Worcester Shopping

Crowngate Shopping Centre offers over 60 great stores of high street fashion, independent surprises, a food quarter and a multi-storey car park. It also hosts the city’s bus station making it centrally placed to start your day. Coming out of Friary Walk into Angel Place you will see our bustling street market (Wednesday to Saturday) selling everything from leather bags to delicious street food.

The pedestrianised trio of High Street, Pump Street and Shambles are well-stocked with fantastic brands as well as a thriving ‘Upmarket’ on Saturdays and Sundays. At the top of the High Street, Cathedral Square boasts an excellent range of restaurants overlooking the stunning Cathedral.

Wander away from the High Street and you’ll discover our stunning Cathedral Square on Saturdays and Sundays. At the top of the High Street, everything from leather bags to delicious street food.

Crowngate Shopping Centre

Worcester is home to some of the country’s best loved retailers and restaurants!

Mix with past Royal Worcester Artists who regularly work in our galleries and learn about the history of the world’s finest collection of Worcester Porcelain and the skills of an exceptional workforce. Make sure you allow time to browse in the Museum Shop where you will find an array of vintage and antique Royal Worcester, all made in Worcester.

www.museumofroyalworcester.org

Open Monday to Saturday 10am to 5pm until 31 October 2017, Closed for refurbishment November 2017, Reopening May 2018.

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Sport, Leisure & Green Spaces

Worcester has a wealth of parks and green spaces attracting thousands of visitors every year. The parks offer many and varied opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy nature and local wildlife, play in safe environments and take part in a wide variety of sporting activities and events.

Chelows Park and Cripplegate Park boast coveted Green Flag awards, and in 2015 the jewel in our crown – Gheluvelt Park – was named one of England’s top three parks in a public vote carried out by Fields In Trust. We also have a newly refurbished Civil War Playground at Fort Royal Park which is located on the site of the Battle of Worcester and has some of the best views across the city, whilst our Riverside Park winds along the banks of the river providing plenty of picnic spots and scenic views.

There are three sports centres in the city – Nunney Sports Complex, St. Johns Sports Centre and Perdiswell Leisure Centre & Swimming Pool, with a wide range of facilities offering an excellent choice of sporting activities. Opened in January 2017, the pool at Perdiswell boasts an eight-lane 25 metre competition standard pool, training pool with movable floor and facilities for disabled people, including Pool Pod hosts.

Worcester is also home to world class sporting facilities, including:

- Worcester Basketball
  Season September to April www.worcesterwolves.org
- Worcestershires County Cricket Club
  Season April to September www.wccc.co.uk
- Worcester Racecourse
  Season May to October www.worcester-racecourse.co.uk
- Worcester Rugby Club
  Season September to May www.warriors.co.uk

Top 2017 Events

July
- 21-23 Worcester Rep at The Commandery
  THE COMMANDERY www.worcesterlive.co.uk
- 23 Watch-out Worcester
  CITY CENTRE www.dancefest.co.uk
- 23-27 Three Choirs Festival
  WORCESTER CATHEDRAL www.th choir s.org
- 29-30 Worcester’s Civil War Story – Opening Weekend
  THE COMMANDERY www.museumofroyalworcester.org.uk

August
- 4-6 Worcester Foodie Festival
  CITY CENTRE www.worcesterfoodiefestival.com
- 12-18 Worcester Festival
  CITY CENTRE www.worcesterfestival.co.uk
- 13 Worcester Show
  GHELUVELT PARK www.worcestershow.org.uk
- 13, 20 & 27 Riverside Arts Markets
  RIVIVERSE www.worcesterarts.org.uk
- 17-19 CAMRA Beer, Cider and Perry Festival
  WORCESTER RACECOURSE www.worcesterbeerfest.org.uk
- 21 Classical Concert at The Cricket
  GHELUVELT PARK www.worcestercricketclub.org.uk
- 26 The Storming of Fort Royal
  THE COMMANDERY www.museumofroyalworcester.org.uk
- 33 Worcester Festival Fireworks
  CITY CENTRE www.worcesterfestival.co.uk

