

Explore Cambridgeshire

Cambridgeshire's cities, towns, villages and countryside provide a wealth of fun things to do for all the family, from walks in the countryside, to shopping, culture and heritage or excellent attractions for all the family to enjoy. Join the bustle of market day and pick up a bargain or two at traditional markets in the cities or in the market towns. Seek out fresh local produce at farmers' markets throughout the county.

The county has bars and restaurants, or quiet country pubs and intimate bistros. Enjoy fine food to rival the best that London can offer or enjoy a home-cooked meal in a village inn made from the best fresh local produce. With a rich diversity of things to do, places to explore, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough has something for everyone.

For more great ideas of things to do and places to go make sure you check out www.visitcambridgeshire.org today

Heritage and Museums

Get close to the civil war at **Oliver Cromwell's House** in Ely. Discover life from days gone by at one of the many museums across Cambridgeshire. From Peterborough's history at the **Museum and Art Gallery**, to the museums of **Chatteris, March, Whittlesey** and **Wisbech**. Visit the fascinating **Cromwell Museum** in Huntingdon based in Cromwell's old school. Discover life in the fens at **Ramsey Rural Museum**, set in 17thC farm buildings, it includes collections from Victorian times to World War II.

Visit the **Farmland Museum and Denny Abbey** near Waterbeach for a special day out for all the family. Discover farming through the ages with interactive displays and explore a superb Norman abbey. Visit **Cambridge & County Folk Museum** and discover the only local social history museum in Cambridge with a comprehensive collection representing life in the South Cambridgeshire villages. Opening 3 August 2009, make sure you visit **Clare Cottage** in Helpston, Peterborough and discover the heritage of poet John Clare.

Standing in front of the magnificent triple-arched portico at **Peterborough Cathedral** has to be a send-to-a-friend picture. Snoop around the famous **Cambridge colleges** with a guided tour, opening doors which are normally firmly shut to all but the students. Go searching for a 3,000 Bronze Age site in Peterborough. **Flag Fen** is a 28 acre landscape park and heritage centre with reconstructions, parkland and museum.

and Peterborough

Activities

No visit to Cambridgeshire would be complete without a trip on a **Punt on the River Cam**, passing the famous colleges and immaculate lawns. If you are after excitement, head for **Grafham Water** and try windsurfing or sailing, or hire a bike for off-road cycling.

For shopping fans, you'll find all the big names and exclusive boutiques in **Peterborough** and **Cambridge**, whilst **Ely** is the place to seek out an unusual gift or two.

Don't miss the spectacular air shows at **Imperial War Museum Duxford** in spring, summer and autumn when both vintage and modern aircraft fill the skies. The internationally acclaimed **Cambridge Folk Festival** takes place in July.

Wildlife and Nature

If you like animals, Cambridgeshire is a great place to explore. Visit **Linton Zoo** and **Shepreth Wildlife Park** for a fascinating day out on the wild side.

Discover the treasures of farming and country life at **Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre**, near Peterborough, hidden deep in the heart of the countryside. Be captivated by nature at nearby **Welney Wetland Centre** - perfect for a day of walking.

Countryside and Gardens

Enjoy the day exploring 170 acres of grasslands, meadows, woodlands and lakes at **Hinchingsbrooke Country Park** in Huntingdon. Discover the last remaining pocket of undrained fen at **Wicken Fen** and visit **The Ouse Valley Way**, one of the most beautiful riverside walks in the country, stretching 26 miles in Huntingdonshire.. In the heart of **Nene Park** in Peterborough discover **Ferry Meadows**, a 500 acre country park that is a favourite destination for many visitors throughout the year.

True plant enthusiasts should make sure they visit **Cambridge University Botanic Garden**, a 40 acre oasis of landscaped gardens and tropical houses in the heart of the city. Make sure you visit **Elgood's Brewery and Gardens** in Wisbech where you can combine a visit to a traditional 200 year old brewery with a stunning four acre garden comprising specimen trees and water features.

