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If you haven't visited before, let us guide you round one of the UK's true hidden gems. Begin amongst the majestic architecture of Uphill Lincoln, the Gothic treasure which is Lincoln Cathedral and the imposing Norman battlements of Lincoln Castle.

Explore Stamford's photogenic Georgian streetscape; Horncastle, the county's antique capital and handsome Louth, a heaven for all foodies, within the renowned natural beauty of the Lincolnshire Wolds. Trace the steps of internationally significant scholars and statesmen who spent their formative years in the county. Grantham, once the home of Sir Issac Newton and Margaret Thatcher; Revesby the family estate of Sir Joseph Banks and magnificent Burghley House built in grand Elizabethan style by Sir William Cecil.

Lincolnshire's extensive coastline offers everything from the remote to the familiar, with hidden beaches and wildlife to the bright lights and thrills of the traditional bucket and spade resorts. The county's big skies thunder to the aerial acrobatics of the Red Arrows and later in the year RAF Scampton will herald a new era for airshows in Lincolnshire.

Whether your mood is for a city break, leisurely touring or family activities, accept our invitation to visit soon.

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Caroline Bingham Chief Executive







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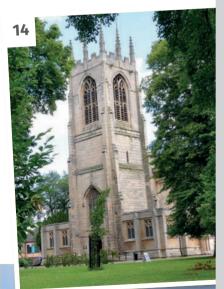
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Discover CITY TOURS

Take a tour

Bringing history

MANY TOURS CAN BE BOOKED AT CASTLE HILL VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE Lincoln, especially within the uphill Cathedral quarter, is blessed with architecture and heritage which date back to the Roman occupation of the city. There is a wide variety of entertaining tours you can join which will bring this history to vivid life, through the knowledge and expertise of guides and commentators.

SIGHTSEEING BUS TOUR

Tour Lincoln is the open-top city sightseeing bus which allows you to hop on and hop off at any of the eight stops along its route. With live commentary, this is a tour which is perfect if you want to experience Lincoln for yourself at your own pace.

Stops include Lincoln Cathedral, Northgate, Newport Arch, Lincoln Castle, Museum of Lincolnshire Life, Brayford Waterfront, High Street (St. Swithin's Square) and the Cultural Quarter (Silver Street) and the whole tour lasts just under one hour.

Children under 16 travelling with a paying adult go free and there is a discount for students. The tour bus is accessible with a low floor and has bottom deck space for wheelchairs.

Weekend tours start from March with the Discover Lincolnshire Weekend, Bank Holidays and Lincolnshire school holidays during April and May, daily from June to



September and weekends during October. The first tour leaves Lincoln Cathedral at 10.30am and the last leaves at 3.30pm.

Tickets can be purchased at the Visitor Information Centre on Castle Hill, on the bus itself or at **visitlincoln.com**

Tour Lincoln is also available for private hire and groups. For further information contact the Visitor Information Centre Tel: 01522 545458.

GREEN BADGE GUIDES

Join a local Green Badge expert guide for a walking tour of Lincoln and their personal slant on the characters and events which have shaped the city.

The tours begin at 11am, cost £4 per person and last between 1¼ and 1½ hours.

Tours are available October to June, every Saturday and Sunday plus Good Friday and Bank Holiday Mondays. July, August and September tours operate every day.

Meet at the Visitor Information Centre, 9 Castle Hill, Lincoln LN1 3AA.

If you would like to book a guide for a bus or special interest tour please contact Brian Taylor Tel: 01522 521256 or email: brian@lincolnguidedtours.co.uk

GHOST WALK

Lincoln has many haunting stories, some of which you can hear on the Original Lincoln



Ghost Walk which runs all year round on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday and every Bank Holiday at 7pm from the Visitor Information Centre in Castle Square.

CATHEDRAL TOURS

A visit to Lincoln Cathedral is a must on any tour and is always a memorable experience but join one of their expert volunteer guides to learn even more about one of the UK's most treasured buildings.

There are a variety of tours available, some of which may have age or number restrictions for health and safety reasons. Please enquire when you book or see full details on the Cathedral website: **www.lincolncathedral. com**

An introductory floor tour is included in the admission to the Cathedral, which will take you on a journey, revealing hundreds of years of history. Tours last between 1 and 1½ hours. March to October - Monday to Saturday 11am, 1pm & 3pm November to February - Monday to Saturday 11am & 2pm.

The roof tour takes you up into the roof space of Lincoln Cathedral so you can see the building's inner workings. November to February - Monday to Friday 1.30pm Saturday 11am & 1.30pm March to October - Monday to Saturday 11am & 2pm.

The Tower Tour takes you up to the top of the Central Tower where you can experience fabulous views and on a clear day see much of Lincolnshire. March to November - Saturday 11.30am, 1pm & 2.30pm.

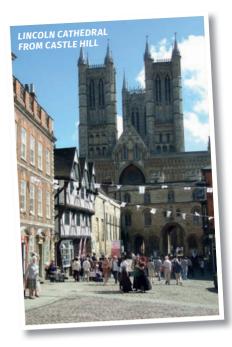
Learning and education has been at the heart of the Cathedral since its foundation. A Library tour is the chance to explore the Medieval and Wren Libraries with the help of a guide. By arrangement, please contact the Librarian.

To book your tour visit the entry desk on the day or contact the Visitor Services team Tel: 01522 561600. Tour times are subject to change.

URBAN HERB WALKS

Medical herbalist Hannah Sylvester runs a series of gentle afternoon walks (specific Sundays and Bank Holidays in May, June, July and August) which last just under 2 hours around the Bailgate area. On the interactive walks Hannah looks at types of medicinal plants, herbs, trees and wild flowers which thrive in this urban environment and explains their sometimes surprising history and their uses in cooking and first aid.

Numbers are restricted to 16 people



per walk so book in advance at: **www. thedistrictherbalist.co.uk** or Tel: 07906 376342

CAMERA WALKS

Whether you are an experienced photographer or a keen novice, you will find great inspiration and insight into the majesty of the city and its surrounding countryside when you join a Camera Walk led by John Bennett of Light and Dreams Photography. You will find more details about these walks on John's Facebook page Light and Dreams Photography or email: jp.bennett@ntlworld. com or Tel: 01522 568306

KNIGHTS TRAIL

Visitors can follow a trail, from 20th May to 3rd September, of 35 Knight sculptures through Lincoln to celebrate 800 years since the Battle of Lincoln and the sealing of the Charter of the Forest.

The knights, who will be stationed at prominent locations throughout the city, represent the two main figures of the 1217 Battle of Lincoln - Nicola de la Haye (Custodian of Lincoln Castle) and William Marshall (Regent to the young King Henry III). Each is colourfully decorated by one of many specially commissioned local artists.

The Battle of Lincoln was the culmination of King John's rebellion against Magna Carta. Lincoln Cathedral's copy of Magna Carta and the Charter of the Forest can be viewed within the David JP Ross Vault in Lincoln Castle. Find more information at: www.knightstrail.com

Discover HISTORY

_incoln through the centuries

A year to celebrate Incoln's influence

2017 marks another great anniversary year for Lincoln and Lincolnshire - The 800th anniversary of The Battle of Lincoln Fair and also the 800th anniversary of The Charter of the Forest.



The Battle of Lincoln Fair, fought in and around the city 800 years ago, has been called the second most significant battle, after Hastings, fought on English soil.

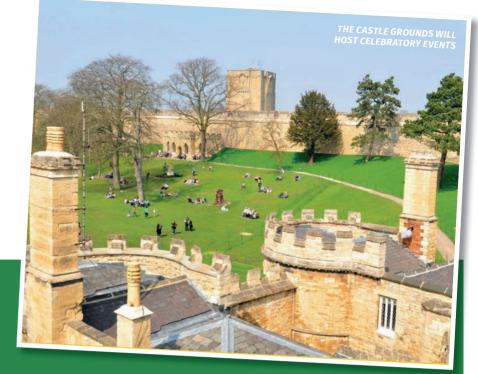
The military action at Lincoln was undoubtedly decisive, yet today few people are aware of its part in history. To bring this great story and important battle to life there is a series of events planned for the summer of 2017.

Lincoln Castle will be the centre of attention as history is brought to life where it happened 800 years ago with a week of immersive historical recreations;



BATTLES & DYNASTIES THE COLLECTION & THE USHER GALLERY

The Battle of Lincoln, fought on 20th May 1217, has been described by leading medieval historians as being. decisive battle ever fought on English soil. The defeat of the army of Prince Louis, son of the King of France, who had been invited over by the Barons to succeed John, after he renounced Magna Carta, confirmed John's infant son on the throne as Henry III, and secured the Plantagenet Dynasty. The great hero of the Battle was William Marshal, Guardian of the Realm. To mark this extremely important, but virtually unknown, battle we are staging a great Exhibition, as a successor to the Great Exhibition of 2015. It will centre on The Collection and The Usher Gallerv but there will be a very important exhibit in



and items on display in the Cathedral Library.

It will bring together manuscripts, archives, paintings, weapons and other artefacts not only to illustrate the significance of the battle but to focus on other great battles in our history and on the dynasties that were created or removed as a result of them. We will in fact begin with 1066, as it was the Conqueror who was responsible for Lincoln Castle and Cathedral.

We will look at the first battle of Lincoln in 1141 when King Stephen was defeated and taken prisoner by the forces of the Empress Matilda. We will look at the overthrow of Richard II by the only king ever born in Lincolnshire, Henry IV. We will look at the Battle of Bosworth which brought the Wars of the Roses to an end and saw the emergence of the Tudors. We will look at the personalities and battles of the English Civil War, at the Restoration of Charles II and at the Glorious Revolution 1688/9.

