

ANY TIME IS WILTSHIRE TIME

Today life is hectic. Too hectic. 24/7 this. 4G that. Sometimes you just need to press pause and let time stand still. Wiltshire's towns and villages are the perfect places to connect with the past whilst enjoying the present. Friendly, relaxed and welcoming - and set within a glorious natural landscape - each has something unique to offer. Stylish independent shops and colourful markets, for example. Fascinating history and heritage. Great entertainment. Or tempting pubs and restaurants.

So step off the world for a while, escape to Wiltshire, and let our gentler pace of life put back what the rest of the week takes out. It's time to write your chapter in our never-ending story.

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Hand Gliders over Alton Barnes white horse

YOU'LL BE HERE IN NO TIME

Today, thanks to fast and frequent trains from London Paddington and London Waterloo, you can opt for eco-friendly travel and transport to get you to Wiltshire. With services operated by both Great Western Railway and South Western Railway, the rail network links 14 towns and villages right across the county. And once you've arrived, there are many organisations that run bus tours to local attractions like Stonehenge and Avebury.

Chippenham has so much to recommend it. Modern shopping centres and a wealth of historic buildings. The Need Community and Arts Centre, Chippenham Museum, and Wiltshire & Swindon History Centre. John Coles Park and the River Avon, which forms a peaceful backdrop for walking and cycling. Lacock, Castle Combe and major attractions including Bowood are nearby.



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Warminster

On the western edge of Salisbury Plain, **Warminster** is a busy market town with fine Georgian buildings and a wide variety of independent shops, cafes, restaurants and inns. The Lake Pleasure Grounds provide a free splash pad, tennis courts, a boating lake, children's playground, putting green, cafe and skatepark. Nearby, Smallbrook Meadows Nature Reserve is a lovely mosaic of water-meadows between the Were and Wylye rivers. The surrounding countryside provides numerous opportunities for walking, cycling and horse riding, while **Longleat** - with its historic house, safari park and more - is within easy reach. Annual events in Warminster include Spring in the Park, a family fun filled day (May), and Carnival (October).

Other timeless towns and villages connected by the rail network include Aveoncliff, Bedwyn, Bradford on Avon, Chippenham, Dean, Dilton Marsh, Melksham, Pewsey, Salisbury, Swindon, Tisbury, Trowbridge and Westbury.

Wonderful Warminster

A bustling market town surrounded by beautiful countryside and local attractions such as Longleat and Stonehenge within easy reach.

Browse the variety of independent shops and cafes nestled in amongst historic buildings.

Enjoy the award-winning Warminster Lake Pleasure Grounds with its free splash pad, skate park and nature reserve.

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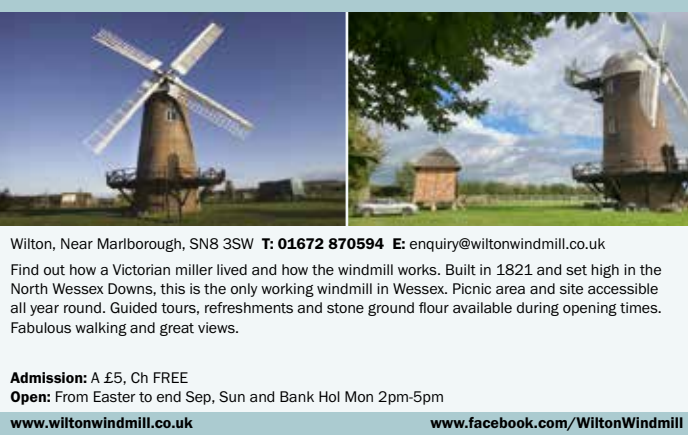
The ancient market town that packs a postcard-perfect punch



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It's time for WILTSHIRE Towns and Villages Map



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SALISBURY TRADITIONAL ORIGINAL...

Salisbury is a city of ageless beauty and timeless history, where medieval magnificence meets contemporary culture. At its heart is **Salisbury Cathedral**, a beacon which has attracted travellers for hundreds of years. Salisbury's story reaches back through the centuries and the city is proud of this rich heritage. Yet it is no stranger to original thinking...