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Great Attractions in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

FITZWILLIAM MUSEUM Kings College Chapel
PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL WELNEY WETLAND CENTRE
DUXFORD ANGLESEY ABBEY Nene Valley Railway

and so many more!



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Top attractions in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Please visit attraction website for opening times and further details.

1. Linton Zoo

Linton CB21 4NT
T: 01223 891308
www.lintonzoo.com
The zoo has big cats, tigers, wallabies, lemurs, toucans, parrots and reptiles, a wonderful combination of beautiful gardens and wildlife.



2. Fitzwilliam Museum

Cambridge CB2 1RB T: 01223 332900
www.fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk
A large, world class collection of antiques, applied art, illuminating manuscripts, coins and paintings. Original buildings are mid 19thC with later additions, including the courtyard development.



3. Imperial War Museum Duxford

Duxford CB22 4QR
T: 01223 835 000
www.iwm.org.uk/duxford
With its airshows, unique history and atmosphere, nowhere else combines the sights, sounds and power of aircraft quite like Duxford.



4. Anglesey Abbey Gardens & Lode Mill

Cambridge CB25 9EJ T: 01223 81008
www.nationaltrust.org.uk
A 13thC abbey with a later Jacobean style house containing the famous Fairhaven collection of paintings and furniture. Explore 93 acres of well maintained and distinct areas of gardens.



5. Kings College Chapel

Cambridge CB2 1ST T: 01223 331100
www.kings.cam.ac.uk
The chapel, founded by Henry VI includes the breathtaking fan-vault ceiling, stained-glass windows, a carved-oak screen and Ruben's masterpiece The Adoration of the Magi.



6. Wimpole Hall and Farm

Cambridge SG8 0BW T: 01223 206000
www.nationaltrust.org.uk
An 18thC house in a landscaped park with a folly, Chinese bridge, plunge bath and yellow drawing room in the house, the work of John Soane. Home Farm is a rare breeds centre.



7. The Stained Glass Museum

Ely CB7 4DL T: 01353 660347
www.stainedglassmuseum.com
A museum housing examples of stained glass from the 13thC to the present day in specially lit display boxes with models of a modern workshop.



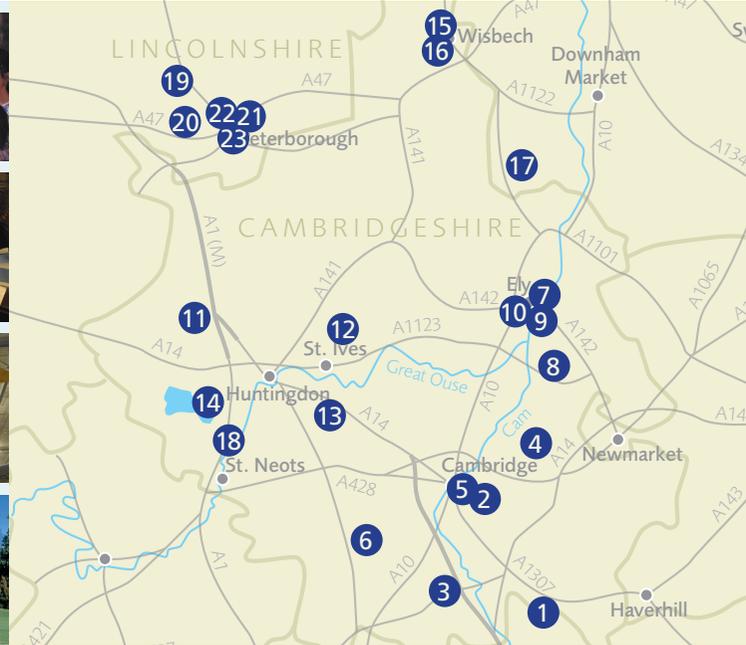
8. Wicken Fen National Nature Reserve

Ely CB7 5XP T: 01353 720274
www.nationaltrust.org.uk
The last remaining undrained portion of the great Fen levels of East Anglia, rich in plant and invertebrate life and good for birds. Also a working windpump and restored Fen cottage.