As with Lincolnshire's Great Exhibition, the items on display will be drawn from a wide range of institutions, national and local, and it will give the people of Lincoln and our visitors an opportunity to see treasures of international importance in a Lincoln context.

> The Lord Cormack, Chair of Historic Lincoln Trust

SATURDAY 20TH & SUNDAY 21ST MAY PREPARING FOR BATTLE LINCOLN CASTLE

Over the anniversary weekend, Lincoln Castle will play host to the English army, soldiers making ready for the impending battle.

Armourers, Fletchers and Bow Makers will all be assembled demonstrating their deadly crafts as the Garrison are assembled and drilled. Supplies are gathered and look-outs posted on the Wall Walk.

Visitors are invited to join the Garrison, and help with the lookout for the invading French army.

SATURDAY 27TH, SUNDAY 28TH & MONDAY 29TH MAY THE BATTLE OF LINCOLN LINCOLN CASTLE

Re-told with a cast of medieval soldiers from both the English and French armies, the story of the Battle of Lincoln Fair will be recreated with a series of scenes of the battle inside the Castle walls. Meet the principals – the hero William Marshal, the formidable Lady Nichola de la Haye as Castellan of the Castle, and the French Prince. Arrows will fly and swords will clash in hand-to-hand combat in this battle for the country. Over the Bank Holiday weekend the battle will be refought with vignettes in different locations around the Castle.

Amongst a whole host of other events will be: SATURDAY 29TH APRIL – MONDAY 28TH AUGUST COSTUMES FROM WOLF HALL

GAINSBOROUGH OLD HALL

A series of costumes from the TV production Wolf Hall, retelling the Tudor Court intrigue and Royal story of Henry VIII and Thomas Cromwell. The display includes costumes for the King, Queen Katherine and Queen Anne Boleyn as worn by the cast including Mark Rylance, Claire Foy, Damian Lewis and Jonathan Pryce. These will be displayed at Gainsborough Old Hall accompanied by a children's Tudor Trail throughout the summer. For more details visit our website **www.gainsborougholdhall.com.**

Discover COUNTY COLLECTIONS

Top destinations for the family

Lincolnshire's rich heritage

Lincolnshire County Council's heritage attractions show a wide range of Lincolnshire's history.

LINCOLN CASTLE

Visitors can retrace the steps where kings and convicts have walked, including the full circumference of the Wall Walk which was unveiled in 2015. There is no finer view of Lincoln Cathedral than that from the Castle's east wall battlements. Lincoln Castle is home to Lincoln Cathedral's copy of Magna Carta and in 2017 will host events celebrating the Charter of the Forest and the anniversary of the Battle of Lincoln.

GAINSBOROUGH OLD HALL

Gainsborough Old Hall is a large, late-medieval



manor house built by the noble Burgh family around 1460. The house boasts an impressive Great Hall, original medieval kitchen, East and West ranges containing a myriad of rooms and a ghost corridor and an original brick built tower. Gainsborough Old Hall was not only the home of the Burgh family but also a demonstration of their wealth and importance. Famous visitors to the Old Hall include Richard III, Henry VIII, John Wesley and the Pilgrim Fathers.

BATTLE OF BRITAIN MEMORIAL FLIGHT VISITOR CENTRE

A unique partnership between the Royal Air Force and Lincolnshire County Council provides the public with a gateway to the home of the RAF Battle Of Britain Memorial Flight at RAF Coningsby. Here you have the rare opportunity to see the Flight's historic aircraft at close quarters and to observe the RAF BBMF technicians working to maintain them in airworthy condition.

MUSEUM OF LINCOLNSHIRE LIFE

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Enjoy free entry to the largest and most diverse community museum in Lincolnshire. Exhibits illustrate commercial, domestic, agricultural, industrial and community life.

Since its beginnings the museum has built up a fascinating collection of over 250,000 objects, both on display and in store.

THE COLLECTION AND USHER GALLERY

The Collection brings together an award winning archaeology museum and the region's premier art gallery, the Usher Gallery, in the heart of historic Lincoln.

The archaeology gallery tells the story of Lincolnshire's fascinating heritage through artefact rich displays and reconstructions, hands-on activities, touch-screen games, and the chance to dress up in authentic historical costumes. The Usher Gallery is Lincolnshire's premier art gallery, officially opened in 1927 following a bequest to the City by Lincoln jeweller James Ward Usher.

SCAMPT AIRSHOW 2017 9-10 SEPTEMBER

RAF Scampton · Near Lincoln Book now at scamptonairshow.com



Discover AVIATION HERITAGE

Past, present and future

Lincolnshire flies high in

One of the unique aspects of Lincolnshire is its extensive aviation heritage, which covers the early days of aviation up until the present day. The Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Visitor Centre offers an opportunity to tour the hangar and view the iconic Spitfires, Hurricanes and Lancaster which are maintained in a flying condition. Alternatively visit the Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre at East Kirkby and listen to the roar of the Merlin engines of Lancaster 'Just Jane' on one of the taxy days.

All around the county there are many other attractions which tell their own unique stories. The Metheringham Airfield Visitor Centre relates the story of Norman Jackson, who was awarded one of the last Victoria Crosses of World War Two, whilst Thorpe Camp Visitor Centre highlights wartime life in Lincolnshire. Additionally you can watch the light aircraft flying from the wartime airfield of Wickenby.

Whilst you are out about be sure to call in at some of the aviation related pubs for a bit of refreshment such as the Bluebell Inn at Tattershall Thorpe and The Dambusters Inn at Scampton village, as featured on TV. For more details visit **www.**

aviationheritagelincolnshire.com

TRAINING AIRCRAFT AT CRANWELL

Until Friday March 24th 2017, Training Aircraft at Cranwell at Cranwell Aviation Heritage Centre will detail Cranwell's history as a training school, giving visitors the opportunity to learn about the types of aircraft that have flown at Cranwell over the last 100 years. Open 10am to 4pm. Visit: **www.cranwellaviation.co.uk** for further details. Tel: 01529 488490 Following later in the year, the story of iconic aircraft such as the Vulcan and Lincolnshire's role in the Cold War and the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962 will be featured. You can also track the story by following the Lincolnshire Vulcan Trail which was launched in 2016. Find details at: **www.aviationheritagelincolnshire. com**

WORLD WAR II ANNIVERSARIES

2017 marks significant anniversaries in past conflicts. The 75th anniversary of the Augsburg raid of April 1942 saw twelve aircraft (six from RAF Waddington and six from RAF Woodhall Spa) make the furthest daylight raid into Germany. A pilot from Waddington, John Nettleton, was awarded the Victoria Cross for his part in the daring mission but he died in duty a year later. It





will also be 75 years since the volunteer 'Eagle Squadrons' of RAF Kirton Lindsey were transferred to the American forces.

You can find details of how these and other events are being marked in the county by visiting: **www. aviationheritagelincolnshire.com**



RAF SCAMPTON WELCOMES NEW AIRSHOW

Aviation plays a very important part in Lincolnshire, with the county home to more RAF stations than any other. Over the last 100 years it has been the home of the iconic Vulcan, the Typhoon, based at RAF Coningsby, whilst RAF Scampton is home to the RAF Red Arrows.

On the 9th and 10th September visitors to this unique show will be given the chance to marvel at a spectacular five hour flying display and walk amongst a static display of modern fast jets and historic aircraft. The showground will feature a host of engaging and interactive activities and exhibitions designed to amaze and impress the whole family. Inspiring youth will be at the heart of the show, with an interactive Techno Zone aimed at youngsters and an RAF Village area, offering an insight into life in the modern Royal Air Force. It really will be one of the most exciting things to do in Lincolnshire in 2017!

Those looking to attend the show should note that tickets can only be purchased in advance at **www.scamptonairshow. com.** Tickets are priced at £39 with all under 16s able to enjoy the Airshow free when accompanied by an adult ticket-holder.

AVRO LANCASTER & BOMBER COMMAND MUSEUM

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LINCOLNSHIRE AVIATION HERITAGE CENTRE

East Kirkby Airfield, East Kirkby, Nr Spilsby Lincolnshire PE23 4DE

Tel: 01790 763207

Discover Outdoors

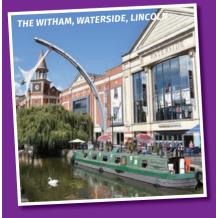
Waterways, walkways and cycle routes

Lincolnshire is one of the most accommodating counties in the UK if you enjoy getting active in the countryside.

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MARIINAS AND MOORINGS ALONG THE WAY

Burton Waters Marina, Lincoln
 www.burtonwater.co.uk
 Lincoln Marina, Lincoln
 www.noblemarine.co.uk/marina/
 Lincoln-Marina
 Fosdyke Yacht Haven, Boston
 www.fosdykeyachthaven.co.uk
 Belle Isle Marina, Lincoln
 www.bellislemarina.com
 Saltfleet Haven, Saltfleet
 www.saltfleethaven.co.uk
 Boston Marina, Boston
 www.bostonmarina.net



There are few better ways to experience our magnificent county than to set off on foot, take to the saddle or wander our waterways.

Discover the Lindsey Trail, a unique, multiuser route for horse carriage drivers, cyclists and walkers.

The 147-mile long Viking Way is a national footpath which runs the length of the county, or follow the traffic free Water Rail Way along the former Lincoln to Boston railway.

The rolling landscape of the Lincolnshire Wolds, a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, provides the prefect scenic backdrop to some of the finest routes you can find. Each year the Lincolnshire Wolds Walking Festival and the South Lincolnshire Walking Festival have activities and walks to suit all ages and abilities.

