

MORE THAN 6 OF THE BEST PLACES TO VISIT IN KENT 2024



24 Belmont House and Garden
 Near Faversham ME13 0HH ➔ Faversham
 Tel (01795) 890202 www.belmont-house.org
 Belmont is a small estate with an 18th Century house and formal gardens, filled with mementos of Harris family history.

25 Macknade Food Hall
 Faversham ME13 8XF ➔ Faversham
 Tel (01795) 534497 www.macknade.com
 Renowned Kentish food hall & farm shop offering a fantastic range of local & continental produce, as well as a wine store, café, butchery, delicatessen and outdoor street food market.

26 Shepherd Neame Brewery Tours
 Faversham ME13 7AX ➔ Faversham
 Tel (01795) 542016 www.shepherdneame.co.uk
 Take a look behind the scenes at Britain's oldest brewer, learn how beer is made and take part in an expert-tutored tasting session.

27 Wildwood
 Canterbury CT6 7LQ ➔ Herne Bay/Canterbury West
 Tel (01227) 712111 www.wildwoodtrust.org
 Delve into the world of Wildwood and come nose-to-nose with over 200 native animals in 40 acres of beautiful ancient woodland.

28 The Malthouse Theatre
 Canterbury CT2 7JA ➔ Canterbury East/West
 Tel (01227) 287234 www.malthousetheatre.co.uk
 The Malthouse Theatre is an award-winning theatre right in the heart of Canterbury. Hosting regular professional touring productions throughout the year, this magnificent venue is a great place to visit.

29 Canterbury Guided Tours
 Canterbury CT1 2EE ➔ Canterbury East/West
 Tel (01227) 459779 www.canterburyguidedtours.com
 Discover Canterbury's rich history on an entertaining guided tour through the medieval streets and Cathedral Precincts. Tours depart 11am daily from the Buttermarket, led by qualified guides. Additional 2pm tour, April - October.

30 Richborough Roman Fort and Amphitheatre
 Off Richborough Road, Sandwich CT13 9JW ➔ Sandwich
 Tel (0370) 333 1181 english-heritage.org.uk/richborough
 Explore the most symbolically important Roman site in Britain. Discover the reconstructed Roman gateway, new museum displays and other fresh features which re-tell its story.

31 Battle of Britain Memorial
 Capel-le-Ferne, nr Folkestone CT18 7JJ ➔ Folkestone Central
 Tel (01303) 249292 www.battleofbritainmemorial.org
 Interactive audio-visual displays, historic film and audio recordings and replica fighters illustrate how Churchill's 'Few', the men who fought the Battle of Britain, kept this country safe from invasion in 1940. Shop and café.

32 Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway
 New Romney TN28 8PL www.rhdr.org.uk
 Tel (01797) 362353 ➔ Folkestone Central/Ashford International
 'Kent's Mainline in Miniature', our world famous one-third size steam and diesel locomotives power their way along the 13 1/2 miles of track from the Cinque Port town of Hythe to Dungeness.

33 Biddenden Vineyards
 Biddenden TN27 8DF ➔ Headcorn
 Tel (01580) 291726 www.biddendenvineyards.com
 Kent's original vineyard, established in 1969. Producing award-winning quality still and sparkling English wines, ciders and juices, the Vineyard Shop is open all year-round.

34 Maidstone Museums
 Maidstone ME14 1LH ➔ Maidstone West
 Tel (01622) 602838 www.maidstonemuseum.org
 Exceptional museum with significant collections especially Ethnography, Japanese Decorative Arts, Ancient Egypt, Archaeology and Costume. Don't miss the 2,700-year-old Egyptian mummy. Free admission.

35 Lockmeadow Entertainment Complex
 Maidstone ME16 8SF ➔ Maidstone West
 Tel (01622) 764410 www.lockmeadowentertainment.co.uk
 18 lane bowling alley, premium indoor trampoline park, luxe Odeon cinema and Virtual Reality World. Globally inspired street food @LoveFood, outside play area and terrace.