Salisbury Cathedral offers one superlative after another, from the tallest spire in Britain and the world's oldest working clock, to the finest original 1215 Magna



Carta manuscript. Other attractions include **The Salisbury Museum**, **Mompesson House** and **The Rifles Berkshire & Wiltshire Museum**. Nearby is the **Parish Church of St Thomas**, with its magnificent Doom Painting. On the outskirts of the city you'll find both **Old Sarum**, the original site of Salisbury, and **River Bourne Community Farm**. **Boscombe Down Aviation Collection**, **Salisbury Racecourse** and **Stonehenge** are on the doorstep too. In the heart of the city, you'll find a range of independent retailers as well as high street stores and markets. Tearooms, coffee shops, cosy pubs, riverside inns and friendly restaurants will tempt your taste buds. **Wiltshire Creative** - combining **Salisbury Playhouse**, **Salisbury Arts Centre** and **Salisbury International Arts Festival**, along with Salisbury Arts Scene - provide an annual programme of arts and entertainment. Salisbury is just 90 minutes by train from London Waterloo. For more information go to visitsalisbury.co.uk

Salisbury Cathedral

MARKETS IN ABUNDANCE

For hustle and bustle you can't beat a good market and Wiltshire has plenty to choose from. 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 colourful stalls where every imaginable item is on offer. Top quality fruit and vegetables. Meat, fish, cheese and eggs. Haberdashery, clothes, jewellery and more.

First 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), Highworth (Saturday), Malmesbury (Friday), Marlborough (Wednesday and Saturday), Melksham (Tuesday), Pewsey (Tuesday), Royal Wootton Bassett (Wednesday), Swindon (Monday-Saturday), Trowbridge (Wednesday), Warminster (Friday), Westbury (Wednesday), Wilton (Thursday) and Wroughton (Friday).

For up-to-date details of these and many other markets go to visitwiltshire.co.uk/markets



Trowbridge

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Pewsey Wharf

Waterways, too, were vital to the Wiltshire economy in years gone by and 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. Now it makes a peaceful way to enjoy Wiltshire's timeless scenery.

In the east of the county the Canal runs through the lush meadows and downland of the Vale of Pewsey. This tranquil area makes a great base for walking, cycling and horse riding. At the heart of the Vale is the village of Pewsey with its Heritage Centre and statue of Alfred the Great, while Crofton Beam Engines and Wilton Windmill can be visited nearby.

The historic market town of Devizes also stands on the Kennet & Avon Canal, at the top of Caen Hill Locks. Rising 237 feet over two miles, this continuous flight of 29 locks is one of the longest in the country. Home to both Wiltshire Museum and Wadworth Brewery, the town has kept its character, with many small, family-run businesses and a traditional market.

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Come and discover Wiltshire's hidden treasure

History, heritage, arts and crafts, great places to eat and drink and lots of independent shops - plus BBC One's Poldark was filmed here too.

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Corsham

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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. Perched on the edge of the Cotswolds is the charming honey-coloured gem of Bradford on Avon, renowned for its stylish shops and restaurants. Evidence of its textile heritage can be found in the 19th century cloth mills flanking the river bank, and former weavers' cottages lining the hill above. Visit the Saxon Church, the 14th century Tite Barn and the ancient Town Bridge. Then take a relaxing narrowboat trip on the Kennet & Avon Canal. With events taking place all year round you can take part in the Walking Festival (September), check out the Food & Drink Festival (June) or enjoy an outstanding performance at Wiltshire Music Centre. Alex Moulton Charitable Trust (The Hall) is a hidden gem in central Bradford on Avon. Historically significant for its connection to the industrial trade, it has had a variety of purposes including that of a family home, a storage space for wool, accommodation for factory workers, and an officer's mess.

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attractions including the 350-year-old Almshouses and stately Corsham Court. Popular events include the Walking and Taste of Corsham Festivals (June) and the Peacock Arts Trail (October) while The Pound arts centre is a thriving venue with a year-round programme of performances, exhibitions and films. In recent years the town has achieved fame thanks to its starring role - as Truro - in the first series of BBC One's Poldark.

Trowbridge - Wiltshire's county town and a Magna Carta baron town - has a history of weaving dating back over 1,000 years. The result is a rich architectural legacy ranging from the late-16th to the mid-19th century. Trowbridge Museum contains a fascinating collection relating to West Country woollen cloth production, including working looms. Today Trowbridge also boasts many independent retailers, quality markets, an Odeon cinema and family restaurants, as well as a vibrant heritage and arts scene. Annual highlights include the Active Festival (July), Country Fayre (September) and Carnival Procession (October).