Find Far Ings Nature Reserve, Barton under the south towers of the Humber Bridge, visit Donna Nook to seal spot, while many birdwatchers 'flock' to sites such as RSPB Frampton Marsh and RSPB Freiston Shore near Boston, Whisby Nature Reserve, Lincoln and Gibraltar Point, Skegness.

A WEALTH OF WATERWAYS

The corridors formed by rivers, canals and drains through the Lincolnshire landscape are accessible and offer beautiful contrasts

between urban and rural settings.

Whether you are an angler, pleasure boater, sailor or oarsman there are expanses of water which offer great sport and leisure opportunities on the coast and inland.

The Romans built the 11-mile Fossdyke Navigation linking the River Trent to what is now Lincoln's bustling, cosmopolitan Brayford Waterfront. Continue your journey south through the city's locks and medieval Glory Hole.

The River Witham, on its stretch between Boston and Lincoln covers 36 miles of peaceful, pretty and often remote countryside with interesting attractions along the way. The Water Rail Way cycle and foot path runs alongside and Fiskerton Fen Nature Reserve is well worth a look. At Anton's Gowt you can also join the Witham Navigable Drains to explore these backwaters.

The Witham at Boston attracts rowers from not only the local Boston Rowing Club but also international events and trials. The Fens Waterway Link completes a navigable route between Lincoln and Peterborough.

If you don't have your own craft you can always enjoy a pleasure cruise from the Brayford Waterfront or jump aboard the Spalding Water Taxi for a 30-minute trip along the River Welland.

THE WHEEL DEAL

If you don't bring your bike try these hire options. _____

• Bike4Life – from 4 venues across the county: Grimsthorpe Castle, Bardney Heritage Centre, Lincoln and Louth

http://lincolnshiresport.com/ getactive/support-for-families-0-18/ bike-4-life/

• Cycle Lincs – delivered to your door countywide

www.cyclelincs.co.uk
Lincoln Hirebike –
12 locations across city
www.hourbike.com
Woodhall Country Park
www.woodhallcountrypark.co.uk/
bike-hire/
Tattershall Lakes Holiday Park
www.tattershall-lakes.com/on-the-park/bike-hire/
Raileisure –
bikes delivered to you
at the edge of the Wolds

www.raileisure.com



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Conservation Trust giving a home

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For more details, or to book a stay call Barbara Hodgkinson on 01526 353637 or email barbara@woodhallspa.com Website: www.woodhallspa.com



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attershall Farm Park, Marsh Lane, Tattershall, LN4 4JR off Tattershall Marketplace) • Open EVERY Day at 10.00am



Discover COMMUNITIES

Towns with unique character and history 🗰

Explore charming Market Towns

ST WULFRAM'S CHURCH, GRANTHA

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Within easy travelling distance, each of Lincolnshire's market towns has developed its own unique character and history.

Set within picturesque locations, many regularly appear in top ten lists as the most desirable places to live because of the excellent lifestyle they offer.

Here we have tried to give you a flavour of what you will find but there are many more peaceful towns and beautiful villages which are amongst the county's best kept secrets.

Grantham

Excellent transport links by road and rail have been crucial in the town's development and today it still retains a strong industrial base because of the close proximity of the A1 and main East Coast line.

Grantham offers plenty of accommodation options for your stay and is an ideal base from which to explore the town and the attractive destinations on its doorstep.

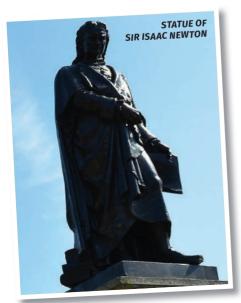
OUT OF TOWN TOP TIPS

• Stately home splendour at Belvoir Castle, the seat of the Manners family, the Duke and Duchess of Rutland

www.belvoircastle.com

• Plenty of family fun in store at Belton House, a National Trust owned mansion and its 35 acre gardens.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/belton-house





• The perfect spot for a light lunch or coffee break is Belton Garden Centre, on the opposite side of the road to Belton House.

www.beltongardencentre.co.uk

The birthplace and family home of Sir Isaac Newton, Woolsthorpe Manor, at Woolsthorpe-by-Colsterworth, has been preserved as a museum and visitor centre. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/

woolsthorpe-manor

• Grimsthorpe Castle Park and Gardens opens in the summer for tours of the John Vanbrugh designed house and surrounding parkland.

www.grimsthorpe.co.uk

 Located to the south of Grantham, just off the A1, a visit to Easton Walled Gardens has something for the whole family.
 www.eastonwalledgardens.co.uk

Market Day Saturday

TOP TIPS IN TOWN

 Trace the history of some of the town's most famous sons (Isaac Newton) and daughters (Margaret Thatcher and Edith Smith) at Grantham Museum.

www.granthammuseum.org.uk

• St Wulframs Church, Grantham is a large medieval church which can seat up to 700 people.

www.stwulframs.org.uk

Be sure to purchase some Grantham
 Gingerbreads, a local speciality biscuit.

GUILDHALL MUSEUM

Boston

Boston's medieval wealth was built on the wool trade and while the port is still in operation today it is the food industry which underpins the town's prosperity. The surrounding landscape is dominated by the tower of St Botolph's Church, locally known as Boston Stump.

The Stump is located alongside the Market Place, which is home to the town's famous weekly markets and is the hub from which a series of medieval lanes radiate. The connection of Boston, UK with its namesake in Massachusetts can be followed by tracing the steps of the Pilgrim Fathers and local sons of the town. Independent retailers, cafés and restaurants reflect the diverse and vibrant community which still makes up this historic town.

TOP TIPS FOR VISITING BOSTON

Climb 'The Stump' to appreciate a magnificent view of the

surrounding countryside. www.parish-of-boston.org.uk
 Boston's Guildhall Museum tells the tale of the Pilgrim
 Fathers as well as that of the town. www.bostonguildhall.
 co.uk

- Tuck into a delicious Mountain's Boston Sausage served in many local eateries.
- Explore the history of sail power in Lincolnshire at Maud
- Foster Windmill. **www.maudfoster.co.uk**
- Visit Boston's oldest building and take in a show at Blackfriars Arts Centre. www.blackfriarsartscentre.co.uk

 Take a boat trip into The Wash to see wildlife in the estuary or stick to dry land by visiting the nature reserves nearby at RSPB Frampton or RSPB Freiston. www.rspb.org.uk

Gainsborough

Famed as Britain's most inland port, the town has a proud industrial heritage which is best known by the legacy of the Marshall company's Britannia Iron Works, which built and exported portable steam engines, threshing machines and agricultural equipment all over the world.

Marshall's Yard is today the home of a shopping and business destination which attracts visitors from across the region. Gainsborough has an earlier history when it provided a prominent location for the Separatist movement, which spawned the Pilgrim Fathers. Substantial regeneration has taken place along the Trent riverside and wharfs, where former warehousing has been turned into desirable urban apartments.

GO SEE TIPS

• Gainsborough Old Hall is one of the best timber framed medieval manor houses in the UK. Explore its connection to the Pilgrim Fathers and admire its beautifully preserved Great Hall and interior.

www.gainsborougholdhall.com

 Marshall's Yard is a 21st century shopping experience build within a 19th century former industrial façade.
 www.marshallsyard.co.uk

• All Saints Parish Church, within sight of the Old Hall, has its own café and gift shop.



larket Days Wednesday and Saturday

Louth

TWIN TOWN LA FERTÉ BERNARD

Real States

Farmers Market #h Wednesday of every month

Food Friday Second Friday Seach month

ENDENT SHOPS

The beautiful Georgian town is known as the 'Capital of the Wolds' and makes a perfect base for exploring the surrounding Area of Outstanding Beauty.

Louth is also one of the UK's best loved food hot spots, with many awardwinning independent butchers, bakers, greengrocers, fishmongers and speciality shops offering the finest local produce. You may have seen when the Hairy Bikers paid a visit and declared Louth a 'food Mecca'.

The prominent spire of St James' Church is the tallest medieval example in the UK and will be your landmark as you wander through Louth and the magnificent Georgian and Victorian houses which make up so much of the historic centre.

Whether your interest is for leisurely shopping, intriguing history, abundant nature or fun attractions, there is plenty to see and do.



HERE ARE OUR TOP TIPS FOR A MEMORABLE VISIT

View the 19th century Louth
 Panorama at Louth Sessions House
 on East Street for a 360-degree
 perspective of Victorian Louth.
 Louth Museum is home to a collection
 of Thomas Wallis woodcarvings as
 well as exhibits telling 200,000 years
 of local archaeology and Louth's
 disastrous floods of May 1920.

www.louthmuseum.org.uk

 Explore the Round Louth Walk at any time of the year but stride out with fellow walkers during the Wolds Walking Festival held in May and June each year.

• Enjoy the splendour of the exterior and interior of St James' Church.

• To the west of the town is Hubbard's Hills, an area of tranquil beauty bequeathed to Louth and an ideal spot for a picnic. www.hubbardshills.co.uk

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Market Rasen

The famous racecourse lies in a picturesque setting just north of the town but there is plenty more to see on your visit.

The compact centre hosts regular markets, while the surrounding streets can offer all you may need, from local produce to clothes and gifts. There are also plenty of opportunities for refreshment stops at local cafés and pubs.



Market Days

Tuesday, Friday and Saturday

Farmers Market 2nd Thursday Severy month

OUR TOP TIPS

Enjoy a Day at the Races www.marketrasen. theiockevclub.co.uk

Head out to South

www.hallfarmpark.co.uk

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www.specialeditionchocolate.co.uk Thrills and adventure amongst

www.highropesadventure.com

• Market Rasen is surrounded by Nature Reserve www.forestry.gov. uk/chambersfarmwood

Gateway to the Wolds

Local Facilities

Antiques Centre

Riverside Picnic Area

Market every week on Thursdays and Saturdays

ST MARY'S CHURCH

lorncastle Market Days Thursday and Saturday

Welcome to the antiques capital of Lincolnshire, with plenty of scope if you love browsing for collectables and vintage treasures. There are also many vibrant, independently owned retail shops and cafés which offer great choice, variety and value. The town is mostly built in traditional red brick but has a history dating from Roman times and was included in the Domesday Book. There are the remains of part of the old Roman Wall on display in the Library.