For further information visit
Kentattractions.co.uk

- Events throughout the year
- Enter our competition to win FREE Days Out
- Sign up to our newsletter for outing ideas and event news



1 Chislehurst Caves

Chislehurst BR7 5QX
Tel (020) 8467 3264
www.chislehurst-caves.co.uk
⇒ Chislehurst



Thirty metres below the edge of Northwest Kent is a maze of chalk tunnels. Join us on a fascinating 45 minute lamp lit tour. Your guide will tell you of the romantic Victorian stories of the Druids, Romans and Saxons, the guarded munitions stores of WWI, mushroom growing in the 1930s, the deep air raid shelter and underground town of WWII, the haunted passages and the music venue of the '50s and '60s and much more! Open Wed to Sun all year. See website for holiday opening. Tours every hour 10am - 4pm. Café, gift shop, picnic area and a free car park.

2 Eastgate House

High Street, Rochester ME1 1ER
Tel (01634) 332700
eastgate.house@medway.gov.uk
www.visitmedway.org ⇒ Rochester



An Elizabethan Town House built for Peter Buck, Clerk of the Cheque at Chatham Dockyard in 1590.

A family home, a school and later a museum Eastgate House has many stories to tell. The building stands proud amongst the many historic facades in Rochester High Street and once inside visitors can learn about how the house has changed over the centuries and about the people who have lived there.

Please refer to website for opening times.

3 Rochester Castle

Rochester ME1 1SW
Tel (01634) 332901
rochester.castle@medway.gov.uk
www.visitmedway.org ⇒ Rochester



One of the best-preserved and finest examples of Norman architecture in England. Dramatic views across the River Medway can be seen from its great keep, one of the tallest in the country!

Learn about the 1215 siege by King John and how this changed the appearance of the castle.

Multimedia guide immersing you in daily life inside Rochester Castle Keep included in admission charge.

Please refer to the website for opening times.

4 The Guildhall Museum

High Street, Rochester ME1 1PY
Tel (01634) 332680 ⇒ Rochester
guildhall.museum@medway.gov.uk
www.visitmedway.org



A fascinating local history museum for Medway. Museum highlights include the ornate 17th century Guildhall Chamber, the Dickens Gallery, the walk-through 'Prisons Hulks Experience' and the River Medway tug boat interactive. The museum offers something for all interests and age groups.

Please refer to the website for opening times.

5 The Historic Dockyard Chatham

Chatham (Sat. Nav. please use ME4 4TY)
Tel (01634) 823800
https://thedockyard.co.uk ⇒ Chatham



Step into the heart of Chatham's legendary ship building heritage and return to the 'Age of Sail' when the Dockyard built mighty ships that won command of the world's oceans. Peer through the periscope of a Cold War Submarine, stand on the bridge of a Second World War Destroyer and ring the bell on a Victorian Sloop.

Delve into the award-winning Command of the Oceans gallery and explore the last operational Royal Navy Ropeyard on an all-new gallery experience and tour.

6 Upnor Castle

Upper Upnor ME2 4XG
Tel (01634) 332902
upnor.castle@medway.gov.uk
www.visitmedway.org ⇒ Strood



An Elizabethan artillery fortress built on the orders of the Queen in 1559 to defend war ships moored in the river and Chatham Dockyard. In 1667, despite a brave attempt it failed to protect against the Dutch and was later used as a gunpowder magazine.

Visitors can enjoy an exhibition commemorating the 350th anniversary of the Dutch Raid and the role Upnor Castle played.

Please refer to the website for opening times. Last admission 45 mins before closing.

7 Brogdale Collections

Faversham ME13 8XZ
Tel (01795) 536250
office@brogdalecollections.org
www.brogdalecollections.org ⇒ Faversham



Brogdale Farm, Home of the National Fruit Collection, a living museum of heritage fruit. Discover over 3,000 fruit tree varieties like you've never seen or tasted before. Enjoy guided walks, talks, tastings and event days.

Opening times: Daily guided tours available from April until October, self-guided walks all year.