September
- 7-10 Heritage Open Days Weekend
  CITY CENTRE www.heritageopendays.org.uk
- 10 DVO Energy Tour of Britain
  CITY CENTRE AND WORCESTERSHIRE www.tourofbritain.co.uk
- 15-17 Worcester Music Festival
  CITY CENTRE www.worcestermusicfestival.co.uk
- 27 Worcester City Run and Half Marathon
  CITY CENTRE www.worcestercityrun.com
- 29 Worcester Pride
  CITY CENTRE www.worcesterpride.co.uk
- 29-30 Worcester Harvestfest Market
  CITY CENTRE www.worcesterharvestfest.co.uk

October
- 17-22 Worcester Rep at the Cathedral
  CITY CENTRE www.worcesterlive.co.uk
- 29-30 Worcester Oktoberfest Market
  CITY CENTRE www.worcesteroktoberfest.co.uk

November
- 12 Remembrance Day Parade
  CITY CENTRE
- 22 Christmas Lights Switch On
  CITY CENTRE www.christmasinworcester.com
- 30-31 December Worcester Victorian Christmas Fayre
  CITY CENTRE www.christmasinworcester.com

For more events go to www.visitworcestershire.org/whatson

At the Guildhall, High Street Worcester WR1 2EY

Take a tasty piece of Worcestershire home with you, from Worcestershire Sauce merchandise to tempting local ales, delicious chutneys and jams.

- Agents for local events and attractions
- Local souvenirs, gifts and maps
- Travel tickets and information

T: 01905 726311
E: touristinfo@visitworcestershire.org
W www.visitworcestershire.org/worcester
D @WorcesterTIC

Opening hours: Mon–Fri 9.30am-5pm, Sat & Bank Holidays 10am-4pm
Historic Walks

There are a variety of Self Guided Trails to discover more about Worcester. A selection of trails and walks is available in the latest Information Centre. These range from a self-guided Waterfront Leaflet, Treasure Trail around the city and River Severn, Explore Worcester guides and a Woodbine Willie Trail. If you are interested in the Civil War you can find information about the battles sites at The Commandery or you can collect a Worcester Heritage Leaflet from the Museum of Royal Worcester.

Discover History Walking Tours

Guildhall, High Street, Worcester WR1 2HY
01905 613427 www.worcesterlive.co.uk


The Historic Ghost Walk of Worcester

Eligar Statue, Worcester WR1 3HY
01905 613427 www.worcesterlive.co.uk

Discover deep, dark passages of Worcester and a side to the Faithful City that you never knew existed. Fridays and Saturdays, October – March at 7.30pm, confirm and book in advance.

Worcester Walks

Guildhall, High Street, Worcester WR1 2HY
01905 221317 www.worcesterwalks.co.uk

Guided city tours with Blue and Green badge guides revealing rich heritage and amazing tales. Leave Guildhall at 2.00pm Monday to Saturday (seasonal).

Historic District

Foregate Street, Worcester WR1 1DT
www.worcesterartworkshop.org.uk

St Martin in the C懷orkh

The Commandery, Foregate Street, Worcester WR1 2HJ
01905 235923 www.stmartininh巩orkwarr.org.uk

A Christian place of worship since 13th Century, completely rebuilt in 1768 to provide a beautiful serene space to worship, enjoy the stained glass and listen to the bells.

Tudor House Museum

The Cornmarket, Worcester WR1 2NA
01905 632309 www.tudorhouse.org.uk

A 500-year-old building showing life over the centuries from weaving, tavern, school classroom and WW1 ARP billeting station.

Worcestershire Museum

Freemasonry, Rainbow Hill, Worcester WR3 BLX
01905 246791 www.worcestershoremasonicorganisation.co.uk

The library and museum possesses the finest collection of Worcestershire items in the English constitution, other than that belonging to the United Grand Lodge of England in London.

Guided Tours

Please call ahead to book and pay on the day.

Church Street, Worcester WR1 2HJ
www.churchst censorship.org.uk

Guided visits are available on request.

Worcester Cathedral

College Yard, Worcester WR1 2A
01905 733900 www.worcestercathedrall.co.uk

One of England’s most magnificent and inspiring buildings, a place of prayer and worship for fourteen centuries.

Worcestershire Museum

Lowesmoor, Worcester WR1 2JL
01905 734934 www.pumphouse.org.uk

Located in a disused waterworks building which offers lots of information on environmental issues as well as being home in our cafe and shop.

South Quay

Worcester WR1 2JN

A relaxing location, just off the High Street, away from the hustle and bustle of the city. In the warmer summer months enjoy the dancing fountains and regular themed markets.