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Wiltshire on the Great West Way

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Great West Way Discoverer pass

Included in this pass is unlimited off-peak train travel with Great Western Railway from London to Bristol and travel on the bus services along the route. One-day and week-long options are available, with prices from just £27.50 per person.

To find out how to uncover Wiltshire's secrets and discover an essential strand of England's story, go to GreatWestWay.co.uk

JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

Wiltshire's history has been thousands of years in the making and our museums showcase outstanding exhibits of national importance. Neolithic, Bronze Age and Iron Age. Roman, Norman and Saxon. These and later civilisations have all left their mark, bequeathing tangible connections with the past.

The friendly market town of Highworth stands on a hill at the gateway to the Cotswolds, its picturesque streets and alleyways lined with bustling shops and places to eat and drink. With its origins in medieval times, Highworth is particularly noted for its fine Queen Anne and Georgian architecture. There is a wealth of history to discover, and a Town Crier to keep you up to date with what is going on.

Were you to delve into the Domesday Book of 1086 you would find a listing for Ludgershall, a small town on the eastern

Ludgershall Castle

edge of Salisbury Plain. Dating from the late 11th century, Ludgershall Castle was originally a royal hunting lodge; today the Castle's ruins are in the care of English Heritage. From the castle grounds there are splendid views, and local walks to nearby Collingbourne Woods.

Swindon was a small market town mentioned in the Domesday Book. This original settlement is now known as Old Town. Here you can take time to wander through its quiet courtyards and alleyways, stroll around the Town Gardens, or enjoy a vibrant mix of traditional shops, pubs, bars, and cafes. The arrival of the GWR in 1840 led to great expansion and the creation of the town as it is today. There's plenty to keep you busy including shopping at the McArthurGlen Designer Outlet, a visit to Lydiard House an elegant Georgian abode set in rolling parkland and you can also discover the history of the Great Western Railway at STEAM Museum. There is also a buzzing arts scene with many events taking place throughout the year at venues including the Wyvern Theatre, Arts Centre and Swindon Museum and Art Gallery. Annual events include Swindon Fringe Festival (April) Swindon Spring Festival of Literature and Arts (May).

The picturesque village of Tisbury has been a settlement for over 2,000 years. With an excellent choice of independent shops and places to eat and drink, it also makes a superb base for walking, riding and cycling. Annual events include the Village Fête (June), Carnival (September) and 'Tis the Season' Christmas Fayre. Visit Old Wardour Castle nearby and the medieval tithe barn at Place Farm, now home to a stunning centre for the arts.

SHROUDED IN MYSTERY, STEEPED IN LEGEND

Wiltshire has been a special place for a very long time and our World Heritage Site stands testament to the ages. 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 which, in turn, encloses two smaller stone circles and part of the village.

Just a few miles away, set in the beautiful countryside of the North Wessex Downs, lies the market town of Marlborough. Today, this handsome former staging post has evolved into a stylish and cosmopolitan town. The wide High Street is lined with characterful old buildings housing an array of high quality shops, pubs and restaurants, and there are plenty of riverside parks and green spaces to enjoy. The town's busy events calendar includes the ever-popular Marlborough College Summer School (July-August) and colourful Music and Literature Festivals (September). Don't miss The Merchant's House, a glorious restoration dating from 1653.

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 world make the pilgrimage here to marvel at one of the most 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 to this day.

Nestling in a loop of the meandering River Avon is the small town of Amesbury, just three miles from Stonehenge and close to the Neolithic sites of Durrington Walls and Woodhenge. Amesbury has a history dating back to 8,820BC. Imagine what life would have been like all those thousands of years ago... think of the stories this place has to tell... then find out more at Amesbury History Centre (opening in 2023). The grave of the Amesbury Archer - an early Bronze Age man - was discovered here in 2002. Today visitors can enjoy a range of events, including the Carnival (June), Scarecrow Trail (September) and Christmas Market (December).