SPECIAL OFFER

1 free day pass with each orchard pass purchased on presentation of this leaflet. (excludes event days)

8 The Powell-Cotton Museum

Birchington CT7 0BH
Tel (01843) 842168
enquiries@powell-cottonmuseum.org
www.powell-cottonmuseum.org ⇒ Birchington-on-Sea



A place for everyone to play and learn. Discover our amazing natural history dioramas and world-culture collections from across Africa, Asia and the Pacific.

Choose from a choice of fascinating guided tours including Quex House, and enjoy the gardens and woodland walk all in one visit.

Please check our website for seasonal opening hours and latest events.

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9 The WonderWorks by Hornby Hobbies

Westwood Industrial Estate, Margate CT9 4JX
Tel: (01843) 233524
www.wonderworksmargate.co.uk
⇒ Margate / Ramsgate



Discover Kent's newest family attraction, The WonderWorks, an immersive experience inspired by the UK's best known hobby brands – Hornby, Scalextric, Airfix, Corgi and Pochoer.

Whether you're a speed freak, engine geek, model train hobbyist in the attic, or James Bond car fanatic, you'll find your happy at Margate's The WonderWorks.

13 Walmer Castle & Gardens

Walmer CT14 7LJ
Tel 0370 333 1181
www.english-heritage.org.uk/walmer
⇒ Walmer



Step inside the Tudor castle by the sea, formerly home to the Duke of Wellington. Explore splendid rooms as you discover his life and career, and see the famous original Wellington boots.

Outside, discover majestic views and acres of magnificent gardens. Explore stunning herbaceous borders and formal gardens, as well as the woodland walk and tranquil sunken glen. Then visit the kitchen garden where fresh produce is grown for the tea room.

Visit the website for details of events, opening times and admission prices.

14 Dover Castle

Dover CT16 1HU
Tel 0370 333 1181
www.english-heritage.org.uk/dover
⇒ Dover Priory



Experience the greatest of English fortresses, standing on the iconic White Cliffs.

Climb the Great Tower and immerse yourself in the splendour of a medieval palace, vividly brought to life. Venture deep into the Secret Wartime Tunnels and see where the evacuation of troops from Dunkirk was masterminded.

Walk in the footsteps of past kings and commanders, witness gun firing drills, stunning panoramic views and action packed events. An incredible day out, which you'll hold onto for a lifetime!

15 Samphire Hoe

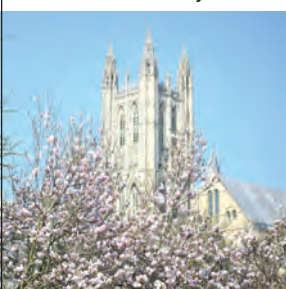
Dover
Tel (01304) 225649 www.samphirehoe.com
paul.holt@whitecliffscountryside.org.uk
⇒ Dover



Stroll below the famous white cliffs at Samphire Hoe, England's newest piece of land made from chalk marl excavated from the Channel Tunnel. It has quickly become one of the world's rarest habitats – chalk grassland and a haven for wildlife. Look up and you might see kestrels hawking above; look down and scarce beautiful wild flowers can be seen along our paths. Look out across the sea to distant views of France from the tranquility of this unique country park setting. Visit our unique shelter with information and cosy wood burning stoves. Refreshments available. Phone to find out about our programme of events. Signposted from the A20 west of Dover. Site open 7am till dusk every day.

10 Canterbury Cathedral

Canterbury CT1 2EH
Tel (01227) 762862
visits@canterbury-cathedral.org
www.canterbury-cathedral.org ⇒ Canterbury East/West



Canterbury Cathedral is a World Heritage Site with a tradition of visitor welcome that reaches back to the days of medieval pilgrimages. Founded in 597AD, Mother Church of the Anglican Communion, it houses a Romanesque Crypt, 12th century Quire and some of the oldest and most beautiful stained glass windows in the country. In 1170 Thomas Becket was murdered in the Cathedral and ever since, the Cathedral has attracted thousands of visitors.

Open Mon-Sat 9am-5pm. Closures or restrictions for Services or special events. Please see website for full details.

