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A vibrant, riverside town, nestled in the beautiful Surrey Hills, offering the best of both worlds.

In the historic town centre, with its famous cobbled High Street, you will find a variety of heritage attractions as well as a fantastic array of shops. There are numerous restaurants providing local and international cuisine, cosy cafés and traditional pubs together with a host of entertainment possibilities ranging from excellent theatres, a multiplex cinema to diverse music venues and clubs.

For nature lovers, within minutes from the town centre, you can enjoy walks or cycle rides by the River Wey and along the scenic North Downs. If you travel out further, you will also discover picture-book villages, historic houses and a wide range of other attractions to visit.

Whether travelling alone or in a group, Guildford has something for everyone and is conveniently located between London and the coast. So what are you waiting for?

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How to get here

By Road

The A3 links Guildford directly to Portsmouth, London and the M25 (Junction 10), making it easily accessible. The M3 and A31 are also only a stone's throw away linking Guildford to the rest of the UK.

By Rail

Guildford benefits from two train stations, both only a short walk from the town's shops and attractions. Frequent train services operate from Guildford Station to London Waterloo, with an average journey time of 35 minutes. Direct trains also run to and from other major hubs including Reading and Portsmouth. **www.nationalrail.co.uk**

By Air

Centrally located between two major airports, Heathrow and Gatwick, both of which have direct public transport links to Guildford. www.nationalexpress.com www.nationalrail.co.uk

By Bus

Regular buses connect Guildford to the surrounding villages and further afield. For timetables and information visit www.surreycc.gov.uk

By Bike

There are plenty of bike racks in and around the town. If you don't have your own bike, Brompton Bikes can be hired from Guildford station - **www.bromptonbikehire.com** or why not hire an Electric Bike from Guildford Electric Bike Hire - **www.electricbikesguildford.com**

Electric Car Charging Points

The nearest electric car charging points to the town centre include G Live car park, Millbrook car park and Waitrose. **www.zap-map.com**

Park and Ride

Guildford is well served by four Park and Ride services operating all-electric zero emission buses. Park free all day and only pay for the bus.

- Merrow Monday to Saturday
- Artington Monday to Saturday
- Onslow Monday to Saturday
- Spectrum Monday to Friday

When you get here, make the most of your visit by stopping off at our Tourist Information Centre – our team will be happy to help!





Discover Guildford's market town history on a guided tour with our Guildford Town Guides. www.guildfordwalks.org.uk

GUILDFORD FARMERS MARKET

Enjoy high quality, local produce every month on our famous High Street.

First Tuesday of every month (excluding Jan)





NORTH STREET MARKET

A traditional market atmosphere offering a variety of goods including fresh meat, fish, fruit and vegetables, flowers, and jewellery.

Every Friday and Saturday



ANTIQUE AND BROCANTE MARKET

The Antiques & Brocante Street Market returns to Guildford High Street. This unique street market offers antiques, vintage, retro, gardenalia and kitchenalia. April, June, September, and December.

www.acvrevents.co.uk



VEGAN MARKET

Guildford hosts a vegan market run by Ethical Vegan Events. Expect to find a huge range of stalls selling hot & cold food, produce, cruelty free products and ethical gifts!

ethicalveganevents.com



GUILDFORD CRAFT FESTIVAL

The Guildford Craft Festival, held on our beautiful cobbled High Street, boasts over 30 pop-up craft shops appearing in the street for nine days in July.

www.ruralcraftsassociation.co.uk

ATTRACTIONS

The town of Guildford boasts a wide range of attractions and activities to entertain.

Why not take one of the free guided walks and discover the town's fascinating past, walking in the footsteps of famous former inhabitants like George Abbot, Lewis Carroll and Alan Turing? You can explore many historic buildings like the Castle, Museum and Guildford House Gallery (where the Tourist Information Centre is located) and visit historic churches and our twentieth century cathedral.

There are a huge variety of shops, restaurants and pubs ranging from familiar names to independents and in the evening, keep yourself entertained by visiting our theatres, cinema or live music venues.

For sports enthusiasts, Guildford offers indoor and outdoor swimming, climbing, ice skating and bowling alongside a multitude of other activities. You can even walk or cycle into beautiful countryside directly from the town centre.

The town hosts diverse festivals throughout the year including music, arts, food, drink and literary, so whatever your interests, Guildford has an abundance of attractions to offer you.





