisherton Mill	Sat 21 Jul-Sat 1 Sep
Cadence of Stone Sculpture Exhibition, Salisbury Cathedral	Sat 25 Aug-Sun 17 Feb 2019
Sculpture in the Garden, Avebury Manor	Sat 1 Sep-Sun 7 Oct
Art & Conflict, Swindon Museum & Art Gallery	Wed 12 Sep-Sat 1 Dec
Shadi Ghardarian Photo Exhibition, Lacock	Sat 15 Sep-Sun 13 Jan 2019
Owls by Moonlight, Hawk Conservancy Trust	Spring and Autumn (Sat only)
January 2018	
Bradford Roots Music Festival, Wiltshire Music Centre	Sat 20 & Sun 21 Jan
The Nat King Cole Story, Wiltshire Music Centre	Sat 27 Jan

February 2018

Pancake Races, Bradford on Avon & Trowbridge	Tue 13 Feb
Winter Bulbs & Flowers, Sir Harold Hillier Gardens	Fri 16-Sun 18 Feb
Wild Connections Bird Fair, Langford Lakes	Fri 23 Feb
Devizes Festival of Winter Ales	Fri 23 & Sat 24 Feb

March 2018

Wilton House Antiques Fair	Fri 2-Sun 4 Mar
Archaeology in Wiltshire Conference, Devizes	Sat 3 Mar
John Munro - Abstracts, Fisherton Mill	Sat 3-Sat 31 Mar
Jacqui Dankworth Butterfly Wing Quartet, Wiltshire Music Centre	Fri 9 Mar
Larmer Tree Races	Sat 10-Sun 11 Mar
Wiggle Chalky Chaser MTB, Salisbury Racecourse	Sat 10 Mar
Sigma Sports Wiltshire Wildcat Sportive, Salisbury Racecourse	Sun 11 Mar
French Farmers' Market, Tisbury	Sat 24 Mar
Devizes to Westminster Canoe Race	Fri 30 Mar-Mon 2 Apr
Imber Open Days	Fri 30 Mar-Mon 2 Apr
Easter Events Around Wiltshire	Mar & Apr (various dates)

April 2018

Spring Performance Action Day, Castle Combe Circuit	Sat 7 Apr
Art Auction Exhibition, Trowbridge Museum	Sat 21 Apr-Fri 18 May
St George's Day Celebrations, Salisbury	April (date tbc)
Spring Craft Fair, Cholderton Charlie's	Sat 28 Apr
Fritillary Season, Cricklade	3 weeks from mid-Apr (dates tbc)
Bowood Rhododendron & Woodland Gardens	Opens Apr (date tbc)
Calne Spring Sing	Apr (date tbc)

May 2018

Downton Cuckoo Fair	Sat 5 May
Church Times Festival of Poetry, Sarum College	Sat 5-Sun 6 May
Devizes Food & Drink Festival	Sat 5-Sat 19 May
3 rd Great Tisbury Brocante	Mon 7 May
Fisherton Festival, Salisbury	Mon 7 May (date tbc)
Vintage Brocante, Larmer Tree	Mon 7 May (date tbc)
Swindon Festival of Literature	Mon 7-Sat 19 May
Stourhead Immortal Weekend	Sat 12 & Sun 13 May
Bradford on Avon Day of Dance	Sat 19 May
Chippenham Folk Festival	Fri 25-Mon 28 May
RAF Centenary Celebration Family Day, Boscombe Down Aviation Collection	Sat May 26
Sky Hunters at Sunset, Hawk Conservancy Trust	Sat 26 May & Sat 21 Jul
Real Ale & Cider Festival, Swindon & Cricklade Railway	Sat 26-Mon 28 May
Tractor Ted Big Machines Weekend, Bowood	Sat 26-Mon 28 May
Sheep Shearing Day, Cholderton Charlie's	Mon 28 May
Whispering Woods Outdoor Theatre, Lacock	Mon 28-Thu 31 May
Devizes Arts Festival	Wed 30 May-Sun 17 Jun

June 2018

High Tea in the Walled Garden, Lydiard Park	Fri 1 Jun-Fri 13 Jul
Wiltshire Day, Around Wiltshire	Tue 5 Jun
Historic Churches Tour, Churches Conservation Trust	Thu 7 Jun
Corsham Walking Festival	Fri 8-Sun 10 Jun
Mere Flower & Music Festival	Jun (dates tbc)



Chalke Valley History Festival



Malmesbury Carnival



Castle Combe Circuit



Salisbury
Christmas
Market

June 2018 continued

Summer Fete, Ludgershall	Sat 9 Jun
Wiltshire Steam & Vintage Rally, Oare	Sat 9-Sun 10 Jun
Walled Garden Open for Charity, Lydiard Park	Sun 10 Jun
Blue Sky Festival, Corsham	Tue 12-Sun 17 Jun
Amesbury Carnival & Show	Sat 16 Jun
Bee Day, Mompesson House	Sat 16 Jun
Taste of Corsham Food Festival	Sat 16 Jun
Warminster Wobble Cycling Festival	Sat 16 & Sun 17 Jun
Cricklade Festival	Sun 17 Jun
Stonehenge Solstice Music Festival, Stonehenge Campsite	Mon 18-Fri 22 Jun
Kirstie Allsopp's The Handmade Fair, Bowood	Fri 22-Sun 24 Jun
Celebrating Art in the Garden, Urchfont Manor	Fri 22 Jun-Sun 8 Jul
Calne Summer Festival & Carnival	Jun (date tbc)
Murder Mystery & Hog Roast, Wilton Windmill	Sat 23 Jun
Longleat Food & Drink Festival	Sat 23-Sun 24 Jun
Daily Mail Chalke Valley History Festival	Mon 25 Jun-Sun 1 Jul
Armed Forces & Veterans Weekend, Around Wiltshire	Sat 30 Jun-Sun 1 Jul
Open Garden, Merchant's House, Marlborough	Jun (dates tbc)

July 2018

Barbury Horse Trials, Marlborough	Jul (dates tbc)
Summer Action Festival, Castle Combe Circuit	Sat 7 Jul
Westbury Summer Celebration	Sat 7 Jul
Inspire of Warminster (free live music event)	Sun 8 Jul
Marlborough College Summer School	Sun 8 Jul-Sat 4 Aug
Royal International Air Tattoo, RAF Fairford	Fri 13-Sun 15 Jul
Active Festival – Around the World, Trowbridge	Sat 14 Jul
Bradford on Avon Bike Festival	Sat 14 Jul
Road Run, Atwell-Wilson Motor Museum	Sat 14 Jul
Classic Car Show, Atwell-Wilson Motor Museum	Sun 15 Jul
Southern Cathedrals Festival, Salisbury Cathedral	Wed 18-Sat 21 Jul
Larmer Tree Festival	Thu 19-Sun 22 Jul
Party in the Park, Melksham	Sat 21 Jul
Tidworth Town Festival	Sat 21 Jul
WOMAD, Malmesbury	Thu 26-Sun 29 Jul
Melksham Carnival & Fun Day	Sat 28 Jul
Wilton Horse Trials, Wilton House	Sat 28 & Sun 29 Jul
Summer Festival, McArthurGlen Designer Outlet Swindon	Jul/Aug (dates tbc)
Golden Path Summer Trail, Stourhead	Summer Holidays

August 2018

Rhino Month, Cotswold Wildlife Park	Wed 1-Fri 31 Aug
Malmesbury Carnival & Festival	Beg Aug-beg Sep
Wessex Country Fair, Wilton House	Sun 5 Aug
Steam & Vintage Weekend, Swindon & Cricklade Railway	Sat 11-Sun 12 Aug
Tractor Ted Big Machines Weekend, Bowood	Sat 18 & Sun 19 Aug
Edington Music Festival	Sun 19-Sun 26 Aug
Devizes Festival Fortnight	Sun 19 Aug-Sat 1 Sep
Great British Food Festival, Bowood	Sat 25-Mon 27 Aug
Amesbury Duck Race	Mon 27 Aug

September 2018

Melksham Food & River Festival	Sat 1-Sun 2 Sep
Heritage Open Days, Across Wiltshire	Thu-Sun, 6-9 & 13-16 Sep
Trowbridge Carnival Country Fayre	Sat 8 Sep
Swindon Railway Festival, STEAM Museum	Sat 8 & Sun 9 Sep
Carnival Fun Day, Warminster	Sun 9 Sep
Sky Safari, Longleat	Fri 14-Sun 16 Sep
Country Comes to Town, Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, Devizes	Sat 22 Sep (date tbc)
Marlborough Literature Festival	Fri 28-Sun 30 Sep
Flying Monk Art & Craft Trail, Malmesbury	Sat 29 & Sun 30 Sep
Steam Gala, Crofton Beam Engines	Sat 29-Sun 30 Sep
Tisbury Carnival	Sep (date tbc)
Scarecrow Trail, Amesbury	Sep (dates tbc)
Salisbury Food and Drink Festival	Sep (dates tbc)
Wiltshire 100 & Big Wheel Bike Ride, Devizes	Sep (date tbc)

October 2018

Salisbury Literary Festival	Oct (dates tbc)
Autumn Classic Racing Festival, Castle Combe Circuit	Early Oct (date tbc)
Great Western Brick Show, STEAM Museum	Sat 6 & Sun 7 Oct
Marlborough Big and Little Mop Fairs	Sat 6 & Sat 13 Oct
Cricklade Fun Run, 10k and Half Marathon	Sun 7 Oct
Mere Literary Festival	Week commencing Mon 8 Oct (date tbc)
Celebrate Voice, Salisbury	Fri 19-Sun 28 Oct
Trowbridge Carnival Procession	Sat 20 Oct
Halloween Half Term Spooktacular, Cholderton Charlie's	Half Term
Owl-O-Ween, Hawk Conservancy Trust	Fri 26 Oct
Halloween Ghost Train, Swindon & Cricklade Railway	Fri 26 & Sat 27 Oct
Warminster Carnival	Sat 27 Oct
Spooky Adventures at Avebury	Sat 27 Oct-Sun 4 Nov
Halloween Steaming, Crofton Beam Engines	Sun 28 Oct

November, December & Christmas 2018

Bonfire & Fireworks Events, around Wiltshire	Nov (various dates)
Christmas Lights Switch On and Christmas Shopping Events, around Wiltshire	Nov & Dec (various dates)
Magic and Mayhem, Pound Arts Centre, Corsham	Mid-November
Longleat Festival of Light	Selected dates from Fri 9 Nov
Christmas at Fisherton Mill	Fri 9 Nov-Mon 24 Dec
Britten's War Requiem, Salisbury Cathedral	Sat 10 Nov
Devizes Eisteddfod	Fri 16-Sat 17 Nov & Sat 24 Nov
Christmas Activities, McArthurGlen Designer Outlet	Mid Nov-Mon 24 Dec
Salisbury Christmas Market	Thu 22 Nov-Fri 21 Dec (dates tbc)
Christmas at Avebury	Selected dates Thu 22 Nov-Mon 31 Dec
Black Friday, McArthurGlen Designer Outlet Swindon	Fri 23 Nov (date tbc)
The Christmas House, Stourhead	Sat 24 Nov-Sun 23 Dec (dates tbc)
The Christmas House, Mompesson House	Sat 24 Nov-Sun 23 Dec (Thu-Sun)
Christmas at Lacock	Selected dates Sat 1-Mon 31 Dec
Christmas at STEAM Museum	Sat 1 & Sun 2 Dec
Santa Specials, Swindon & Cricklade Railway	Sat & Sun from 1 Dec-23 Dec
Tis the Season (Christmas Market & Festivities), Tisbury	Sat 8 Dec

Salisbury Christmas Market



Chippenham Folk Festival



Swindon Festival of Literature



Devizes International Street Festival



Marlborough College Summer School



Downton Cuckoo Fair



Daily Mail
Chalke Valley
History Festival



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Arts
Festival



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ESCAPE THE EVERYDAY

Today life is hectic. Too hectic. 24/7 this, 4G that. Forever rushing around. Sometimes you just need to press pause and let time stand still. Wiltshire's year-round programme of festivals and events could be just the ticket. Showcasing the county's outstanding creativity and inventiveness, these are authentic and entertaining experiences. Often based on stories drawn from the history of England. 2018 is set to be another 'eventful' year. So make this the year you take a break in Wiltshire - less racing against the clock and more timeless pleasures to enjoy.

As soon as spring has sprung it's time to get in carnival mood. On the first Bank Holiday Monday in May, Salisbury's **Fisherton Festival** gets the season off to a flying start with food and drink stalls vying for attention with live music, dancing, street artists and more. On Saturday 5 May you'll want to head for **Downton Cuckoo Fair**: over 250 stalls, plus craft demonstrations, Maypole and Morris dancing, music and more, on and around the picturesque village greens.

Swindon Festival of Literature, from 7-19 May, celebrates all things well thought, well written and well said. Featuring novelists, poets, politicians, travellers, scientists, storytellers, sportsmen, historians, comedians, artists and activists. From 25-28 May you can get into the swing of things at **Chippenham Folk Festival**: over 200 individual events and workshops, combining nationally acclaimed performers with dynamic young musicians, dancers and singers.

From 26 May-4 August, **Iford Arts Festival** tops the bill with a mix of opera, jazz proms and cloister concerts in the idyllic surroundings of Iford Manor's Grade I listed Peto Garden. From 22 June-8 July **Celebrating Art in the Garden** returns to Urchfont Manor, the perfect setting for their exhibition of contemporary sculpture. As its name suggests the **Daily Mail Chalke Valley History Festival** from 25 June-1 July celebrates all things historical; a star-studded line-up of speakers in an idyllic downland setting. As well as its four thrilling steeplechase meetings between November and April, **Barbury International Horse Trials** in July (dates tbc) sees the world's top eventers compete over this renowned cross country course in the beautiful Marlborough Downs.

Popular with visitors of all ages **Marlborough College Summer School** runs from 8 July-4 August with its mix of art, cultural and sporting courses for adults, plus inspirational activities for children. On Saturday 14 July Trowbridge's **Active Festival** offers a huge variety of activities and sports to take part in, from inflatables and face painting to food from around the world. Making a return appearance in summer 2018 (dates tbc), **Salisbury Art Trail** is sure to wow you with a fabulous line up of workshops and events, featuring over 100 local artists in more than 60 venues. 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, culminating in the carnival procession at the start of September.

The annual **Edington Music Festival** (19-26 August) is sheer delight for lovers of sacred choral music. With plainchant, new commissions

and organ recitals it features some of the most complex and beautiful music ever written. **Devizes Festival Fortnight** runs from 19 August-1 September: two whole weeks of colourful events, including Picnic in the Park, the Confetti Battle, Carnival Parade and Devizes International Street Festival. The **Great British Food Festival** returns to Bowood from 25-27 August - combining great food and drink with a fabulously beautiful location, it is definitely more than 'just another food festival'.

If you love books and reading, you'll love **Marlborough Literature Festival!** From 28-30 September it celebrates the best of all things written, including author talks, open mic poetry, writing workshops and children's competitions. In mid-November, **Magic and Mayhem** at The Pound arts centre in Corsham offers four days of music, comedy, burlesque and more. While this year's **Salisbury Christmas Market** runs from 22 November-21 December (dates tbc). As well as filling the Guildhall Square with stalls selling tasteful, high quality gifts and festive goods, for the first time the Cathedral will be hosting part of the Christmas Market in the Close.

Throughout the year **Wiltshire Wildlife Trust** runs a wide range of events suitable for all the family. Hunt for dormice, try your hand at stone carving, go foraging in the countryside - there's always something new and interesting to get involved in.

And it doesn't stop there... for an even wider range of events around the county and throughout the year see pages 12-13 or go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/whats-on. Just remember to check dates and times before setting out, as these can sometimes change.



Country Comes to Town - Wiltshire Wildlife Trust

INSPIRATIONAL

arts and entertainment

We're a creative lot in Wiltshire. Here we have space and time to nurture the arts. In whatever inventive, ingenious form they may take.

Theatres, galleries, arts centres. Plays, recitals, exhibitions. Inspirational venues and outstanding entertainment, dedicated to making imaginations fly. With such beautiful and diverse countryside as our backdrop, the whole county is a canvas for creativity.

