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The Cotswolds is an excellent base to stay and discover some of Britain's other famous towns and cities.

Gloucester boasts a wealth of fine, ancient buildings and monuments including the breath-taking Gloucester Cathedral. Explore the city's history at its wonderful museums or on a city tour. A few minutes walk from the city centre is the dramatic setting of the Victorian docks, home to Gloucester Quays and a mix of museums and activities.

www.visitgloucester.co.uk

The **Forest of Dean and Wye Valley** is located across the River Severn. Here you will find a different landscape to discover and enjoy, with a host of great activities and entertainment.

www.visitdeanwye.co.uk

An important historic city, **Oxford** is renowned for its university colleges, Botanic Garden, museums and skyline of dreaming spires.

www.experienceoxfordshire.org

Stratford-upon-Avon, forever associated with Shakespeare, is full of world-famous attractions and the Royal Shakespeare Company.

www.shakespeares-england.co.uk





British Motor Museum

Gaydon, Near Warwick CV35 0BJ

Tel 01926 641188

www.britishmotormuseum.co.uk



Explore the British Motor Museum – home to the world’s largest collection of historic British cars, from the very first Land Rover to Lady Penelope’s FAB1 – over 400 cars to discover.

Check our website for school holiday activities and special weekend motoring events.

Onsite café, outdoor play area, family activities, free parking. Pre-booking essential. Fun for all the family whatever the weather!

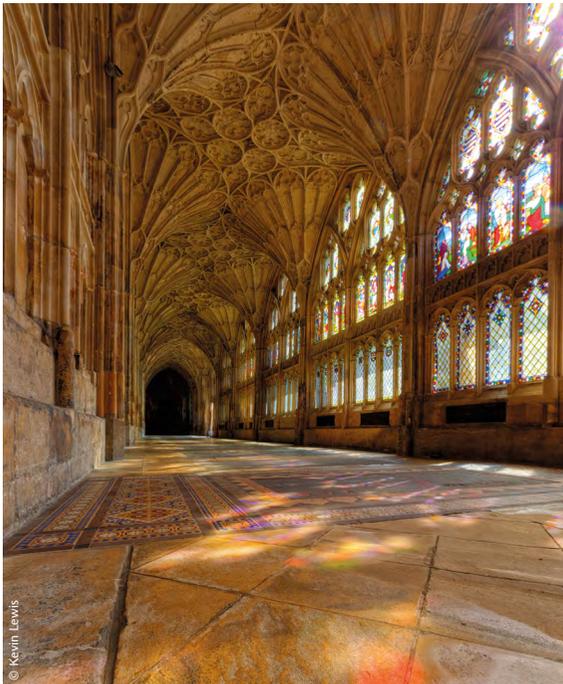
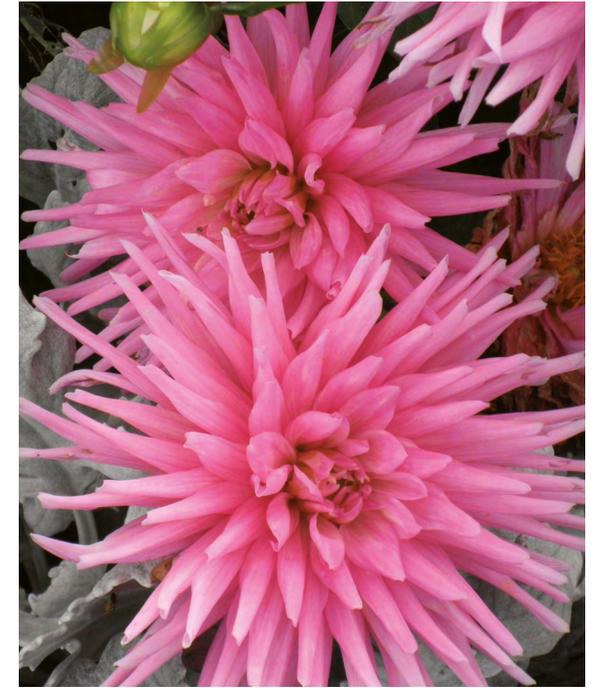
Highnam Court

Highnam, Gloucester GL2 8DP

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www.highnamcourt.co.uk

Over the last 25 years the gardens have been lovingly restored to their former glory with many new additions being made to complement and enhance the original design. Highnam Court Gardens are open to the general public for the National Gardens Scheme on selected days throughout the year. Private visits can be arranged for parties of 20 or more at other times.



Gloucester Cathedral

Gloucester GL1 2LX

Tel 01452 528095

www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk



Explore 1,000 years of history in this glorious, sacred space. The beautiful fan-vaulted Cloisters and Great East Window are national treasures along with the tomb of King Edward II. Family activities include the Whispering Gallery, Interactive Tribune Gallery, Children’s Trails and the chance to see where *Harry Potter*, *Mary Queen of Scots*, *Hollow Crown*, *Wolf Hall* and *Sherlock* were filmed. Admission free (donation requested).



Museum of Gloucester

Gloucester GL1 1HP

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www.museumofgloucester.co.uk



The Museum of Gloucester tells the story of the city’s origins as a Roman settlement and its subsequent development through the Dark Ages and medieval period. This fine Victorian building also has a significant collection of art including paintings by Richard Wilson, Thomas Gainsborough, John Atkinson Grimshaw and Thomas Dibdin. The Archaeology collection includes the world-famous Birdlip Mirror, impressive Roman tombstones and the Gloucester Tables Set, the oldest complete backgammon set in the world.

The museum has ever-changing exhibitions and events, so keep your eye open for these and much, much more.



National Waterways Museum Gloucester

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& Sharpness Canal. With fun, interactive exhibits, café and museum shop you'll discover the stories of the communities that lived and continue to thrive here.

Three floors of a Grade II listed Victorian grain warehouse house displays and galleries, which chart the story of Britain's waterways and the fascinating 200-year old history of the docks and the Gloucester



Upton House & Gardens

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www.nationaltrust.org.uk/uptonhouse
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In 1927 Lord and Lady Bearsted extensively remodelled Upton House to create the perfect country residence for their family. Alongside museum spaces to showcase a world-class art and porcelain collection, including works by Bosch, Stubbs and

El Greco, the gardens were altered to make the most of their position. Located on the edge of an ice-age valley, the gardens drop away from the south lawn down towards the Mirror Pool. They give you the opportunity to step away from busy lives as you meander past the borders, each of which has been planted to be at its seasonal best. If there is a particular piece of the collection you would like to see please contact us ahead of your visit as not all items are on permanent display.



Stratford-upon-Avon Butterfly Farm

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Come rain or shine, walk amongst some of the worlds' most beautiful butterflies in a unique rainforest environment of tropical blossom with splashing waterfalls and fishfilled pools. Discover the fascinating link the Butterfly Farm has to the rainforests of Belize and the Maya, an ancient rainforest civilisation, whose artefacts have been replicated and are now on display throughout the Farm.



Westbury Court Garden

Westbury-on-Severn GL14 1PD
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www.nationaltrust.org.uk/westbury-court-garden
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Westbury Court Garden was originally laid out between 1696 and 1705, and is the only restored Dutch style water garden in the country. Visiting us feels like you have stepped back in time to a place of elegance and calm.

Here you'll find straight canals reflecting the sky, clipped hedges, ornate garden buildings and old-fashioned orchards. There are 17th century vegetable plots and old varieties of fruit trees.



Find out more at

www.cotswolds.com