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GUILDFORD TOWN GUIDES

Tourist Information Centre, 155 High Street, Guildford GU1 3AJ 01483 444333 ● tic@guildford.gov.uk www.guildfordwalks.org.uk

Secrets, scandal and spying are all part of Guildford's astonishing past – discover a lot more than you thought by choosing one of our FREE guided walks.

Take a Guildford Story walk to discover the origins of the town or walk in the footsteps of the famous on a themed walk. Did you know Lewis Carroll, author of Alice in Wonderland, had a debilitating stammer? Visit the town centre location of Britain's first purpose built car factory, only its use has changed! See the several homes of the Turing Family – Alan Turing, the 'father' of modern computing science, knew the town well. Just what links the former Prime Minister David Cameron to Market Street?

Visit the website for a full programme of walks together with information on group bookings, encounter walks and bespoke tours.



YVONNE ARNAUD THEATRE

Millbrook, Guildford GU1 3UX 01483 44 00 00 (box office) enquiries@yvonne-arnaud.co.uk www.yvonne-arnaud.co.uk





The Yvonne Arnaud is a regional theatre and registered charity, presenting and producing vibrant, excellent drama for the people of Guildford, Surrey and beyond. With a thriving studio space and youth theatre, the Yvonne Arnaud is a culture hub and an artistic resource, a local theatre with a national reach.

The Main Stage offers a varied programme including drama, comedy, West End classics, children's shows and Guildford's annual Christmas family pantomime. The smaller stage in the Mill Studio offers fantastic work from emerging artists, and an annual art exhibition. A Grade 2 listed building, the theatre also has a range of attractive rooms and spaces available for hire for anything from business meetings to birthday parties. With its own café overlooking the River Wey, why not pop in for coffee or lunch and enjoy the views? **Visit Yvonne-Arnaud.co.uk to find out more.**

THE COSY CLUB 3 TO C C C C C C C C C

14 Tunsgate Quarter, Guildford GU1 3QY 01483 369072 ● guildfordbookings@cosyclub.co.uk ● www.cosyclub.co.uk

Quirky, eccentric and playful, the Cosy Club offers informal casual dining, drinking and lounging in a family friendly environment.

From a lazy breakfast to evening cocktails, or a light lunch to a hefty burger, we're here all day. Our friendly teams are ready to welcome you and whip you up something delicious!



8-9 Chapel Street, Guildford GU1 3UH 01483 440496 ● guildford@gigglingsquid.com ● www.gigglingsquid.com

Giggling Squid was born as a way to introduce the Thai mealtime buzz to the UK food scene – energetic, informal, adventurous, and truly welcoming. Located just off the cobbled High Street in Guildford its perfect spot to meet friends and family. The menu offers something for everyone from luscious curries and hearty bowls to sizzling stir fries, spicy Thai salads and our popular lunchtime Thai Tapas from just £9.95. Vegan and kids' menus are also available.

THE GUILDFORD

The Guildford Institute, Ward Street, Guildford GU1 4LH

01483 562142 info@guildford-institute.org.uk www.guildford-institute.org.uk

The Guildford Institute has a special place in the heart of Guildford. Located in its beloved Grade II listed building since 1891, it is a unique venue where people of all backgrounds can meet, learn and explore. With an extensive range of courses on offer, both online and in person, we guarantee you will find something to spark your imagination. There are many other ways to get involved, whether that's attending a Window on the World talk or exploring our historic Library and Archive. We offer affordable room hire for external organisations and societies, with a variety of spaces available to suit your occasion. Our building is also home to V Café, Guildford's only vegetarian restaurant, which offers delicious homemade lunches. The Guildford Institute is open to everyone – come and be a part of our extraordinary community. For more information, including details on our current courses, please visit our website.





GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

Stag Hill, Guildford GU2 7UP

01483 547875 • reception@guildford-cathedral.org • www.guildford-cathedral.org

From its commanding hilltop position, Guildford Cathedral is an imposing landmark. The angel on the top of the tower is a sign of homecoming for the town's residents.

A Grade II Listed Building it is one of England's youngest cathedrals, designed in the twentieth century by Sir Edward Maufe. It was consecrated in 1961 following its 'Buy a Brick' campaign in the aftermath of World War Two.

Beneath the gilded angel the graceful interior is one of elegance, light and peace. It is here that you will get your fix of awe and wonder – a stark contrast to the exterior of the building.

Many take the time simply to enjoy the tranquillity and space for contemplation and reflection, or to light a candle or write a prayer

for our prayer tree. There are services on each day of the week, from morning prayer to evensong. On Sundays the Cathedral Eucharist at 9.45am is a celebration of music, prayer and liturgy: all are welcome.