Wiltshire Music Centre in Bradford on Avon hosts over 120 events every year. From classical, jazz and folk music to children's and storytelling shows. According to Sean Rafferty of BBC Radio 3, its 300-seat concert hall has 'the finest acoustic outside London'. No surprise, then, that it attracts many musicians of international renown. At the heart of the community, **Trowbridge Town Hall Arts** offers professional performances and exhibitions by companies and artists from around the world. **Pound Arts** creates live performances across Wiltshire under the banner of Rural Arts Touring. **The Pound** arts centre in Corsham is a thriving venue with a year round programme of performances, exhibitions and films. Pound Arts also runs the family focussed Blue Sky Festival in June and the delicious and decadent Magic and Mayhem Festival in November. Swindon's **Wyvern Theatre and Arts Centre** offers a mixed programme of concerts, comedy, musicals, drama and dance, including a popular annual pantomime (Aladdin for 2018). The impressive auditorium seats 635, but you're always sure of a great view as no seat is further than 70ft from the stage.

When it comes to the arts, the city of Salisbury is particularly well endowed. Its largest entertainment venue, **City Hall**, programmes three seasons of live entertainment throughout the year, including music, variety, comedy, family and dance productions. **Salisbury Arts Centre** is a vibrant hub of activity housed in a beautiful

deconsecrated church. It, too, showcases a variety of art forms, from theatre and dance to music, comedy, film and exhibitions. With an annual programme of plays, musicals, events and children's productions, **Salisbury Playhouse** is one of Britain's leading producing theatres. As well as commissioning and producing new works – using the skills of its on-site scenery and costume departments – it plays host to touring productions too.

There's fun for all the family at **Eastcott Studios** in Swindon. Create your own pot, or personalise a variety of gifts, plates and mugs. Visiting artists are also on hand to demonstrate their craft and share their skills. With a variety of craft-based workshops, hands-on creativity is just one of the many facets to Salisbury's **Fisherton Mill**. Part gallery, part café, part artisan studios, its exhibits include work by leading artists, furniture makers and sculptors. You'll also find an ever-changing array of jewellery, ceramics, glasswork and decorative items for sale.

Swindon Museum and Art Gallery features impressive and thought-provoking works by some of Britain's finest modern artists. Lucien Freud, Leon Kossoff, Frank Auerbach, Alfred Wallis and LS Lowry are all represented here. Alongside an important collection of studio ceramics. Just across the county border in Bath, the **Victoria Art Gallery** offers an exciting programme of exhibitions and a stunning permanent collection, from Turner and Gainsborough to the moderns.

Important art collections are also to be found at Wiltshire's stately homes. Corsham Court, for example, is home to furniture by Chippendale, mirrors by Adams and portraits by Sir Joshua Reynolds. The magnificent Inigo Jones state rooms at **Wilton House** include the Double Cube Room – familiar to many from the film version of Jane Austen's *Sense and Sensibility*, this is the finest surviving 17th century stateroom in England. Designed to display family portraits by van Dyck, it contains the greatest collection of his paintings still housed in its original setting.

Events including open-air theatre, historic re-enactments, firework displays and Christmas celebrations are regularly hosted by historic properties too. Look out for them at attractions such as **Arundells, Avebury** and **Bowood, Lacock, Longleat** and **Mompesson House, Old Sarum, Old Wardour Castle, Stourhead** and **Westonbirt Arboretum**.

Further information on the many timeless pleasures to be enjoyed around the county can be found at visitwiltshire.co.uk/whats-on

Wiltshire Music Centre



“Immerse yourself in timeless pleasures”

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Double Cube Room, Wilton House

Photo: Will Pryce



Eastcott Studios



Enchanted Christmas, Westonbirt



Little Shop of Horrors, Salisbury Playhouse



Lego Beach, Pound Arts



The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Wyvern Theatre



Wiltshire Music Centre



The Christmas House, Stourhead



Great Chalfield Manor



Lacock Abbey



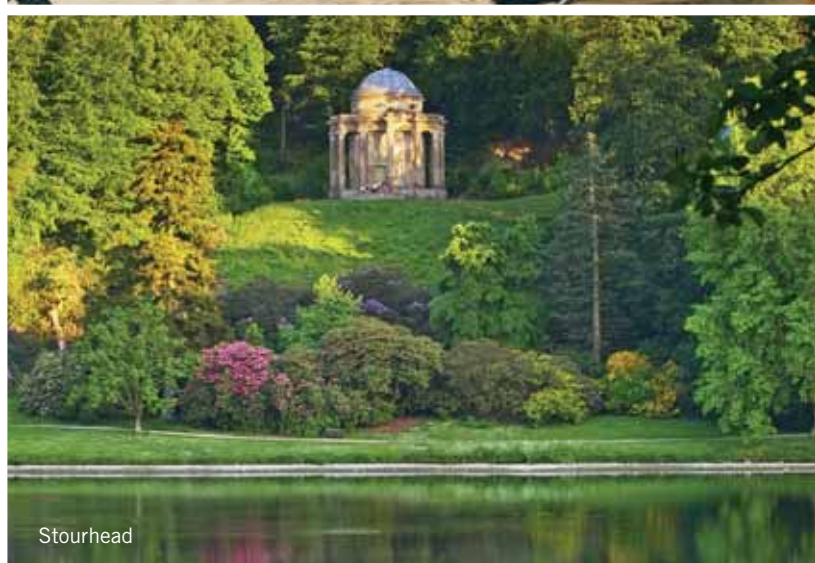
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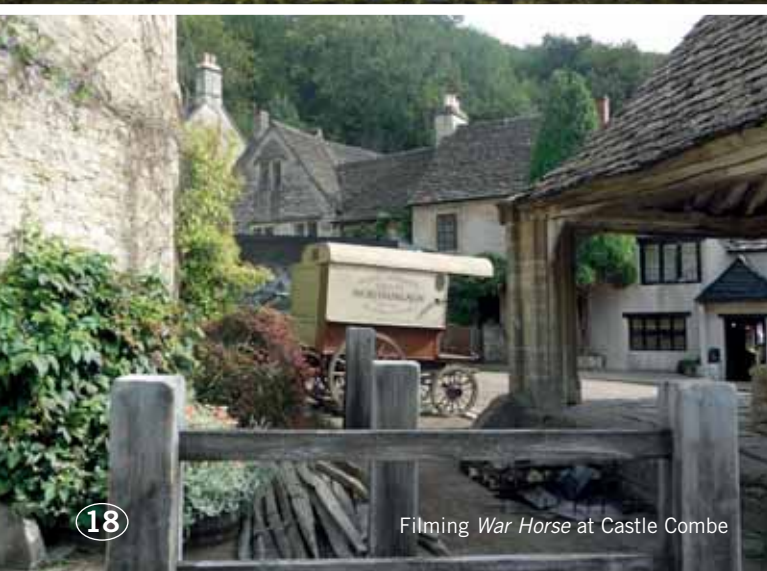
Pride & Prejudice at Wilton House



Stonehenge



Stourhead



Filming *War Horse* at Castle Combe



Fonthill Lake

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WILTSHIRE

on screen

From swashbuckling adventures to Jane Austen classics, *Dr Dolittle* to *Dr Who*, Hogwarts to Wolf Hall, iconic Wiltshire locations have starred in a host of big screen movies and TV costume dramas, their timeless charm appealing to visitors and location scouts alike.

Below is just a small selection of the many productions to be filmed around the county. So follow in the footsteps of the stars... step into the spotlight... and imagine yourself in your favourite role.

Tomb Raider (2018) – A new film, due for release this year, will feature **Wilton House**.

The Crown (2017) – Filming for series two took place at **Wilton House**.

Transformers: The Last Knight (2017) – This action-packed intergalactic battlefield movie was filmed in part at **Stonehenge** – both at the ‘real’ stone circle and a convincing replica nearby.

The White Princess (2017) – The first TV series, adapted from a historical novel of the same name by Philippa Gregory, was filmed in **Bradford on Avon**. A second series has been filming in **Lacock**, so watch out for news of this soon.

Poldark (2015 and 2016) – The novels may have been set in Cornwall, but it was the charming Wiltshire market town of **Corsham** that location scouts selected as the perfect match for 18th century Truro in the first series. **Great Chalfield Manor and Gardens** featured in series two. **Chavenage House** (just across the border in Gloucestershire) played the part of Trenwith, the Poldark family home. Further filming has been taking place around the county recently, so keep an eye out for some familiar Wiltshire locations in 2018.

Downton Abbey (2015) – Filming for the sixth and final series of this hit TV series took place in the National Trust village of **Lacock**, which also featured as a location in *The Wolf Man*.

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 15th century cottages and inns, was the backdrop to this BBC production.

Pride & Prejudice (2005) – In this cinema version of the Jane Austen classic, 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.

Far from the Madding Crowd (1967) – The Wiltshire town of **Devizes** featured as Casterbridge in this major hit starring Julie Christie, Peter Finch, Alan Bates and Terence Stamp.

Other big screen films featuring Wiltshire locations include *The Other Boleyn Girl* (2008) and *Saving Private Ryan* (1998).

TV series filmed at various places around the county include: *Agatha Raisin* (2015), *Galavant* series two (2015), *Outlander* series two (2015), *The Hollow Crown* series two (2014), *And Then There Were None* (2015) and *The Royals* series one (2013), plus *Doctor Who* (2010), *The Victorian Farm* (2009), *Tess of the d’Urbervilles* (2008) and various episodes of *Time Team*. *Sherlock* ‘The Abominable Bride’ was filmed at Longleat, which has also hosted various series of *Animal Park*, while Salisbury Cathedral was the inspiration behind TV mini-series *Pillars of the Earth*.

For more information go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/film

Filming *Poldark*
in Corsham

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TIME WELL *spent!*

McArthurGlen Designer Outlet Swindon makes a great day out for all the family.

Over 100 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. All housed in the tastefully converted Grade II listed buildings of Brunel's former Great Western Railway works. This is where the past meets the present, so keep an eye out for clues to the building's fascinating history.

On a rather different scale, the quintessentially English towns of **Marlborough** and **Bradford on Avon** are popular choices for stylish stores in a cosmopolitan setting. Many of the Bath stone buildings on **Corsham's** High Street are independent businesses, providing irresistible retail opportunities. And what the village of **Tisbury** lacks in size it more than makes up for with its unique selection of interesting independent shops. Elsewhere, in historic towns across the county, numerous small, family-run outlets continue to thrive too. Offering a relaxed and unhurried shopping experience. As they've been doing for generations.

If there were an award for the most unusual shopping location it would surely go to Avebury. Not, you might think, the most obvious place to unleash your credit card. Yet here, within the world's largest prehistoric stone circle, you'll find not one, but two charming businesses: **The Henge Shop** and **Elements of Avebury**.

Elsewhere around Wiltshire, popular centres serve visitors and local communities alike. As befits a county famous for its local produce there are plenty of farm shops to choose from. **Allington Farm Shop** near Chippenham, **Neston Park Farm Shop** near Melksham, and **Berwick Farm Shop** near Salisbury. Cask and bottled beer can be bought from the **Box Steam Brewery** near Trowbridge. Or find local ales and vodka at **Ramsbury Brewery and Distillery** near Marlborough.

In Malmesbury you can bid for your chosen lots at **Hillditch** auction house, or stock up on plants, seeds and garden items at **Foxley Road Nurseries**. **PA Oxley** near Calne is a treasure trove of antique clocks and barometers. In Salisbury you'll find an eclectic range of shops at the **Cross Keys Arcade**. Galleries, studios and workshops at **Fisherton Mill**. Organic toiletries at **Neal's Yard Remedies**. Or fine lingerie at **Annie's Just Jane**. Head to **Chas H Baker** for classic and contemporary menswear. **Goodfayre** for ethical goods. **Ingrams** for briefcases, handbags and luggage. Or **Roly's Fudge Pantry** for the sweetest of treats.

Indoor, outdoor and farmers' markets... continental and Christmas markets... vintage, artisan and foodie markets... What better way to spend an hour or two than browsing the many stalls where every imaginable item is on offer. Top quality fruit and vegetables. Meat, fish, cheese and eggs. Haberdashery, clothes, jewellery and more. Top prize for the longest running market goes to Trowbridge, Wiltshire's county town, where stallholders have been trading since the year 1200. These days, it's on a Wednesday. Hot on its heels, history-wise, is Salisbury's Charter Market, which 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). Up-to-date details of these and other markets can be found at visitwiltshire.co.uk/markets

So. Designer brands: tick. High street names: tick. Shopping malls, markets and independent outlets: tick, tick and tick. Whatever your budget, when you visit Wiltshire it's time to hit the shops!



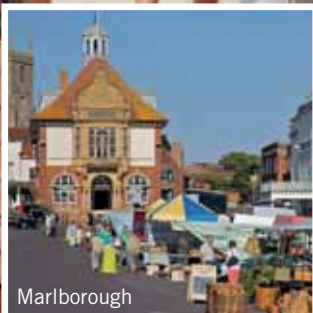
Devizes Market



Fisherton Mill

“Top notch designer shopping”

McArthurGlen
Designer Outlet
Swindon



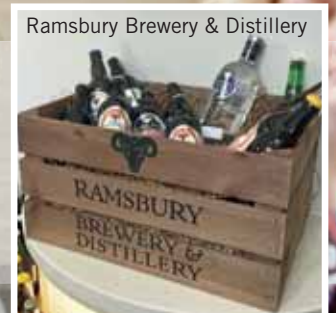
Marlborough



Edington Farm Shop



Bradford on Avon



Ramsbury Brewery & Distillery



*“Don’t miss our Food and Drink
Map, new for 2018!”*

PLENTY TO

whet your appetite!

In Wiltshire, food matters. Here, we create food to feed the soul. Luckily, life moves at a gentler pace. Giving you time to savour the culinary magic conjured up by our chefs, bakers and brewers. Start the day by tucking into a hearty Wiltshire breakfast. Then linger over elevenses. Treat yourself to afternoon tea. While away the hours over a long lunch, or dinner with family and friends. No hurry. It'll be ready in a Wiltshire minute.

Sometimes celebrations are the order of the day, in which case you will want to sample the new **Rick Stein** restaurant in Marlborough. Or choose between **The Bell at Ramsbury** and **The George & Dragon** at Rowde, both of which have been awarded two AA Dining Rosettes. When you really want to push the boat out, look no further than the **Red Lion Freehouse** at East Chisenbury and **The Harrow** at Little Bedwyn. Or the hotel restaurants at **Lucknam Park** near Chippenham and **Whitley Manor** near Malmesbury. All of which have won a coveted Michelin star (or two!).

Wiltshire has a wealth of traditional specialities. Many recipes have been handed down through the generations and still taste as good as ever today. Malmesbury Pudding. Wiltshire Lardy Cake. Wiltshire Loaf. (That last one's not a type of bread, by the way, it's a cheese!) When it comes to local produce, our pedigree is second to none. Back in 18th century Calne, the long-established English technique of producing ham was invented by the Harris family. To be known thenceforth as the 'Wiltshire Cure'. So bacon is sure to be on the menu. Home-made bread, jam and preserves are Wiltshire staples too. And, who knows, you could even find yourself eating the very eggs you collected fresh from the hens that morning. (Toasted 'fingers' dipped in golden yolk have never tasted so good!)

A busy day's sightseeing will probably leave you feeling a bit peckish. Which gives you the perfect excuse to take a break and savour the taste of Wiltshire. You'll find coffee shops and tea rooms serving mouth-watering cakes and pastries. Ice cream, made on site using milk from the farm's own cows. Not to mention an abundance of friendly inns offering tasty food and drink at reasonable prices. At restaurants, wine bars and bistros across the county, menus change with the seasons. Timeless classics and new favourites are crafted with care and attention. Every day.

If you fancy sampling a home-grown pint or two, then keep an eye out for craft beers and ales from our local brewers.

Wadworth Brewery, for example. **Box Steam Brewery**.

The **Three Daggers** at Edington. Or the **Red Lion** at Cricklade. **Ramsbury Brewery & Distillery** has recently added vodka to its repertoire, while gin lovers should head for the **Bombay Sapphire** distillery just across the border in Hampshire.