16 The Old Lighthouse, Dungeness

Dungeness TN29 9NB
Tel (01797) 321300 info@dungenesslighthouse.com
www.dungenesslighthouse.com
⇒ Folkestone



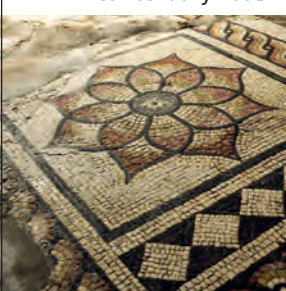
Historic Grade II listed building, opened by HRM Prince of Wales 1904 Survived two world wars before decommission in 1960. For 56 years provided an important land light to shipping.

Situated on one of the biggest shingle peninsulas in the world. Climb the tower for stunning panoramic views over English Channel and surrounding countryside. Free public car park access by A259 or RHDR Dungeness, which is adjacent.

The Lighthouse is available for Wedding Ceremonies. See website for opening times.

11 Canterbury Roman Museum

Canterbury CT1 2JR
Tel 01227 785575
canterburyromanmuseum.co.uk
⇒ Canterbury East/West



Travel underground and back in time to Roman Britain. Canterbury Roman Museum is built around the remains of a lavish Roman town house featuring an underground heating system and one of the UK's only remaining in situ Roman pavement mosaics.

Explore reconstructions and uncover displays of important artefacts. The museum is fully accessible and provides a fascinating, interactive and family-friendly insight into life in Roman Britain!

17 The Chapel Down Winery

Small Hythe TN30 7NG
Tel (01580) 766111
www.chapel-down.com
retail@chapel-down.com

⇒ Headcorn/Ashford



Chapel Down are England's leading winemaker with a mission to change the way the world thinks about English wine. Based in the Garden of England, their world class winemaking team produce award-winning sparkling wines of exceptional quality. Book your Chapel Down experience online today. Enjoy daily tours and tastings, along with the fine food store and The Swan restaurant.

Open daily 10am to 5pm

SPECIAL OFFER: 10% off full price wine purchases. Not in conjunction with any other offer and strictly 1 voucher per transaction.

12 Wingham Wildlife Park

Wingham, nr Canterbury CT3 1JL
Tel (01227) 720836
info@winghamwildlifepark.co.uk
www.winghamwildlifepark.co.uk ⇒ Sandwich



With the largest collection of moving dinosaurs in Kent, indoor and outdoor play areas, mini golf, more different species than any other Kent zoo and plenty of catering outlets and picnic areas, the park is Kent's favourite family attraction. Explore walk through enclosures and see some of Kent's most amazing animals including giraffes, chimpanzees, tigers, bears, orangutans, giant tortoises, lions, flamingos and Kent's only penguins. The bug and wildlife garden is also not to be missed!

Open hours: 10am – 6pm (dusk in winter), every day except 25th December.

18 Balfour Winery

Staplehurst TN12 0HT
Tel (01622) 832794
www.balfourwinery.com
⇒ Marden / Staplehurst



Our home is a stunning 400-acre estate of vineyards, wildflower meadows, ancient oak woodlands, and apple orchards. As England's only "Gold-Medal" vineyard (VisitEngland), over 15,000 people visit our beautiful estate a year. We are open seven days a week for tastings, tours, events, and dining. Here you can taste our wines overlooking the very vines that created them.

Guided tour experiences and restaurant reservations must be booked in advance via our website.

19 Leeds Castle

Maidstone ME17 1PL
Tel (01622) 765400
www.leeds-castle.com
⇒ Bearsted



Leeds Castle is designed to entertain and amaze! There's over 500 acres of seasonal Kentish gardens and parkland to explore, breath-taking falconry experiences, thrilling children's play areas and even a challenging maze.

Journey through over 900 years of riveting history in the castle, including its ownership to seven of England's queens, through to its elaborate transformation into an elegant 20th century country house retreat.

Visitors to Leeds Castle pay for a day and visit FREE all year round.

20 Kent Life Heritage Farm Park

Maidstone ME14 3AU
Tel (01622) 763936
www.kentlife.org.uk
⇒ Maidstone East



Kent Life, where history and family fun sit side by side. A real working farm, the many animals, Owl Academy and farmyard are always popular with visitors.

Explore period homes and historic buildings in the Vintage Village, including a coal-fired Oast House, then relax in Dotty's with a homemade cake.