Across the weeks and months, the Cathedral offers a varied programme of family-friendly activities, outreach for the elderly, schools visits and workshops, art exhibitions, events, and volunteering opportunities.

Our shop stocks a wide range of gifts, greetings cards, toys and souvenirs, with plenty to browse through.

Seasons Restaurant offers a wonderful space to catch up with friends or meet with colleagues, with a fabulous menu of meals and tasty snacks.









Delving into Guildford's past is a truly fascinating way to spend an afternoon. Explore Saxon, Medieval, Tudor, Georgian and Victorian heritage within the town centre. Learn more about our heritage buildings on one of our **free guided walks** or visit **www.heritageopendays.org.uk**. **For opening times and admission details visit www.guildford.gov.uk/leisure.**

CASTLE AND **O** GARDENS

Guildford's Norman Castle with its delightful gardens is the perfect place to start your visit. Climb up the tower to discover its fascinating history and stunning views of the town. Castle Grounds open all year – Free admission to the castle grounds. A small fee applies to climb the tower – Seasonal opening times

GUILDHALL 8

The Guildhall is one of the most iconic buildings with Tudor origins and a magnificent golden, bracketed clock that hangs over the High Street. It has an interesting past as a courtroom and it is now the official office of the Mayor, hosting many civic functions and events.

Open by prior arrangement.

GUILDFORD 9 HOUSE AND GALLERY

Explore this Grade I listed town house or view the latest exhibition in our free art gallery before nipping down to the café and craft shop in the beautiful courtyard garden.

It is also home to Guildford Tourist Information Centre.





MUSEUM 🔟

Discover Guildford through the ages; ranging from prehistory, the Romans, Saxons, Normans, Middle Ages to the Victorians and Lewis Carroll. The collection is housed in a series of historic houses in the town centre. Our newly renovated museum is now open with regular exhibitions and activities for families.

THE UNDERCROFT 🕕

Pop into a medieval shop, where expensive cloths, silk and wine would have been sold and discover this 13th century stone vaulted Undercroft hidden amongst the modern high street shops.





THE GREAT BARN, WANBOROUGH 12

Built in 1388 by the Cistercian monks of Waverley Abbey, this is one of the largest and most important medieval barns in the South East. Please note this site is outside of the town centre. *Free admission – Open selected dates only.*

THE SPIKE

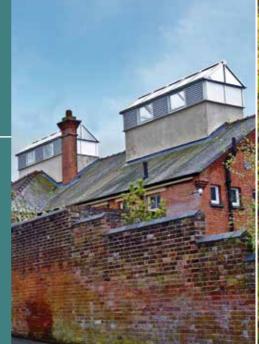
Warren Road, Guildford GU1 3JH 01483 598420 heritage@charlotteville.co.uk www.quildfordspike.co.uk



The Spike was an important part of the Guildford Union Workhouse which shared the site. On your tour you will learn how many of the poorest in the country were once treated. This is no fairy tale; make sure you dress warm, especially if you visit during the winter months or at night, as much of the building remains as it was when first built!

The Spike is open on Saturdays from February to the end of November with all tours guided. Subject to restrictions there is no need to book, we open at 10.00 with the last tour starting at around 15:00.

Tours can be pre-booked on other days through our website.





GUILDFORD LIDO

Stoke Road, Guildford GU1 1HB 01483 449108 ● info@guildfordlido.co.uk ● www.guildfordlido.co.uk

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Guildford's open-air pool – the Lido, is open during the summer season from April to September. Set in 4½ acres of beautifully landscaped gardens, the heated Olympic sized pool is a great place to chill out, meet friends, picnic and of course, do some serious swimming!

Guildford Lido boasts three exciting slides as well as the paddling pool with interactive toys and a mini-slide for younger swimmers.

Customers this season will be able to ride the MULTISLIDE which has two lanes side-by-side so two people can race themselves to see who's the fastest and if you're brave enough take on the KAMAKAZIE – one slide, straight down BOOM! For a more gentle experience meander down the ANACONDA but look out for those tricky corners that will make you go faster!

The Lido is one of Guildford's greatest treasures. Tucked away next to Guildford College and 1 minute from the A3, it is one of the country's few remaining original 1930's pools. The Lido attracts an average of 60,000 people every season and is home for a variety of community galas, competitions and other community clubs and societies.

