

# VISIT

Battle / Bexhill / Bodiam / Camber / Hastings  
Herstmonceux / Pevensey / Rye / Winchelsea



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1066 COUNTRY

*The date is easy to remember.  
The place is hard to forget.*

Where the wooded hills of the Sussex Weald stretch down and touch the sea of England’s south coast, you’ll find 1066 Country. Set deep in history, its ancient settlements nestle in a rich landscape of woods, marshes, shorelines and horizons.

Yesterday’s traditions meet today’s thriving art and music scene, while castles and forts tell timeless stories of invasion and conquest.

Despite its feeling of seclusion, 1066 Country is living proof that a breath of fresh air doesn’t need to mean a long journey. On a direct rail route from London, it’s less than 90 minutes from the big smoke, making it a perfect, easy escape.



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Sam Moore, Visual Air

BATTLE – UNFOLDING  
ENGLAND’S STORY

Named after the most famous conflict on English soil, this compact market town grew up alongside the battleground. Its tranquil medieval abbey and the surrounding ancient woodlands are largely unchanged to this day.

Celebratory bonfires and battle re-enactments, a year-round programme of lively events, plus an annual festival of contemporary

arts and music, are all features of its enduring heritage.

Stretching out before the abbey’s crenellated walls and arched entrance, the high street is a bustling mix of independent businesses. Craft shops, gift boutiques, cosy pubs and tea-rooms jostle alongside designers representing the best in British sustainability. Leave from Charing Cross or London Bridge and you’ll be there in no time..

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BEXHILL –  
RETRO ON SEA

Bexhill is undoubtedly best known for the De La Warr Pavilion, a pioneering centre for the arts and feat of modernist architecture. Their programme of music, theatre, comedy and art is internationally renowned. The 1930s art deco-style building stands prominently on the seafront, above a small colonnade, with sun terraces overlooking the English Channel. Put on your best vintage outfit and conjure up those retro images of halcyon days beside the seaside.

Bexhill was first promoted as a fashionable resort at the turn of the twentieth century, with its extended

promenade offering the perfect location for the first motor car races. It was also one of the first resorts to allow men and women to swim together on the same beach. What scandal! Head to Bexhill Museum to find out more.

Today, the town continues to innovate, sympathetically mixing the old with the new. Shop for pre-loved goodies and the latest vinyl record releases. Enjoy fish and chips on the beach or laid-back fine dining. You won’t find neon attractions here but renovated beach shelters, outdoor summer concerts, day festivals and sunset cinema screenings.

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## HASTINGS – SALTY SEA DOG

Just a stone's throw — well, a cycle ride — from Bexhill, you'll find Hastings and St Leonards. The latter was first conceived as a luxury destination for the most prominent Victorians and is now a creative hub with a strong spirit of community and a flourishing independent scene. Arriving from St Leonards

Warrior Square train station, you'll find the thriving Kings Road before descending the hill to the seafront, where you'll catch your first glimpse of the RIBA Stirling Award-winning Hastings Pier.

The ruins of Hastings Castle overlook the town from atop the West Hill, while caverns reputedly once bestowed with the cargo of notorious smugglers are hidden



Photography by Sam Moore

from view. Reach it by riding one of the town's two funicular railways. The other scales the East Hill to reach Hastings Country Park Nature Reserve. Set within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, it covers 600 hectares of gorse-covered heathlands, grassland and ancient gill woodland, with stunning views of the prehistoric coastline. It's one of three Green Flag Award-winning parks in the town, the others being the spectacular Alexandra Park and the Regency-style St Leonards Gardens.

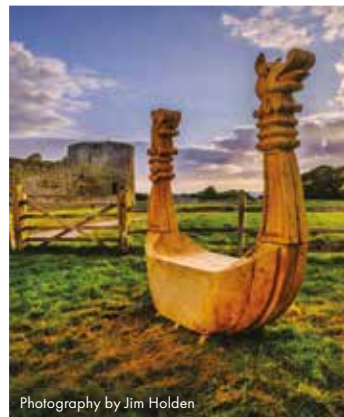
Nestled between the East and West Hills, the Old Town of Hastings is picture perfect. Tudor houses and flower-bedecked cottages are joined by independent shops, pubs and boutique B&Bs. Sit outside on the bustling George Street and watch the world go by. Tour the hard-working fishing quarter with its towering black net huts and fleet of beached boats that make it instantly recognisable. While away the time at the Shipwreck Museum,

Fishermen's Museum, Hastings Aquarium and the purpose-built art gallery, Hastings Contemporary.

Along the seafront, you'll find the usual amusements we all love, and those that have placed Hastings on the international stage. Hastings Adventure Golf hosts the World Crazy Golf Championships each year and Source Park, towards the pier, is the world's largest underground skatepark. A short walk inland, Hastings Museum and Art Gallery inspires with its global collections.

The town is also well known for its eccentric characters and its residents need little excuse for a party. Festivals are hosted throughout the year and include Hastings Fat Tuesday in February, well-revered by music lovers, and the traditional Jack in the Green Festival, where the entire town turns out to release the 'spirit of summer'. Need we say more!

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Photography by Jim Holden

## PEVENSEY AND HERSTMONCEUX – CASTLES AND STARS

The bay at Pevensey is where the Norman forces landed, while a mile inland a Roman coastal fort, Pevensey Castle, stands proud. Today the village is an eclectic seaside stronghold, one face hugging the shoreline, the other overlooking a hinterland of levels. This piece of Saxon frontier land has its own original story to tell and a wild side for every season.

Tucked away a few miles inland from Pevensey, further along the 1066 Country Walk, Herstmonceux is a village with many claims to fame – moated castle, former Royal Observatory, science centre and home of the Sussex trug. With its telescope domes, windmill and castle turrets, it sits modestly between Wealden hills and marshland, its eyes on the skies and its feet on the ground.

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Photography by Julie Ryan

## RYE – STYLISH COBBLED CITADEL

A medieval citadel with an impressive harbour, Rye reveals its history gently. Today its preserved Tudor and Georgian buildings are home to a myriad of art galleries, quirky attractions and cosy pubs, as well as modern boutique hotels and contemporary restaurants, serving the best Sussex has to offer from land and sea.

Walk around the charming-cobbled streets, including the famous Mermaid Street, where each alleyway holds smuggled secrets and timeless tales. The town is known for its antique shops, delicatessens and its traditional Sussex pottery.

Reach to the tip of the estuary and you'll find Rye Harbour Nature Reserve with its new Discovery Centre. Accessible coastal paths follow the shingle shore and encompass the

saltmarsh and wetlands. Home to over 4,000 species of plants and animals, look out from the bird hides to see what you can discover within this mosaic of habitats.

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## HIDDEN GEMS OF 1066 COUNTRY

### Bodiam

Bodiam's fame rests on its storybook moated castle. Reach it by steam train or river cruise, by kayak or on foot. Combine visits to nearby gardens and organic vineyards with award-winning glamping or camping experiences.



Photography by Osnyua

### Camber

Backed by dunes and beach houses, Camber spreads its broad sands far out to sea, inviting in the height of summer, invigorating in the depths of winter. Join the kite and windsurfers, hire an ebike, or simply build sandcastles, jump the dunes and breath it all in.