Wiltshire is fortunate to have the freshest and the best produce right here on our doorstep. No surprise then that we set great store by our mouth-watering range of foodie events. Sample the beer festivals in Devizes (February and July), Chippenham and Malmesbury (April) and Swindon (October). Or savour the food and drink festivals in Devizes (May) and Calne, Melksham and Salisbury (September). Wander among an array of tempting stalls. Inhale the aromas of freshly-ground coffee and herbs. Eat your fill from sizzling sausages, barbecues or a hog roast. Then wash it all down with one of our lip-smacking local ales. Tunnel Vision... Bishop's Tipple... Flint Knapper... in Wiltshire the names are almost as delicious as the brews themselves.

For more inspiration go to
www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/food-and-drink

Rick Stein



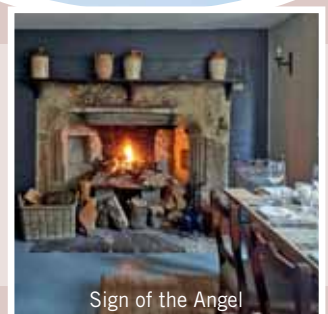
Blounts Court Farm



Box Steam Brewery



The George & Dragon, Rowde



Sign of the Angel

ON COURSE

for a great day out!

They've been laying the odds at Salisbury since the early 1600s. Making Salisbury Racecourse one of England's most historic. Thanks to a glorious location on the eastern edge of Cranborne Chase, it is also one of the most beautiful.

These days there are sixteen flat race meetings between April and October including afternoon and evening fixtures. With the slender spire of Salisbury Cathedral soaring skywards in the distance, the views are as breathtaking as the racing.

Wiltshire is a county where the horse is king and there's no better site to find equine excellence than **Barbury**, which stages four thrilling steeplechasing meetings between November and April, and a renowned international horse trials in July. Together the five fixtures bring 30,000 equestrian enthusiasts to the stunning Marlborough downland to enjoy competitive racing and eventing.

And so to golf. So many great clubs. So many outstanding reasons to visit Wiltshire. Top quality courses and an excellent range of facilities will, naturally, be top of your wish list. But, as you will see, with golf courses as with race courses, it's also very much about the views.

The meticulous 18-hole championship course at **Bowood Golf and Country Club** blends perfectly with woodland and undulating countryside, affording extraordinary vistas across rolling parkland towards the Cherhill White Horse. At **Cumberwell Park Golf Club** near

Bradford on Avon, no less than five 9-hole courses are set within 700 acres of beautiful parkland, an elegant blend of rolling countryside, lakes and streams, natural copse and woodland. The 18 holes at **Ogbourne Downs Golf Club** are set amidst 200 acres of downland terrain, which make for a fabulous round – be sure to pause on the eighth tee to admire the impressive views towards Marlborough.

High up on Cranborne Chase, **Rushmore Golf Club's** 18 holes are a haven of peace and tranquillity, where there's nothing to distract from your game but abundant wildlife and a spectacular outlook. **Salisbury and South Wiltshire Golf Club** is situated on the edge of this medieval city. With 27 holes and magnificent views of the cathedral spire, it is considered to be one of the south's finest downland courses.

From their hilltop position above Warminster the small greens and undulating approaches at 18-hole **West Wilts Golf Club** afford stunning panoramas across three counties. While **Upavon Golf Club's** 18 holes offer magnificent views over Salisbury Plain and the Vale of Pewsey.

Wiltshire's golf courses have bags of history too. The 18-hole course at **North Wiltshire Golf Club** was established in 1890 – midway between Calne and Devizes, its sloping fairways and strategically placed bunkers will be a test of any golfer's ability. Described by Peter Alliss as 'a gem of a course on the edge of Salisbury Plain', the lovely, tree-lined 18-hole course at **Tidworth Garrison Golf Club** was founded in 1908.

If you feel the need to practice your swing, **Sleight Valley Golf Driving Range** on the outskirts of Devizes offers twelve floodlit bays, plus tuition with PGA professionals. An hour or two here is sure to pay dividends, ensuring that when you venture out on the course you'll be right at the top of your game.

So book some time off, pick a course, and find yourself some headspace. With affordable green fees, flexible timings, special offers and stay-and-play packages you have the perfect excuse to make a weekend of it.

Salisbury Racecourse



“Treat yourself to a relaxing golfing break”

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Barbury
International
Horse Trials



Salisbury & South Wilts Golf Club



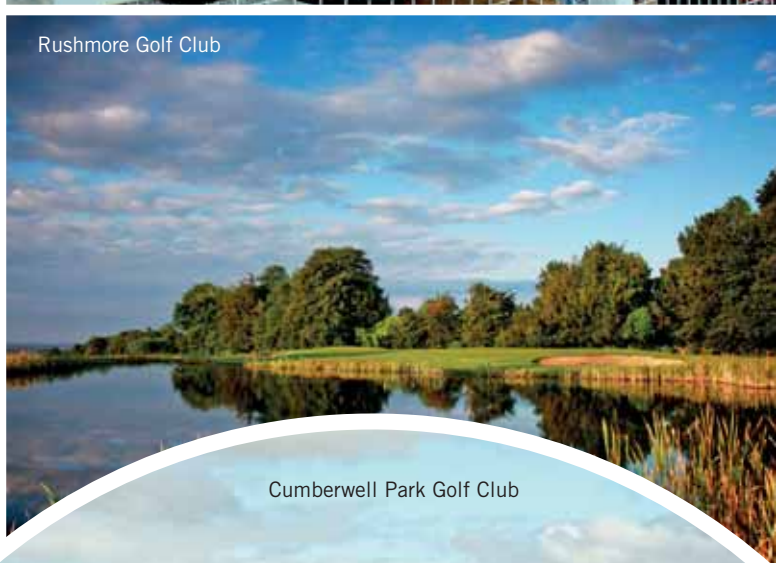
North Wilts Golf Club



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Rushmore Golf Club



Ogbourne Downs
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Cumberwell Park Golf Club



Aerosaurus Balloons



Team Pursuits



Castle Combe Circuit



Live Escape Salisbury



Skydive Netheravon



Salisbury Plain Safaris



Treasure Trails



GoSkydive

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HAVE *yourself a big adventure!*

Sign up for a **Salisbury Plain Safari** and their iconic Land Rover Defender will transport you to far flung parts of the Wiltshire landscape. Parts which other vehicles cannot reach, inhabited by wildlife that exists only here. Take spectacular views of Europe's largest expanse of chalk downland... throw in some rutted tracks, deep puddles and bumpy roads... add a splash or two of mud and you have all the makings of an expedition to write home about.

Skydiving. For adrenaline junkies it just doesn't come better than this. Guaranteed to send your heartrate soaring, or your money back. Sounds like your perfect way to relax and unwind? Then team up with **GoSkydive** or **Skydive Netheravon** for a tandem skydive against the stunning backdrop of Salisbury Plain. Unrivalled excitement and exhilaration in the air, followed by elation and a real sense of achievement on landing. For experienced skydivers with over 200 jumps under their belt, Netheravon even offers wingsuiting – a whole new way to experience the freedom of the skies!

If you've a head for heights, you might also want to give the Challenge Wall at **Golden Gecko Climbing** a go. This exciting 6-metre roped climb has 10 auto belays and over 40 routes of varying difficulty, so something for all abilities.

Back on solid ground, **Castle Combe Circuit's** Racing School Experiences give you the chance to drive real racing cars, on a real race circuit. Kick up some dust with a spin round the rally field. Or buckle up and enjoy one roller coaster of a passenger ride. For fans of karting **Wessex Raceway** has created one of the largest indoor tracks in Europe – free from pillars, ramps and bridges, it's the ultimate karting experience. On the same site, **Virtual Warfare** is home to Battlefield Live. With massive ranges and ultrarealistic arenas, this is laser combat for the 21st century. A tactical game of team-based combat. Designed to make the blood freeze in your veins.

For those who prefer their activities wet and wild, the **Cotswold Water Park** offers windsurfing, sailing, kayaking, cable skiing and banana boating. While **Team Pursuits** offer a wide variety of activities for team building or fun group days out, including clay pigeon shooting, quad biking, archery, Segway safaris and rifle shooting. If you like to pit your wits against the clock, real life escape games have been taking the world by storm. Faced with an array of puzzles, riddles and clues, your team has to work quickly to solve the mystery and escape from captivity. Unique, interactive challenges are offered by **Co-Decode**, **11th Hour Escape Rooms**, **Live Escape Salisbury** and **Salisbury Escape Rooms**. Themes change regularly, so choose your favourite and start sleuthing.

But remember, for each challenge you have just one hour, and time is fast running out...

But by no means all adventures have to be adrenaline-inducing, white knuckle rides. On a hot air balloon flight with **Aerosaurus Balloons** you can experience 'lighter than air' travel as you drift peacefully at dawn or dusk over Wiltshire's timeless countryside. Throw in complimentary in-flight champagne and a post-flight certificate signed by your pilot, and you are all set for a truly memorable trip. Treasure hunts are another great way to have fun with friends and family. **Treasure Trails** offer challenges in over 20 locations around Wiltshire. Just download a self-guided booklet and set out on your expedition. Your mission: to find and solve intriguing clues on buildings, statues and monuments, revealing fascinating history and stunning scenery along the way. Alternatively, find your way around Salisbury the fun way with **Text Quest**. You receive a text with directions and a clue; reply with the right answer to receive the next clue. Pit your wits against other teams. Race against time. Or amble round at your own pace, enjoying the sights. However you play it, it's time to don your virtual deerstalker and summon up your inner Sherlock Holmes.

“Be part of the action”



Cotswold Water Park

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SALISBURY

– *the perfect historic city*

Salisbury is Wiltshire's only city... and what a beautiful city it is! The ideal fusion of ancient and modern. Where medieval magnificence meets contemporary culture.

The Cathedral Close is an oasis of calm. To enter here is to step back in time. To feel the weight of history seeping from every pore. Sheltered behind its massive walls, as well as the Cathedral itself, are **The Salisbury Museum** where you can marvel at finds from Stonehenge; the National Trust's **Mompesson House** which featured in the award-winning film of *Sense and Sensibility*; Sir Edward Heath's former home, **Arundells**, still looking much as it did when he was in residence; and **The Rifles Berkshire & Wiltshire Museum** telling the story of these renowned local infantry regiments.

Alongside these award-winning attractions, first rate festivals join forces with leading arts venues – including **Salisbury Playhouse**, **Salisbury Arts Centre** and **City Hall Salisbury** – to bring you top notch entertainment. With plenty going on throughout the day and into the early hours, Salisbury has been awarded Purple Flag status – the 'gold standard' for a great night out.



The historic heart of the city retains its medieval layout, with many of the original street names preserved, and it is here that you will find the **Parish Church of St Thomas** with its magnificent Doom Painting. If you're feeling peckish mid-morning or afternoon, tempting tearooms and relaxing coffee shops will tide you over till lunch or dinner. For a pint of the local brew there are friendly pubs and riverside inns. Or for something more substantial Salisbury has restaurants to suit all tastes, pockets and occasions. Shopaholics

will feel right at home in their favourite stores. While an excellent range of individual retailers sell individual items you won't find on every high street.

For hustle and bustle you can't beat a good market and Salisbury has markets in abundance. Artisan, teenage and vintage markets, farmers' and foodie Friday markets, Continental markets and the ever-popular Christmas Market – the Market Place and Guildhall Square are home to an exciting range of events year-round. Tuesdays and Saturdays are particularly busy when the popular Charter Market rolls in*, drawing people to the city as it's been doing for almost 800 years.

With plenty of parks and green spaces Salisbury is ideal for a picnic. At the meeting point of five rivers it's great for romantic strolls too. On the northern outskirts of the city you'll find **Old Sarum** (the original site of Salisbury), while **Boscombe Down Aviation Collection**, **Salisbury Racecourse** and the World Heritage Site of **Stonehenge** are also on the doorstep.

London Waterloo is just 90 minutes away by train, so Salisbury makes a great base for visiting Wiltshire – you'll be here in no time. Just go to visitsalisbury.co.uk for a comprehensive guide to the city and surrounding areas. Or download VisitWiltshire's free Salisbury App by searching 'Salisbury' in the App Store or on Google Play.

*Except the third Tuesday in October

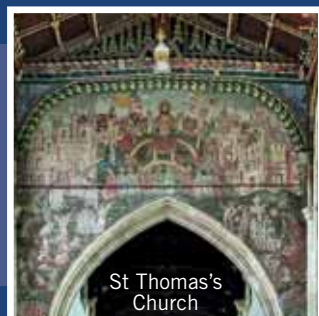


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AMESBURY

It's hard to imagine what life would have been like over 10,000 years ago. But Amesbury has a history dating back to 8,820BC. 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 is the honey-coloured gem of Bradford on Avon. 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.bradfordonavontowncouncil.gov.uk



CALNE

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



CASTLE COMBE

The perfect 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 has much to recommend it. A wealth of historic buildings, the beautifully maintained John Coles Park and modern shopping centres. The Neeld Community and Arts Centre, Chippenham Museum, and Wiltshire & Swindon History Centre. The River Avon forms a peaceful backdrop for walking and cycling, and nearby are the villages of Lacock and Castle Combe, as well as major attractions including Bowood.

www.chippenham.gov.uk





CORSHAM

Corsham developed from Saxon origins into a prosperous town thanks to the wool trade and the quarrying of golden Bath stone. Home to quirky independent shops, the historic High Street contains properties from the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries with the 350-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/visit



CRICKLADE

Lying at the southern gateway to the Cotswold Water Park is the first town on the River Thames. An historic Saxon Town with over 100 listed buildings, including the medieval St Sampson's Church. There is free parking with opportunities to shop, eat and drink as you stroll around the Heritage Trail, explore the North Meadow Nature Reserve or walk parts of the Thames Path. www.crickladedetowncouncil.gov.uk



DEVIZES

This historic market town has a colourful medieval past and a rich heritage of fine Georgian houses. The town has kept its character, with many small, family-run businesses and a good, traditional market bustling with fresh food, crafts and curios. Home to both the Wiltshire Museum and Wadworth Brewery, Devizes stands on the Kennet & Avon Canal, with the flight of 29 locks at Caen Hill close by.

www.devizes-tc.gov.uk

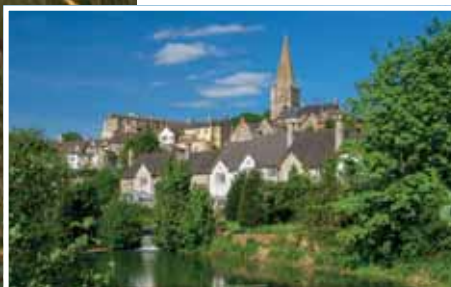
LACOCK

A stunning National Trust village. Here, 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

Reputedly England's oldest borough, this vibrant market town has much to discover. The stunning 12th century Abbey and Abbey House Gardens. Unique shops and a weekly market at the original Market Cross. Walk along the River Avon. Visit fabulous cafés, restaurants, pubs and hotels. Enjoy music, history, arts and garden events. Discovering Malmesbury is a magical journey. In fact, you may never want to leave. www.discovermalmesbury.life

MARLBOROUGH

Set in beautiful countryside, this handsome former staging post has evolved into a stylish and cosmopolitan town with its own café culture, offering lots of choice to visitors. With a twice-weekly market, its wide High Street is lined with characterful old buildings housing an array of high quality shops, pubs and restaurants. Don't forget to explore the side streets, riverside parks and green spaces too.

www.marlborough-tc.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



MERE

In 1651 Charles II rested here after his defeat at the Battle of Worcester. 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 spectacular National Trust house and garden at Stourhead are nearby.

www.merechamberoftrade.co.uk



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 all stand testament to the centuries of this town's existence.

www.tidworthtowncouncil.gov.uk



TISBURY ➡

The picturesque village of Tisbury has been a settlement for over 2,000 years. With a mainline railway station and an excellent choice of independent shops, it makes a superb base for walking, riding and cycling. Visit Old Wardour Castle just three miles away and the excellent medieval tithe barn at Place Farm, recently re-opened as a stunning centre for the arts.