The Lido is also a great venue for private hire with corporate BBQ's our speciality. Please visit our website or call us for detailed opening times and prices.



GUILDFORD SPECTRUM

Parkway, Guildford GU1 1UP

01483 443322 • info@guildfordspectrum.co.uk • www.guildfordspectrum.co.uk

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Guildford Spectrum – the most exciting leisure complex in the UK has many facilities available for everyone to enjoy. These include; four swimming pools including a great leisure pool with wave machine, an Olympic sized ice rink and a 32 lane tenpin bowling centre. For younger visitors, there's a soft play area providing a challenging and fun-filled environment. There is free parking, one bar and three restaurants and we are open 365 days a year!

Please visit our website or call us for detailed opening times and prices.



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Guildford is surrounded by beautiful award-winning parks and countryside, to be enjoyed all year round: from riverside strolls along the Wey to colourful woodland walks in Chantry Woods, not forgetting the stunning viewpoints at St Martha's Hill.

Stoke Park provides a green space at the edge of the Town Centre, boasting sports pitches, pitch and putt, along with an enclosed play park, boating lake and paddling pool to provide a cool spot to relax and play on a hot summer's day. Alternatively escape the bustle of the High Street by visiting the many green spaces such as Castle Grounds, Westnye Gardens, Quakers' Acre and Allen House Grounds.

Beyond the town centre, discover local industrial heritage on a trail at Chilworth's Gunpowder Mills, or set off on a ramble from Pewley Down to Newlands Corner along a section of the North Downs Way.

TOWN CENTRE:

Guildford Castle Grounds South Hill Guildford GU1 <u>4AL</u>

Millmead Island Millmead Guildford GU2 4BE

Quakers' Acre North Street Guildford GU1 4AL

Westnye Gardens Play Area Millmead Guildford GU1 4HL

WALKING DISTANCE FROM THE TOWN CENTRE:

Stoke Park and Play Area Nightingale Road Guildford GU1 1ER

The Mount The Mount Guildford GU2 4RH

Pewley Down Pewley Hill Guildford GU2 4BE

OUT OF TOWN:

Riverside Park Nature Reserve Bowers Lane Guildford GU4 7ND

Shalford Park Shalford Road Guildford GU4 8BL

Chantry Wood Halfpenny Lane Guildford GU4 8PZ

Chilworth Gunpowder Mills Dorking Road Guildford GU4 8NF **Pirbright Heath** Chapel Lane Pirbright GU24 0JY

Lakeside Nature Reserve Lakeside Road Guildford GU12 5AA

Sutherland Memorial Park Clay Lane Guildford GU4 7JU

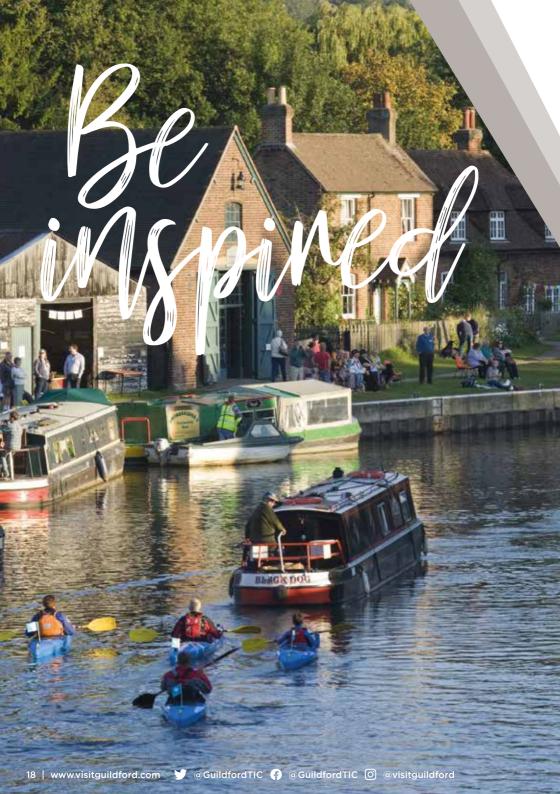
Onslow Play Area Wilderness Road Guildford GU2 7QP

Find out more about our wonderful Parks and Countryside at www.guildford.gov.uk/parksplaygroundsandgreenspaces

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💥 National Trust

From a glittering Edwardian party house and the fascinating story of the remaking of a modern ruin, to meandering tranquil waterways and the breath-taking views from the Surrey Hills, there is so much to see and do in and around Guildford with the National Trust.