Photography by Jonny Thompson

### Winchelsea

Get lost in Winchelsea, England's smallest town, where the streets have no names. This ancient town of the Cinque Ports, set high on its Sussex hill, is built on a grid system with hidden medieval wine cellars beneath. You'll be surprised who you come across.

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destinations](https://www.visit1066country.com/destinations)



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## Itinerary Planner

### Explore our rich culture

Rich in seaside eccentricity, wander the beach cradling your vinegar-steaming fish and chips, the fresh air on your face and the salt in your hair. Relax on the De La Warr's terrace, gulls crying overhead, the light dazzling the water. Take a soothing sea dip, just keep an eye out for the occasional playful seal. Kayak and paddleboard along the River Rother, harness the wind kitebugging the sands at Camber, or learn to sail at Rye.

Head inland and find a cosy country pub to sip a refreshing pint of craft beer in the sun, or by the warm, open fire in winter. Stroll through spectacular gardens in bloom, explore by bicycle, watch for wildlife across the marshland. Soak up the history at our many ruined strongholds. March past the sculptures of the 1066 Country Walk, where Pevensie,

Herstmonceux, Battle, Winchelsea and Rye connect.

Take in a vineyard tour, savouring the flinty sparkles and fruity aromas of the very land beneath your boots. Enjoy a plate of the plumpest Rye Bay scallops or a dish of salty Romney Marsh lamb. Select the freshest local produce from our farm shops and pick-your-owns. We eat and drink well here. It's our chefs and shopkeepers, our farmers and fishers our winemakers and bakers who make the difference.

Satisfy your curiosity in our museums, reveal stories of travellers, shipwrecks and ancient settlers. Literary legends abound here, think Rudyard Kipling and Henry James. Immerse yourself in modern and contemporary art of international repute. Find your own treasure in the off-beat shops along the winding cobbled streets of Rye, the bustling high street of Battle, the twittens of



Photography by Jim Holden

Hastings Old Town and Bexhill's vintage emporiums.

Visit Herstmonceux to discover the wonders of the night sky. Camp under a canopy of stars to surround yourself in nature. Choose between shepherd huts, teepees, treehouses, even a hobbit house, to make sure your stay is truly one to remember.

Most of all, take your time. Here we value the original.

### Fun-filled family getaway

There's buckets and spades full of fun for all the family in 1066

Country, whether that's building castles in the sands or spotting crabs in the rockpools.

The Observatory Science Centre in Herstmonceux is a fascinating day out, offering hands-on experiments, giant telescopes and an outdoor Discovery Park that will keep your children entertained for hours.

Nearby Knockhatch Adventure Park has a petting zoo, owl sanctuary, go-karts, high ropes, as well as indoor and outdoor playgrounds for your little adventurers big and small. Find play areas hidden in the

woods and make a splash on Bewl Water's giant inflatable obstacle course.

Only the brave dare enter the Smugglers Adventure deep inside the caves of Hastings' West Hill, Speaking of the deep, at the foot of the East Hill Lift is Hastings Aquarium, an underwater world waiting to be explored.

For rainy days, fly high above 1066 Country on the virtual Soar Tour. Clambers Play Centre has a varied play area with ball pools, slides and obstacle courses, both inside and out. For picnics in the sunshine find Alexandra Park in Hastings and Egerton Park in Bexhill.

Reach Bodiam and Northiam on the heritage Kent & East Sussex Railway. You'll find kayaking, rowing, canoeing, stand-up paddleboarding, river cruises and camping. Embark on an adventure quest at Battle Abbey and Battlefield to ignite young imaginations.

For an action-packed day out, visit Drusillas Park – part zoo, part theme park. With a range of animals to see, from sloths to meerkats, spiders to snakes, mazes and rides, you'll need a whole day here.

Play old penny arcade games at the Rye Heritage Centre and watch the latest silver screen smash at the Kino Rye. E-bikes can be hired at Rye Harbour and Camber. Bedgebury National Pinetum & Forest has fantastic cycle paths too, along with 'Go Ape' and play trails. So go on, explore nature and have a wild time.



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## Things to do

1066 Country offers a wealth of places to explore in a small but impressive area and this guide gives a brief flavour of the charms that lie at the heart of this truly famous place. Dig your toes in the sand, gulls crying overhead, the light dazzling the water. Walk the winding cobbled streets seeking out quirky shops. Feel the echoes of battle through centuries of stone.

Most attractions are open all year round, and many are accessible by public transport too, so why not consider leaving the car at home and travelling sustainably?

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### BATTLE MUSEUM OF LOCAL HISTORY



The Almonry, Battle, TN33 0EA  
 T 01424 775955  
 E [enquiries@battlemuseum.com](mailto:enquiries@battlemuseum.com)  
 W [battlemuseum.com](https://battlemuseum.com)

The Museum, set in award-winning gardens, covers 125 million years of local history. Find out about the Romans, the Normans and much more!



FREE ENTRY

### 1066 BATTLE OF HASTINGS, ABBEY & BATTLEFIELD



High Street, Battle, TN33 0AE  
 T 0370 333 1181  
 W [english-heritage.org.uk/battle](https://english-heritage.org.uk/battle)

Stand where the battle for England's future was fought. Walk the battlefield sculpture trail, soak up the gatehouse rooftop views, discover the exhibition and explore the abbey ruins.



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### ST MARY'S, BATTLE



Upper Lake, Battle, TN33 0AN  
 T 01424 772693  
 E [parishoffice@stmarysbattle.org.uk](mailto:parishoffice@stmarysbattle.org.uk)  
 W [stmarysbattle.org.uk](https://stmarysbattle.org.uk)

A Grade I Listed church of national historic importance with a thriving community, foodbank and more. Visit for a service or come and see the Battle Tapestry and the crusader knight engraved crosses.



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FREE ENTRY

### BEXHILL MUSEUM



Egerton Road, Bexhill, TN39 3HL  
 T 01424 222058  
 E [info@bexhillmuseum.org.uk](mailto:info@bexhillmuseum.org.uk)  
 W [bexhillmuseum.org.uk](https://bexhillmuseum.org.uk)

Bexhill Museum offers something for everyone from, local history and archaeology to fashion and motor heritage. Operate Eddie Izzard's childhood train set and see the 'Bexhill in 1940' model railway layout. There is a wide range of events, activities and workshops throughout the year.

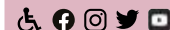


### DE LA WARR PAVILION, BEXHILL



Marina, Bexhill, TN40 1DP  
 T 01424 229111  
 E [info@dlwp.com](mailto:info@dlwp.com)  
 W [dlwp.com](https://dlwp.com)

A modernist building on Bexhill's promenade with free exhibitions, outdoor shows, music, comedy gigs, family events, a gift shop, record shop and a stylish café overlooking the sea.



