

MORE THAN **6** OF THE BEST PLACES TO VISIT IN **KENT** 2025



27 Wildwood Trust
 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 walking 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 Dickens House Museum
 Broadstairs CT10 1QS ⇨ Broadstairs
 Tel (01843) 861232 www.dickensmuseumbroadstairs.com
 The Dickens House Museum in Broadstairs celebrates Charles Dickens' connection with the town, showcasing items, memorabilia, and inspirations for *David Copperfield* from 1837 - 1851.

31 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.

32 Battle of Britain Memorial
 Capel-le-Ferne, nr Folkestone CT18 7JJ ⇨ Folkestone Central
 Tel (01303) 249292 www.battleofbritainmemorial.org
 This tribute to 'The Few' who defeated the Luftwaffe in 1940 features a clifftop Memorial, replica aircraft, modern, high-tech visitor centre, shop and cafe.

33 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.

34 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.

35 Kent Life
 Maidstone ME14 3AU ⇨ Maidstone East
 Tel (01622) 763936 www.kentlife.org.uk
 A working farm with animals, historic buildings, and family activities. Enjoy play areas, rides and homemade treats. A perfect day out for all ages.

36 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.



37 The Amelia Scott
 Tunbridge Wells TN1 1LS ⇨ Tunbridge Wells
 Tel (01892) 526121 www.theamelia.co.uk
 The Amelia Scott, located in the centre of Tunbridge Wells, features a wide selection of historical artefacts, galleries, and exhibitions to interest the whole family.

38 Chiddingstone Castle
 Chiddingstone TN8 7AD ⇨ Penshurst
 Tel (01892) 870347 www.chiddingstonecastle.org.uk
 Chiddingstone Castle has a fascinating history and impressive collections. Plus beautiful grounds, a variety of events, a Victorian orangery, gift shop and traditional tea room.

For further information visit
Kentattractions.co.uk

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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 about 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 events 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.



7 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.



13 Dover Castle

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

Enjoy an action-packed day out at one of the most impressive English castles. Climb the Great Tower and immerse yourself in the splendour of the medieval palace, vividly brought to life. Discover the Secret Wartime Tunnels and see where the evacuation of troops from Dunkirk was masterminded. Go deep underground in the re-imagined medieval tunnels and uncover epic siege stories. Walk along the battlements in the footsteps of past kings, fire a trebuchet in the play area or relax in our café, there's something for everyone at Dover Castle.



19 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. Closed Jan - Mar 2025



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.



9 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.



15 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.



i TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRES IN KENT

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

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.



10 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 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!



16 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.**



21 Royal Engineers Museum

Gillingham ME7 1UR ⇒ Gillingham/Chatham
Tel (01634) 822839 www.re-museum.co.uk
Kent's largest military museum, showcasing the Royal Engineers and over 300 years of global history. Pay once; every visit and event is free for a whole year!

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 sailed the world's oceans. Peer through the periscope of a Cold War Submarine, stand on the bridge of a Second World War Destroyer, ring the bell on a Victorian Sloop, and explore the last operational Royal Navy Ropeyard. New for Spring/Summer 2025, Brickwrecks: Sunken Ships in LEGO® Bricks - see stunning LEGO® shipwreck models, plus interactives and audio-visual experiences that bring to life astonishing shipwreck stories.



11 Wingham Wildlife Park

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

Wingham Wildlife Park has come a long way since it was a bird park. We still have parrots, flamingos and penguins but are also home to chimpanzees, giraffes, tigers, crocodiles, orangutans, bears and many more. To complement some of nature's most amazing animals we also have plenty of places to eat, indoor and outdoor play areas and loads of free activities with our education team. Download our app to start planning your day out now! Open hours: 10am - 6pm (dusk in winter), every day except 25th December.



17 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.




23 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.

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.



12 Walmer Castle & Gardens

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


An Elizabethan 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.



18 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 and café. Model railways and boats. Events held throughout the year, from large music festivals to guided walks. Learning Space and café. Open all year. Parking charges apply.



25 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.

26 Mount Ephraim Gardens

Faversham ME13 9TX ⇒ Faversham
Tel (01227) 751496 www.mountephraimgardens.co.uk
Ten acres of Edwardian gardens with Japanese rock garden, topiary, lake, grass maze, rose garden and Tea Room. Open April-September, Wednesdays to Sundays and BH



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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- 40 Hall Place & Gardens – 01322 526574
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- 42 Eagle Heights – 01322 866577
- 43 Rochester Cathedral – 01634 843366
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- 47 Standard Quay – 01795 532453
- 48 The Beany House of Art & Knowledge – 01227 862162
- 49 St Augustine's Abbey – 0370 333 1181
- 50 Goodnestone Park Gardens – 01304 840107
- 51 Deal Castle – 0370 333 1181
- 52 Dover Transport Museum – 01304 822409
- 53 Dover Museum – 01304 201066
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- 55 The Reindeer Centre – 01795 890282
- 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 Boat Trips – 01622 753740
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- 64 Knole – 01732 462100
- 65 Penshurst Place & Gardens – 01892 870307