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. Excellent transport links including mainline connections to Bath, Bristol, Dorset and London.

www.trowbridge.gov.uk



VALE OF PEWSEY ➡➡

With lush meadows, downland and the Kennet & Avon Canal, the Vale of Pewsey makes a great base for walking, cycling and riding. You'll find charming thatched cottages, peaceful villages and a wide range of places to eat, drink and shop, as well as Pewsey Heritage Centre, Crofton Beam Engines and Wilton Windmill. Mainline railway stations at Great Bedwyn and Pewsey connect to London Paddington and the South West. www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk



WARMINSTER ➡➡

Warminster is a busy, friendly market town with many fine Georgian buildings and a wide variety of independent shops, cafés, restaurants and inns. Head to the Lake Pleasure Grounds for tennis courts, a putting green and a boating lake, or enjoy Smallbrook Meadows Nature Reserve. Longleat and Stourhead are nearby, while excellent road, rail and bus links bring Bath and Salisbury within easy reach.

www.warminstercommunityhub.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 fascinating early industrial heritage. There's a lively mix of shops, pubs and restaurants, surrounded by stunning countryside with many outdoor activities. All on the main Paddington-Penzance and Portsmouth-Cardiff train lines. www.westburytowncouncil.gov.uk www.westburyvisitorcentre.co.uk

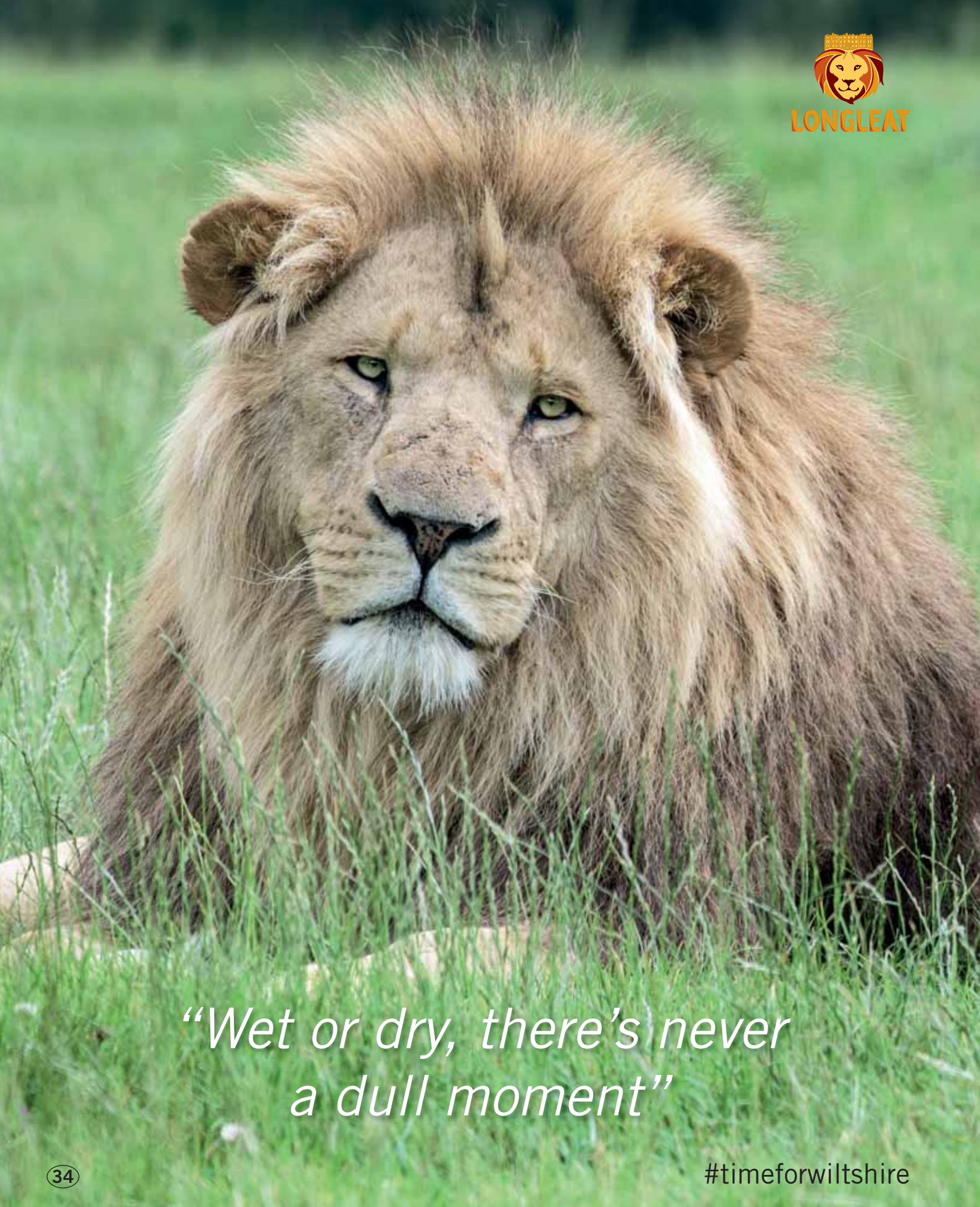


WILTON

Once the ancient capital of Wessex, the quintessentially English market town of Wilton nestles at the confluence of the rivers Nadder and Wylde. 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

“Discover Wiltshire’s wild side”



*“Wet or dry, there’s never
a dull moment”*

ON SAFARI

(Wiltshire-style!)

As you would expect from a county of such outstanding natural beauty, Wiltshire has plenty of indigenous wildlife. The shy, retiring water-vole, for example, and the great bustard, now successfully re-introduced after an absence of many years.

What you might be surprised to learn is that Wiltshire has all manner of exotic creatures too. Lions for example. Tigers. And a whole menagerie of other majestic animals. Because **Longleat** – with its Elizabethan house, ‘Capability’ Brown parkland, hedge maze and more – was also Britain’s first ever safari park. Here you can walk on the wild side with lemurs. Check out the Jungle Cruise. Hunt the pack in Wolf Wood. And don’t miss the chance to feed the animals, including sea lions, deer and rainbow lorikeets.

At **Cotswold Wildlife Park**, too, you have a real sense of being in the wild. Look rhinos in the eye, with nothing but a ha-ha between you. Explore the Tropical House to find free-roaming sloths, birds and bats. Take a ride on Bella the Train. Or explore the Skymaze treehouse adventure playground. There’s time for a taste of the tropics, too, on a visit to **Studley Grange**. Roam amongst beautiful butterflies. Cringe at creepy crawlies. Or go see the guinea pigs, geese and goats. Meerkats Thelma, Louise and JD will be thrilled to make your acquaintance.

For young children, a visit to one of our smaller animal parks is a must. **Roves Farm** offers fun for all the family, come rain or shine. Meet and feed the farm animals. Take a free tractor and trailer ride, or unleash your creative side at a craft session. Den building and outdoor adventure play are on the agenda too, and if the kids have any energy left they can burn it off at the activity barn, ball pond and bouncy castle. Rides on **Cholderton Charlie’s** eponymous tractor are a sure-fire hit. As are the peak-time pig races and chick or rabbit handling sessions. The ‘aah’ factor continues with more baby animals to meet and greet. Plus exquisite rare breeds like Golden Guernsey goats and Gloucestershire Old Spot pigs. Indoor and outdoor play areas, sandpits and trampolines complete the picture. Farm vehicles are the order of the day at Bowood too. Here, **Tractor Ted’s Little Farm** offers plenty to enjoy both inside and out. Handle rabbits, stroke lambs and see newly hatched chicks. Tackle the mini tractor track and diggers in the den. Then, if you’re all worn you out, take time out to watch Tractor Ted on film.

For birds of prey fans, **Forest Falconry** offers a totally hands-on experience. Handle, train and hunt with some of nature’s most spectacular birds, including hawks, falcons and owls. Or head for the **Hawk Conservancy Trust**. With up to three world-class flying displays each day, it’s a full-on family adventure. Over 150 birds of prey are on view, and every visitor can hold one!

Langford Lakes nature reserve attracts a whole host of wild birds, the species depending on the season. Watch as grebes shake their heads in dramatic courtship displays. Look out for Canada geese and tufted duck. Spy the turquoise flash of a kingfisher. Or glimpse the spectacular osprey. Even the endangered and elusive bittern has been spotted creeping silently through the reeds. **Cotswold Water Park** is a great year-round destination too: 150 lakes set over 40 square miles; lovely off-road cycle routes; miles of peaceful footpaths; fantastic birdwatching opportunities and wonderful wildlife, from orchids and fritillaries to dragonflies and bats.



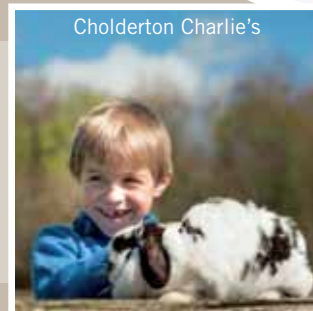
Cotswold Wildlife Park



Hawk Conservancy Trust



Studley Grange Butterfly World



Cholderton Charlie’s



Tractor Ted’s Little Farm

WILTSHIRE

– a story in time

Stonehenge... Avebury... Old Sarum...

Wiltshire's history has been thousands of years in the making. Our archaeological inheritance is second to none. Where better, then, to unearth the secrets of our journey through time than at one of the county's award-winning museums?

Wiltshire's museums are bursting with treasured exhibits of outstanding national importance. A world-class gallery of archaeology at **The Salisbury Museum** is home to one of Europe's most extensive collections of Stonehenge and prehistoric artefacts. The Monkton Deverill Gold Torc, for example, recovered from a Bronze Age burial mound, and the grave of the 'Avebury Archer', the richest Beaker burial in Britain. Galleries at **Wiltshire Museum** in Devizes cover 500,000 years of Wiltshire's history. From the Neolithic, Bronze Age and Iron Age eras, through to Roman, Saxon and Medieval times. Displays in 'Gold from the Time of Stonehenge' feature remarkable finds excavated from the prehistoric landscapes of the World Heritage Site.

For further evidence of Roman occupation in Wessex look no further than the **Roman Baths** in Bath, home to the Sacred Spring, the Roman Temple, the Roman Bath House and finds from Roman Bath. **Amesbury**, on the southern edge of Salisbury Plain, is the nearest town to **Stonehenge** and close to the ancient monuments

of Woodhenge, the Cursus, the Avenue and Durrington Walls. Recent excavations suggest that the town may date back more than 10,000 years, and a collection of Mesolithic artefacts can be found at **Amesbury History Centre**.

Iron Age hill forts are a recurring feature of the Wiltshire landscape. Among them you will find Barbury Castle on the North Wessex Downs. Battlesbury Camp, one of the best preserved in the county. Bratton Castle, home to an even older Neolithic long barrow. Cley Hill, Britain's UFO capital, with hundreds of sightings since the mid-1960s. Oldbury Castle, overlooking the Cherhill White Horse. Visit at sunrise or sunset. Pause for a while on the ramparts. See how the atmosphere alters with the light. Wonder at the ever changing big sky and reflect on the generations who have stood in this very spot before you. For further inspiration, view our ancient hillforts film here: www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/videos

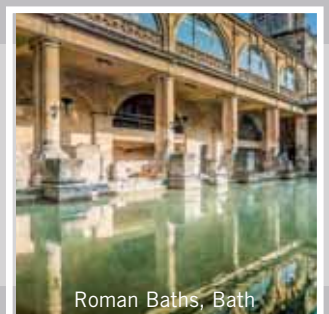
On the northern outskirts of Salisbury stands the massive earthwork now known as Old Sarum. Having begun life as a Neolithic community some 5,000 years ago, it later evolved into an Iron Age hill fort. Subsequently inhabited by Romans, Saxons and Normans, it finally developed into a flourishing medieval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

Fascinating as it is, Wiltshire is home to more than ancient history. Later civilisations have also left their mark, bequeathing tangible connections with the past. **Ludgershall Castle**, for example, built as a fortress in the late 11th century: once a royal hunting lodge with a great hall, tower and domestic apartments; now a glorious ruin. **Old Wardour Castle**, dating from the 14th century: badly damaged in the English Civil War; today providing a picturesque lakeside setting for picnics. 14th century **Farleigh Hungerford Castle** on the Somerset border: formerly a fortified mansion; still housing rare Medieval wall paintings and lead 'death mask' coffins to this day.

Take the opportunity to touch and feel the past for yourself. Follow in the footsteps of our ancestors, drawn to Wiltshire down the ages. Write your own chapter in our never ending story.

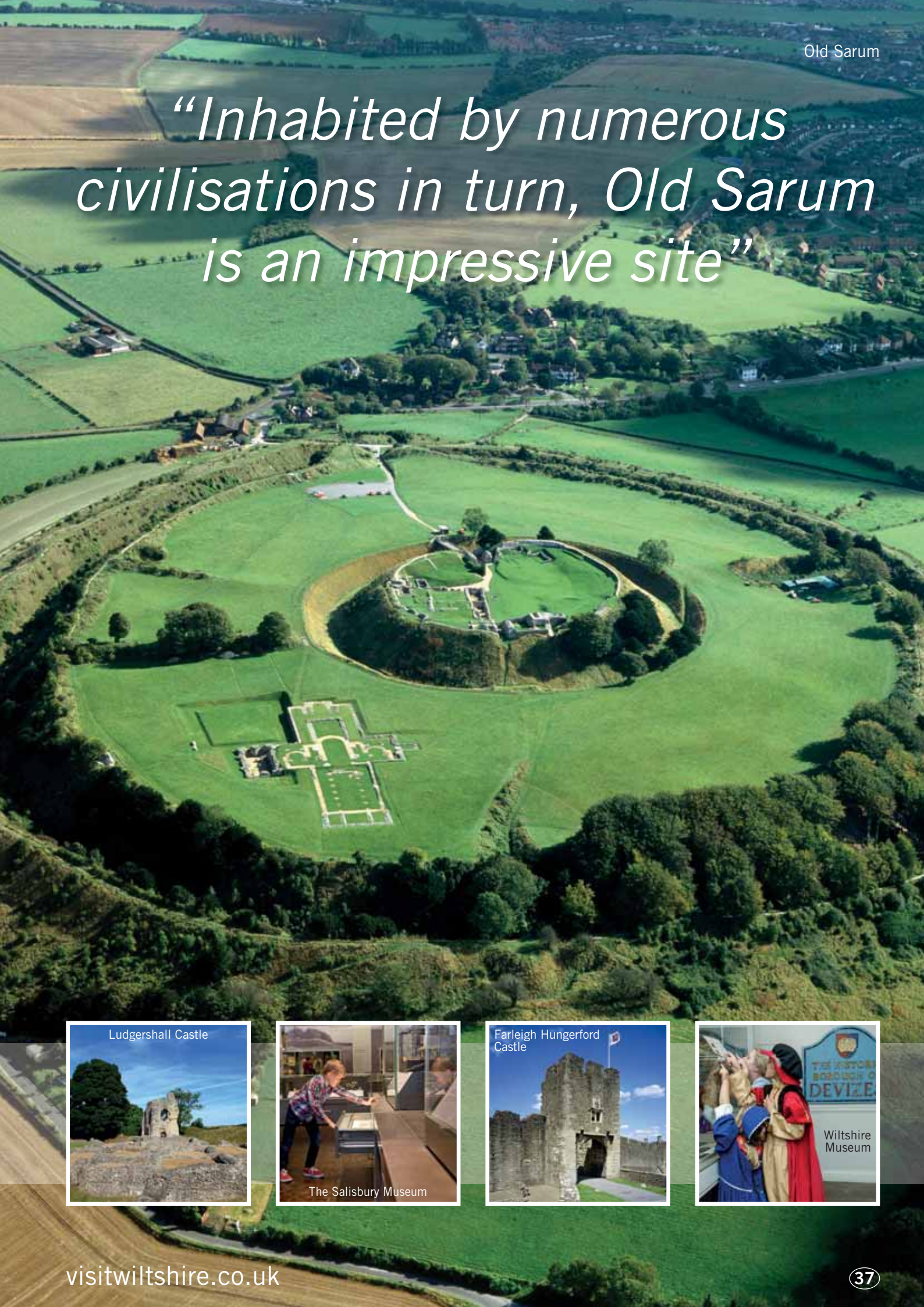


Old Wardour Castle

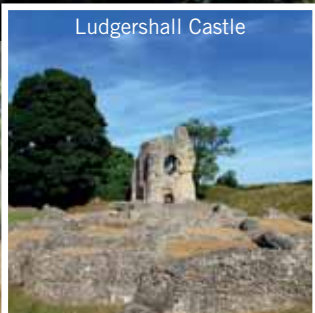


Roman Baths, Bath

“Inhabited by numerous civilisations in turn, Old Sarum is an impressive site”



Ludgershall Castle



The Salisbury Museum



Farleigh Hungerford Castle



Wiltshire Museum



“Magnificent homes in glorious surroundings”



Palladian Bridge, Wilton House



Larmer Tree



Lydiard House



Abbey House Gardens



MASTER LANDSCAPERS

and Eminent Architects

Wiltshire has an outstanding collection of grand country estates, spanning the centuries. As stately homes and gardens go, they don't come much finer than this. These residences of the well-to-do are the perfect places to connect with the past whilst enjoying the present. Set against the drama and majesty of the Wiltshire countryside, their equally outstanding surroundings – from acres of landscaped parkland to intimate formal and informal gardens – are the perfect antidote to our overcrowded cities.