MARKET RASEN RACECOURSE

OUR TOP TIPS

O Horncastle was home to Sir Joseph Banks, renowned naturalist

ANTIQUES HOT SPOT

• The Joseph Banks Centre is on Bridge Street and houses a library, Tribute Garden and gift shop. www.joseph-banks.org.uk

Take a Horncastle Town Walk.

Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust is based in Horncastle and manages

- and events. www.lincstrust.org.uk
- Tuck into some traditional Lincolnshire Plum Bread as baked to

• Drive out to Somersby, the enchanting village which was the • Visit the delightful 13th century Church of St Mary.

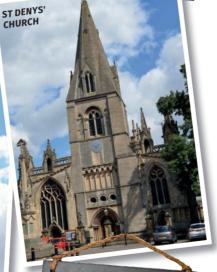


Sleaford

With a population of over 18,000 Sleaford is one of the smaller market towns in the county but it is still growing. Excellent schools, attractive countryside, good access to transport links and attainable housing have made the town a winning location.







Farmers Market 15 Friday Severy month,

• Navigation House, which was built in

www.sleafordnavigation.co.uk

Sleaford Museum is based on South

www.sleafordmuseum.org.uk

The three-storied Cogglesford Mill www.nationalmillsweekend.co.uk

JUST OUT OF TOWN TOP TIPS

• Visit Cranwell Aviation Heritage Centre

www.aviationheritagelincolnshire.com

• Only a short drive from Sleaford is the

www.heckingtonwindmill.org.uk and

www.heckingtonshow.org.uk

TOP TIPS

 Springfields Festival Gardens and Outlet Shopping combines the joy of retail therapy with the relaxation of gardens celebrating the market garden and bulb growing heritage of Spalding.
 www.springfieldsshopping.co.uk
 Buy a delicious hand raised pork pie

or one of their other tempting fillings at local butchers Adams and Harlow at the Crescent.

www.adamsandharlow.co.uk

• Historic Ayscoughfee Hall was built in the 15th century. This Grade I listed building now houses a museum and galleries in a beautiful garden setting.

• Admire Moulton Windmill, the tallest in the UK standing at 100ft and dominating the village. Enjoy coffee ir the Granary Tearoom and a varied programme of events. www.moultonwindmill.co.uk

 Chain Bridge Forge is a preserved 19th century blacksmiths living museum. You can find it on the High Street in Spalding.
 Get close to native owls and birds of prey at Baytree Owl and Wildlife Centre.

www.baytreeowlcentre.co.uk

 Romany Vardos, photographs, carts and harnesses help to tell the story of Romany history and culture at Gordon Boswell Romany Museum.

www.boswell-romany-museum.com

• Cruise along the River Welland between the town centre and Springfields Gardens on the Spalding Water Taxi.

www.spaldingwatertaxi.co.uk

Spalding

Set in the heart of the Lincolnshire Fens, Spalding is fringed by highly productive agricultural land famous for producing bulbs and seasonal vegetable crops. The annual spring Flower Parade was superseded after 2013 by a Pumpkin Festival held in October.





TOP TIPS FOR A MEMORABLE VISIT

• Enjoy lunch or afternoon tea at this historic coaching inn.

 www.georgehotelofstamford.com
 Stamford Arts Centre is the cultural heart of the town housing a cinema, gallery, theatre, ballroom and coffee shop. www.stamfordartscentre.com
 Stamford Georgian Festival will return in 2017 from 21st to 24th September.
 www.stamfordgeorgianfestival.co.uk
 Walk the Stamford Town Trail to

take in the Georgian architectural streetscape or visit the elegant churches whose spires feature so clearly on the skyline.

www.stamfordchurches.co.uk.

• Enjoy an award-winning fruit beer at the restored Victorian steam brewery. Book in advance at:

 www.allsaintsbrewery.co.uk
 Stamford Town Hall was purpose built in the 1720s and houses a collection of regalia and the Sir Malcolm Sargent Room.

www.stamfordtowncouncil.co.uk

JUST BEYOND TOWN TOP TIPS

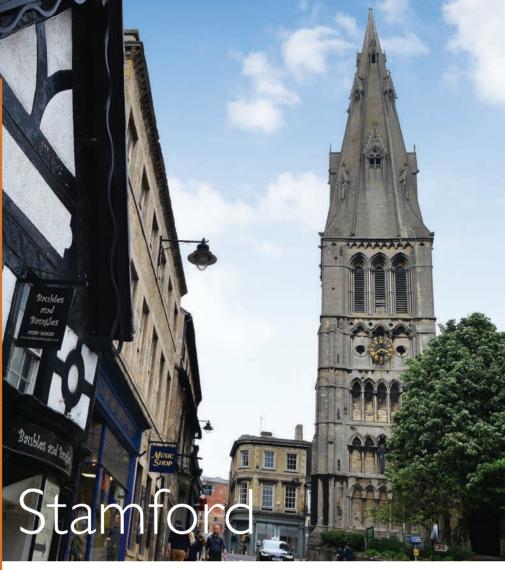
• Tour magnificent Elizabethan Burghley House and its surrounding parkland where the Burghley Horse Trials will be held on Thu, Fri, Sat and Sun 31st August to 3rd September 2017. www.burghley.com

• Just a short drive from the town is Rutland Water, a reservoir and nature reserve which can be enjoyed by birdwatchers, walkers, anglers, cyclists, sailors and watersports enthusiasts in equal measure.

www.rutlandwater.org.uk

ALL SAINTS BREWERY

• On a summer evening take a picnic to enjoy before settling down to one of Tolethorpe Hall's Rutland Open Air Theatre's Shakespeare productions. www.stamfordshakespeare.co.uk



Known as 'The finest stone town in England', Stamford's many elegant church spires are a prominent feature of the skyline. The Georgian layout and architecture of the historic centre have made it a favourite location for film and TV crews. The town's prosperity was driven in the past by the wool trade and as a halfway staging post between London and York on the Great North Road. Today 'ancient and vibrant' is the motto of the town's business and retail community who honour their heritage in a very contemporary fashion.



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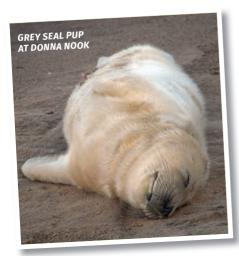
A stroll around the county

Forget flat boring

John Bennett, a well-known Lincoln based writer and photographer, shares his love of the Lincolnshire landscape and walking.

There is a widespread public perception outside the county that Lincolnshire is flat and boring, apart from the steep hill up to the Cathedral in Lincoln anyway. But that perception is very wrong. Lincolnshire may not have any mountains or soaring sea cliffs, but it has pretty much everything else, including some unique features created by the underlying geology and human activity.

There is much to offer the walker, with multi-day long distance routes as well as



single days out and shorter strolls. Most of the county feels very lived in and cosy, but there are also wild places for those that seek solitude away from civilisation. Whatever your interests, I hope this article helps you find what you're looking for when you are out and about in our beautiful county, or at least sparks some ideas. It can only be a very quick run through though, apologies to locals if I leave your favourite walk out!

The geology of Lincolnshire comes from the time of the dinosaurs, the legendary Triassic, Jurassic and Cretaceous periods, with a covering of later sediments from the Ice Age. The rocks are basically alternating layers of clay, limestone, more clay, chalk and yet more clay, all sloping gently down to the east and away under the North Sea. These alternating soft and hard layers have resulted in the flat Trent Valley, the ridge of Lincoln Edge, another wide flat valley down the middle of the county, the rolling uplands of the Wolds and the flat coastal plain. Everything tends to lie north-south, and the higher areas have steeper edges facing west and gentler slopes to the east. I often think of it as a stack of books that has fallen over. This simple structure gets more complex in the south of Lincolnshire, but more of that later.

The Viking Way is the only official long distance footpath to lie almost entirely within the county, running between the Humber Bridge and Rutland Water. Suffice to say that it is the perfect multi-day route for the adventurous walker who wants to sample most of what Lincolnshire has to offer in one trip. But for day walkers the choice could be between chalk downlands with secluded valleys and hidden villages, limestone ridge walks with extensive views, intimate woodland strolls, river or canal side towpaths, wild coastal dunes and saltmarshes, flat open fenland spaces with dramatic big skies or picture postcard Cotswold-like limestone villages. Or any combination of the above of course!

The Lincolnshire Wolds are our only Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), they are surprisingly also the highest land in eastern England between Kent and Yorkshire. The aforementioned Viking Way takes in part of The Wolds, but there are also other shorter



routes well worth looking at. The Silver Lincs Way runs for 25 miles through the eastern Wolds between Grimsby and Louth. A free leaflet is available from Grimsby and Louth Ramblers. There is also the 95 mile Lindsey Loop that connects various market towns around the AONB, with a leaflet available from Lincolnshire Ramblers. The Lincs Wolds Way is a fine 76 mile circular route, starting and finishing in Louth. It covers the best that the area has to offer, and has been handily broken down into five stages, each one making a comfortable six-hour day for an average walker. Route descriptions are available as pdf files from http://www. lincswoldwalking.co.uk

The Wolds are England in miniature, so much history within these rolling chalk hills. Keen fossil hunters could even find Cretaceous sea creatures under their feet. There are countless beautiful old churches and welcoming country pubs, old battlefields and surreal relics from the Cold War such as the 'dishes' at Stenigot.