Stonehenge

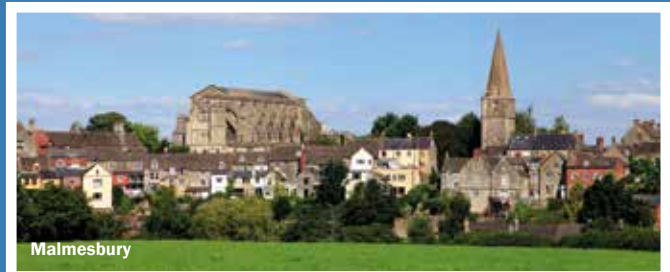
Marlborough

LESS RACING AGAINST THE CLOCK

Wiltshire is blessed with outstanding chalk streams and rivers, their gin-clear waters offering excellent trout fishing and delightful riverside strolls.

In **Chippenham** the River Avon forms a peaceful backdrop for walking and cycling routes. This flourishing market town has a variety of modern shopping centres and a wealth of historic buildings. It is home to The Need Community and Arts Centre, Wiltshire, Swindon History Centre and the beautifully maintained John Coles Park and **The Arc Climbing Academy**. **Chippenham Museum** hosts a range of exhibitions each year, while the annual Chippenham Folk Festival (May) stages more than 200 events in and around the town. The stately home and gardens at **Bowood** are nearby.

Cricklade is the first town on the River Thames and lies at the southern gateway to the **Cotswold Water Park**. An ancient Saxon settlement on the edge of the Cotswolds, Cricklade has been an important site from the time of Alfred the Great. Here you can take



Malmesbury

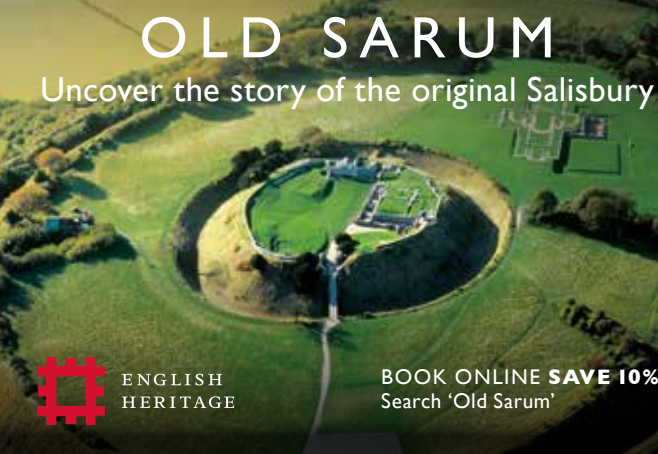
a heritage trail to discover over 100 listed buildings, including medieval St Sampson's Church. One of the town's highlights is North Meadow National Nature Reserve, renowned for its stunning display of rare Snakeshead Fritillaries during April. Events at nearby **Swindon and Cricklade Railway** include a Real Ale and Cider Festival, and a Family Festival.

Calne is a small vibrant town with so much to discover. You can explore the history at the Calne Heritage Centre. Join the annual **Calne Bike Meet** which brings motorcyclists and the community together or plan a visit to the **Atwell Wilson Motor Museum**. Spend a day cycling or walking along National Cycle route 403 and visit the nearby Cherhill White Horse.

Malmesbury is a beautiful, ancient, hilltop town in a unique setting surrounded by picturesque rivers and walks. With a rich history to explore and many vibrant arts and music events, the town also offers many unique, independent shops and great places to eat, drink and stay - including England's oldest hotel. The packed programme of arts and events includes the world famous WOMAD festival each July, Carnival in August/September and Wessex Week in October. Discover the stunning Norman Abbey, the 15th century Market Cross (which hosts a weekly market), the enthralling Athelstan Museum and curated history walks and trails.



Calne



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PLAN YOUR VISIT TO WILTSHIRE

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If travelling by rail, trains can bring you directly into historic and picturesque towns and villages like Salisbury, Westbury, Chippenham and Pewsey. And once you've arrived, there are many organisations that run bus tours to local attractions like Stonehenge and Avebury. There's also the option of using the Great West Way Discoverer pass for an easy hassle-free journey. Included in this pass is train travel with Great Western Railway and

bus travel between London and Bristol Temple Meads, with options to branch off in the Thames Valley, Cotswolds and Wiltshire.

