

Hampshire

Literary Greats

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Port Details

PORT - Southampton

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Southampton Port is a short distance from Southampton City Centre and well served by all modes of transport, making access to and from the port effortless.

Jane Austen's House Museum

Local Guides

See Southampton

Innovative tours for individuals and visiting groups committed to showing you the best of Southampton.

www.seesouthampton.co.uk
+44 (0)7770 842728

Southampton Tourist Guides Association

Fully qualified tourist guides dedicated to serving visitors to the city and its surrounds. Affiliated to the Guild of Tourist Guiding it has both Blue, Green, and White Badges awarded by the Institute of Tourist Guiding.

www.southamptontouristguides.com
Andy Wheeler: +44 (0)7857863566

Coach Companies

Lucketts Travel

Largest provider of luxury travel on the South Coast with 130 modern, luxury coaches, buses and people carriers.

www.lucketts.co.uk
+44 (0)1329 823755

Princess Coaches

A leading supplier of 16 air conditioned luxury coaches in the Southampton area.

www.princesscoaches.co.uk
+44 (0)2380 472150

Angela Coaches

Luxury coach provider from 7-52 seats in the South Coast area.

www.angelacoaches.co.uk
+44 (0)2380 403170

Jane Austen, Charles Dickens and Gilbert White

Hampshire is renowned as the birthplace of some of England's most famous authors. Jane Austen was born and spent most of her life in the county, falling in love with the Hampshire countryside, which inspired much of her work.

Whilst a young Jane Austen was penning her early works, Hampshire's beautiful countryside was also inspiring Gilbert White to discover more of the natural world and write his famous 'The Natural History of Selborne' which to this day has never been out of print!

Charles Dickens was born in Portsmouth, but whilst his family moved to London when he was three, it seems his birthplace played a much larger part in his life than may first appear. He referenced the city in a number of works and returned to Portsmouth on his public reading tours.

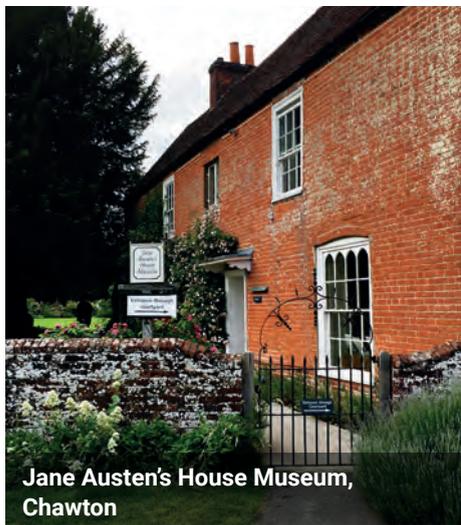


Winchester Cathedral



Half Day Suggested Itinerary

Experience Jane Austen's Chawton and Winchester, places that are intrinsically connected with this famous author.



Jane Austen's House Museum, Chawton

Jane Austen's House Museum

(1-2 hours approx.)

Follow in the footsteps of Hampshire author Jane Austen with a visit to her former home, now an intimate museum in east Hampshire. Spend time exploring the rooms in which she used to live and write and see some of the fascinating articles she once owned. Nearby Chawton House, once owned by Jane's brother, is also a museum and garden and a memorable joint visit.

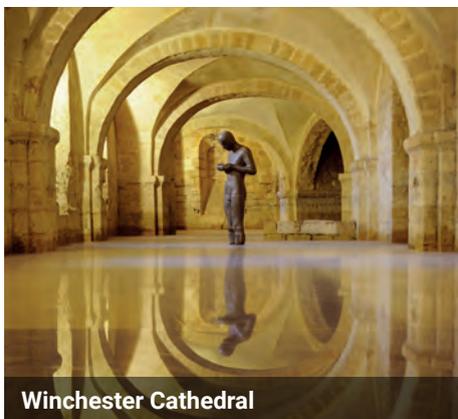


Winchester High Street

Winchester Cathedral

(1-2 hours approx.)

England's ancient capital is a city steeped in history, offering rich pickings for visitors looking to uncover Britain's past, including Mayflower connections. Experience magnificent architecture, priceless treasures and great works of art in one of England's finest medieval cathedrals. Find the resting place of kings, queens and bishops as well as much-loved author Jane Austen. The Winchester Bible, a 12th century national treasure should not be missed.



Winchester Cathedral

The Green Man, Winchester

(1 hour approx.)

A traditional English pub and restaurant, specialising in local produce, in the heart of the city centre near Winchester Cathedral.

Things to do

Winchester Cathedral

Experience magnificent architecture, Jane Austen's grave, priceless treasures and great works of art in one of England's finest medieval cathedrals.



+44 (0)1962 857225

visits@winchester-cathedral.org.uk

www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk

Gilbert White's House Museum, Selborne

Discover three fascinating stories about explorers of the natural world at the home of this famous 18th century naturalist.



+44 (0)1420 511275

info@gilbertwhiteshouse.org.uk

www.gilbertwhiteshouse.org.uk

Charles Dickens Birthplace Museum, Portsmouth

Learn about the author's early life at the home he was born in 1812.



+44 (0)23 9283 4737

mvs@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

www.charlesdickensbirthplace.co.uk

Highclere Castle

Explore the history, gardens, events and life behind the scenes of "The Real Downton Abbey".



+44 (0)1635 253 210

theoffice@highclerecastle.co.uk

www.highclerecastle.co.uk

The Vyne

A warm red-bricked Tudor mansion built in the 16th century for Lord Sandys, Henry VIII's Lord Chamberlain, with wonderful gardens.