The other 'upland' area (albeit barely 250' high) in Lincolnshire is the limestone ridge that runs from the Humber to the southern borders. In the north it spreads out somewhat and is complicated by ironstone outcrops in the Scunthorpe area, but the central section runs arrow straight to Lincoln and beyond almost to Grantham. This is Lincoln Edge and it commands extensive views to the west over the Trent Valley in particular. In the past the ridge was the only safe dry route above the waterlogged swamps of the lowlands to either side. The Romans used it for Ermine Street, one of their major highways, and it is still used today by many busy roads. Luckily there are also sections of lesser byways, bridleways and footpaths ideal for the modern walker to follow the legions. Pretty villages cling to the ridge and make perfect places to start/finish circular walks, or use the country buses to link up linear walks. As you approach Grantham, the ridge broadens and becomes more complex, spreading out

into Leicestershire and beyond, even as far as Dorset. If you were transplanted into any of the villages between here and Stamford you could be forgiven for thinking that you were in the Cotswolds. There is a fine walk along the Grantham Canal to Nottingham, a distance of 32 miles taking in the beautiful Vale of Belvoir.

In the south-east of Lincolnshire the Fens are what give the impression that the county is flat. Over 1,000 years man drained the Fens and transformed them from swamps to the most productive farmland in Europe. Areas of intensive agriculture don't lend themselves to scenic walking, but there are some pretty waterside walks and interesting





historic towns and villages to visit, such as Boston and Spalding with the attractive River Welland. There are also old wetland habitats preserved for wildlife and visitors, and all under the biggest skies that Mother Nature has to offer.

The Lincolnshire coast is often thought of as just candy floss and caravans, and indeed there is plenty of both, but there is also a lot of really wild coastal scenery. From the Humber estuary to The Wash there are many unspoilt areas of sand dunes and saltmarsh, often found together as at Gibraltar Point, south of Skegness. There is extensive walking in these areas, but look out for local information regarding the tides. You might think the sea is miles away at low tide, but it comes in incredibly fast and people are regularly caught out.

Gibraltar Point is a well-known nature reserve with a brand new state-of-the-art visitor centre following disastrous floods a few years ago. It is a fine starting point for anyone new to the wilder Lincolnshire coast. But there are also similar, more secluded spots such as Mogg's Eye or Saltfleet Haven, where you are almost always guaranteed solitude to explore the area and take in the haunting calls of sea birds. You can easily spend a full day exploring the dunes and saltmarshes of these unsung places, and they are equally as beautiful in winter as they are in summer.

In November and December it is worth visiting Donna Nook nature reserve to see the colony of grey seals and their pups. At the height of the season there are more than 5,000 seals there, it is quite a sight and you can get incredibly close to the pups. Donna



Nook is one of several coastal nature reserves that are also bombing ranges owned by the MOD, so take care and check the warning notices!

Lincolnshire has one of the lowest densities of trees in England, so it is well worth seeking out the woods that we do have. There are several Forestry Commission woodlands, most open to the public, and several that have been sold off to the Woodland Trust etc. - also many small private woods with access. The largest woods include Stapleford Woods between Lincoln and Newark, Willingham Woods near Market Rasen and Bourne Woods in the south of the county. All of these have miles of waymarked trails, including some for people with limited mobility, and plenty of scope to explore off the main tracks. Some of these are modern plantations, but others are designated ancient woodland, such as Skellingthorpe Old Wood.

Down the centre of the county run the Lincolnshire Limewoods, the largest of which is Chambers Farm Wood near Wragby. The Limewoods Project aims to develop these woodlands for wildlife and the public, bringing in native species to replace alien conifers, also co-ordinating other attractions in the area such as historical buildings and nature reserves. Anyone with an Ordnance Survey map could create interesting routes linking the various woodlands and heritage sites in this area.

There are lots of nature reserves, nature parks and areas of special scientific interest (SSSIs) all over Lincolnshire. Many of these are the result of glaciation and recent human activity. The glaciers left several areas of sand and gravel deposits, which have been quarried for roads and railway ballast. As these close they are often now landscaped and converted into nature reserves such as Swanholme Lakes and Whisby Nature Park near Lincoln. These are beautiful oases of peace and tranquillity right next to busy urban areas, the perfect places for a quick recharge. Far Ings Nature Reserve on the Humber south bank was a clay tile quarry, that too is now a nature reserve. Greetwell Quarry near Lincoln was quarried for limestone and is now an SSSI, whereas the adjacent Greetwell Hollow was an ironstone mine and is now a nature reserve. Old airfields too are being converted into nature reserves as at Woodhall Spa. So many areas once closed to the public now have general access and continue to be developed all the time.

Of the many lesser known local parks and beauty spots in Lincolnshire, honourable mention must go to Hubbard's Hills on the west edge of Louth. It had a dramatic birth at the end of the last Ice Age when a lake that was trapped between the ice sheet and the Wolds burst its bank and gouged out the deep channel that we see today. I can never visit without the vision of this apocalyptic flood in my mind, and yet it is so peaceful today.

Finally there are several stately homes in Lincolnshire with extensive grounds that offer much to the walker. Belton House near Grantham is owned by the National Trust and has a deer park, gardens and woodland that can easily satisfy a day visit. The view from the top of the hill by Belmount Tower is one of the finest in the county. Similarly Burghley House near Stamford and Normanby Hall near Scunthorpe, plus many other smaller ones well worth seeking out.



CAPTURE LINCOLNSHIRE ON CAMERA

John Bennett conducts a series of city and county walks during which he encourages participants to share his love of capturing Lincolnshire on camera.

You will find more details about these walks on John's Facebook page Light and Dreams Photography or email: jp.bennett@ntlworld.com or Tel: 01522 568306

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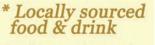
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Seaside towns like Skegness, Mablethorpe, Sutton on Sea and Cleethorpes are magnets for families, with excellent sands and clean waters ideal for a traditional bucket and spade holiday. Why not enjoy some traditional attractions including a donkey ride on Skegness seafront, the thrill of the rollercoasters at Fantasy Island, Skegness or a more relaxing jaunt on the Sand Train which travels along Mablethorpe's magnificent shoreline?

If the weather is not so kind there are plenty of indoor attractions to keep you amused. Visit the Natureland Seal Sanctuary where orphaned or injured seals washed upon the county's beaches are cared for. Enjoy the warm waters of Butlin's Splash Waterworld or enjoy a show at the Embassy Centre. On your Marques is a must for model car enthusiasts, while Church Farm Museum gives a glimpse of bygone times.





Go slightly further inland and escape to the wild expanses of the Lincolnshire coastal grazing marshes around Burgh le Marsh, Saltfleetby and Huttoft. This diverse area supports abundant wildlife and ancient folklore as well as its present day farming community.

Only a few miles from Skegness, Anderby Creek is in the top ten of Britain's Undiscovered Beaches.

And don't forget there is an excellent choice of accommodation to suit all tastes and budgets. Look at the section at the back of this guide to find some of the best.

TOP TIPS AT THE LINCOLNSHIRE COAST

• Go for a donkey ride on Skegness beach.

• Visit Donna Nook to see seals in their wild habitat.

 Take inspiration from our big skies at the Cloud Bar, the UK's first epic cloud spotting platform, Mablethorpe.
 Visit Hardy's Animal Farm, Ingoldmells

for a great family day out

www.hardysanimalfarm.co.uk

 Tuck into a fish and chip supper with fresh fish from Grimsby and Lincolnshire grown potatoes.

• See seals and other marine animals at Natureland Seal Sanctuary.

www.skegnessnatureland.co.uk

Visit one of the many nature

reserves to see exhilarating birdlife.

• Catch a show at the Embassy Centre **www.embassytheatre.co.uk**

Discover HISTORIC GARDENS

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- Magnificent county homes

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Magnificent manor houses and mansions whose architecture bear testament to the wealth and influence of their creators are also custodians of some of the most majestic gardens in the UK.

Burghley House, the home of the Cecil family, which stands at the edge of Stamford, is acknowledged as one of Britain's greatest Elizabethan houses. Surrounded by breathtaking landscapes designed by 'Capability' Brown, Burghley hosts the annual Burghley Land Rover Horse Trials in September. On a smaller scale but no less beautiful, Doddington Hall, near Lincoln, stands much as it would have done when it was designed in 1600. The kitchen and formal gardens are a pleasure to wander all year round with highlights such as Iris Week in early June being especially popular.

You have plenty of choice of impressive stately houses including the fine Restoration architecture of Belton House, the grandeur of Grimsthorpe Castle or the Georgian country estate elegance of Gunby Hall. The Italian Garden at Belton was designed by Jeffrey Wyattville while Gunby Hall, a large country house near Skegness boasts arch pergolas of fruit trees and a walled garden to the rear.

Not far from the coast is Alford Manor House, believed to be the largest thatched manor house in England. Explore its museum, exhibitions and welcoming tea room. In the north of the county, Normanby Hall, a classic country house, is home to a farming museum, costume gallery, Victorian walled garden and country park.