FREE ENTRY

### EGERTON PARK



Located behind Bexhill Museum.  
 Egerton Road, Bexhill, TN39 3HL

W [rother.gov.uk/egerton](https://rother.gov.uk/egerton)

Egerton Park offers a wide range of facilities including a children's play-zone, fitness area and tennis courts. The park is also home to both an indoor and outdoor bowling club.



FREE ENTRY

### ALEXANDRA PARK



St Helens Road/Lower Park Road,  
 Hastings, TN34 2LG  
 T 01424 451066

A ten-minute walk from Hastings Town Centre, the Grade II Listed heritage park is one of the finest examples of a Victorian park to be found anywhere in the country. It has all the attractions for a great day out, from open spaces to run about, a wonderful café, play areas and great walks, ponds and streams.



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FREE ENTRY

**HASTINGS ADVENTURE & CRAZY GOLF**

Hastings Seafront, TN34 3AJ  
 T 01424 437227  
 E hello@hastingsadventuregolf.com  
 W hastingsadventuregolf.com

With three 18-hole courses, this is the UK centre for miniature golf and the home of the World Crazy Golf Championships.



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**BATTLE ZONE LIVE OUTDOOR COMBAT**

White Rock Gardens, Hastings, TN34 1LD  
 T 01424 423778  
 E info@battlezonelive.co.uk  
 W battlezonelive.co.uk

This outdoor activity will have you charging through a custom-built outdoor terrain. The action will be exhilarating as you stalk your opponents through Battlezone using MP5 and Uzi machine guns.

**HASTINGS COUNTRY PARK**

Various access points to east of Hastings  
 T 01424 451066  
 W visit1066country.com

A fabulous nature reserve with stunning coastal scenery, plus a new visitor centre and café, the Bale House. Explore ancient woodland glens and rugged coastal paths. Conservation grazing and sustainable management makes this one of the most important nature reserves in the country.



@thebalehousenr

FREE ENTRY

**HASTINGS CONTEMPORARY**

Rock-a-Nore Road, TN34 3DW  
 T 01424 728377  
 E info@hastingscontemporary.org  
 W hastingscontemporary.org

Situated on the dramatic seafront of Europe's largest fishing beach, Hastings Contemporary celebrates modern and contemporary art, hosting several exhibitions a year. The gallery shop sells unique products and the café offers amazing sea views.

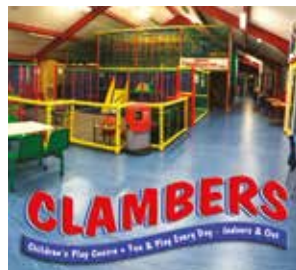
**HASTINGS AQUARIUM**

Rock-A-Nore Road, Hastings, TN34 3DW  
 T 01424 718776  
 E hastings@bluereefaquarium.co.uk  
 W bluereefaquarium.co.uk/hastings

Hastings Aquarium is the perfect destination for the whole family. Home to 3,500 incredible aquatic animals and reptiles. Seahorses, turtles, sharks, octopus and more! Embark on an amazing underwater safari today!



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**CLAMBERS PLAY CENTRE**

White Rock Gardens, Hastings, TN34 1LD  
 T 01424 423778  
 E info@clambers.co.uk  
 W clambers.co.uk

Soft play for all the family, with indoor and outdoor play areas for children up to the age of 12. There's a separate indoor play area for under fives. There's a five-star rated café, too.

**HASTINGS CASTLE & 1066 STORY**

Castle Hill Rd, Hastings, TN34 3JL  
 T 01424 422964  
 E info@smugglersadventure.co.uk  
 W smugglersadventure.co.uk

Take a step back in time and discover the history of Britain's first Norman castle – built by William the Conqueror in 1067. Perfect for taking in the breathtaking views of the Hastings coastline.

**EAST & WEST HILL LIFTS**

East Hill: Rock-a-Nore Road  
 West Hill: George Street  
 T 01424 446104  
 W visit1066country.com

Giving panoramic views over the Old Town, across the coastline and for access to the Country Park (East) and Hastings Castle and Smugglers Adventure (West).



Partially accessible for East Hill Lift only





## HASTINGS FISHERMEN'S MUSEUM



Rock-a-Nore Rd, TN34 3DW

T 01424 461446

W ohps.org.uk

The Fishermen's Museum was the fishermen's church of St Nicholas (1854), set among the net shops where the fishers store their gear. Experience Hastings' fishing heritage here. Climb aboard Hastings' oldest fishing boat, built over 100 years ago.



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## HASTINGS MUSEUM & ART GALLERY



Bohemia Road, Hastings, TN34 1ET

T 01424 451052

E museum@hastings.gov.uk

W hmag.org.uk

An award-winning family-friendly museum where you can travel from the dawn of the dinosaurs via 1066, an Indian palace and the Mods and Rockers to the North American plains - all in one visit!



**FREE ENTRY**

## SHIPWRECK MUSEUM



Rock-a-Nore Rd, TN34 3DW

T 01424 437452

E info@shipwreckmuseum.co.uk

W shipwreckmuseum.co.uk

Suitable for adults and children alike, the museum has a fascinating collection of shipwreck-related artefacts and fossils. Find out about two major local wrecks, the Dutch East Indiaman 'Amsterdam' and Charles II's warship 'Anne'.



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## SMUGGLERS ADVENTURE



St Clements Caves, Hastings, TN34 3JJ

T 01424 422964

E info@smugglersadventure.co.uk

W smugglersadventure.co.uk

Explore acres of underground caverns and learn all about the secretive, fascinating and often blood-thirsty world of the ancient smuggling gangs, in the very caves they reputedly operated from. There's so much to be found underground!



**Days Out Sussex**

## HASTINGS LIFEBOAT STATION



The Stade, Hastings, TN34 3AL

T 01424 425502

E hastings\_visitorcentre@rnli.org.uk

W hastingslifeboat.org.uk

Located next to the fishing fleet berths on the working beach. It's an ideal location for launching and recovering, away from the crowds on the beach. For group bookings please email or phone (24 hour answerphone) for booking form.



Donations welcome.

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## HASTINGS HISTORY HOUSE



21 Courthouse Street, TN34 3AU

T 01424 424744

W ohps.org.uk

Hastings History House offers exhibitions on local history, help with research and local history books for sale - old and new. There's a large archive of reference books, pictures and items of local interest.



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## SHIRLEY LEAF & PETAL COMPANY



58a High Street, TN34 3EN

T 01424 427793

Unique **museum, shop** and **manufacturer** for TV and film sets.

Clients of the company include designers for Lady Gaga's costumes, the sets of Disney's 'Frozen The Musical' and Ridley Scott's 'Gladiator'.

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## THE SOURCE PARK AND THE COURTYARD



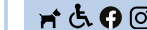
White Rock, Hastings, TN34 1JL

T 01424 238360

E info@sourcebmx.com

W sourcebmx.com/sourcepark

The Source Park is the world's largest underground skatepark, located in former Turkish baths under Hastings seafront. For BMX, skateboard and scooter riders of all ages and abilities, with a shop and restaurants in The Courtyard.