16 Dapdune Wharf (image left) and River Wey and Godalming Navigations

Discover the historic home of the Wey barges that worked the waterways from Guildford to the Port of London from 1653. Or relax on a boat trip, climb aboard a restored barge or walk the towpath stretching from Godalming to Guildford.

(17) Clandon Park

As work continues to re-imagine this firedamaged mansion, a new guided tour takes you inside. Explore spaces created by the fire with layers of history revealed. Pre-booking is essential (subject to Covid restrictions).

18 Hatchlands Park

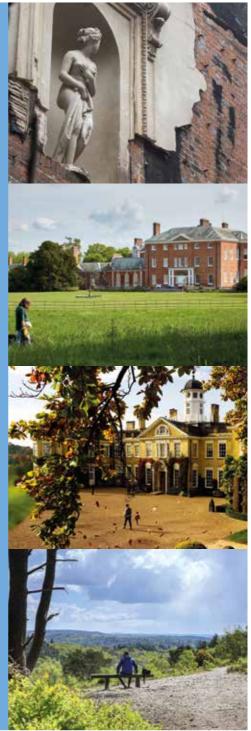
From the glorious bluebells in spring to the summer wildflower meadow and glowing autumn colour, this tranquil parkland is full of interest throughout the seasons. Not to mention the Georgian country house, full of delights.

19 Polesden Lacey

A hidden gem, set in the Surrey Hills. The house was designed to impress and the gardens are beautiful year-round; from the walled rose garden in summer to the fragrant winter garden in the colder months.

Surrey Hills – Discover stunning views, ancient woodlands and the myths and legends of this historic countryside.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/surrey Please check website before visiting. Pre-booking may be required.



ALBURY ORGANIC VINEYARD

Silent Pool, Shere Road, Albury, Surrey GU5 9BW 01483 229159 • info@alburyvineyard.com • www.alburyvineyard.com

Albury Vineyard is Surrey's only organic vineyard, producing outstanding English Visit the vineyard for tours, wine tastings, or to simply enjoy a glass of wine and a cheese board amongst the vines. See Albury's website for details of seasonal We recommend booking the popular guided tours in advance.

BOCKETTS FARM PARK

Bocketts Farm Park, Young Street, Leatherhead KT22 9BS 01372 363764 • office@bockettsfarm.co.uk • www.bockettsfarm.co.uk

Enjoy a great day out at Bocketts Farm whatever the weather! Set in the beautiful Surrey countryside, there are many friendly farm animals, plenty of fun activities and indoor and outdoor play for all ages. Activities include the Animal Discovery Barn and Small Animal Village offer a chance to get close to many animals. Visit the website for details of Special Events that

HOGS BACK BREWERY 22 P C as an (i) (i)

Manor Farm, The Street, Tongham, Surrey GU10 1DE 01252 783000 • shop@hogsback.co.uk • www.hogsback.co.uk

The Hogs Back Brewery has been brewing its award-winning ales, using locally tour, where you can learn all about brewing and hop growing, as well as sampling a generous range of beers. The new Brewery Tap serves the freshes beer and offers great live music & events. Head to the website for the latest and gifts plus up to 300 beers from the UK and around the world.

NEW ASHGATE GALLERY 23 (C) (a) (b) (f)

Waggon Yard, Farnham GU9 7PS 01252 713208 • gallery@newashgate.org.uk • www.newashgate.org.uk

The New Ashgate Gallery is the destination for viewing and buying the best of affordable

emerging artists. Exhibitions are at the heart of our work and we run an all-year









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Ashante Gallery

HUNT NATURE PARK 24 P C 😸 😂 🍪 😢

A281 Horsham Road, Shalford 01483 505566 ● events@weyandarun.co.uk ● www.weyandarun.co.uk

This nature park at Shalford was created by the Wey & Arun Canal Trust who are restoring the canal as a 'green corridor' through Surrey and West Sussex, as part of a route from the River Thames to the sea. Volunteers have enhanced the park's environment to attract wildlife ranging from buzzards to butterflies. The park is alongside the long-distance Wey-South Path, next to the route of the disused Guildford to Horsham railway line. The Canal Trust has built a riverside path and a viewing platform.



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LONDON BUS MUSEUM 23 P R C & & &

Cobham Hall, Brooklands Road, Weybridge, Surrey KT13 0QN 01932 837 994 ● londonbusmuseum@gmail.com londonbusmuseum.com

London Bus Museum houses the world's largest collection of working historic London buses, covering over 150 years of development, from 1870 horse-drawn buses to driver-operated, rear engine 70 seaters of the 1970s. Open almost every day of the year the museum offers local trips on an historic bus most summer weekends and school holidays.