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Marshall's Yard shop, eat, relax

Marshall's Yard, the award-winning shopping centre in the market town of Gainsborough is approaching its 10th anniversary and has experienced significant change this past 12 months, with three new businesses opening and an expansion of the popular high street store, Next. Next have introduced a Costa coffee, the centre's second outlet, and their homeware range to their first floor whilst new names Seasalt, Clark's and Root also joined the retail lineup this year. Root is a brand new concept of healthy food to eat in or order on the go. Their salad boxes, wraps and open sandwiches use key ingredients that promote health and wellbeing along with freshly made juices and smoothies made on site. Independent boutique, Chic, have also expanded into a larger unit following the success of their business at Marshall's Yard. They stock Dubarry, Joules and Jack Murphy. With an M&S Food, Laura Ashley, New Look, Mountain Warehouse, Wilko and Body Shop amongst many other high street brands and independent stores this rounds up the fantastic offer at Marshall's Yard meaning the Centre is fully let with its 32 stores, coffee shops and restaurant. Alongside this the monthly Farmers' and Craft Market, held on the second Saturday of the month, attracts people from far and wide keen on sourcing and cooking good quality, local produce. Cost of parking and accessibility remain the reasons why shoppers travel from around the region to Marshall's Yard with 2 hours' parking being only 50p and just £1 for four hours. A full programme of specialist events will continue to roll out throughout the year, with something for everyone happening every month. For more information please visit www.marshallsyard.co.uk.





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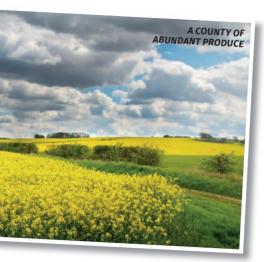
FAMOUS LINCOLNSHIRE SAUSAGES

Discover DELICACIES

Tempting county produce —

Something for all tastes

Amy Claridge is an award-winning PR consultant based in Lincoln. Her love of food is evident when she presents her weekly Lincolnshire Kitchen programme on BBC Radio Lincolnshire and here she shares her thoughts on the perfect Lincolnshire delicacies.



In the twelve years that I have lived in this kind and quietly proud hardworking county, I have noticed the growing profile of its food producers and produce. And rightly so! Lincolnshire is an important agricultural county.

Lincolnshire is the second largest county in England. Even its principal city, Lincoln, feels spacious compared to other cities. At the southern end of the county we have a lot of flat well-drained fenland, perfect for crop production and particularly rich in nutrients. You only have to drive from Lincolnshire to Norfolk via King's Lynn to realise where the country's cabbages and Christmas sprouts are grown (not to mention potatoes, onions and cauliflowers). Flat land means easy sowing, management and harvesting and the admittedly not-very-quick journey along the A17 does mean the traveller is rewarded with the relaxing view of acre upon acre of crops growing, as well as the sunlight's

fractured reflections bouncing off enormous greenhouses.

At the northern end of the county, we enjoy the end of the geology which has created the Yorkshire Wolds. The Lincolnshire Wolds have rich undulating lands which suit animals, chickens etc. In the middle of the county, we have a lot of meat, wheat, barley, sugar beet, crop and arable producers. During summer, the sight of miles and miles of cheerful yellow rapeseed is always enjoyable and there are a few producers of rapeseed oil for cooking and baking.

There are some foods which are unique to Lincolnshire, and you may or may not have tried them yet... but you must! The Lincolnshire Sausage is something the county's folk, even incomers like myself, are extremely proud of. Its seasoning and use of locally-reared pork make it delicious as a breakfast sausage, or try it piled onto mash with a proper onion gravy. Wonderful! The county has traditional butchers based in most towns, so you are never far from a Lincolnshire Sausage.

Haslet is a curious creation, which took me a while to get my head round. A whole haslet looks like, I imagine, a baked hedgehog minus its spikey spines. Roughly round and slightly nobbly it's a ball-shaped bundle of savoury joy based on sausage meat. The best ones are not over-baked and I like it sliced in a sandwich with a little piccalilli or chutney and never salad. On the subject of bread, Lincolnshire has several working windmills so local flour is available, and is excellent.

Chine is another county favourite which you must try, and every butcher does theirs

slightly differently. Hailing from a time when chine would have been stuffed with whatever the household could find or forage, nowadays the butchers often use parsley. If I made my own, I would use flat leaf parsley, a little mint, and even young nettle tops. Such is the county's love of chine, Chine Festivals were common. If you want to taste Lincolnshire's past, buy some chine and savour it.

The truth is, for food, Lincolnshire is embarrassingly lucky and plentiful. Lincolnshire's larder is full of fantastic local produce but we are more than happy to share it with our wonderful visitors! We hope you'll go home and tell all your friends about the delicious time you spent in our county. Next time somebody mentions Lincolnshire, please remember our wonderful farms, green pastures and rich soil and what they bring to the table.



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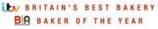
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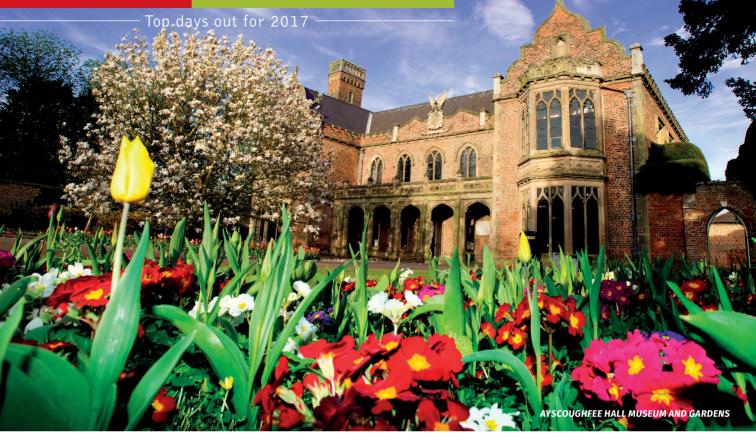




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Discover ATTRACTIONS



Lincolnshire Fun for all the family

Lincolnshire is a county for all seasons. From outdoor attractions to historic buildings, live music and theatre there is something to keep you entertained all year round.

AYSCOUGHFEE HALL MUSEUM AND GARDENS

Built in the 1450s, many of Ayscoughfee Hall's owners have left their mark on the building. The result is that a visit to Ayscoughfee is a chance to experience different architectural styles and features from the medieval to the Victorian. A visit is an opportunity to come face to face with some of the people that lived there. Come and discover what their lives were like. The Museum also tells the story of the historic town of Spalding and the surrounding Fenlands.

The Hall is set in five acres of beautiful gardens, which feature a listed War Memorial by the celebrated architect Sir Edwin Lutyens, a children's play area and a café, adding up to a fabulous day out. All this and it's free to enter too.

Ayscoughfee Hall have a number of events

throughout the year including reenactments, exhibitions, music and theatre performances and much more. Check out the website or follow Ayscoughfee Hall on Facebook and Twitter for details.

The Hall is open 10.30am – 4pm, Wednesday to Sunday (open Bank Holidays 10.30am – 4pm). The Gardens are open dawn to dusk, year round.

Ayscoughfee Hall Museum, Churchgate,

HECKINGTON WINDMILL REGENERATION PROJECT COMPLETES IN 2017

With the final funding in place, September 2016 saw the start of the major phase of the regeneration project. Over winter and the spring of 2017, the cart shed, Granary and piggeries will be restored to form our state-of-the-art visitor's centre, with fully disabled access to the ground floor of the windmill. The mill house will also be refurbished and extended to provide an outstanding Tea Room and much improved mill shop. The mill, on-site 8 sailed brewery,

and Bake House will be open throughout the restoration work and a small tea room will run from the Bake House. The £1.7 million Regeneration Project will be finished in time for the summer of 2017 and the 10 year programme of fundraising, planning and building work will be complete! Throughout all the building work, the windmill has continued to mill locally ground wheat into flour for sale in the mill shop and for use in the Bake House which now provides food for the Tea room. The mill also grinds malted barley for the brewery, which produces the only

Spalding, Lincolnshire PE11 2RA. Telephone: 01775 764555, museum@sholland.gov.uk. www.ayscoughfee.org

PINK PIG FARM – FREE RANGE, HOMEMADE HAPPINESS

The Pink Pig Farm is home to one of Lincolnshire best loved family farms. In recent years the farm has seen amazing growth with the development of the Playbarn, new farm trail and toyshop. The farm continues to develop whilst still supporting and promoting healthy living, positive animal welfare and traditional farming.

The Pink Pig has something for everyone. The award-winning Playbarn offers indoor play facilities designed to stimulate youngsters and keep them entertained for hours, while the farm park is an open adventure wonderland - everything from duck racing, fort building and bug hunting to the leap of faith on the zip wire.

The Pink Pig has a range of animals to visit including alpacas, goats and of course pigs! 'Meet the animals' runs at set times during the day, where children can meet and pet the farm's rabbits and guinea pigs. There are regular tractor trailer rides out into the farm where families can see pigs of all ages playing and resting in their own environment.

For those seeking a quiet lunch or something tasty for tea, the restaurant serves the highest quality locally sourced, free range food all prepared by Head Chef, Craig Gregory. The restaurant is country cottage come shabby chic with a rustic earthy feel that embraces the farm culture. Polite and friendly staff are always available to help.

The Farm Shop provides deli delights like no other, copious varieties of cheese to satisfy



beer in the country made for stone ground malt from a windmill. This unique 8 sailed windmill with tea room and brewery makes an ideal day out for young and old alike.



all tastes, and free range meats from the butchery with exciting flavour combinations like bacon and maple syrup, which are very popular. The Farm Shop offers takeaway platters and meal deals perfect for food on the go.