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### STABLES THEATRE AND ARTS CENTRE



The Bourne, Hastings, TN34 3BD  
 T 01424 423221  
 E [info@stablestheatre.co.uk](mailto:info@stablestheatre.co.uk)  
 W [stablestheatre.co.uk](http://stablestheatre.co.uk)

The Stables presents its own plays, professional shows, music and dance together with six art exhibitions each year. Membership available.



### THE BRITISH TEA MUSEUM



42 George Street, Hastings Old Town, TN34 3EA  
 T 07825 916401  
 E [info@thebritishteamuseum.com](mailto:info@thebritishteamuseum.com)  
 W [thebritishteamuseum.com](http://thebritishteamuseum.com)

The British Tea Museum celebrates the customs and manners of British teatime. Journey through the social history of tea and tea table etiquette. Enjoy a teatime masterclass, afternoon tea and Victorian carriage.



### FLAMINGO FAMILY AMUSEMENTS



The Stade, East Beach Street, Hastings, TN34 3AR  
 T 01424 716068

Head for Flamingo Amusements (adjacent to Flamingo Park) in Hastings Old Town for the best fun in town. The best and latest arcade games as well as traditional favourites, collect tickets to win big prizes.



### WHITE ROCK THEATRE



White Rock, Hastings, TN34 1JX  
 T 0343 310 0031  
 W [whiterocktheatre.org.uk](http://whiterocktheatre.org.uk)

The White Rock Theatre is the largest entertainment venue in Hastings and is home to some of the best live music, comedy and variety entertainment in East Sussex.



### ST MARY IN THE CASTLE



St Mary in the Castle, 7 Pelham Place, TN34 3AF  
 T 01424 715880  
 E [enquiries@stmaryinthecastle.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@stmaryinthecastle.org.uk)  
 W [stmaryinthecastle.org.uk](http://stmaryinthecastle.org.uk)

St Mary in the Castle is a unique live music, arts and culture venue. This Grade II\* Listed heritage building is also licensed for weddings and perfect for film location shoots.



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### THE TRUE CRIME MUSEUM



Hastings Seafront, TN34 1JP  
 T 01424 420115  
 E [info@truecrimemuseum.co.uk](mailto:info@truecrimemuseum.co.uk)  
 W [truecrimemuseum.co.uk](http://truecrimemuseum.co.uk)

A SHOCKING attraction for everyone fascinated by the dark world of CRIME! Serial killers, forensics, gangsters, prisoners, poisoners... DARE YOU ENTER THE CAVES?



### PLAYLAND - HASTINGS FAMILY AMUSEMENTS



7-9 Pelham Place, Hastings TN34 3A  
 T 01424 44324

Head for Playland on Hastings Seafront for the latest in arcade games, ticket machines and great prizes! Play the Penny Falls or try and win Teddy from the Grabbers. Fun for the whole family.

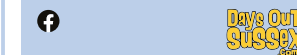


### XCAPE STATION



White Rock Gardens, Hastings, TN34 1LD  
 T 01424 423778  
 E [info@xcapestation.co.uk](mailto:info@xcapestation.co.uk)  
 W [xcapestation.co.uk](http://xcapestation.co.uk)

Immersive escape rooms. Have you got what it takes to rob a Casino (Beat the Odds) or solve a murder mystery (CSI) within 60 minutes. Up to eight players.





**RYEBANK GALLERY**

11A High Street, Rye, TN31 7JF

T 01797 360259

E [gallery@ryebank.gallery](mailto:gallery@ryebank.gallery)

W [ryebank.gallery](http://ryebank.gallery)

The Ryebank gallery is a contemporary art gallery located in the heart of Rye occupying the former HSBC building. Showcasing an ever-changing curation of art.

**KINO RYE - CINEMA & CAFE-BAR**

Lion Street, Rye, TN31 7LB

T 01797 226293

E [info.rye@kinodigital.co.uk](mailto:info.rye@kinodigital.co.uk)

W [kinodigital.co.uk](http://kinodigital.co.uk)

A state-of-the-art two-screen cinema, café-bar, terrace and function space in the medieval heart of Rye showing the latest films and with delicious, locally-sourced menus.

**RYE CASTLE MUSEUM & YPRES TOWER**

Gungarden, Rye, TN31 7HH

T 01797 226728

E [info@ryemuseum.co.uk](mailto:info@ryemuseum.co.uk)

W [ryemuseum.co.uk](http://ryemuseum.co.uk)

The Rye Castle Museum consists of the Ypres Tower, the Women's Tower and the Medieval Garden. Built in the 13th century, it served for defence, as a private dwelling, prison, court hall and is now a museum.

**RYE HARBOUR NATURE RESERVE & DISCOVERY CENTRE**

Rye Harbour, Rye TN31 7FW

T 01797 360960

W [rye.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://rye.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk)

Visit Rye Harbour Nature Reserve for year-round, amazing wildlife. Drop into the accessible Discovery Centre to enjoy spectacular views from Lime Kiln Café and pick up some wildlife guides and gifts from the shop.



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**FREE ENTRY**

**FULL THROTTLE BOAT CHARTERS**

The Point, Rye Harbour, Rye TN31 7TU

T 07876 135911

E [fullthrottleboatcharter@gmail.com](mailto:fullthrottleboatcharter@gmail.com)

W [fullthrottleboatcharters.com](http://fullthrottleboatcharters.com)

Boat trips from Rye Harbour suitable for all the family.

Enjoy a tour around Rye Bay or venture further along the coast to Hastings, via Seal Bay, spotting wildlife on the way.

**LAMB HOUSE**

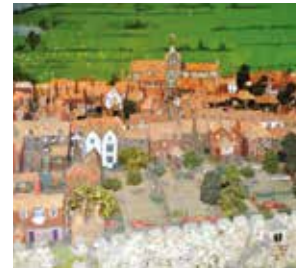
West Street, Rye, East Sussex, TN31 7ES

T 01797 222909

E [lambhouse@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:lambhouse@nationaltrust.org.uk)

W [nationaltrust.org.uk/lamb-house](http://nationaltrust.org.uk/lamb-house)

Lamb House is a portal into a world of literary connections, one that many writers and artists have walked through. Intriguing rooms draw you into the peaceful garden, a hidden gem among the cobbled streets of Rye.

**RYE HERITAGE CENTRE & TOWN MODEL SHOW**

Strand Quay, Rye, TN31 7AY

T 01797 226696

E [info@ryeheritage.co.uk](mailto:info@ryeheritage.co.uk)

W [ryeheritage.co.uk](http://ryeheritage.co.uk)

"Experience the past, Today" -

The Story of Rye, a sound and light show with the Rye Town Model. Old pier arcade machines and, from 2022, the Smuggler's Story.



Partially accessible

**RYE INFORMATION POINT**

Town Hall, Market Street, Rye, TN31 7LA

T 01797 223902

E [info@ryetowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@ryetowncouncil.gov.uk)

W [ryetowncouncil.gov.uk](http://ryetowncouncil.gov.uk)

Visitor information for Rye and surrounding area. Local books and maps, locally sourced gifts and souvenirs, audio tours and guided walks.