Arguably first among equals is the National Trust's **Stourhead**. Designed in the 18th century by 'Henry the Magnificent' it has been described as a living work of art. At its heart is a glorious lake, where the reflections of classical temples and grottoes shimmer in its waters. Home to many rare and exotic trees, the garden is open all year and from March to October (as well as in the run up to Christmas) you can also visit the Palladian mansion of Stourhead House. **Lydiard House**, at the opposite end of the county, is another Palladian jewel, renowned for its elegant state rooms, original family furnishings and Elizabethan portraits. It is surrounded by 260 acres of parkland, with a lake and 18th century walled garden.

As you might expect, legendary horticultural genius Lancelot 'Capability' Brown was also hard at work in 18th century Wiltshire. Indeed, his breathtaking pastoral settings provide the perfect backdrop for many of Wiltshire's finest properties. At **Bowood** the impressive 18th century house designed by Robert Adam is set against a flowing mix of woodlands and lawns sloping down to a winding lake, created by the man himself. **Longleat House**, an outstanding example of high Elizabethan architecture, is surrounded by 900 acres of stunning 'Capability' Brown landscape. While the 22 acres of parkland at **Wilton House** are also said to owe much to his brilliance as a landscape architect.

Designers of note have left their mark in more recent times too. The Grade I listed house and enchanting riverside gardens at **Kelmscott Manor** were the Cotswold retreat of William Morris: poet, craftsman, socialist and founding father of the Arts and Crafts movement. An Arts and Crafts garden also surrounds 15th century **Great Chalfield Manor** near Melksham – familiar

to many as a TV location from *Wolf Hall* and *Poldark*. Thanks to the vision of General Pitt Rivers, **Larmer Tree** is an extraordinary example of Victorian extravagance, perfectly set amid the timeless downland of Cranborne Chase. Straddling the river beside the 12th century Abbey Church in Malmesbury, the 5 acres at **Abbey House Gardens** have been restored in recent years by the Pollard family (better known as 'The Naked Gardeners'). While **The Peto Garden** at Iford Manor, with its romantic Italianate gardens cut into the hillside, provides an Edwardian version of Tuscany.

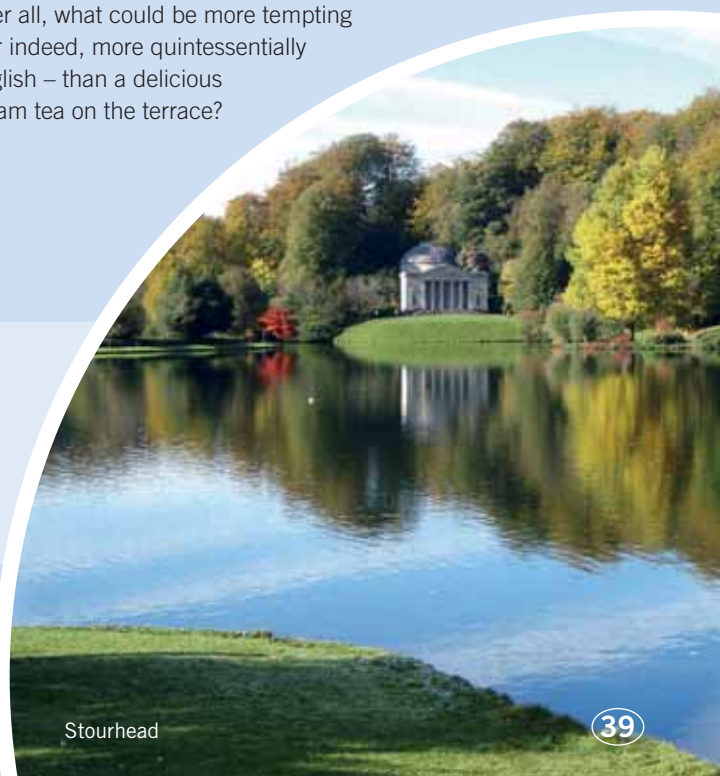
In the timeless setting of Salisbury Cathedral Close, the walled garden at **Mompesson House** is a perfect match for this charming Queen Anne mansion. If walled gardens are horticultural heaven, walled gardens with water frontage are doubly so, and the Close is home to two such riverside gems at **Arundells**, home of former Prime Minister Sir Edward Heath, and **The Rifles Berkshire & Wiltshire Museum**.

Dating from the 15th century, with golden stone walls and lichen grey rooves, **Chavenage House** near Tetbury in Gloucestershire is the perfect vision of a Cotswold manor. **Sir Harold Hillier Gardens** on the Wiltshire/Hampshire border has the largest number of Champion Trees in the British Isles, as well as 42,000 plants from around the world. Just a quick hop over the Wiltshire border into Gloucestershire, the 600 acres at **Westonbirt Arboretum** are another record-breaker, with one of the world's finest collections of temperate trees and shrubs.

Tea rooms are an added bonus at many of Wiltshire's stately homes and gardens and no visit is complete without taking time to sample some of the tasty treats on offer.

After all, what could be more tempting – or indeed, more quintessentially English – than a delicious cream tea on the terrace?

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MADE IN *Wiltshire*

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 outstanding examples of industrial architecture remain, providing tangible bonds with the past.

In its textile manufacturing heyday, **Bradford on Avon** was home to more than 30 cloth factories. Today, the towering walls of Abbey Mill still flank the river, while the cottages once inhabited by spinners and weavers can be seen clinging to the hillside above. In **Trowbridge** the history of weaving dates back over 1,000 years. The result is a rich architectural legacy ranging from the late-16th to the mid-19th century. **Trowbridge Museum** (closing June 2018 for renovation) has a fascinating collection relating to West Country woollen cloth production, including working looms. When you visit, why not channel your inner artisan and have a go at handloom weaving for yourself?

Waterways, too, were vital to the Wiltshire economy in years gone by. Now beautifully restored, the **Kennet & Avon Canal** runs right across the centre of the county. During the Industrial Revolution it was a key means of transport for goods and materials; today it makes a peaceful and unhurried way to enjoy Wiltshire's timeless scenery. Walk or cycle along the towpath. Relax aboard a colourful narrow boat. Or take to the water in a canoe. In the course of your journey along and around the canal you will come across some

amazing industrial archaeology. The flight of 29 locks at Caen Hill on the edge of Devizes, for example – an astonishing feat of engineering. **Crofton Beam Engines**, just outside Marlborough – 200 years old, yet still capable of performing their original job. Or nearby **Wilton Windmill**, the only working windmill in Wessex, still grinding flour for sale. For further inspiration, view our Kennet & Avon Canal film here: www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/videos

Wiltshire has long been renowned for its local ales. Happily for us, the brewing industry here survives to this day. Founded in 1875, **Wadworth Brewery** continues to operate from its original home in Devizes town centre. Its mighty Shire horses, still used for deliveries, are guaranteed to raise a smile as they pull their barrel-laden brewer's dray around the streets. On a guided tour you can meet these gentle giants, see sign writers at work, and learn how traditional ales are made. Then round off your visit with a tutored sampling session. Cheers!

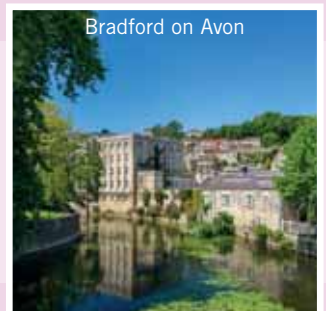
In 1835 Isambard Kingdom Brunel chose to site the factory for his Great Western Railway in Swindon. Today, the Grade II listed buildings of the former railway works make a fitting home for **STEAM Museum**. So step back in time ... try out the interactive exhibits... and discover the story of the men and women who built and operated this iconic line. **Swindon & Cricklade Railway** provides further opportunities for keen train enthusiasts to turn back the clock and experience our railway heritage.

Wiltshire's manufacturing legacy continues at Hillbrush, in Mere, where they've been making cleaning equipment since 1922. Their recently opened visitor centre, **Visit Hillbrush**, includes a brush museum (the only one in the UK!) as well as a gift shop, restaurant and coffee bar.

Further links with the past can be found at Wiltshire's local museums. **Calne Heritage Centre** tells the story of the town and its surrounding area. **Chippenham Museum** highlights aspects of trade and industry, including a working model of a flourmill. While displays at **Royal Wootton Bassett Museum** depict the town's social, rural, commercial and industrial history.



STEAM - Museum of the Great Western Railway



Bradford on Avon

*“Wiltshire is the perfect place
to uncover the story of
England’s industrial heritage”*



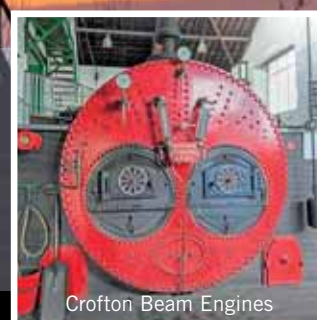
Swindon & Cricklade Railway



Trowbridge Museum



Wadworth Shire Horses



Crofton Beam Engines



Boscombe Down
Aviation Collection



Royal Signals Museum



Atwell Wilson
Motor Museum



Museum of Army Flying

CLASSIC CARS,

Army Regiments and the Story of Flight

Wiltshire has archaeological museums of great renown. Equally fascinating, but possibly less well known, are collections in and around the county with a different tale to tell.

Revealing the ingenuity and endeavour of Britain's armed forces from centuries past to the present day, three of our museums trace the history of a particular corps or regiment. Opened in 2017, **REME Museum** in Lyneham is the latest addition to the Wiltshire stable. With a collection housing over 100,000 items, its remit is to preserve the heritage of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers. Here, you'll find over 100 military vehicles and more than 1,700 medals. Over 950 weapons and more than 2,000 items of uniform. Plus an extensive archive of letters, pamphlets and photographs, paintings, instruction manuals and vehicle specifications. **The Rifles, Berkshire & Wiltshire Museum** in Salisbury showcases the exploits of the infantry of these two local regiments, from 1743 until the present day. There are over 36,000 items in its collection, including many fascinating photographs. The **Royal Signals Museum** near Blandford Forum traces the history of the British Army's battlefield communications. From the introduction of the telegraph in the Crimea, via espionage and satellites, to today's digital battlefields of cyberspace and electronic warfare. Interactive exhibits help bring history to life. So drive a full size truck through a virtual world, set up a radio and satellite network, or send and receive messages in Morse Code.

The story of flight is well documented too. **Boscombe Down Aviation Collection** near Salisbury is a working museum housed in a historic World War One hangar. Here, over 100 exhibits, including 30 aircraft, bring the history of test flight in the UK to life. Sit in a cockpit, dress up in a flight suit and helmet, imagine yourself as a fighter pilot, and watch ongoing restoration on real aircraft. Telling the story of British soldiers in the air, the **Museum of Army Flying** sits beside the busy Army Air Corps Airfield at Middle Wallop, near Salisbury. Exhibits housed in two large hangars include over 35 fixed wing and rotary aircraft, while displays range from the pioneering era of balloons and kites through to modern-day helicopter operations. **Fleet Air Arm Museum**, near Yeovil tells the story of the Royal Navy in the air and houses the largest collection of aircraft in Europe. Here you can encounter aviation history from the early pioneering years to today's high tech air power. Climb aboard the first British Concorde. Or take a trip on a replica aircraft carrier with the 'HMS Ark Royal Experience'.

There are opportunities to take a nostalgic trip down memory lane with vehicles from yesteryear too. If you've always longed to sit behind the wheel of an iconic car, **Vintage Classics** can make your dream come true. Timeless models available to hire include the Audi Ur Quattro Turbo (as featured in the BBC's Ashes to Ashes), the Jaguar MKII (of Inspector Morse fame), and many other models from Austen and Alfa Romeo to Triumph and Daimler. Most of the exhibits at **Atwell-Wilson Motor Museum** in Calne are cars from the 1920s onwards. But you'll also find motorcycles, mopeds and bicycles. A model lorry collection. A reconstructed 1930s style garage complete with vehicles. Plus a range of interesting motoring memorabilia.

*“The new
REME Museum
is now open”*



Fleet Air Arm Museum

FIND YOUR IDEAL

home from home

These days, it seems, you're always on the go. Someone's always on your case. Always wants your time. Wiltshire is the perfect antidote to busy lives and overcrowded cities. Here you can breathe more easily. Feel unhurried. Relax and unwind. So make time for yourself and let Wiltshire put back what the rest of the week takes out. You'll be here in no time.

What could be more timeless than the English B&B experience? Cosy rooms, thatched roofs, and a hearty English breakfast made from local produce to start the day. Spend time together at a perfect **bed and breakfast**, in a perfect Wiltshire village.

Combining charm and character, a friendly bar, delicious evening meals and maybe a roaring fire in the grate, our **pubs and inns** are just what the doctor ordered. So, too, our **restaurants with rooms**. (If you're not familiar with these, the clue is in the name!)

For many people, holiday heaven means waking up to the sounds of the countryside. Home-made bread, local honey, and eggs straight from the hen. If this describes you to a T, a **Farm Stay** property could be the perfect fit. Some are on working farms, others simply in farm locations. Chances are, you'll be able to take your best friend along too, as many are happy to welcome dogs... or even horses!

With comfortable two, three and four star options we have **hotels** to suit every pocket. Some in the city centre. Others more rural and remote. Several with AA Dining Rosettes. Wherever you lay your head, you'll sleep soundly and wake refreshed. Ready for another busy day enjoying Wiltshire's timeless pleasures.

At the upper end of the market our breathtaking **country house hotels** are the ultimate in indulgence. Excellent facilities and levels of comfort and service that are second to none. Some offer Michelin-star dining. Others a luxurious spa, on-site golf course or their own riding stables. Many are surrounded by acres of beautiful English parkland. Take time out and treat yourself. No expense spared.

When was the last time you went away with the kids? If you crave some family time, give one of our **self-catering** properties a go. A converted stable or barn, maybe, with inglenook fireplace and flagstone floors. Or a city centre property, all amenities close to hand. Come and go as you please. Eat out or cater for yourself. If your thing is to do your own thing, these offer the last word in flexibility.

For a taste of the country life, nothing beats spending the night under a canopy of stars. Which is where our **campsites** come into their own. Just park your caravan, pitch your tent, or pull up in your motorhome.

If you value your creature comforts yet hanker for something a little out of the ordinary, a spot of **glamping** in a canvas lodge will fit the bill nicely. Or snuggle up close in a **glamping pod**.

When nothing but the ultimate countryside experience will do, get in touch with your rural roots and spend the night in a traditional **shepherd's hut**. Because there you have it. The great outdoors. Right on your doorstep.

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





Church Farm Country Cottages



The Lamb, Hindon



Highway Hill



Meadowbank House



Lucknam Park
Hotel and Spa



Chalke Valley Camping



CHOOSING AND *booking your accommodation*

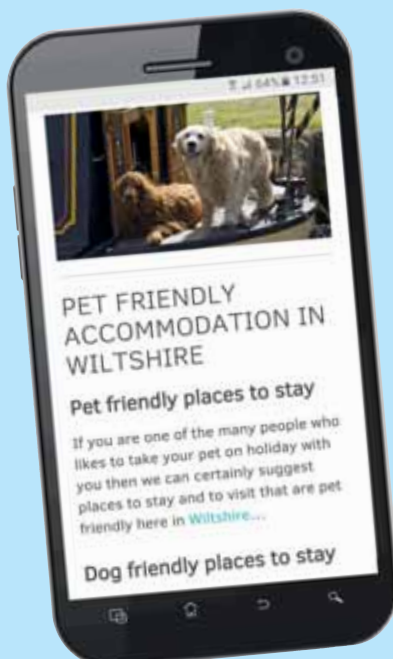
Hopefully the information contained within these pages has whetted your appetite and inspired you to visit Wiltshire in 2018... All you need to do now is **find somewhere to stay**.



