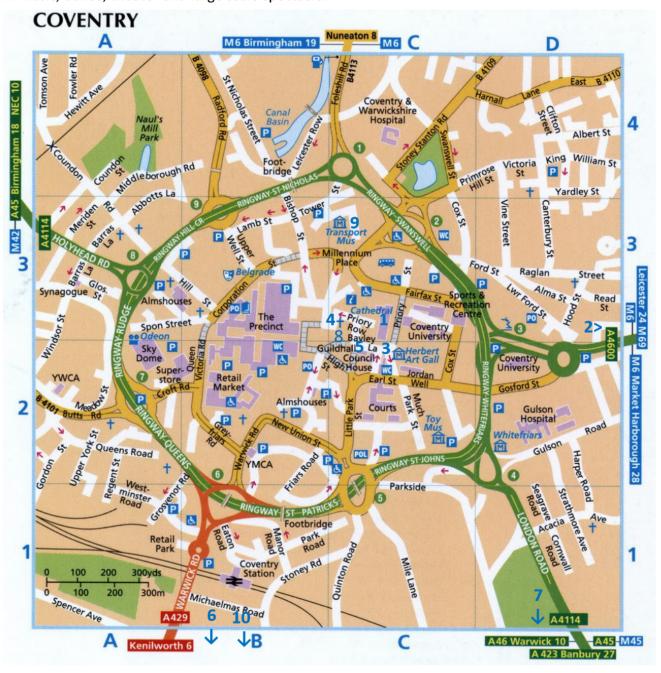


# Coventry

# UK City of Culture - 2021

Located in the eclectic "Heart of England", home to medieval castles and ancient legends, historic market towns and popular shopping areas. Learn of the legend of Lady Godiva, tour the inspiring ruins of Coventry Cathedral or visit the birthplace of William Shakespeare.

Just one hour by rail north of London with great transport links to the surrounding areas. The quadrennial celebration won by Londonderry in 2013 and Hull in 2017 will run from May 2021 to May 2022, presenting a varied program of events in music, dance, theater and large scale spectacle.



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#### 1. Coventry Cathedral

The first cathedral dated from 1043; the second from the 12th century was bombed by the Luftwaffe on 14 November 1940, resulting in the new cathedral alongside the ruins of the old.



#### 2. Coventry Music Museum

An independent museum portraying the music of Coventry and the surrounding county of Warwickshire. Opened in 2013 it has rapidly become recognized for its contribution to the local musical genre.



#### 3. Herbert Art Gallery & Museum

The perfect place to delve into Coventry's history and engage with art and culture. Investigate the natural world, modern art, and the Old Masters. Wander through dazzling interactive displays, enjoy the exhibitions while admiring the building's unique architecture.



#### 4. Holy Trinity Church

The only complete medieval church in Coventry and one of the largest medieval parish churches in England, it is close to cathedral in size. Almost destroyed by fire in 1257, it has been rebuilt, extended and redecorated.



#### 5. Lady Godiva Statue

One of the most celebrated woman from Dark Ages Britain. Godiva made her famous naked horse ride as a bargain with her husband to free the people of Coventry from the heavy taxes he had forced on them.



#### 6. Lunt Roman Fort

Dating from AD60, the fort was built from turf and timber for use against the uprising lead by Queen Boadicea. It sits on a high plateau overlooking a crossing point in the River Stow. It has been recently restored



#### 7. Midland Air Museum

Privately operated, at Coventry Airport, dsplays 45 aircraft with connections to the Coventry area and established the Fran Whittle Jet Heritage Center located within the museum.



## 8. St Mary's Guildhall

Dating from the 14th century with great atmosphere and stunning medieval architecture, it is among the finest surviving guildhalls in the country. It is still in use today for public functions and weddings,



#### 9. Coventry Transport Museum

Since opening at the Herbert in 1960, it moved to its present site in 1980 and is now the finest and largest public collection of vehicles in the world. It includes the fastest car in the world—the Thrust SSC which set the land speed record at 763mph in 1997.



### 10. War Memorial Park

Coventry's largest city park opened in July 1921 as a tribute to the city's soldiers who lost their lives during the First World War (1914-1918). The landscaped gardens now host the annual Godiva Festival.