Partially accessible

**BATEMAN'S**

Check website



National Trust, Burwash, TN19 7DS

T 01435 882302

E batemans@nationaltrust.org.uk

W nationaltrust.org.uk/batemans

Beautiful family home and garden of Rudyard Kipling, author of the Jungle Book. With a listed watermill, a natural play area for den building, picnic areas and the Mulberry tea-room for homemade meals and cakes. Free entry for National Trust members. For opening times and prices please see the website.

**BEWL WATER**

Bewlbridge Lane, Kent, TN3 8JH

E info@bowlwater.co.uk

W bowlwater.co.uk

The largest, most beautiful reservoir in the South East. Bewl Water offers a large range of activities from cycling, sailing and fishing to laser challenge, the aqua park, soft play, adventure play, walking and much more!

**BODIAM BOATING STATION**

Partially accessible

Station Road, Northiam, TN31 6FE

T 01797 253838

E info@bodiamboatingstation.co.uk

W bodiamboatingstation.co.uk

limewharfcafe.co.uk

Four miles from Bodiam Castle NT. Mess about on the river in a kayak, row boat or SUP, or enjoy a river cruise. Eat in the stunning restaurant and garden. Stay at the small campsite. Dog friendly.

**BREDE STEAM GIANTS**

FREE ENTRY

Waterworks Lane, Brede, TN31 6HG

E bredesteamgiants@hotmail.com

W bredesteamgiants.co.uk

Two triple expansion steam pumping engines plus other smaller historic engines. All housed in Grade II Listed buildings. Cold War bunker. Guided tours when possible. Open first Saturday of the month and Bank Holiday Mondays.

**BEDGEBURY NATIONAL PINETUM & FOREST**

Partially accessible

Bedgebury Road, Goudhurst, TN17 2SJ

T 01580 879820

E bedgebury@forestryengland.uk

W forestryengland.uk/bedgebury

The National Pinetum is the perfect place to walk, picnic and enjoy nature. It's home to one of the finest collections of conifers in the world. Run, cycle, explore the children's play trail or discover the canopy with GoApe in the forest.

**BODIAM CASTLE**

Check website

(grounds)



Bodiam, TN32 5UA

T 01580 830196

E bodiamcastle@nationaltrust.org.uk

W nationaltrust.org.uk/bodiam-castle

One of Britain's most perfectly picturesque castles. With towers, spiral staircases, battlements, portcullis and ruins to explore. Visit the tea-room for homemade meals and cakes, or bring a picnic. Free entry for National Trust members.

**THE BLACKSHED GALLERY**

Partially accessible

FREE ENTRY

Russet Farm, Redlands Lane, Robertsbridge, TN32 5NG

T 01580 881247

E info@blackshed.net

W theblackshedgallery.org.uk

A stone's throw from the A21 in a delightful rural setting on a farm just outside the historic village of Robertsbridge.

**DRUSILLAS PARK**

Partially accessible

Alfriston, East Sussex, BN26 5QS

T 01323 874100

E info@drusillas.co.uk

W drusillas.co.uk

No ordinary zoo, no ordinary day out! Drusillas Park is home to 80+ species of exotic animals, family-friendly rides, adventure playgrounds, soft play, splash pad and the UK's largest interactive, sensory experience. Book tickets in advance online and save money.



**FISHERWOOD FARM**

Robertsbridge

E [info@fisherwoodfarm.co.uk](mailto:info@fisherwoodfarm.co.uk)

W [fisherwoodfarm.co.uk](http://fisherwoodfarm.co.uk)

Fisherwood Farm offers exclusive afternoon tea experiences. Enjoy delicious homemade food and hand feed friendly alpacas. Covid safe - one small group at any one time. Booking essential, by appointment only. See reviews on Google.

**HERSTMONCEUX CASTLE ESTATE**

Wartling Road, Hailsham, BN27 1RN

T 01323 833816

E [bc.conf@queensu.ca](mailto:bc.conf@queensu.ca)

W [herstmonceux-castle.com](http://herstmonceux-castle.com)

Explore formal gardens, woodland trails, meadows and lakes, set around a majestic 15th-century moated castle.

The 300-acre estate is sympathetically managed to provide a haven for a wide variety of flora and fauna.



Partially accessible

**KING JOHN'S NURSERY**

Sheepstreet Lane, Etchingam, TN19 7AZ

T 01580 819220

E [harry@kingjohnsnursery.co.uk](mailto:harry@kingjohnsnursery.co.uk)

W [www.kingjohnsnursery.co.uk](http://www.kingjohnsnursery.co.uk)

A rural setting with beautiful views, King John's Nursery offers a lovely retreat from everyday life. Indulge in shopping, a garden meander or get greedy in the café. This is quite the place to be.



Partially accessible

**THE OBSERVATORY SCIENCE CENTRE**

Wartling Road, Herstmonceux  
BN27 1RN

T 01323 832731

E [info@the-observatory.org](mailto:info@the-observatory.org)

W [the-observatory.org](http://the-observatory.org)

Celebrating science and discovery amongst the iconic domes of a former world-famous observatory, operated by an educational charity. Over 100 interactive exhibits plus telescope tours, science shows, activities and stargazing!



Partially accessible

**GREAT DIXTER HOUSE & GARDENS**

Northiam, Rye, TN31 6PH

T 01797 252878

E [groupbookings@greatdixter.co.uk](mailto:groupbookings@greatdixter.co.uk)

W [greatdixter.co.uk](http://greatdixter.co.uk)

Great Dixter is an historic house and garden and a place of pilgrimage for horticulturists from across the world. It was the home of gardener and gardening writer Christopher Lloyd.



Partially accessible

**KENT & EAST SUSSEX STEAM RAILWAY**

Tenterden, Station Rd TN30 6HE

T 01580 765155

E [enquiries@kesr.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@kesr.org.uk)

W [kesr.org.uk](http://kesr.org.uk)

Travel back in time through beautiful Wealden countryside. This line runs from Tenterden for 10.5 miles to Bodiam. Heritage steam and diesel trains provide variety. Refreshments at Tenterden station and on some trains. Visit the website to see special events and to book online.



Partially accessible

**KNOCKHATCH ADVENTURE PARK**

Hailsham Bypass, Hailsham, BN27 3GD

T 01323 442051

E [info@knockhatch.com](mailto:info@knockhatch.com)

W [knockhatch.com](http://knockhatch.com)

Knockhatch Adventure Park, in Hailsham, is fantastic value for families with some of the most imaginative play areas, rides and animal enclosures in the South East.



Partially accessible

**MERRIMENTS**

Hawkhurst Road, Hurst Green, TN19 7RA

T 01580 860666

E [info@merriments.co.uk](mailto:info@merriments.co.uk)

W [www.kingjohnsnursery.co.uk](http://www.kingjohnsnursery.co.uk)

Merriments is a four-acre RHS Partner Garden and extensive plant centre, with many plants grown on site. The gift shop offers cards, gifts and garden essentials. Visit the restaurant and café for breakfast, lunch or afternoon tea.



