



Warwick

“Experience the Past - Taste the Future”

The town was founded on the banks of the River Avon in 941, as a defense against Danish invaders. Within a relatively small area are many buildings of historical interest, of which the castle is the most important.

Situated in the Heart of England, Warwick is an excellent base from which to explore the nearby towns of Coventry, Kenilworth, Royal Leamington Spa and Stratford-upon Avon, all located within 10 miles.



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1. Charlecote Park

National Trust Property, 5 miles south of Warwick. A Tudor House with Victorian interior. Completed in 1558, the house is filled with the family collections from all over Europe



2. Collegiate Church of St Mary

Founded on the present site in 1123. The Chancel, Vestry and Chapter House were rebuilt in the 14th century and the Beauchamp Chapel added in the 15th century. The Nave and Tower were destroyed in the Great Fire of Warwick in 1694 and rebuilt in 1704.



3. Hill Close Gardens

The restored gardens at Hill Close, offer an extremely rare opportunity to visit sixteen hedged Victorian pleasure gardens, reconstructed to capture the planting and personality of their original owners.



4. Lord Leycester Hospital

Begun in 1126, this historic group of buildings is dominated by the ancient chapel over the town's west gate. From 1386 until 1546 it served as the Guildhall. The Master of the Guilds still resides on the premises.



5. Mill Garden

On the banks of the River Avon beneath the walls of Warwick Castle. Winding paths lead round every corner to dramatic views of the castle and ruined Medieval Bridge. This informal cottage garden is a profusion of plants, shrubs and trees.



6. New Avon Bridge

Built in the 1780s, replacing the original 14th century bridge over the Avon into Warwick, now carries the main A425 Banbury Road into town. It is a busy road, but the bridge is an excellent photo opportunity of the castle and the Mill Garden.



7. Old Town

Many of the streets feature 17th & 18th century buildings which include the Court House, Landor House and Shire Hall. The West Gate has been retained from the old town walls. There has been a Saturday Market here, for 500 years,



8. St Nicholas Park

Originally a meadow, St Nicholas Park was laid out in the 1930s. Formal gardens and a Children's Corner were created. After the Second World War, the ground to the east was laid out as playing fields.



9. Warwick Castle

William the Conqueror ordered the building of the castle in 1068. The castle endured a very colorful history until 2007, when it was acquired by the Tussauds Group. Their conservation plans ensure it will continue as Britain's ultimate castle.



10. Warwickshire Market Hall Museum

A 17th-century landmark in the heart of Warwick. Recently refurbished, the museum tells the story of Warwickshire, and how the shifting natural, built and human landscapes have shaped the county to the present day.