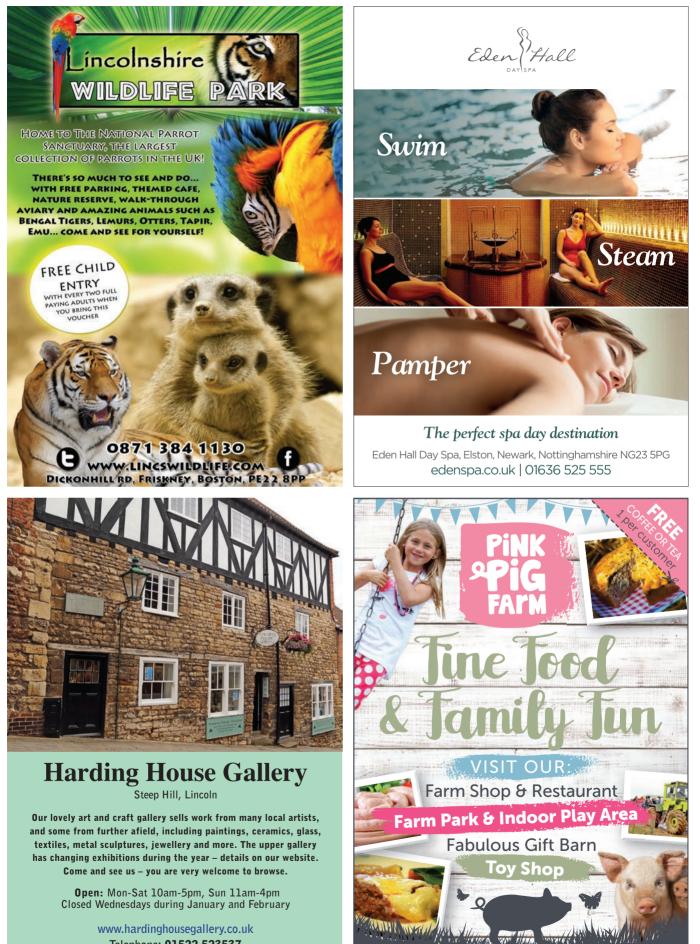
Plus if you are looking for a unique gift, why not create your own Pink Pig Hamper with anything you like and gift wrapped for you in the shop?

The Pink Pig Farm is open 7 days a week from 9am to 5pm.

BLACKFRIARS THEATRE AND ARTS CENTRE REFURBISHMENT PLANS

Blackfriars Theatre and Arts Centre have a passion to Keep Live Theatre in the Heart of Boston. Their aim is to be able to showcase wonderfully talented amateurs and gifted professionals who will deliver something special for everyone in Boston.

2016 was the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the theatre in 1966, which was the first stage in the development of a complete Arts Centre. Over the following years the two studios, a kitchen and office were added, and in 1980 the first full-time professional director was appointed. Today Blackfriars relies on a dedicated force of volunteers who provide vital support in the box office, administration, as front of house stewards, bar staff and various other duties. With the building in need of renovation and repair it



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Pavilion Cafe Open:

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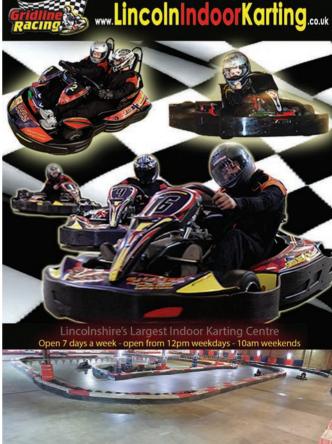
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Located in the pretty village of Friskney, from Skegness, you will find Lincolnshire Wildlife Park, Europe's only dedicated Parrot Sanctuary - previously known as The Parrot Zoo. Home to some 1,800 happy parrots and parakeets, it is the largest collection of rescued parrots in the UK. In 2015 we re-homed a female Bengal tiger and her three cubs and have now secured the future of a further seven adult Bengal Tigers. Soon to be opening is the newly built Bengal where we can offer luxurious long-term sanctuary for these most endangered animals of the world. Lincolnshire Wildlife Park is quickly becoming Lincolnshire's premier animal attraction for all age groups. Not only are there parrots and tigers, we also have lemurs, meerkats, coatimundi, tortoises, rheas, tapir, reindeer and much more. Set in nearly 20 acres of wonderful landscaped gardens and woodland, the design of wide grassy meadows means it is fully Coaches are welcome.

was the decision of the Board of Directors to relaunch the 'Sponsor a Seat' campaign and to introduce a Refurbishment Levy of 50p per seat on each ticket sale. As a result of the money raised from this levy, plus some generous donations from private individuals, they were able to start phase 1 of the refurbishment in 2015 with the replacement of over 50% of the seats in the Auditorium. 2016 saw some major repairs to the heating system plus the installation of a platform lift to enable them to utilise their increased disabled seating in the auditorium. But this is just the tip of the iceberg and they continue to raise money to proceed onto phase 2 of the plans, including updating the sound and lighting system, continuing with maintenance to the stone walls and major roof repairs.

LINCOLNSHIRE WILDLIFE PARK



To find out more about how Blackfriars are raising the money and how you can get involved in 'Sponsoring a Seat' or volunteering at the theatre visit the website at **www.blackfriarsartscentre.co.uk.**

EXPLORE.EXPERIENCE.EMBRACE. FIND YOURSELF IN NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE

A patchwork of culture, heritage and nature. A colourful place where old meets new. North Lincolnshire is the place to visit time and time again.

A centre for creative minds and culture, North Lincolnshire is the place to be in 2017. You'll find something for all the family with lots of free events and activities happening across the attractions throughout year.

We're the gateway to the Humber region with plenty of places to stay, eat and enjoy. If you're planning a visit to Hull City of Culture 2017 we're perfectly situated with easy transport links and lots of attractions to explore.

Discover our historic market towns with a great choice of independent shops and traditional street markets - from fashion to food festivals, you will be spoilt for choice. Venture into Epworth, Brigg or Barton upon Humber. Browse and shop in their quaint boutiques, antique shops and quirky stores to find those one-off trendy pieces no-one else will have.

Wander down memory lane and visit one of the many museums, art galleries and heritage attractions. You'll find the finest of North Lincolnshire's collections and exhibitions ready and waiting. Normanby Hall Country Park was once used as a First World War Auxiliary Hospital. You can learn all about the hospital in the Hall's permanent exhibition

Relax and replenish your batteries by North Lincolnshire's quiet and windy rivers, ancient woodlands or fragrant formal gardens. Try a round of golf or really set your pulse racing with activities such as skydiving, Arial Trail, paintballing or keep active at the new Airkings Trampoline Park. Fancy some romance? Take a spa day at Forest Pines Hotel and Golf Resort with your loved one and stay overnight for an unforgettable experience.

Exploring North Lincolnshire by foot or cycle is easy. Many miles of interesting and challenging cycle routes are available or get your walking boots on and enjoy the breathtaking scenery and wildlife by foot. Stop by one of North Lincolnshire's delicious tearooms or country pubs for a well-earned break. A gastronomic haven awaits you in one of the many welcoming places to eat. Dine at the exquisite Winteringham Fields or chill out with a slice of cake at one of the North Lincolnshire Teapot Trail Tearooms. Whether you're hungry or looking for a humble cup of tea, North Lincolnshire has many cafés, tearooms, restaurants and inns to choose from. Bon Appetit! Local produce is a real love in North Lincolnshire. The awardwinning Brigg Farmers' Market showcases the best of local produce from cheese and dairy, to delicious organic meats, fresh fruit and vegetables, an artisan baker and much more.

We're centrally located amongst important cites. You can easily transport yourself in and around North Lincolnshire with plenty of transport connections by rail, car, bus, air or even by sea. Find nearby cities such as Hull (10 mins) Lincoln (45 mins) Leeds (1hr) York (1.15hr) Sheffield (1hr) only short and easy distances from North Lincolnshire, making us a fantastic gateway to northern cities.

Find heritage, find culture, find love, find golf, find history, find country parks, find nature, find shops, find a place to stay, find a place to eat, find something for all the family. Find Yourself in North Lincolnshire.

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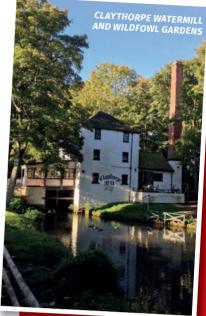
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TATTERSHALL CASTLE

Explore all six floors of Tattershall Castle from underground in the basement to the battlements at the very top. Built by Ralph, Lord Cromwell (Treasurer of England) in the





CLAYTHORPE WATERMILL AND WILDFOWL GARDENS

Claythorpe Watermill and Wildfowl Gardens, between Alford and Louth, is one of Lincolnshire's loveliest surprises. Set in the grounds of a beautiful former watermill, the riverside attraction has been transformed in recent years and was voted Best Attraction in East Lincolnshire in May 2016.

You'll find birds and animals, including otters, wallabies, pygmy goats and marmosets, as well as a woodland play area, plenty of space to sit and relax and a gorgeous licensed café with views of the old mill works. Exclusive to ticketholders, the café serves fabulous ploughman's, Lincolnshire platters, meal-sized sandwiches and homemade quiches and cakes, as well as popular kids' lunch boxes – so no one will go away hungry!

Claythorpe's only 15 minutes' drive from the beach at Sutton on Sea, Mablethorpe or the peace and quiet of Anderby Creek, so it's a great place to make a day of it with a few hours at the beach. It's also less than 20 minutes from the lovely market town of Louth, and 10 minutes from Alford with its historic Manor House. What's more, your admission to Claythorpe includes an annual pass that lets you return as often as you like for the next 12 months. That makes it a great spot to pop back to after school for coffee and cake, or any day for lunch and a play in the woods. For more, see **www.claythorpewatermill.com** or join us on Facebook.



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PURE LAND JAPANESE GARDEN & MEDITATION CENTRE

Pure Land has won numerous awards and has featured in; The AA book 'The Inspirational Gardens' 'The Good Garden Guide' 'The Most Amazing Gardens to Visit in Britain' by Readers Digest Featured on Alan Titchmarsh's ITV Best British Garden

The gardens feature the world's first crystal garden. Special events throughout the year include magical lantern lit garden evenings in August and September and Meditation and Relaxation days.