Partially accessible

**MICHELHAM PRIORY HOUSE & GARDENS**

Upper Dicker, nr Hailsham, BN27 3QS

T 01323 844224

E adminmich@sussexpast.co.uk

W sussexpast.co.uk

Explore 800 years of history on this picturesque island with seven acres of magnificent gardens, medieval water-filled moat, Tudor mansion, 14th-century gatehouse, historic watermill and forge, Elizabethan Great Barn, Dovecote shop, café and playground.



Partially accessible

(Instagram @SussexPast)

**PEVENSEY COURT HOUSE & GAOL**

Pevensey, BN24 5LG

T 01323 733419 or 483470

W pevencycourthouse.co.uk

Pevensey's unique Town Hall, Court House and Gaol possibly dating back to Tudor days, is now a museum containing the fascinating history of the village and environs. There are still two gaol cells as well!

FREE ENTRY

**STONE CROSS WINDMILL**

Beggars Lane, Stone Cross, BN24 5EA

T 07909 987843

E scmf2012@yahoo.co.uk

W stonecrosswindmill.co.uk

The Windmill is a Grade II\* Listed building, fully restored to working order, still producing wholemeal flour. The mill is open to the public for teas and tours.

Donations welcome.

FREE ENTRY

**PASHLEY MANOR GARDENS**

Ticehurst, nr Wadhurst, TN5 7HE

T 01580 200888

E info@pashleymanorgardens.com

W pashleymanorgardens.com

Stunning award-winning 11-acre gardens featuring tulips, roses, dahlias and more, complemented by a fantastic café with terrace, sculpture exhibition and gift shop.



Partially accessible

**PEVENSEY CASTLE**

Castle Road, Pevensey, BN24 5LE

T 01323 762604

W english-heritage.org.uk/pevency

Explore this dramatic fortress where William the Conqueror landed with his army in 1066. Delve deep into the dark dungeon of the moated medieval castle and admire the towering walls. Explore the museum and exhibitions to discover stories of massacre, sieges and royal prisoners.

**WINCHELSEA COURT HALL MUSEUM**

High Street, Winchelsea, TN36 4EA

T 01797 226642

E winchelseamuseum@outlook.com

W winchelsea.com

Displays and exhibits illustrating the rich history of this ancient town. Maps, models, pottery and displays. Wall panels listing mayors from 1295 to present day, all housed in a historic listed building.

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local event tickets, gifts,  
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**Your Visitor Information Centre  
is happy to assist you**

**Visitor Information Centre,**  
Station approach, Hastings TN34 1BA  
0303 003 8265 visit1066country.com/hastings





**CAMBER KITE SURFING**

123 Lydd Road, Camber, TN31 7RS

T 07960 587482

E [camberkitesurf@gmail.com](mailto:camberkitesurf@gmail.com)

W [camberkitesurfing.com](http://camberkitesurfing.com)

Kitesurfing, kite buggy and paddle boarding courses. Or, hire paddle boards and kayaks. British Kitesports accredited school. Lessons from complete beginners to advanced. All equipment provided.

**EPIC LIFE, ADVENTURES ON SEA & RIVER**

Partially accessible

Bodiam/ Wittersham/ Hastings Beach

T 07377 184505

E [teamepic@epiclifeco.uk](mailto:teamepic@epiclifeco.uk)

W [epiclifeco.uk](http://epiclifeco.uk)

Find your adventure! Spend the day immersed in the most picturesque 1066 locations. Paddleboarding and kayaking sessions for all abilities with experienced instructors. Equipment hire AND archery and axe throwing! Advanced booking essential.

**THE KITESURF CENTRE**

Partially accessible

Lydd Road, Camber, TN31 7SB

T 01797 724126

E [school@thekitesurfcentre.com](mailto:school@thekitesurfcentre.com)

W [thekitesurfcentre.com](http://thekitesurfcentre.com)

Learn to kitesurf, kitebuggy and paddleboard with the UK's leading kite and water sports centre. The Kitesurf Centre school and shop are on the world-renowned Camber Sands kite beach; join the experienced instructors for an adventure-filled day!

**EBIKE HIRE**

123 Lydd Road, Camber, TN31 7RS

T 07872 484870

E [ebike-hire@gmx.com](mailto:ebike-hire@gmx.com)

W [ebike-hire.com](http://ebike-hire.com)

Ebikes and pedal cycle hire in Camber Sands. Camber sits on the National Cycle Route Two and is blessed with scenic off-road cycle paths. Hiring is one of the best ways to explore the area.

**FULL THROTTLE BOAT CHARTERS**

The Point, Rye Harbour, Rye TN31 7TU

T 07876 135911

E [fullthrottleboatcharter@gmail.com](mailto:fullthrottleboatcharter@gmail.com)

W [fullthrottleboatcharters.com](http://fullthrottleboatcharters.com)

Boat trips from Rye Harbour suitable for all the family. Enjoy a tour around Rye Bay or venture further along the coast to Hastings, via Seal Bay, spotting wildlife on the way.

**RYE BAY EBIKES**

Unit G15, Rye Industrial Park, Harbour Road, Rye, TN31 7TE

T 01797 225351

E [info@ryebay-ebikes.co.uk](mailto:info@ryebay-ebikes.co.uk)

W [ryebay-ebikes.co.uk](http://ryebay-ebikes.co.uk)

Small family run electric bike centre where you can try, hire, buy or service your ebike. Perfectly located to explore Rye and the surrounding area.

**RYE WATERSPORTS**

Northpoint Water, Camber Road, Camber, Rye, TN31 7QS

T 01797 225238

E [team@ryewatersports.co.uk](mailto:team@ryewatersports.co.uk)

W [ryewatersports.co.uk](http://ryewatersports.co.uk)

Rye Watersports offers courses and hire for windsurfing, kitesurfing, dinghy sailing and stand up paddleboarding (SUP). Kayak hire is available too. Enjoy a day on the beautiful lake for a peaceful SUP or exhilarating wind sport.

**CARR TAYLOR WINES**

Wheel Lane, Westfield, TN35 4SG

T 01424 752501

E sales@carr-taylor.co.uk

W carr-taylor.co.uk

Visit the vineyard of the first commercial producer of sparkling wine in England. Vineyard tours, cellar door shop open daily for wine tastings. Vineyard tours and tutored wine tastings are available all year round.

**GUSBOURNE ESTATE**

Kenardington Road, Appledore, Ashford, Kent, TN26 2BE

T 01233 884680

E info@gusbourne.com

W gusbourne.com

Visit Appledore, Kent to explore Gusbourne Estate's vineyards, taste their excellent wines and find out what makes this corner of England so special for winemaking. Open seven days a week, all year round.

**OXNEY ORGANIC ESTATE**

Hobbs Lane, Beckley, nr Rye, TN31 6TU

T 01797 260137

E wine@oxneyestate.com

W oxneyestate.com

Oxney Organic Estate, near Rye, is the UK's largest organic single estate vineyard, with winery. It makes award-winning still and sparkling wines and offers accommodation. Book a vineyard tour and tasting.

**ENGLISH FOOD AND WINE TOURS**

T 07846 747070

E hello@vineandcountrytours.co.uk

W vineandcountrytours.co.uk

Award-winning English food and wine tours, your best choice for touring the vineyards of the East Sussex & Kent wine region. Privately hosted, personalised and chauffeured tours, celebrate the finest regional wines, foods and hidden gems with Vine + Country.