Children will enjoy an array of family fun, including indoor and outdoor play areas, animal encounters, fun farm rides, paint-a-pot studio and more!

21 Mote Park

Mote Avenue, Maidstone ME15 7SU
www.visitmaidstone.com/things-to-do/mote-park
⇒ Maidstone East/Maidstone West



Covering over 450 acres with natural features such as grassland, woodland, rivers and a 30-acre lake where you can hire canoes, kayaks, and pedalos. Great for walking with lots of paths and trails. Extensive children's play areas, skateboard park, mini golf, climbing wall, high ropes, Segways and café. Model railways and boats. Events held throughout the year, from large music festivals to guided walks.

Visitor centre and café

Open all year. Parking charges apply.

22 Tonbridge Castle

Tonbridge TN9 1BG
Tel (01732) 770929
tonbridge.castle@tmbc.gov.uk
www.tonbridgecastle.org ⇒ Tonbridge



Kent's most authentic medieval castle stands guard over the market town of Tonbridge. Step into 950 years of history, explore the great hall, winding stairs and basement or climb to the top of the imposing gatehouse for breathtaking views across the town.

Complete your visit with a relaxing picnic on our enclosed bailey lawn. It's the perfect day out for you and your family. Free audio tour. Dogs welcome.

23 Hever Castle & Gardens

Edenbridge TN8 7NG
Tel (01732) 865224
info@hevercastle.co.uk
www.hevercastle.co.uk

⇒ Hever



Discover over 600 years of history at the romantic double moated castle, the childhood home of Anne Boleyn. Explore 125 acres of formal and natural landscape in magnificent gardens.

Have fun in the yew maze and water maze (open April-October weather permitting), enjoy the Lake Walk, three Play Areas, Miniature Model Houses, Military Museum, Restaurants and Shops.

See website for opening times and events.

TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRES IN KENT

ASHFORD (01233) 330316	MAIDSTONE (01622) 602169
CANTERBURY (01227) 862162	MARGATE (01843) 577577
DEAL (01304) 369576	ROCHESTER (01634) 338141
DOVER (01304) 201066	SANDWICH (01304) 617197
FAVERSHAM (01795) 534542	TONBRIDGE (01732) 770929
FOLKESTONE (01303) 257946	TUNBRIDGE WELLS (01892) 526121
GRAVESEND (01474) 337600	WHITSTABLE (01227) 770060

Approximate scale: 1 cm = 4 km
1 in = 6 miles

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Using this leaflet

Map numbers in black indicate members with an entry in this leaflet. Those shown in green are located on the members' listing panel.

Due to the scale of the map, the numbered position of each member attraction is indicative of its location.

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- 2 Eastgate House – 01634 332700
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- 38 Lullingstone Roman Villa – 0370 333 1181
- 39 Eagle Heights – 01322 866577
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- 41 Temple Manor – 01634 335882
- 42 Fort Amherst – 01634 847747
- 43 Royal Engineers Museum – 01634 822839
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- 45 Old Brook Pumping Station – 01634 842059
- 46 Standard Quay – 01795 532453
- 47 Mount Ephraim Gardens – 01227 751496
- 48 The Beaney House of Art & Knowledge – 01227 862162
- 49 St Augustine's Abbey – 0370 333 1181
- 50 Goodnestone Park Gardens – 01304 840107
- 51 Dickens House Museum – 01843 861232
- 52 Deal Castle – 0370 333 1181
- 53 Dover Transport Museum – 01304 822409
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- 55 Folkestone Museum – 01303 257946
- 56 Rare Breeds Centre – 01233 861493
- 57 Kent & East Sussex Railway – 01580 765155
- 58 Bayham Old Abbey – 0370 333 1181
- 59 Cobtree Manor Park – 01622 602747
- 60 Kentish Lady – 01622 753740
- 61 Mote Park Outdoor Adventure – 01622 220232
- 62 Great Comp Garden – 01732 885094
- 63 Ightham Mote – 01732 810378
- 64 Knole – 01732 462100
- 65 Penshurst Place & Gardens – 01892 870307