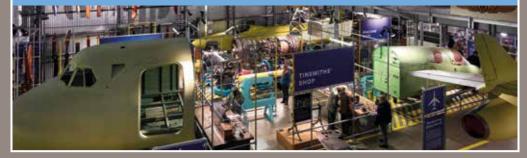


BROOKLANDS MUSEUM

Brooklands Drive, Weybridge, Surrey KT13 0SL 01932 857381 • info@brooklandsmuseum.com • www.brooklandsmuseum.com

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Step back in time to days of innovation and record-breaking on the site of the world's first racetrack. Discover supersonic flight at the Home of Concorde and get up close to the aircraft designed, built and flown at Brooklands. Explore the historic site brought to life through interactive collections, and hear the real-life stories of the pioneers, who shaped the world of motoring and aviation. There's plenty of outdoor space to enjoy and cafés to relax in, with entry to the world's largest collection of vintage buses at the London Bus Museum included. Brooklands Museum has free onsite parking or is just a short walk from station if using public transport.





PAINSHILL

Painshill, Cobham, Surrey KT11 1JE 01932 868113 ● info@painshill.co.uk ● www.painshill.co.uk

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Painshill is an award-winning 18th century landscape garden where the walk is a work of art. Winding paths will take you on a journey to discover a living canvas with simply stunning views and beautiful garden buildings. Stroll around their Serpentine Lake, wander through woodland and promenade past follies, including the Ruined Abbey, Gothic Temple and Turkish Tent to name just a few.

A Grade 1 listed garden, Painshill was created between 1738 and 1773 by the Honourable Charles Hamilton after he was inspired by Renaissance landscape painting. From the sparkling Crystal Grotto* to the amazing Gothic Tower*, each of the beautifully unique buildings is dramatically placed to create a living work of art. Other key features include the Waterwheel, a quaint Hermitage hidden in the woods and the Painshill Vineyard.

For families there is a natural play area and wildlife spotting trails as well as wildflower meadows to run around in and get back to nature. Dogs are very welcome at Painshill, so all the family can enjoy!

You can spend a whole day at Painshill or there are shorter accessible routes around the Serpentine Lake. Bring a picnic or visit Hamilton's Tea Room for some delicious treats and refreshments, and don't forget to visit the Painshill Shop to view an extensive range of gifts, souvenirs, decorations and even Painshill's very own Sparkling Wine.

*limited opening times



WATTS GALLERY

Down Lane, Compton, Guildford, Surrey GU3 1DQ 01483 810235 ● info@wattsgallery.org.uk ● www.wattsgallery.org.uk

28 P 🗑 C 😸 🏔 🗶 🖙 £

Watts Gallery – Artists' Village is a unique Arts & Crafts gem nestled in the Surrey Hills. Discover stunning Victorian paintings and sculpture in the historic Watts Gallery and visit their latest temporary exhibition. Treat yourself to lunch or a cream tea in the Tea Shop, before wandering to the nearby Grade I listed Watts Chapel, taking in the beautiful woodlands and grounds.

Find out more about the lives of G F and Mary Watts at Watts Studios. See how the artistic legacy of G F and Mary Watts continues at the Artists' Village.

Discover affordable, original art for sale in Watts Contemporary Gallery, along with a wide selection of gifts, books and homewares in the Shop. To help young children explore the collection, Watts Gallery – Artists' Village offers interactive trails throughout the year. Children can also enjoy swings, stepping stones and making camps in their Verey Playwood.

Watts Gallery – Artists' Village provides a perfect day out, with historical buildings, art and heritage collections, attractive grounds, The Tea Shop and Shop, there is plenty to see and do.

Watts Gallery – Artists' Village is more than just an art gallery – it offers a full day out of culture and creativity.

Visit our website for our latest updates and COVID-19 safety guidance.





Guildford has a vibrant arts and entertainment scene. Experience high quality indoor and outdoor theatrical productions, all genres of live music, a wide range of performing arts, literary festivals and visual arts in a variety of locations.

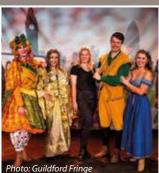
Spectate or even take part in our annual charity events including raft, pancake and cycle races. For more information on events head to our website www.guildford.gov.uk/visitguildford/events















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Guildford is lucky enough to have the North Downs Way, a designated National Trail passing through the protected landscapes of the Surrey Hills, just a stone's throw from the town centre.