**CHARLES PALMER VINEYARDS**

Panel Lane, Winchelsea, TN36 4AG

T 01797 226216

E vineyard@charlespalmer-vineyards.co.uk

W charlespalmer-vineyards.co.uk

A family run wine estate located in Winchelsea, East Sussex. Visit the Cellar Door, walk the vineyard trail, book a wine tasting and stay on-site at Wickham Manor.

**OASTBROOK ESTATE VINEYARD**

Park Farm Oast, Junction Road, Bodiam, TN32 5XA

T 07496 727014

E info@oastbrook.com

Come and share Oastbrook Estate's passion for English Wine and enjoy a fun experience you won't forget. They offer amazing wines, fun and informative vineyard tours, accommodation and wine-themed events.

**TILLINGHAM WINES**

Dew Farm, Dew Lane, Peasmarsh, Rye, TN31 6XD

T 01797 208226

E info@tillingham.com

W tillingham.com

Tillingham is a biodynamic wine producer rooted in the countryside. Tillingham is a diversified farm spanning 70 acres of wide-open space along with a restaurant, 11 bedrooms, terrace and pizza barn and bar.



Not restaurant



Sedlescombe Organic Vineyard



## Events

Here in 1066 Country we know how to have fun! You'll find a year-round programme packed with music, food, exhibitions, festivals and outdoor events, many of which are free to enjoy. Check our website for the latest information and even more events happening at our visitor attractions.

[visit1066country.com/whats-on](https://www.visit1066country.com/whats-on)

### JANUARY

- \* Bexhill After Dark

### FEBRUARY

- \* Hastings Fat Tuesday Festival
- \* 2023 Hastings International Piano Festival (and March)

### MARCH

- \* Hastings Half Marathon

### APRIL

- \* Annual Marbles Match and Easter Bonnet Parade, Battle
- \* Streets of Battle & Rye, street theatre performance

### MAY

- \* Jack in the Green Morris Dancing Festival, Hastings
- \* Streets of Battle, street theatre performance
- \* Streets of Bexhill, street theatre performance
- \* Puddings and Pathways Festival, 1066 Country Walk
- \* Battle Medieval Fayre (2023)

### JUNE

- \* Battle Medieval Fayre (2022)
- \* Midsummer Fish Festival, Hastings

### JULY

- \* St Leonards Festival
- \* Battle Scarecrow Festival
- \* Pirate Day, Hastings
- \* Battle Festival, arts and music

### AUGUST

- \* Hastings Old Town Week
- \* Rye International Jazz & Blues Festival
- \* Hastings Pride

### SEPTEMBER

- \* Coastal Currents Arts Festival
- \* Battel Bonfire Boyes 10k Battle
- \* Rye Arts Festival
- \* Rye Festival of the Sea
- \* Hastings Seafood & Wine Festival
- \* Journeys Festival of Dance, Hastings and Bexhill

#### KEY

- \* Battle
- \* Bexhill

- \* Hastings
- \* Rye

- \* Surrounding area

### OCTOBER

- \* Hastings Bonfire Celebrations
- \* Hastings Week
- \* Battle of Hastings Re-enactment, Battle Abbey & Battlefield
- \* Hastings Storytelling Festival

### NOVEMBER

- \* Battle Bonfire Celebrations
- \* Rye Bonfire Celebrations
- \* Robertsbridge Bonfire Celebrations

### DECEMBER

- \* Various late night shopping and lights on events across the towns of 1066 Country.

See website for details of the above and many more events.

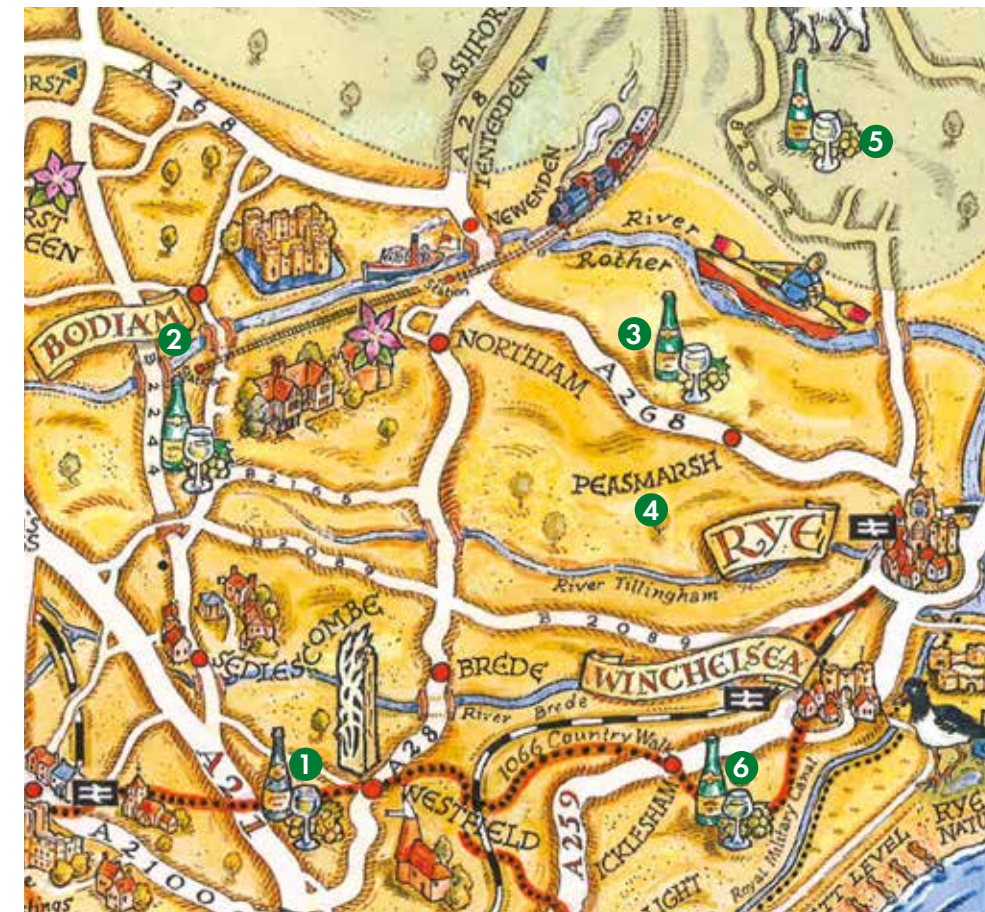
## Vineyard Trail

Sussex vineyards are top of the major players on the English wine scene, and rightly so, with small producers focusing on quality wines. Here in 1066 Country we're spoilt for choice. Head to the countryside to tour the vineyards, tasting creamy sparklers and flinty whites born of the very land you're standing on. Our map shows you the pick of the bunch where you can take a tour and tasting experience. Or why not allow someone else to do the driving for you and join a day of vineyard visits with lunch among the vines?

For information about the vineyards and tours, turn to pages 26 and 27.