To help you on your way, a selection of accommodation is featured on pages 47-57 of this guide. If you can't see exactly what you're looking for there, a wider choice of places to stay can be found on our website.

As you would expect, our website has an extensive range of hotels, bed & breakfasts and self-catering cottages to choose from. Farm stay properties, caravan and campsites are also featured, or if you fancy something a little different you'll find canvas lodges, glamping pods and shepherd's huts.

Getting started is easy: just go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/accommodation on your mobile, laptop or tablet and click on the 'Accommodation' tab. 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.



Once you've found somewhere you like the look of, the **next step** is to 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**.

That's all there is to it. Planning your short break or holiday to Wiltshire using our website couldn't be easier... especially as you can now also **book tickets online**, before you arrive, for lots of places to visit and things to do – just go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/shop



And finally... check the

Events Calendar on pages 12-13 of this guide to see what's on while you're here, and don't forget to keep an eye on the **Special Offers** page on our website for a range of seasonal escapes, activity breaks, last minute deals and more!

*“Book via VisitWiltshire
or direct with the
accommodation provider”*



EAT

The **Lock Inn Café** has been home of the famous Boatman's Breakfast since 1990. The café offers a vast lunch, snack and evening menu, a canalside garden, good beer, wines and coffee. Our Kitchen is open All Day, Every Day.

Frome Road, Bradford on Avon BA15 1LE

www.thelockinn.co.uk • 01225 868068



PEDAL/PADDLE

Bike and Canoe Hire on the Kennet and Avon Canal is available from **Towpath Trail**. We have high quality bikes, trailers, canoes and everything else the family may need for a day messing about on the level and traffic free canal towpath including snacks, ice creams, barista coffees and a range of cycling and canal giftware.

Frome Road, Bradford on Avon BA15 1LE

www.towpathtrail.co.uk • 01225 867187



SLEEP

Widbrook Barns offers self contained, comfortable B&B barns and family suites. Families, couples, singles and business travellers are all most welcome. Guests also have the option of more unusual Gypsy Caravan and Shepherd's Hut stays.

Widbrook, Bradford on Avon BA15 1UD

www.widbrookbarns.co.uk • 01225 865049



SHOP

Our newly expanded **TT Cycles** store is now Wiltshire's premier bike shop with a vast range of parts, clothing and accessories and possibly the most extensive range of bikes for all disciplines. We have a fully equipped workshop (and Shimano Service Centre) to service or build your bike, or just help to keep you on the road. Finance and Cycle Scheme available too.

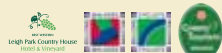
Elms Cross Business Park, Bradford on Avon BA15 2AY

www.ttcycles.co.uk • 01225 867187

BRADFORD ON AVON, TROWBRIDGE AND VILLAGES

BRADFORD ON AVON

★ ★ ★ Country House Hotel Map Ref: 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.

Bedrooms 38 **Bathrooms** 38 en suite **Room only** (B&B available)
S £88-£95 **D** £98-£175 **T** £98-£175 **F** £130-£175



The Peto Garden at Iford Manor

BRADFORD ON AVON

★ ★ ★ ★ Self-Catering Map Ref: D2



CUMBERWELL COUNTRY COTTAGES
Great Cumberwell Farm, Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire, BA15 2PQ
T: 01225 869230 **E: enquiries@cumberwellcountrycottages.com**
www.cumberwellcountrycottages.com
Mr Alistair James

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



WINSLEY

★ ★ ★ ★ Self-Catering Map Ref: D2



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 (3/4 mile) on working sheep farm. Pub, farm shop and café 500m. Bath 5 miles. Longleat 12 miles. Indoor pool, games room, free WiFi.

7 Cottages: Four 4-person and three 2-person cottages. £245-£695 short break; £345-£1,295 per week. **Old Granary:** Sleeps up to 12. Short breaks from £995-£2,295; £2,595-£3,495 per week.



STEEPLE ASHTON

★ ★ ★ ★ Self-Catering Map Ref: D2



COACHMAN'S COTTAGE
Vicarage Lane, Steeple Ashton, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 6HH
T: 01380 870764 **E: stay@coachmans-cottage.com**
www.coachmans-cottage.com
Penny Hornsey

Quintessential English village. Classic country cottage. All ground floor accommodation. Fully equipped for 4 guests. Courtyard garden. WiFi. Pub. Village shop. Near Bath, Stonehenge and Longleat.

Bedrooms 2 **Sleeps** 4
Prices £545-£795



CALNE, DEVIZES AND VILLAGES

CALNE

★ ★ ★ Inn Map Ref: C3



THE LANSDOWNE HOTEL

The Strand, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 0EH

T: 01249 812488 **E: Lansdowne@arkells.com** **www.lansdownestrand.co.uk**

This historic hotel, a Grade II listed building, was built in the 16th century as an important coaching inn, and was also home to a local brewery for a time. The courtyard still has its medieval brew house.

The hotel is located on the A4, just 15 minutes from the M4 in this ancient Wiltshire market town.

In 2017 the hotel received a major investment and upgrade. With 25 rooms, all en suite, two function rooms, two bars and a bistro, the Lansdowne is a wonderful place to eat and drink, with enticing open fires in the winter just calling for visitors to linger over a meal and a pint of real ale.

Golf nearby. Secure parking within the hotel courtyard. Close to famous chalk white horses. Pets welcome.

Bedrooms 25 **Bathrooms** 25 en suite
S £50 **D** £60-£70 **F** £60-£70 **T** £140



DERRY HILL

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: C3



BOWOOD HOTEL, SPA AND GOLF RESORT

Derry Hill, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 9PQ

T: 01249 822228 **E: resort@bowood.org**
www.bowood.org

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 Brasserie. Bowood offers a luxurious spa for use by all guests and a wide selection of beauty 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, enjoy the privacy of Queenwood Lodge, with your own private chef and waiting staff.

Bedrooms 43 **Bathrooms** 43 en suite
S £130-£230 **D** £140-£240 **Su** £210-£330



HIGHWAY

Map Ref: C3



HIGHWAY HILL, The Barnyard, Highway, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 8SR
T: 01249 760488 E: enquiries@highwayhill.co.uk www.highwayhill.co.uk

Highway Hill is a haven of natural beauty and outdoor experiences. We offer quirky accommodation that maintains the connection to the outdoors, a taste of rural life, and a variety of woodland pursuits. We are a new development set in the rolling downland of the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. We currently have three shepherd's huts, each named after famous shepherds from literature and decorated with their own individual style and colour scheme, and two cosy bell tents. Whether you're enjoying the wide open skies and spectacular views from the top of the hill, meeting our friendly animals, or tucked up inside your warm little sanctuary with everything you need for a comfortable stay, we are sure you will have a fantastic time with us.

Shepherd's Huts Number of Huts: 3, Bedrooms: 1 per Hut, Sleeps: 2 per Hut

Bell Tents Number of Tents: 2, Bedrooms: 1 per Tent, Sleeps: 3 per Tent

Prices Shepherd's Hut: £60-£80, Bell Tent: £40-£60 per unit per night



DERRY HILL

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: C3



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.

Bedrooms 4 **Sleeps 8** adults plus 2 children

Prices from £1,175 per night for DBB



DEVIZES

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: D3



THE CASTLE HOTEL

New Park Street, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 1DS

T: 01380 727981

E: info@castlehoteldevizes.co.uk

www.castlehoteldevizes.co.uk

The Castle Hotel is an 18th century coaching inn, ideally situated in the centre of picturesque Devizes. Our traditional bar and separate restaurant both have roaring log fires for cold winter evenings.

Bedrooms 19 **Bathrooms 19** en suite

S £79 **D** £89 **T** £89 **F** £139 **Tr** £114



POTTERNE

AA ★★★★★ Bed & Breakfast Map Ref: D3



BLOUNTS COURT FARM

Coxhill Lane, Potterne, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 5PH

T: 01380 727180 E: carys@blountscourtfarm.co.uk

www.blountscourtfarm.co.uk

Mrs C Cary

Luxury accommodation situated in quiet countryside. Award-winning breakfast with homemade bread, preserves and eggs from our own hens. Walking distance to village pub.

Bedrooms 3 **Bathrooms 3** en suite

S £58-£65 **D** £90-£102 **T** £90-£102



ROWDE

AA ★★★★★ Restaurant with Rooms Map Ref: D3



THE GEORGE & DRAGON

High Street, Rowde, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2PN

T: 01380 723053 E: gm@thegeorgeanddragonrowde.co.uk

www.thegeorgeanddragonrowde.co.uk

Christopher Day

A hidden gem, this 16th century inn combines modern day style with country character. A roaring fire, three cosy bedrooms and garden terrace. Specialising in Cornish seafood delivered daily.

Bedrooms 3 **Bathrooms 2** en suite, 1 private

S £75-£95 **D** £75-£95 **F** £125-£155



EASTERTON

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: D3



STABLE END

Canfield, White Street, Easterton, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 4NZ

T: 01380 812426

E: gblaggers@gmail.com

Anne Blagbrough

Quality furnishings, fine views and an ideal touring location – winter breaks, min 2 nights' stay. Own small garden. TV and DVD. Dogs welcome: £15 per week. Electricity payable by meter in winter. WiFi.

Bedrooms 1 **Sleeps 2**

Prices £180-£310



POULSHOT

Alternative Accommodation Map Ref: D3



MILL FARM GLAMPING, Belle Vue Farm, Poulshot, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 1RZ

T: 01380 828351 E: info@millfarmglamping.co.uk www.millfarmglamping.co.uk

Chris Dyke

Enjoy Wiltshire's beautiful countryside from the comfort of a luxurious glamping lodge or fairy-tale treehouse on this family-run, organic farm. Meet the ducks, dairy cattle and donkeys. Have fun on Farmer Joe's organic farm tour. Walk, ride, paddle, fish – or just soak up the sun and the tranquil scenery. It all adds up to a naturally inspirational experience: a unique break that you – and your family or friends – will treasure for a lifetime.

Mill Farm is situated in the village of Poulshot near Devizes and can accommodate up to 46 guests. The Dyke family have been welcoming guests to Mill Farm since 2007 and they know exactly what it takes to deliver an exceptionally comfortable, unforgettable stay – making Mill Farm breaks a top choice for families, couples and group holidays.

Lodges 7

Prices £195-£2,800



STANTON ST QUINTIN

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: B2



STANTON MANOR HOTEL

Stanton St Quintin, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN14 6DQ

T: 01666 837552

E: info@stantonmanor.co.uk

www.stantonmanor.co.uk

Stanton Manor is a hidden gem in the southern Cotswolds with lovely grounds, fabulous food, relaxing bedrooms and great hospitality; just minutes from Jct 17 of the M4. Renowned for wonderful weddings!

Bedrooms 23 **Bathrooms 23** en suite

S From £89 **D** From £99 **T** From £99 **F** From £119 **Tr** From £129



CHIPPENHAM,
MALMESBURY
AND VILLAGES



THE Old Bell HOTEL

Classic and modern
European restaurant with
Chef Frédéric Fétiveau
and Pastry Chef/Chocolatier
Dominique Bon.

Extensive wine list
and cocktails.



MALMESBURY

Tel 01666 822344

The Old Bell Hotel, Abbey Row,
Malmesbury, Wiltshire SN16 0BW

info@oldbellhotel.com

www.oldbellhotel.com

SLAUGHTERFORD

★★★ Farmhouse Map Ref: C2



MANOR FARM

Slaughterford, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN14 8RE

T/F: 01249 782243

E: janmanorfm@btinternet.com

Ms Janet Jones

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

S £30 D £60 F £65



CRUDWELL

★★★ Hotel Map Ref: B2



BEST WESTERN MAYFIELD HOUSE HOTEL

Crudwell, Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 9EW

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

A family-run country hotel set amidst beautiful countryside in the south Cotswolds, within very easy access of the M4. With ancient Malmesbury, Royal 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 country-style restaurant serves beautifully cooked, locally sourced fare, whilst our cellar is stocked with fine wines, and our bar serves great local real ale from the cask. In the summer months our wood fired oven serves pizzas in the garden. Sunday lunches are an especially relaxed and traditional family affair, while special occasions can be catered for in our private dining room, the 17th century Stoneroom.

Bedrooms 28 Bathrooms 28 en suite

S From £68 D From £88 T From £88 F From £108

Half board à la carte dining packages from £59 per person



CORSTON

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: B2



THE OLD COACH HOUSE

Corston, Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 0HD

T: 01666 826943 E: jcoachhouse@aol.com

www.corstoncoachhousebandb.co.uk

Diane Jeffery

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.

Bedrooms 1 Bathrooms 1 en suite

S From £55 D From £85



CORSHAM, LACOCK AND VILLAGES

GASTARD

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: C2



THE OLD POST OFFICE COTTAGE

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

T: 01249 713968

E: pjcollier@talktalk.net or mail@theoldpostofficecottage.com

www.theoldpostofficecottage.com Peter and Jenny Collier

A well-equipped cottage in the grounds of owners' Grade II listed home. Quiet village location 2 miles from Corsham and convenient for Lacock, Castle Combe and Bath. Village pub 150 yards.

Bedrooms 1 Sleeps 2

Prices £330-£400



LACOCK

 ★ ★ ★ ★ Restaurant with Rooms Map Ref: C2


SIGN OF THE ANGEL, Church Street, Lacock, Wiltshire, SN15 2LB
T: 01249 730230 E: info@signoftheangel.co.uk www.signoftheangel.co.uk
 Tom Nicholas

A modern-rustic 15th century coaching inn, for casual dining and relaxing stays. The focus has always been to provide a special experience, for both day guests and staying visitors. We have brought the traditional inn up-to-date with current demands. We believe great food and drink should be enjoyed in a relaxed atmosphere, and an overnight stay should be comfortable and cosy.

Located in the National Trust village of Lacock, we are perfectly positioned on the edge of the Cotswolds and only a short distance from Bath and many more sites in the area.

Dishes are created from the best produce the West Country has to offer through our fantastic farmers, butchers and artisan producers in the area. A British menu is served with the inclusion of various influences.

Bedrooms 5 Bathrooms 5 en suite
S £80-£110 D £100-£150 F £185-£210



Lacock Abbey



LACOCK

 ★ ★ ★ ★ Camping & Touring Park Map Ref: C2


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

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.

Pitches 43
Prices £19-£24.50 per night



MARLBOROUGH, PEWSEY VALE AND VILLAGES

Vale of Pewsey



AVEBURY

 ★ ★ ★ ★ Bed & Breakfast Map Ref: C4


MANOR FARM


High Street, Avebury, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 1RF
T: 01672 539294 E: administrator@manorfarmavebury.com
www.manorfarmavebury.com
 Mrs Judith Farthing

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.

Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms 1 private
S £75-£80 D £90-£100 T £90-£100



WEST GRAFTON

 ★ ★ ★ ★ Bed & Breakfast Map Ref: D4


MAYFIELD

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

Beautiful 15th 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
S From £70 D £80-£110 T £80-£110 F with private bathroom £160



OGBOURNE ST GEORGE

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: C4



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



PEWSEY

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WILLOWBANK LODGES

Milkhouse Water, Pewsey, Wiltshire, SN9 5JX
T: 01672 562110 M: 07778 205763
E: nickywood@willowbanklodges.com www.willowbanklodges.com
 Nicky Wood

Five spacious, comfortable and well equipped log cabins nesting in a small hamlet in the heart of the Pewsey Vale, bordering the Kennet & Avon Canal. Situated in 3½ acres, including a private lake.