With short circular routes for an afternoon stroll or challenging hikes for those more seasoned walkers, it makes for the perfect day out. Start your ramble off in Farnham, stopping off at Hogs Back Brewery for a tasty tipple with native grown hops or if you wish for a more artistic endeavour Watts Gallery is also on the route.

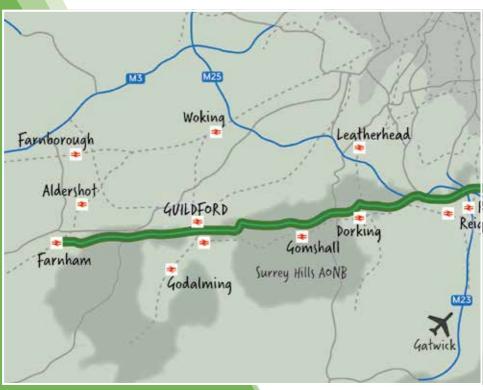
As you pass through Guildford, a series of three highlights await; at Chantry Woods, catch the south facing views and see the bluebells in full bloom if the time is right. Next, St Martha's Church, the iconic and historic building on the hill with far-reaching views to the South Downs. Topping off the trio is Newlands Corner, with the chance for refreshment as you breathe in the panorama. Following this is a stretch of woodland, dip down into Albury to visit the local organic vineyard or the picturesque village of Shere before you climb back up for a glorious stretch of ridge-walking through to Dorking. It's not called an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) without just cause!

Keep your eyes peeled for:

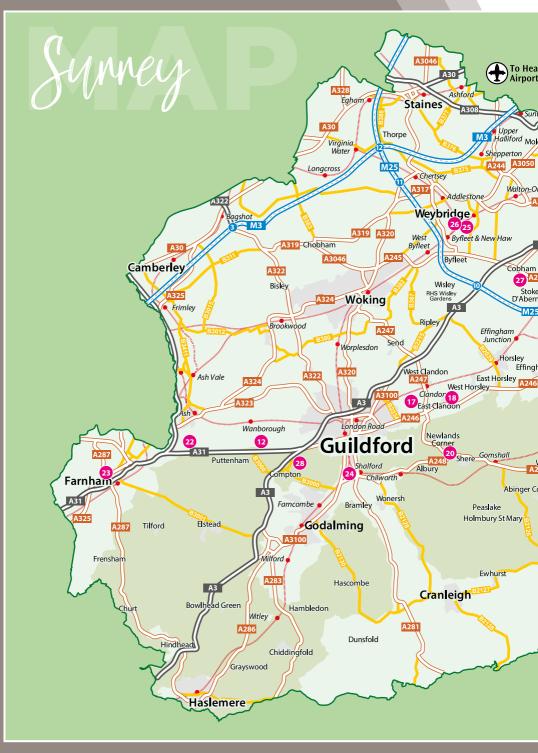
- Pillboxes Military pieces of history dotted along the length of the route.
- The rich wealth of flora and fauna – rare plants and butterflies as well as British livestock from friendly Belter Galloway cattle to the hardy Herdwick Sheep.
- The River Tillingbourne with a history of water-milling, this beautiful river winds its way across your path at various points leading into the River Wey.
- The Greensand Way and Pilgrims Way also interlock with your path.
- The Downs Link is a great way for locals to connect between the North and South downs.

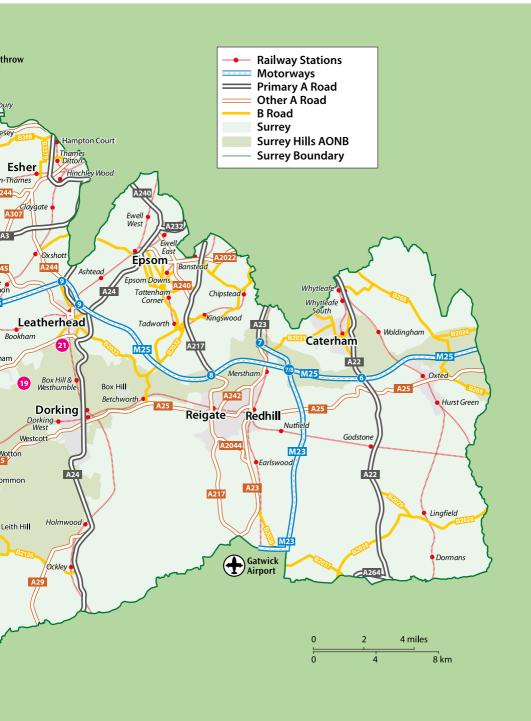
For detailed guides and maps, pop into the Tourist Information Centre and explore our full range of local walking guides, you can also speak to our team who have first-hand experience.





