

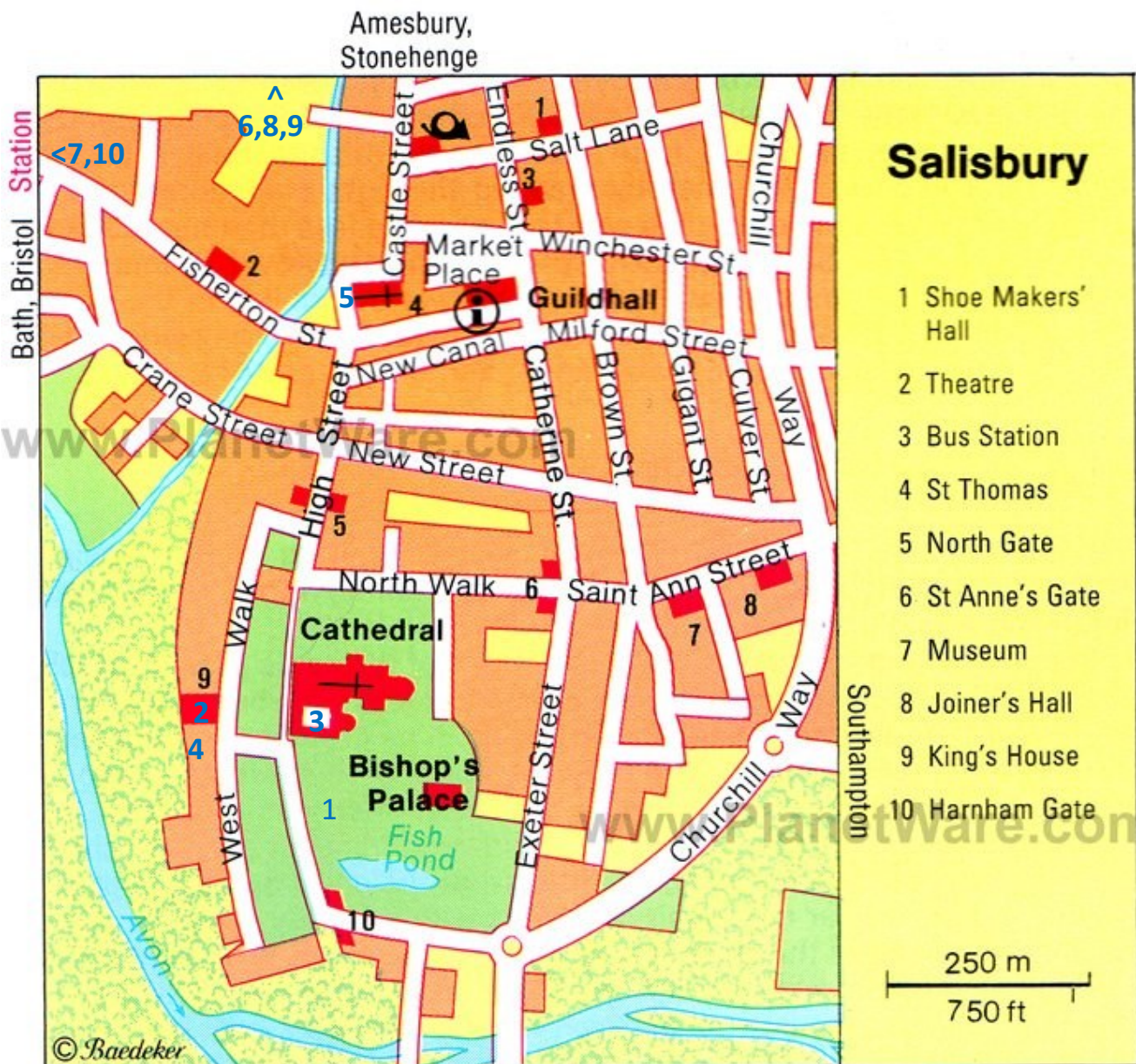


Salisbury

“The City in the Countryside”

Located on the Salisbury Plain in south west Wiltshire, the city received its charter in 1227. The skyline is dominated by the Cathedral spire, the tallest in England at 404 feet. The city has a long, and colorful history.

The city is an ideal base from which to explore not only the Salisbury Plain to the north but also the New Forest National Park to the South and Winchester to the east.



City Attractions

1. Cathedral Close
2. King's House
3. Salisbury Cathedral
4. Salisbury Museum
5. St. Thomas Church

Nearby Attractions

6. Boscombe Down Aviation Collection 3 miles north
7. Church of St Mary & Nicholas 3 miles west
8. Old Sarum 2 miles north
9. Stonehenge 10 miles north
10. Wilton House 3 miles west

1. Cathedral Close

80 acres surrounding the Cathedral, with some notable buildings including: the National Trust Mompesson House; Sir Edward Heath's home at Arundells, Sarum House, Salisbury Museum and Kings House.



2. Kings House

Since 1982, home to the Rifles (Berkshire & Wiltshire) Museum. Presenting, in 4 rooms, the history and heritage of the regiment, which fought in the War of American Independence. The Museum collection has 34,000 items of which only 1200 can be displayed at a time.



3. Salisbury Cathedral

Foundation of this, the second cathedral on the site, were laid in 1220. It is home to the best surviving of 4 original copies of Magna Carta and one of the oldest working clocks in the world. It is the seat of the Bishop of Salisbury.



4. Salisbury Museum

Discover the history of the city in 5 main Galleries: Wessex Gallery, prior to Medieval; Salisbury Gallery, medieval; Ceramics Gallery; Costume Gallery, 1750s onward and Rex Whistler Archive with works by the 20th century artist.



5. St Thomas

A church has stood on this site since the early 13th century. A striking feature is the Anglo Saxon "Doom" painting (judgement) above the chancel arch.



6. Boscombe Down Aviation Collection

At Old Sarum airfield, a collection of aircraft, cockpits, replicas and models weapons and trials equipment to show the story of flight and flight test in the UK. The cockpits are mostly open and you can sit in and use the controls. There are guides to answer questions and show you round.



7. Church of St Mary & St Nicholas

Built in the mid 19th century in the Romanesque Revival style of Lombardy. Many of the fittings are much older, including French stained glass from the 12th & 13 centuries and marble columns from the 2nd century BC, taken from Temple of Venus.



8. Old Sarum

An English Heritage property, on the site of the original Salisbury. Combines a royal castle and cathedral within an Iron Age fortification, and for 150 years was a major center of both secular and ecclesiastical government, until the 13th century.



9. Stonehenge

An English Heritage property. Take in the unforgettable atmosphere of this World Heritage Site and best known prehistoric monument in Europe, visit the world-class exhibition to discover how the Stonehenge builders worked and walk amongst the Neolithic houses to experience how they lived.



10. Wilton House

Gifted by Henry VIII to the Earl of Pembroke in 1544 and still the family home. Rebuilt in 1647 in the Palladian style, Many great masters hang in the State Apartments and Chippendale furniture in the cloisters. 21 acres of parkland feature water & rose gardens and Palladian Bridge.