The Kennet & Avon Canal stretches across the centre of the county and passes through many of Wiltshire's iconic towns such as Pewsey, Devizes, and Bradford on Avon. Whilst also running through two Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty in Wiltshire, the canal is often surrounded by stunning countryside and picturesque villages. Perfect for a slow stroll or family cycle ride, be sure to enjoy the spectacular views that accompany the Kennet and Avon canal. You can canoe, kayak or book one of the numerous boat trips. The Wiltshire Cycleway threads its way through Wiltshire along quiet country lanes and passes many of the county's most attractive places to visit. The 160 mile cycle route is supplemented by a network of shorter loops offering a wide choice of distance and terrain.

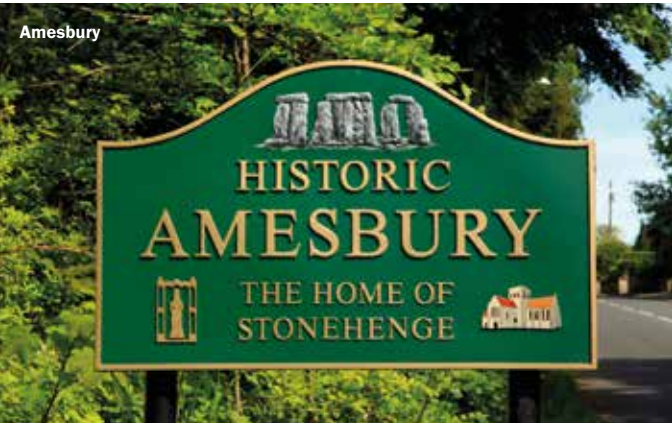
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Charlton Down



Chippenham Yeide Hall



Amesbury

FIND OUT MORE

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Bradford on Avon Town Council	D2	Melksham Tourist Information Centre	C2
T: 01225 865797 www.bradfordonavon.co.uk		Mere Information Centre	F2
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T: 01249 814000 www.calne.gov.uk		Salisbury Information Centre	F4
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T: 01249 446699 www.chippenham.gov.uk		EVCP: 2 slow chargers in Whalebridge car park. 2 fast chargers in Brunel Town, plus 4 on Civic campus. T: 01793 466454 www.visitswindon.org.uk	
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EVCP: Post Office Lane (Long-Stay) Car Park. T: 01249 714660 www.corsham.gov.uk/visit		Tisbury Information Centre	F3
Cricklade Visitor Information Point	B3	T: 01747 260088 www.tisbury-wiltshire-pc.gov.uk	
EVCP: Fairview Fields Car Park - just off the A419 by the rugby club. Cricklade Leisure Centre, Stones Lane. T: 01793 751394 www.crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk		Trowbridge Information Centre	D2
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LET US ENTERTAIN YOU

Plenty to Fire the Imagination.

We're a creative lot in Wiltshire. Here we have space and time to nurture the arts, in all their inventive, ingenious forms. Theatres, galleries, music and arts centres. Drama, dance, concerts and exhibitions. Inspirational venues and outstanding performances.

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. In **Corsham**, **The Pound arts centre** is a thriving venue with a year-round programme of shows, exhibitions and films. At the heart of the community, in **Trowbridge**, **Trowbridge Town Hall Arts** offers professional performances and exhibitions by companies and artists from around the world. While **Swindon's Wyvern Theatre and Arts Centre**, with its impressive auditorium seating over 600 people, offers a mixed programme of concerts, comedy, musicals, drama and dance, including a popular annual pantomime.



Devizes Bonfire Festival

Under the banner of **Wiltshire Creative**, three of **Salisbury's** arts venues have joined forces to form an exciting pan-arts organisation, rooted in the city, yet drawing inspiration from across the county and beyond.

Salisbury Playhouse is renowned for commissioning and producing new works as well as hosting touring productions. Salisbury Arts Centre is a vibrant hub of activity housed in a beautiful deconsecrated church. While Salisbury International Arts Festival takes over the city for two fabulous weeks from the end of May.

You'll find an enormous range of events to enjoy. Around the county and throughout the year. Cuckoo, craft and Mop fairs. Open days, action and fun days. Pancake races, duck races, horse races and canoe races. There are river, cycling and walking festivals. History and literature festivals. Not to mention steam and vintage weekends, a confetti battle and a flying monk trail.

With such beautiful and diverse countryside as our backdrop, he whole county is a canvas for creativity.

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With so much on offer throughout the day and into the early hours, Salisbury and Chippenham are proud holders of Purple Flag status - the 'gold standard' for a great night out.



Swindon Festival of Literature