Bedrooms 1 or 2 per unit Sleeps 2-5 per unit
Prices One bed £297-£546 per week, Two bed £408-£750 per week



MERE, WARMINSTER, WESTBURY AND VILLAGES

ZEALS

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: F2



CORNERWAYS COTTAGE

Longcross, Zeals, Mere, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 6LL
T: 01747 840477 M: 07484 215936
E: cornerways.cottage@btinternet.com www.cornerwayscottage.co.uk
 John and Irene Snook

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 £75



ACCOMMODATION

For star rating, pricing and symbol explanations please see pages 67-68

For map references please see page 69

WARMINSTER

Hotel Map Ref: E2



THE BISHOPSTROW HOTEL AND SPA

Boreham Road, Bishopstrow, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 9HH

T: 01985 212312 E: info@bishopstrow.co.uk www.bishopstrow.co.uk

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Bedrooms 32 Bathrooms 32 en suite

S £85-£170 D £106-£535 T £120-£535 F £250-£570 (2 adults + 1 child)



HORNINGSHAM

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: E2



HORNINGSHAM B&B, 197 Pottle Street, Horningsham, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 7LX

T: 01985 844454 E: susiehillary@btinternet.com www.horningshambnb.com

Susanna Hillary

Family home situated in a quiet country lane in the beautiful village of Horningsham on the Longleat Estate. Perfect for a romantic getaway, peaceful break or family holiday. Wonderful views, lovely garden, walks and cycling. Within easy reach of Stourhead, Bath, Salisbury, Frome and Stonehenge. Several recommended pubs within five miles.

Bedrooms 3 Bathrooms 2 en suite, 1 private

S £50 D £90 (en suite) T £80 F £80



WARMINSTER

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: E2



OAKLANDS, 88 Boreham Road, Warminster, Wiltshire, BA12 9JW

T: 01985 300564 E: enquiries@stayatoaklands.co.uk

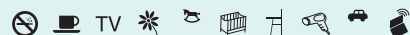
www.stayatoaklands.co.uk

Andrew & Carolyn Lewis

A large Victorian town house ideally located for visiting Bath, Salisbury, Stonehenge and Longleat. Spacious, comfortable bedrooms and freshly cooked breakfasts using locally sourced ingredients.

Bedrooms 3 Bathrooms 2 en suite

S £55 D £75-£85 T £85 F £120



CHAPMANSLADE

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: E2



BLACK DOG FARM BED & BREAKFAST

Chapmanslade, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 4AE

T: 01373 832858 E: bookings@blackdogfarm.co.uk

www.blackdogfarm.co.uk

Cate Pearson

A stunning Grade II listed Georgian farmhouse providing fresh bread with locally sourced produce for breakfast. Hairdryers and ironing board available, along with tea and coffee facilities in the bedrooms.

Bedrooms 3 Bathrooms 3 en suite S From £65 D From £75

T From £80 F From £90 Dog £5 per night in Double Room



BROKERSWOOD

Holiday Park Map Ref: D2



BROKERSWOOD HOLIDAY PARK

Brokerswood, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 4EH

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E: brokerswood.info@haulfryn.co.uk

www.brokerswoodpark.co.uk

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Holiday Homes 12

Prices Please see haulfrynholidays.co.uk for our latest prices



SALISBURY

Hotel Map Ref: F4



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.

Bedrooms 20 Bathrooms 19 en suite, 1 private

S £75 D £95 T £75 (not en suite) F £99 Adjoining rooms 2 x D £145 Adjoining rooms 1 x D & 1 x T £145




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MARSHWOOD FARM, DINTON

Map Ref: F3



Bed & Breakfast
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Self-Catering
★★★★★



Shepherd's Hut
Wiltshire Approved Accommodation



With its peaceful rural setting and three relaxing options to choose from, Marshwood Farm is ideal for touring Stonehenge, Avebury, Salisbury and Longleat, or walking and cycling in the beautiful Wiltshire countryside.

Bed & Breakfast

Our 17th century, Grade II listed farmhouse provides comfortable bed and breakfast accommodation in two spacious en suite rooms. A delicious breakfast of locally sourced ingredients is served each morning around the long oval table in our spacious dining room.

Self-Catering

Attached to the farmhouse, our cosy and well-equipped self-catering cottage has been tastefully renovated, yet retains many of its original features. With one double bedroom and another room with full-size bunk beds it can comfortably sleep a family of four. A free welcome pack is included.

Shepherd's Hut

Sleeping two in a double bed, our hand-built, eco-friendly Shepherd's Hut is surrounded by fields and ancient woodland. After a night under the stars you can choose between a Continental breakfast hamper delivered to your door, or a full cooked breakfast served in the farmhouse just a short stroll away.

Whichever option you choose, you can leave your worries behind as you head down the winding lanes to Marshwood Farm, tucked between the Nadder and Wylye valleys in the beautiful Wiltshire countryside.

MARSHWOOD FARM, Dinton, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 5ET
T: 01722 716334 M: 07906 940894 E: marshwood1@btconnect.co.uk www.marshwoodfarm.co.uk
Mrs Fiona Lockyer

Prices - Please contact us for further details and to book

CHICKLADE

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: E2



THE OLD RECTORY, Chicklade, Hindon, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 5SU
T: 01747 820000 E: lynda@theoldrectory-bandb.co.uk www.theoldrectory-bandb.co.uk
 Lynda Masefield

Just off the A303 in its own grounds, this beautifully restored rectory is an ideal location for those wishing to visit Stonehenge, Stourhead, Longleat, Salisbury and Bath, or as an overnight stop for travelling on to the West Country. The welcome is warm and a traditional breakfast with locally sourced ingredients will set you up for the day. Served in our elegant drawing room. The three en suite bedrooms are individually designed. One is a two roomed family suite; all offer impressive quality and comfort. The nearby village of Hindon has two excellent pubs. Walkers and cyclists are welcome.

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



COOMBE BISSETT

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: F4



EVENING HILL
 Blandford Road, Coombe Bissett, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP5 4LH
T: 01722 718561 M: 07900 360360 E: henrys@eveninghill.com
www.eveninghill.com
 Mrs Joyce Henry

Quiet, friendly bungalow in picturesque village, two miles south of Salisbury, overlooking open fields. Relaxing conservatory looking onto garden. Pub/restaurant five minutes' walk.

Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms 2 en suite
S £40 D £50-£55 F £75-£95



SALISBURY

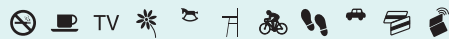
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SALISBURY CATHEDRAL CLOSE B&B, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2EN
T: 01722 330736 M: 07957 863183
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 Jane Singleton

Unrivalled location in Salisbury Cathedral Close. Super-kingsize bed, en suite shower upstairs and garden cabin with double bed. Both include simple buffet breakfast.

Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms 2 en suite (1 has no shower)
En suite: S From £80 D From £90 Cabin: S From £65 D From £75



SALISBURY

Guest House Map Ref: F4



WEBSTERS B&B
 11 Hartington Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP2 7LG
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www.websters-bed-breakfast.com
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Welcoming family run guest house. Quiet location, easy walking distance of city centre, Cathedral and railway station. Delicious breakfasts. Free parking. Booking by telephone or online advisable.

Bedrooms 5 Bathrooms 5 en suite
S From £55 D £65-£100 T £65-£100



WINTERBOURNE STOKE

VisitWiltshire Accommodation Charter Map Ref: E3



THE STONEHENGE B&B AT SCOTLAND LODGE
 Winterbourne Stoke, Wiltshire, SP3 4TF
T: 01980 620943 M: 07957 863183
E: stonehengebandb@gmail.com www.stonehengebandb.co.uk
 Jane Singleton

16th century house with Victorian additions. Convenient for Stonehenge, Salisbury, Bath etc. Quirky not glitz. All bedrooms en suite upstairs. Games room (billiard table) and sitting room.

Bedrooms 5 Bathrooms 5 en suite S From £60 D From £70
T From £70 F From £80 2-Room Complex From £140



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SALISBURY

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VICTORIA LODGE GUEST HOUSE, 61 Castle Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 3RH
T: 01722 320586 E: info@victoria-guest-house.co.uk www.victoria-guest-house.co.uk
 Carole Minto

Victoria Lodge is situated a convenient 13-minute walk from the city centre and provides free parking. You are assured a warm welcome from ourselves and our friendly team of staff. All rooms are en suite with TV, free WiFi and tea and coffee making facilities. Full English breakfast is freshly cooked for you and served in our traditional breakfast room.

Bedrooms 16 Bathrooms 16 en suite
S £50-£65 D £90-£110 T £90-£110 F (3 people) £120-£140 F (4 people) £130-£160



ORCHESTON

Self-Catering Map Ref: E3



Waterlake Cottage, Waterlake View, Elston Lane, Orcheston, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 4RG
M: 07733 034070
E: info@waterlakecottage.co.uk www.waterlakecottage.co.uk
 Virginia Jones

4 star Waterlake Cottage sleeps 4 guests (plus cot) and has 2 bathrooms. 3 miles from Stonehenge, the cottage is surrounded by fields, with many iconic sights a short drive away. Free WiFi.

Bedrooms 2 Sleeps 4 + 1
Prices £336-£570





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A large indoor swimming pool with a high ceiling and large windows. The pool is surrounded by a tiled deck and has a diving board at one end. The ceiling is white with a grid pattern, and the walls are light-colored. The pool water is clear blue.

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A large, spreading tree with dense foliage in shades of orange, red, and yellow, indicating autumn. The tree is situated in a grassy area with fallen leaves scattered on the ground. In the background, there are other green trees and a glimpse of a building structure.

Westonbirt, The National Arboretum














WEDDING VENUES

CORSHAM

Map Ref: C2



CORSHAM TOWN HALL

Corsham Town Council, Town Hall, High Street, Corsham, Wiltshire, SN13 0EZ

T: 01249 702130 E: mjones@corsham.gov.uk

www.corsham.gov.uk

In the heart of Corsham's picturesque High Street, two minutes' walk from St Bartholomew's Church, the historic Town Hall makes an excellent wedding reception venue – and a glorious backdrop for photographs. Seats 100. The hire price includes use of the kitchen (including crockery and cutlery) and tables and chairs.

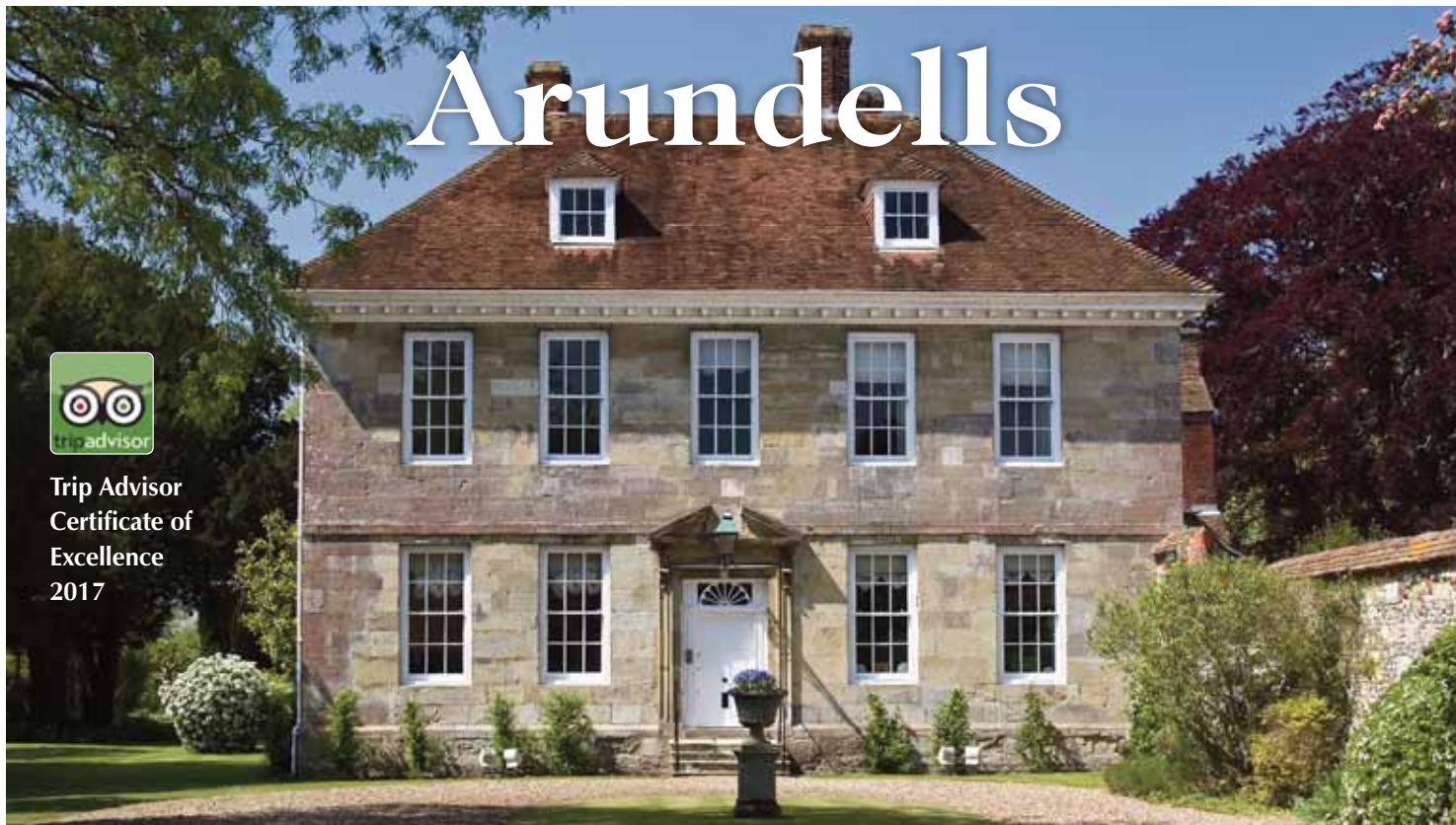


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www.bowood.org

Map Ref: C3



Bowood House & Gardens, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 0LZ
T: 01249 812102 E: houseandgardens@bowood.org

A fantastic day out for all the family. Visit the magnificent home of the Lansdowne family set in beautiful 'Capability' Brown parkland. Children under twelve can enjoy the superb Adventure Playground, with life-size pirate ship, space dive, soft play palace and the fabulous Tractor Ted's Little Farm.

Open: Wed 28 Mar-Sun 4 Nov 2018, 11am-6pm (5pm after the autumn clock change)
Admission: A £12.75 J (5-12yrs) £9.70 I (2-4yrs) £7.70 S £10.70 F £38.25

CASTLE COMBE CIRCUIT

www.castlecombecircuit.co.uk

Map Ref: C2



Castle Combe, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN14 7EY
T: 01249 782417 E: info@castlecombecircuit.co.uk

The West Country's home of motorsport that's been welcoming fans of racing, car shows and events for over 65 years. With a full racing calendar featuring three of its own buoyant club championships and the NEW Hot Hatch Challenge as well as a host of other events, whether you want to race, watch or experience we've got it all!

Open: Dependent on event – please see website for details.
Admission: Dependent on event – please see website for details. Under 17s go FREE.

BRITFORD FARM SHOP & CAFÉ

www.britfordfarmshop.co.uk

Map Ref: F4



Bridge Farm, Lower Road, Britford, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP5 4DY
T: 01722 413400

Just five minutes from Salisbury in a traditional, rural relaxed setting Britford Farm Shop is the perfect place to stop off for a morning coffee with a tasty cake, a lunch from the popular wide selection, or as a venue for a special occasion for up to 48 persons. The shop offers a select range of local preserves, cheeses, eggs and chocolates too!

Open: For opening times or to make a reservation please call us on 01722 413400

CHOLDERTON CHARLIE'S FARM

www.choldertoncharliesfarm.com

Map Ref: E4



Amesbury Road, Cholderton, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP4 0EW
T: 01980 629438 E: info@choldertoncharliesfarm.com

Family-fun-filled Rare Breeds Farm Park, with animals and activities throughout the day, in and outdoor play areas and a new Tree Top Trail! The Ewe Tree Café & Bar serves delicious food all day as well as catering for large events, such as wedding receptions. Overnight accommodation is available in the 70-bed 4* Hostel, which is open all year round.

Open: Summer: 10am-6pm; Winter: 10am-4pm.
Admission: Please see website for up-to-date prices
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Map Ref: C4



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Open: Every day (except Wed) from late-Mar to early Oct, 10.30am-4.30pm
Admission: Engines static: **A** £4.50 **S** £4 **Under 16s** FREE.
Engines in steam: **A** £8, **S** £7 **Under 16s** FREE.

DEVIZES MARINA VILLAGE

www.devizesmarina.com

Map Ref: D3



Horton Avenue, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 2RH
T: 01380 725300 E: sales@devizesmarina.com

Spend the day cruising along the Kennet & Avon Canal through the picturesque Wiltshire countryside aboard our 28-foot self-drive day boat, Jack Sparrow. Featuring a large cruiser stern area, kitchen, covered seating area and washroom, you'll have all you need for a great day on the water. Canadian Canoe hire also available.