Worcester Boat Trips

South Quay, Worcester WR1 2JN
01905 734934 www.worcesterboattrips.co.uk

Worcester’s premier live music and entertainment venue. Top comedy and music of every genre – classical, jazz, folk, rock, blues and pop plus spoken word events.

Swan Theatre

The Mowbray, Worcester WR1 3DE
01905 613427 www.worcester.co.uk

Touring theatre, dance, live music, spoken word, comedy and community events. Also home to the Worcester Repertory Company and the annual family Swan Theatre Panto.

Edgar Statue, Worcester WR1 2HW
01905 24971

The library and museum possesses the finest collection of Worcestershire items in the English constitution, other than that belonging to the United Grand Lodge of England in London.

Guided Tours

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The Hive

Gulley Walk, The Butts, Worcester WR1 3PD
01905 622866 www.thehiveworcester.org.uk

Home to a Grade I listed building, with a long and varied history. This fascinating site offers displays about the history of the building as well as the English Civil War.

Eligar’s Birthplace

Crown East Lane, Lower Broadheath, Worcester WR2 4UY
01905 333224

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/the-first

This National Trust site is home to displays and exhibits which tell the story of the composer, his family and the times in which he lived. Opening September 2017.

Greyfriars’ House & Garden

Friar Street, Worcester WR5 2LZ
01905 23572

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/greyfriars

A beautiful timber-framed merchant’s house built in 1483 and saved from demolition in the 1940s.

The Guildhall

High Street, Worcester WR1 2EH
01905 722018
www.govorcester.org.uk/guildhall

Queen Anne style historic building dating back to 1721, once home to the law court and jip salon.

The Infirmary

University of Worcester, City Campus
Carnie Street, Worcester WR1 2JL
01905 542379
www.medicalmuseum.org.uk

An interactive exhibition combining history and science to explore the medical stories from one of England’s oldest infirmaries and birthplace of the British Medical Association.

Museum of Royal Worcester

Seven Street, Worcester WR1 2ND
01905 224247
www.museumofroyalworcester.org.uk

Learn of the talented wares, and everyday life you as you travel through the Georgian, Victorian and 20th century galleries. Free audio tour with entry.

St Helen’s on the High Street

Fish Street, Worcester WR1 2HJ
01905 736428
www.sthelensworcester.org.uk

A beautiful 15th Century building occupying the earliest site of Christian worship in Worcester. Now, after a century of other uses, it is once again a community church.

St Swithun’s Church

Church Street, Worcester WR1 2HJ
www.visitschurches.org.uk

Immerse yourself in history as you step inside the elegant Georgian gem. Home to a Grade I listed organ.

Worcester Cathedral School

College Yard, Worcester WR1 2A
01905 733900 www.worcestercathedrall.co.uk

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Worcester Art Gallery

Museum Street, Worcester WR1 2JN
www.worcesterartgallery.com

Containing 10,000 objects, the gallery is home to a significant collection of paintings, works on paper, prints, sculpture, textiles and applied art and design from the 18th century to the present day. A rich mix of the collecting traditions of the porcelain maker, Minton and the art school that formed the basis of the present day University of Worcester.

Worcester City Art Gallery & Museum

Forgesgate Street, Worcester WR1 1DT
01905 637311
www.worcesterartworkshop.org.uk

A range of creative activities including courses and workshops, performances, exhibitions, children’s activities and film as well as spaces for hire.

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A programme of exhibitions, events and workshops for all the family. Explore displays, exhibitions, cafes, shop and Worcestershire Soldiers Gallery.

The Commandery

Saturday, Worcester WR1 2HJ
01905 361821
www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk

Cradle Cliffe listed building, with a long and varied history. This fascinating site offers displays about the history of the building as well as the English Civil War.

George Marshall Medical Museum

Worcester’s Royal Hospital
Charles Hastings Way, Worcester WR1 1J0
01905 760784
www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk

Discover artefacts illustrating medicine and health care over the past 250 years. See the death masks, acupuncture shop and 19th century operating theatre.

The Hive

Samuel Walks, The Butts, Worcester WR1 3PD
01905 622866 www.thehiveworcester.org.uk

Home to a rich variety of resources and facilities from library to archaeology in an inspiring architectural building.

Worcester Arts Workshop

21 Sansome Street, Worcester WR1 2JN
01905 26039
www.worcesterartworkshop.org.uk

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