Map: www.nationaltrail.co.uk/north-downs-way

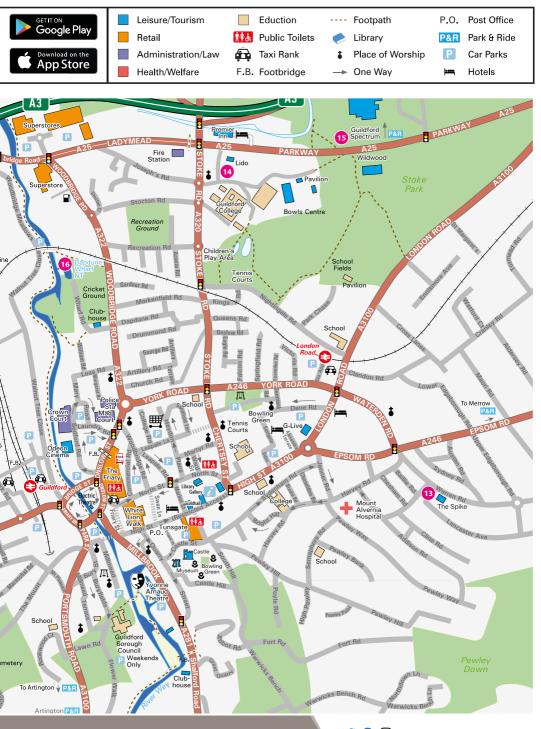


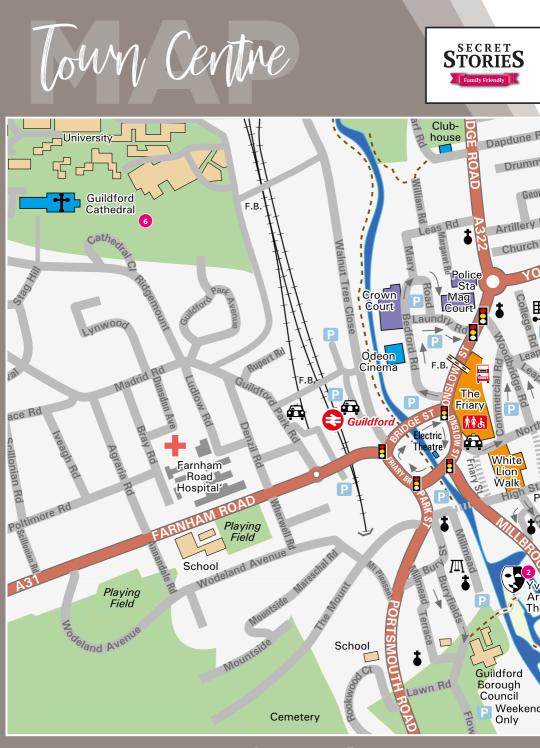


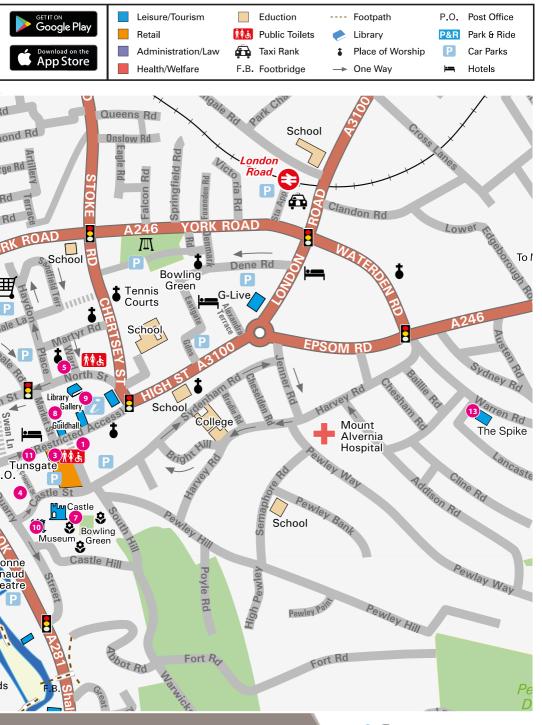
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