#### KEY

- 1 Carr Taylor Wines
- 2 Oastbrook Estate Vineyard
- 3 Oxney Organic Estate
- 4 Tillingham Wines
- 5 Gusbourne
- 6 Charles Palmer Vineyard







### Pevensey & Herstmonceux

- 1 Michelham Priory
- 2 Knockhatch Adventure Park
- 3 Herstmonceux Castle Estate – Gardens & Grounds
- 4 The Observatory Science Centre
- 5 Drusillas Park (follow A27)
- 6 Stone Cross Windmill
- 7 Pevensey Castle
- 8 Pevensey Court House & Gaol

### Brightling & Burwash

- 1 Bateman's
- 2 Fuller's Follies

### Ticehurst & Hurst Green

- 1 Bedgebury National Pinetum & Forest
- 2 Bewl Water
- 3 King John's Nursery & Garden
- 4 Merriments Gardens
- 5 Pashley Manor Gardens

### Battle & Robertsbridge

- 1 Battle Museum of Local History
- 2 1066 Battle of Hastings, Abbey & Battlefield
- 3 Carr Taylor Vineyards
- 4 Brede Steam Giants (stationary steam powered engines)
- 5 blackShed gallery
- 6 Fisherwood Farm
- 7 St Mary The Virgin church
- Geotourist Battle Audio Tour

### Bodiam & Northiam

- 1 Bodiam Castle
- 2 Bodiam Boating Station
- 3 Kent & East Sussex Steam Railway
- 4 Great Dixter House & Gardens
- 5 Oxney Organic Vineyards
- 6 Oastbrook Vineyard
- 7 Epic Life SUP/kayak

### Bexhill

- 1 Bexhill Museum
- 2 Egerton Park
- 3 De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill
- Geotourist Bexhill Audio Tours

### Hastings & St Leonards

- 1 Alexandra Park
- 2 Hastings History House
- 3 The Source Park
- 4 Hastings Museum & Art Gallery
- 5 Hastings Castle and 1066 Story
- 6 Smugglers Adventure
- 7 Flower Makers Museum
- 8 East & West Hill Lifts
- 9 Clambers Play Centre, Battle Zone Live & Xscape Station
- 10 White Rock Theatre
- 11 Bowling Greens
- 12 True Crime Museum
- 13 Hastings Adventure & Crazy Golf Complex
- 14 Hastings Contemporary

- 15 Shipwreck Museum
- 16 Hastings Aquarium
- 17 Hastings Lifeboat
- 18 Fishermen's Museum
- 19 The Stables Theatre & Arts Centre
- 20 St Mary in the Castle
- 21 Flamingo Funfair
- 22 Old Town Amusements & Playland
- 23 The British Tea Museum
- 24 Epic Life SUP/kayak
- 25 Hastings Country Park & Nature Reserve
- 26 Mallydams Wood RSPCA
- Geotourist Stade Audio Tour

### Rye & Winchelsea

- 1 Lamb House
- 2 Kino Cinema
- 3 Rye Heritage Centre & Town Model Show
- 4 Rye Castle Museum Ypres Tower
- 5 Ryebank Gallery
- 6 Rye Bay Ebike Hire
- 7 Rye Harbour Nature Reserve & Discovery Centre
- 8 Full Throttle Boat Charters
- 9 Winchelsea Court Hall Museum
- 10 Charles Palmer Vineyard
- 11 Rye Watersports
- 12 Camber Kite surf
- 13 Kite surf Centre
- 14 E-Bike Hire, Camber
- 15 Tillingham Wines Vineyard
- 16 Gusbourne Vineyard
- Geotourist Rye Audio Tours





The 31-mile 1066 Country Walk leads you gently through a landscape that witnessed the Battle of Hastings and whose castles and culture bear testimony to the Norman conquest. Starting at the landing place of William of Normandy near Pevensey Castle, it passes Herstmonceux Castle, the historic 1066 Battle Abbey and Battlefield, medieval Winchelsea and ends in the picturesque citadel of Rye.

The High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty surrounds you, a typical medieval landscape of rolling hills, valleys and vineyards, with cosy pubs and cafés along the way. Ten sculptures on the route are inspired by the Bayeux Tapestry and there are places for you to spend the night and wake fortified for the next few miles!

Use OS Explorer map 124 and find out more about the walk here:  
[visit1066country.com/1066walk](http://visit1066country.com/1066walk)

Ten sculptures inspired by the Bayeux Tapestry are yours to discover as you walk the route. See our website for the full set of sculptures, map references and locations.

- 1 Landings
- 2 Isti Mirant Stella
- 3 Bound Division
- 4 The Watcher
- 5 Treow (access from Gibbets Marsh carpark, Rye)



# Directions


Only 75 minutes from London


1066 Country is easy to reach using public transport and once you're here, it's easy to get around too, with good rail and bus links. See our website for information on how to reach many of our attractions via public transport.

 Trains depart from London Charing Cross, Waterloo East, London Bridge, St Pancras International (via Ashford Int.), London Victoria and Gatwick Airport. Eurostar from Paris, Brussels, Lille via Ashford International (check website). Direct trains run from Ashford, through Rye, to Hastings (45 mins).


\* Figures in brackets refer to distances from Hastings.


Rail information: tel 08457 484950 [nationalrail.co.uk](http://nationalrail.co.uk)


 National Express operate regular daily services from Victoria Coach Station. Coach drivers, see our website below for coach parking.

 From London: M25, exit onto the A21. From the west: A27, A259. From the east, Channel Tunnel and Dover ferry ports: M20, junction 10 A2070, onto A259.

 Find out where to charge your car once you arrive in 1066 Country. See [visit1066country.com/visitorinformation](http://visit1066country.com/visitorinformation).

 Gatwick Airport handles direct flights from all parts of the world, with internal flights operating from the rest of the U.K. Gatwick is on the line to Victoria, offering a direct link with Bexhill and Hastings (and approximately 50 miles\* by road).

 1066 Country is ideally situated if you are travelling via the Cross Channel Ferries: Dover (45 miles\*), Newhaven (31 miles\*).

 The fastest route into 1066 Country from the Channel Tunnel and ferry port at Dover is via the M20 towards Ashford, then the A2070 towards Rye.



## TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRES

**Visitor Information Centre, Hastings**  
0303 003 8265  
Station approach, Hastings  
TN34 1BA  
[visit1066country.com/hastings](http://visit1066country.com/hastings)

**Visitor Information Points, Battle**  
The Almonry  
or Battle Museum  
both in the High Street,  
Battle

**Visitor Information Point, Rye**  
01797 223902  
Rye Town Hall, Market Street,  
Rye, TN31 7LA  
[info@ryetowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@ryetowncouncil.gov.uk)

**Visitor Information Point, Bexhill**  
01424 222058  
Bexhill Museum, Egerton Road,  
Bexhill, TN39 3HL

For lots more travel advice and information, see [visit1066country.com/visitorinformation](http://visit1066country.com/visitorinformation)



# VISIT

Battle / Bexhill / Bodiam / Camber / Hastings  
Herstmonceux / Pevensey / Rye / Winchelsea



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