9. Ely Cathedral

Ely CB7 4DL T: 01353 659668
www.cathedral.ely.anglican.org
One of England's finest cathedrals with guided tours and tours of the Octagon and West Tower, monastic precincts. Also a brass rubbing centre and The Stained Glass Museum.



10. Oliver Cromwell's House

Ely CB7 4HF T: 01353 662062
www.olivercromwellshouse.co.uk
Visit the former Lord Protector's family home. Experience what domestic life would have been like in the 17thC in a variety of re-created period rooms.



11. Hamerton Zoo Park

Huntingdon PE28 5RE
T: 01832 293362
www.hamertonzoo.com
A wildlife park with tigers, lemurs, marmosets, meerkats, wallabies and a unique bird collection with rare and exotic species from around the world.



12. The Raptor Foundation

Huntingdon PE28 3BT T: 01487 741140
www.raptorfoundation.org.uk
Bird of prey centre, offering 3 daily flying displays with audience participation, gift shop, Silent Wings tearoom, Raptor crafts shop. Various handling courses available.



13. Wood Green Animal Shelter

Huntingdon PE29 2LJ T: 0844 2488181
www.woodgreen.org.uk
Wood Green Animal Shelter is a registered charity that has been taking in and re-homing animals since 1924. The charity takes in over 5,000 animals a year and has set national standards in animal care.



14. Grafham Water

Huntingdon PE28 0BX T: 01480 812154
www.anglianwaterleisure.co.uk
Grafham Water offers a wide range of attractions from fly fishing, and birdwatching to cycling and watersports or simply hire a cycle. There is a Visitor Centre with gift shop and café at Mander Car Park.



15. Octavia Hills Birthplace House

Wisbech PE13 1JB T/F: 01945 476358
www.octaviahill.org
Grade II Georgian house in which Octavia Hill, social reformer and co-founder of the National Trust was born. The Museum commemorates her life, work and legacy.



16. Peckover House and Gardens

Wisbech PE13 1JR T: 01945 583463
www.nationaltrust.org.uk
A merchant's house on the North Brink of the River Nene, built in 1722 with a plaster and wood rococo interior and a notable and rare Victorian garden with unusual trees.



17. Welney Wetland Centre

Wisbech PE14 9TN T: 01353 860711
www.wwt.org.uk/welney
A wetland nature reserve of 1,000 acres attracting large numbers of ducks and swans in winter and waders in spring and summer plus a range of wild plants and butterflies.



18. Paxton Pits

St Neots PE19 6ET T: 01480 406795
www.paxton-pits.org.uk
The reserve has 75 hectares of lakes, meadows, grassland, scrub and woodland along the River Great Ouse. The Reserve is open at all times and the Visitor Centre every day.



19. Burghley House

Peterborough PE9 3JY
T: 01780 752451
www.burghley.co.uk
The largest and grandest house of the Elizabethan age, with many collections, a house to explore and 200 acres of park and gardens to discover.



20. Nene Valley Railway

Peterborough PE8 6LR T: 01780 784444
www.nvr.org.uk
A 7.5-mile track between Wansford and Peterborough via Yarwell junction and Nene Park with over 28 steam and diesel locomotives. Regular steam trains operate over the line.



21. Flag Fen Archaeological Park

Peterborough PE6 7QJ T: 01733 313414
www.flagfen.org
Visit this 28 acre landscape park and heritage centre and explore a reconstructed village from the Bronze Age. Discover what life was like 3500 years ago



22. Peterborough Cathedral

Peterborough PE1 1XS T: 01733 355300
www.peterborough-cathedral.org.uk
The Cathedral in Peterborough is dedicated to St Peter, St Paul and St Andrew and is widely recognised as the most beautiful Norman Cathedral in England.



23. Peterborough Museum & Art Gallery

Peterborough PE1 1LF T: 01733 864663
www.peterboroughheritage.org.uk
A fascinating and fun place to visit for all the family, right in the heart of the city centre.