Open: All year
Prices Day Hire: From £95 **Canoe Hire:** From £24 for two hours

EDINGTON MUSIC FESTIVAL

www.edingtonfestival.org

Map Ref: D2



The Priory Church, Edington, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 4QN
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 four services a day in the beautiful 14th century Priory Church. The complex and exquisite music includes plainchant, new commissions and organ recitals.

Dates: Sun 19-Sun 26 Aug. Matins, Eucharist/Choral Matins, Choral Evensong and organ recitals daily. Wed: Evensong will be recorded and broadcast on BBC Radio 3 at 3.30pm.
Prices: The Festival is FREE and unticketed, all welcome.



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Map Ref: C3



1st Floor, 91 Dezives Rd, Bromham, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 2DZ
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Live interactive 'Escape The Room' games. A choice of two rooms to play. Teams of 2-6 per room. 60 minutes to escape! Teams have to work together to solve puzzles, riddles and clues to unravel the mystery and find the escape key before the hour runs out. Ages 18+.

Open: Every day from 2 Jan-31 Dec (including bank holidays), 10am-9pm (last game starts at 8pm). Specific time slots viewable on website.
Admission: 2 Players £50 3-4 Players £60 5-6 Players £80 (Prices from £13 per person)

LARMER TREE

www.larmertreegardens.co.uk

Map Ref: F2



Rushmore Estate, Tollard Royal, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP5 5PY

T: 01725 516971

Set in the outstanding landscape of the Cranborne Chase, these beautifully laid out gardens were created by General Pitt Rivers in 1880. Originally designed as pleasure grounds for 'public enlightenment and entertainment', the Larmer Tree is an extraordinary example of Victorian extravagance. Recognised by English Heritage as a Garden of National Importance, they were the first privately owned gardens to be opened for public enjoyment.

From the magnificent main lawn, radiate wide laurel-hedged avenues leading to woodland beyond. The garden showcases a wonderful collection of ornate buildings, peacocks and free-flying macaws, retained in an enchanting and tranquil atmosphere. Larmer Tree is also a unique venue, offering a versatile space for civil ceremonies, dining, dancing, conferences and bespoke events all year round.

Open: Garden and Coffee Grove Café open Sunday to Thursday 11am to 4.30pm April to October. Visit www.larmertree.co.uk for information on special events and occasional closures.
Admission: A £4 Ch up to 14 £2.50 Under 5s FREE S £3 F £12 (2+3)

THE FARM COOKERY SCHOOL

www.thefarmcookeryschool.co.uk

Map Ref: C3



Netherstreet Farm, Bromham, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 2DS
T: 01380 859478 E: enquiries@thefarmcookeryschool.co.uk

Our beautiful venue is part of Netherstreet Farm in the heart of the Wiltshire countryside. We offer Classic and Global cookery classes and demonstrations, plus private lunches and dinners, bespoke corporate and private events, team building, school visits and parties for all ages.

Open: Thu 4 Jan-Wed 19 Dec
Prices: Cookery Classes: £25-£65pp Lunch/Dinner: From £17.50pp
Holiday Clubs: £15-£25pp
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GREAT CHALFIELD MANOR AND GARDEN

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



Map Ref: D2



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

Great Chalfield Manor and Garden is a charming fifteenth century manor house with a beautiful Arts and Crafts garden. With its romantic terraces, colourful borders and spring-fed fishpond, the garden is perfect for a gentle stroll.

Open: 2 Apr-29 Oct: Tue, Wed, Thu, Sun. Garden: Tue-Thu 11am-5pm; Sun 2pm-5pm. Manor (guided tours): Tue-Thu 11am, 12noon, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm; Sun 2pm, 3pm, 4pm. Closed Mon, Fri, Sat
Admission: Manor and Garden: A £10.00 Ch £5.00 F £25.00 (2+3)
Garden only: A £6.20 Ch £3.10 F £15.50 (2+3)
National Trust members and under 5s go FREE

RICK STEIN

www.rickstein.com

Map Ref: C4



Lloran House, 42A High Street, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 1HQ
T: 01672 233333 E: reservations@rickstein.com

Located at Lloran House on the High Street in Marlborough guests can enjoy some of Rick's most iconic dishes such as the Dover Sole à la Meunière and Turbot Hollandaise, as well as a selection of new dishes including salt pork belly with split pea purée and sauerkraut, and baked guinea fowl with garlic bean and smoked sausage. Alongside the A la Carte menu, we also offer a set lunch menu available Monday to Friday, and a traditional Sunday roast.

Open: Mon-Fri: Lunch 12 noon-3pm; dinner 5.30pm-10pm.
Sat: 12 noon-10pm. Sun 12 noon-9pm.

MARLBOROUGH



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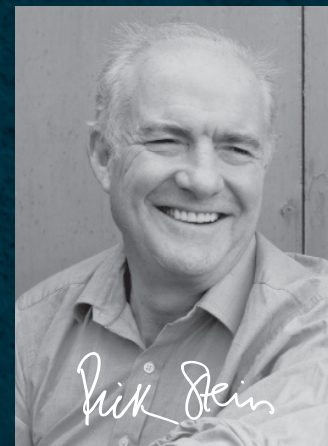
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TROWBRIDGE



The county town of Wiltshire, Trowbridge, has a fascinating history and a rich industrial heritage, which can be explored through Trowbridge Museum.

The Civic Centre, boasting a programme of top-quality entertainment from first-class live music to well-known comedy acts such as Bill Bailey and Jason Manford, and the Town Hall, catering for the world of the arts, are the cultural hubs of the town.

The Town Park is the centrepiece of Trowbridge for residents and visitors alike, and hosts a wide variety of festivals and entertainment throughout the year. The town has a great range of both independent shops and High Street retailers, with a variety of restaurants and eateries.

Trowbridge makes an ideal base from which to explore the rest of Wiltshire, and beyond, with good transport links.

You can Discover Trowbridge at www.trowbridge.gov.uk
Trowbridge Information Centre, St Stephens Place, Civic Centre
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www.trowbridge.gov.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, putting green, café and skateboard park. The Smallbrook Meadows Nature Reserve next to it is a lovely mosaic of water meadows between the Were and Wylde 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 and Garden, Bath and Salisbury are all within easy reach. The beautiful surrounding villages and countryside provide numerous opportunities for peaceful walking, cycling and riding.

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Wilton - The Ancient Capital of Wessex



Nestling at the junction of the Wylde and Nadder river valleys, just three miles west of Salisbury, Wilton is a quintessential English market town. 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, including a new, signposted, Heritage Town Trail.

- Attractions include the Italianate Church, Old St Mary's Church Ruin, Wilton House and Wilton Shopping Village
- Wide range of traditional, family-owned shops, pubs, cafés and other services
- Weekly market on Thursdays and Country market on Fridays
- Free parking and cash points
- Delightful walk along the River Wylde

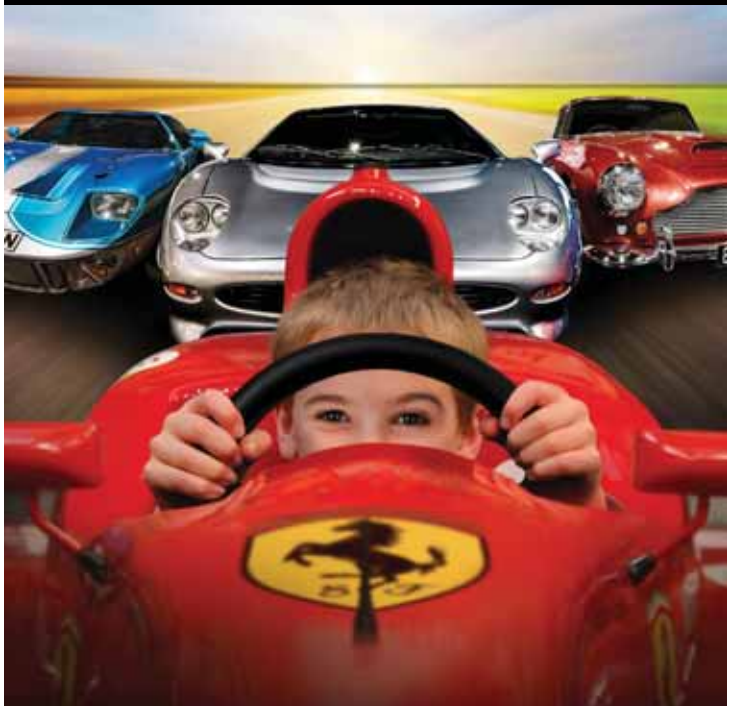
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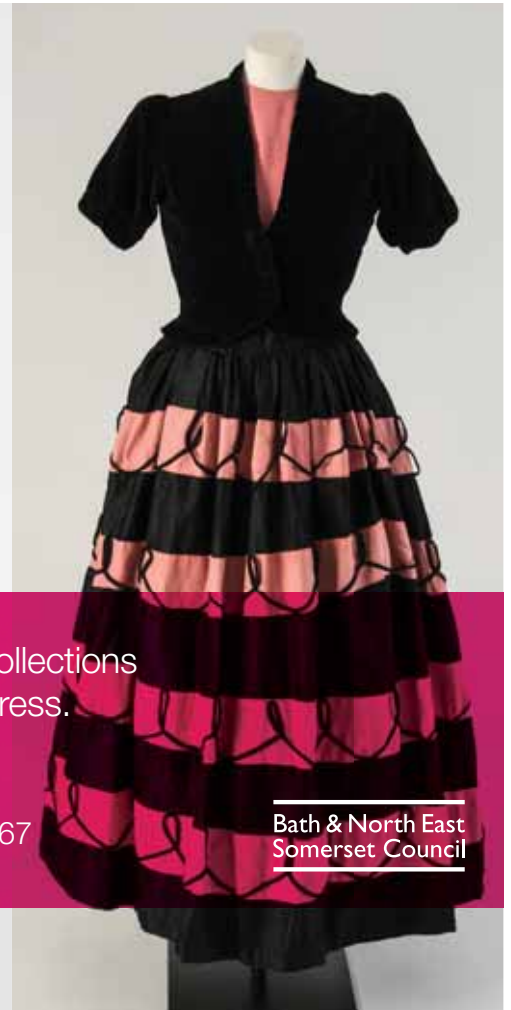
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Victoria Art Gallery

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Disabled Access

Wiltshire's countryside, towns and villages are there for all to enjoy, including disabled visitors and those with specific access needs. For detailed information on things to do, places to stay and ways to plan your visit to Wiltshire go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/disabledaccess

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 such as glamping and shepherd's huts.

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



VisitEngland 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 (VisitEngland) 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 are 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.

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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 self-catering, 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 68. 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 69.

Find out more - For further details on quality assessments visit our website: visitwiltshire.co.uk/gradinginformation

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 omissions.

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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

Information Office, Westbury Gardens, 50 St Margaret's Street,
Bradford on Avon, BA15 1DE
Tel: 01225 865797 Email: tic@bradfordonavontowncouncil.gov.uk

Calne Visitor and Community Information Centre

Bank House, The Strand, Calne, SN11 0EN
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High Street, Chippenham, SN15 3ER
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Corsham Area Information Centre

Arnold House, 31 High Street, Corsham, SN13 0EZ
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Cricklade Visitor Information Point

Town Council Office, Ockwells, 113 High Street, Cricklade, SN6 6AE
Tel: 01793 751394 Email: admin@crickladetowncouncil.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
Accommodation Booking Line: 01380 620660

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
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Melksham Tourist Information Centre

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

Mere Information Centre

Mere Library, Barton Lane, Mere, BA12 6JA
Tel: 01747 860546 / 860341

Salisbury Information Centre

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

Tisbury Information Centre

c/o Tisbury Parish Council, The Reading Room, High Street,
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Trowbridge Information Centre

The Civic Centre, St Stephen's Place, Trowbridge, BA14 8AH
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Warminster Community Hub



















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	VisitEngland Families Welcome
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	The AA
	AA Silver Stars Award
	AA Highly Commended Award Hotels
	AA Highly Commended Award Guest Accommodation
	VisitEngland Breakfast Award
	AA Breakfast Award
	AA Dining Rosette
	Green Tourism Award
	Welcome to Excellence
	World Host

Key to Room Types and Abbreviations used in this Guide

D – Double	K – King	Su – Superior	Tr – Triple
F – Family	S – Single	T – Twin	

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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
	Licensed
	Evening meals provided by prior arrangement
	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
	Free linen provided
	Washing machine
	Tumble-dryer
	Freezer
	Microwave
	Shower
	BBQ
	Electric hook-ups
	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)
	Wedding planner
	Gardens
	On-site accommodation (gives number of rooms)
	Helicopter pad
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Use the freedom of a Rover for your next holiday in Wiltshire for around £10 a day!



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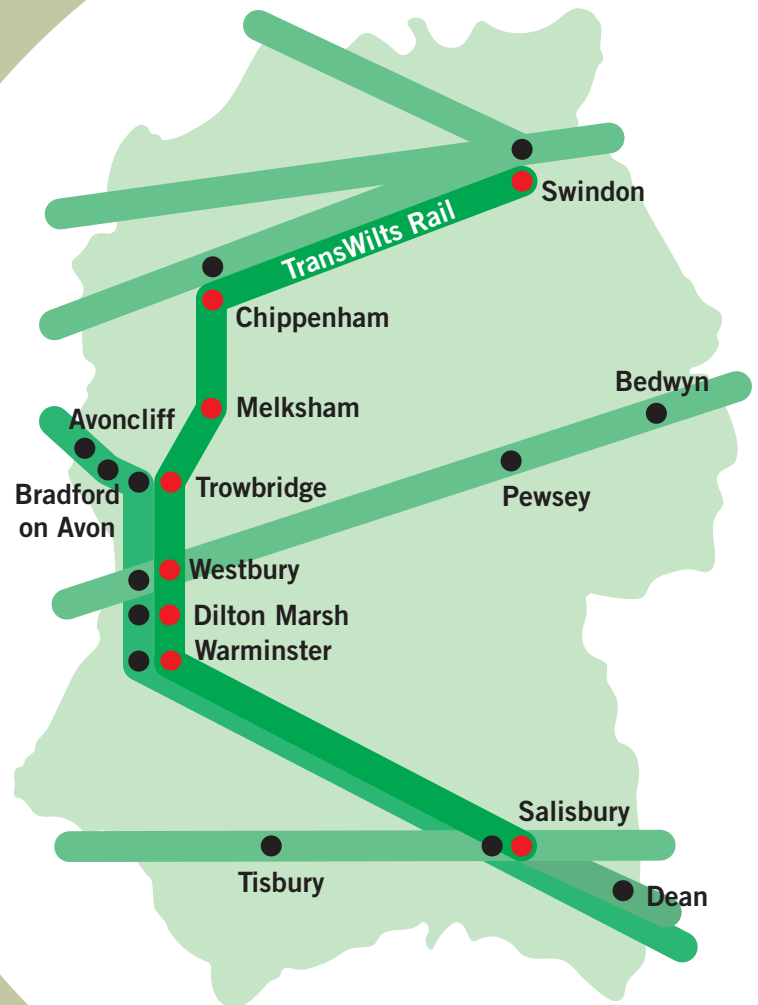
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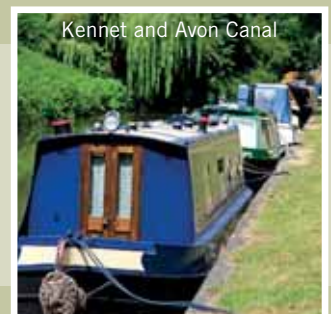
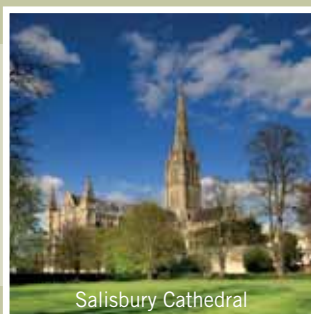
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Stonehenge
Stourhead House and Gardens
Studley Grange Butterfly World and Craft Village
Swindon and Cricklade Railway
The Peto Garden at Iford Manor
Trowbridge Museum
Westbury White Horse
Wilton House and Gardens
American Museum in Britain
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