+44 (0)1256 883858

thevyne@nationaltrust.org.uk

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/the-vyne

Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

See the Mary Rose, the only 16th century warship on display anywhere in the world.. Step onboard historic ships, such as Nelson's HMS Victory and HMS Warrior 1860, and understand the Royal Navy, past, present and future.



+44 (0)23 9283 9766

phd.groups@nmrn.org.uk

www.historicdockyard.co.uk

Things to do

Jane Austen House Museum, Chawton

Jane Austen's former home, now an intimate museum. Spend time exploring the rooms in which she used to live and write and her personal artefacts.



+44 (0)1420 83262

enquiries@jahm.usm.org.uk

www.jane-austens-house-museum.org.uk

Chawton House Library

A quintessential English manor house that once belonged to Jane Austen's brother. The library, house and gardens are a very special place to visit.



+44 (0)1420 541010

info@chawtonhouselibrary.org

www.chawtonhouse.org

Lunch and Evening Meals

Mozzarella Joes, Portsmouth

Southsea's only restaurant right on the seafront and specialising in catering for groups.



+44 (0)23 9229 5004
info@mozzarellajoes.co.uk
www.mozzarellajoes.co.uk

Grand Café, Southampton

Housed in the Wedgewood Ballroom of the old South Western Hotel and used by first class passengers of the Titanic. The perfect place to enjoy light lunches and early dinners.



+44 (0)23 8033 9303
info@grand-cafe.co.uk

The Green Man, Winchester

A pub and restaurant, specialising in local produce, in the heart of the city centre near Winchester Cathedral.



+44 (0)1962 866 809
gm@littlepubgroup.co.uk
www.the.littlepubgroup.co.uk

Brasserie Blanc, Winchester

French style restaurant in the heart of the city centre.



+44 (0)1962 810870
winchester@brasserieblanc.com
www.brasserieblanc.com/restaurants/
winchester

Wykeham Arms, Winchester

Sandwiched between the Cathedral and the 14th century college, this luxurious country pub with rooms is surrounded by heritage.



+44 (0)1962 853834
wykehamarms@fullers.co.uk

Gunwharf Quays

Set in a cultural harbour front location in the heart of Portsmouth, Gunwharf Quays is the South's leading designer shopping outlet and over 30 restaurants, bars and coffee shops.



+44 (0)23 9283 6700
gwq-info@landsecurities.com
www.gunwharf-quays.com

Full Day Suggested Itinerary

Heading further afield to Portsmouth and the South Downs National Park, this itinerary explores Hampshire links with Charles Dickens and Gilbert White, the famous 18th century naturalist.

Charles Dickens House Museum, Portsmouth

(1 hour approx.)

This author was born in Portsmouth in 1812 and his birthplace is a not to be missed small museum. The displays bring the birthplace to life, perfectly presenting the furnishings and style of the Dickens family.



Charles Dickens House Museum

Gunwharf Quays

Set in a cultural harbour front location in the heart of Portsmouth, Gunwharf Quays is one of the South's leading shopping and leisure destinations. Set on the historic waterfront, it is the ideal place to explore, shop and dine and take in the exciting sights of this historic coastal city. A vast collection of restaurants, bars and coffee shops to suit all tastes, are available both daytime or evening.



Gunwharf Quays, Portsmouth



Gilbert White's House Museum

Gilbert White's House Museum, Selborne

(1-2 hours approx.)

Selborne and its surrounding landscape nestled in the South Downs National park, inspired Gilbert White's life-long investigation of the natural world, culminating in his world-famous book The Natural History and Antiquities of Selborne. This fascinating property tells Gilbert White's story within the walls of his family home and garden. The later extensions to the house host The Oates Collections, celebrating two very different explorers of the natural world.

Mozzarella Joes

(1 hour approx.)

Southsea's only restaurant right on the seafront and specialising in catering for groups.

Food and Drink Experiences

Hattingley Valley Vineyard

Award winning producer of Hampshire sparkling wine on a 60 acre vineyard.



+44 (0)1256 389188
marketing@hattingleyvalley.co.uk
www.hattingleyvalley.co.uk

Bombay Sapphire Distillery

Uncover the secrets of this famous gin and enjoy tours of the distillery which is housed within a 300 year old mill that used to supply bank note paper to the Bank of England.



+44 (0)1256 890090
groups@bombaysapphire.com



Events

July (alternate years)
Farnborough Air Show
www.farnboroughairshow.com

July (annually)
Hampshire Food Festival
www.hampshirefare.co.uk

July (annually)
Winchester Hat Fair
www.hatfair.co.uk

July (annually)
New Forest Show
www.newforestshow.co.uk

July and September (annually)
Goodwood Festival of Speed
and Revival
www.goodwood.com

August (annually)
Cowes Week
www.lendycowesweek.co.uk

September (annually)
Southampton Boat Show
www.southamptonboatshow.com

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inspired by the past.

Speakers

Speakers are available to provide on-ship and for on-shore presentations, after dinner speeches and insight into Jane Austen and literary Hampshire.

Cheryl Butler
hello@cherylbutler.co.uk
Southampton, Shakespeare and Jane Austen

Louise West
louisewest1@btopenworld.com
Jane Austen and Literary Hampshire

Events Overview

For the latest information on Southampton and Hampshire's spectacular annual programme of world-class events please see www.visit-hampshire.co.uk/whats-on



Map Key

-  Location of attractions
-  Food & drink establishments
-  Approx distance from port (miles)

For more information

For more information about things to do, places to eat and events in Hampshire, go to www.visit-hampshire.co.uk

For specific enquiries and further information, contact Andrew Bateman at Visit Hampshire
andrew.bateman@hants.gov.uk

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