> NATURE'S HEART CONCERT SUNDAY 30th July 2017

An afternoon of soul-evoking songs, haiku poetry and meditation - a day of spiritual awakening!

> Gardens open from the last weekend in March to the last weekend in October. Meditation centre open all year round.

> > For more information

www.buddhamaitreya.co.uk

Pure Land Japanese Gardens, North Clifton, Nr Newark, Nottinghamshire, NG23 7AT. T: 01777 228567 E: ftaquality@yahoo.co.uk



AVIATION HERITAGE LINCOLNSHIRE

Experience Lincolnshire's "big skies" and discover the thrill and excitement of aviation – past and present. Uncover a landscape criss-crossed by wartime airfields and reminders of Lincolnshire's historic aviation role.

See our website for more details and events: www.aviationheritagelincolnshire.com



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1440s the castle was saved from demolition by Lord Curzon of Kedleston in 1911. It is one of the earliest and finest surviving examples of English medieval brickwork.

Explore the Keep as a family with the children's trail sheets available throughout the year, or take an interactive multimedia guide to help transport you back to the 15th century. Search all the rooms, play some medieval games and race to the top. Remember to count all the steps! Why not try building yourself a castle? Play in the sandpit and make a sandcastle next to the real thing or become a master builder with the colourful softplay shapes.

In the Guardhouse gift shop you'll find loads of ideas for presents and castle themed souvenirs as well as the popular secondhand bookshop. You can also partake in some light refreshments (hot and cold drinks, sandwiches, wrapped cakes) or why not bring a picnic with you. You can eat anywhere in the grounds or make use of the deckchairs and picnic benches dotted around the site.

HARDING HOUSE GALLERY

On your visit to Lincoln, why not come and browse in Harding House Gallery, on Steep Hill, just down the hill from the castle and cathedral. The gallery is located in the cultural quarter of Lincoln, in a lovely half-timbered, Grade II listed building. It's run by a group of artists who sell their own work there, and the work of around 50 other artists, from the local area and further afield. The ground floor area is packed with paintings, ceramics, glass, metal sculptures, textiles, photography, jewellery, and more. Upstairs are changing exhibitions during the year, with a Christmas show that opens at the end of November. More details can be found on the website www.hardinghousegallery.co.uk

There is something for everyone, and if you are looking for a unique gift, or a memento of your visit to Lincoln, this is the place to visit.



ARK WILDLIFE

ARK wildlife park is Lincolnshire's newest wildlife park and Britain's No 1 rescue zoo, specialising in rescued exotics. The majority of animals at the park are rescues or re-homes from the UK's exotic pet trade, either unwanted pets or in some cases animals being illegally kept such as Rudolph the spectacled caiman. A diverse range of animals call the ARK home, from lynxes and arctic foxes to giant snakes, crocodiles, meerkats, porcupines and many other exotic mammal species, to some more familiar faces like cheeky pygmy goats, donkeys and rabbits.

On site can be found a full range of facilities, the Kalahari café serves delicious locally made cakes and savouries, outside is a large play area for the kids and in our activity barn there's animal themed arts and crafts and a giant sand pit for toddlers, and then

If you are an artist and would be interested in submitting work to be considered for sale in the gallery or having an exhibition in the upper gallery, more information is on the website.

You are very welcome to browse and there is always an artist on duty to help with queries.

ESCAPE TO EDEN HALL FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE, INDULGENT EXPERIENCE

Located off the A46 near Newark, Eden Hall combines superb spa facilities within gorgeous surroundings; from hot tubs and heated relaxation rooms to pampering or stress-busting treatments, a gymnasium, fitness classes and mouth-watering food and drink.

The team at Eden aim to make your visit the best it can be - if it's chill-out time you need in tranquil surroundings, or to be pampered and preened, each day experience is unique and can be tailored to suit you.

You'll be spoilt for choice with the enticing selection of Eden spa day packages, from 'Simply Spa' to 'Signature Spa'- there is truly an experience to suit your every need.

Uncomplicated and uncompromising, this will be a day just for you to do exactly as you please. Whether you arrive with friends, family or by yourself, you will be greeted by a warm and friendly welcome and enjoy a day of pure indulgence and some well-deserved me-time. there's our popular animal encounters giving you the chance to hold a snake, tickle a skunk or fall in love with a skinny pig. And for those looking to make the day extra special, there's always our behind the scenes animal encounters.



If you would like further information on Eden Hall Day Spa visit **edenspa.co.uk** or call 01636 525555.

PURE LAND MEDITATION CENTRE AND JAPANESE GARDEN

Featured on Alan Titmarsh's Britain's Best Garden, Pure Land is a little oasis of calm and can be found in the small village of North Clifton, near Newark and very close to the border of Lincolnshire. Pure Land was created by the owner Maitreya, who is originally from Japan, and features a repertoire of traditional Japanese garden elements such as water, carp, bridges, moss, bamboo, evergreens, maples, cherry, stone lanterns, blended with a dash of English plants. A case of East and West in radiant harmony! Maitreya's main aim in creating the garden was to provide a peaceful, beautiful area where guests and visitors to the centre can enjoy an experience of relaxation and peace. There is also a unique crystal garden built by Maitreya which is his expression of the beauty of nature with mountains, a river, fields, and an ocean created by using countless crystals, gems and precious stones.

Activities at the centre include Meditation and Relaxation with regular Monthly Meetings held all year round on the first Sunday of the month 10.30am – 4.30pm. £30 includes lunch and afternoon tea. Beginners are welcome - enjoy a relaxing but enlightening day. At other times Individual and group mediation







sessions can be booked all year round directly with Maitreya.

Japanese Tea Ceremony - Experience the quintessence of Japanese culture with a Japanese Tea Ceremony. £100 for the session, 1-4 people, by arrangement.

Pure Land is open from the last weekend in March until the last weekend in October. Tuesday to Friday: 10.30am – 5.30pm Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays: 10am – 5.30pm. Closed on Mondays. In August and September the garden is open each weekend evening from 7pm – 10pm for Lantern Lit Evenings. Entrance fees (includes entry to the Crystal Garden). Admission prices are £7 adults, £6 concessions, £4 children (over 5 years). Season tickets are available - £35 adults, £30 OAPs. Refreshments and rice salad are served at our café. For more details about Pure Land Japanese Garden, Nature's Heart Concerts, relaxation and meditation visit **www.buddhamaitreya.co.uk**

LINCOLNSHIRE AVIATION HERITAGE CENTRE

"If one person goes away with a better knowledge of Bomber Command, their losses and what they gave for our country, we are one step closer to repaying our debt to them."

The Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre is a family run museum and was set up over 20 years ago. It is now widely seen as a living memorial to the 55,500 men of Bomber Command who lost their lives during WW2. It holds one of the rarest aircraft, an Avro Lancaster Bomber, in its collection along with many wartime vehicles including a Ford WOT1 Crew Bus, the only one of its kind known in existence. We feel that

JUBILEE PARK

Woodhall Spa's historic Jubilee Park offers leisure activities for all the family in a lovely garden setting.

The open air heated swimming pool is open every day from Easter to October – with longer hours in school holidays. There's a special paddling pool with fun features and in the main pool a range of swim sessions from early morning adult only swims, aquacise and swimming lessons to general swimming for everyone and its popular midnight swims once a month. Pensioners are admitted at half price on Tuesdays and to help the

disabled, carers are admitted free.

The park is home to the local tennis, bowls, croquet and cricket clubs. It has a children's play park with constantly updated equipment and during the season, holidays periods and weekends, a café for light refreshments.

Jubilee Park features a beautiful rose garden and lawns for families to play or picnic. On selected evenings throughout the summer, it hosts the open air screening of iconic films in partnership with the Kinema in the Woods

Jubilee Park is also the hub for major local events such as car rallies, the annual

Bomber Command has never been given the recognition that it deserves and we see it as our job to educate both old and young as to the acts of heroism and dedication shown by Bomber Command throughout the Second World War.

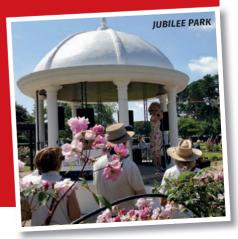
The average age of aircrew, each man a volunteer, was 22 and not even 1 in 4 completed their first tour of 30 operations, most definitely a debt that we cannot repay but also a debt that should not be forgotten.

We are based on the old wartime airfield of RAF East Kirkby. We retain the original 1940s Control Tower and our Hangar is built on the original wartime hangar base.

Our Museum is built up entirely around RAF Bomber Command but the exhibits and displays span many areas such at The Home Front and Escape and Evasion giving you a wide perspective on wartime Britain and the trials and tribulation of the Second World War.

The Museum is expanding every year and it is our common ambition to fully rebuild it to a complete original wartime airfield, preserving the memory of Bomber Command for many years to come.

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SUNDAY 9TH APRIL Countryside Lincs, Lincolnshire Showground www.lincolnshireshowground.co.uk

SATURDAY 13TH & SUNDAY 14TH MAY

Lincoln Grand Prix www.lincolngrandprix.co.uk

SUNDAY 18TH JUNE Brocklesby Country Fair, Brocklesby www.brocklesby.co.uk

WEDNESDAY 21ST & THURSDAY 22ND JUNE Lincolnshire Show, Lincolnshire Showground, Lincoln www.lincolnshireshowground.co.uk

FRIDAY 23RD & SATURDAY 24TH JUNE Heritage Skills Festival www.visitlincoln.com

SATURDAY 24TH JUNE – SUNDAY 2ND JULY SO Festival 2017 www.sofestival.org

SUNDAY 9TH JULY Spilsby Show, Spilsby www.spilsbyshow.co.uk

SATURDAY 29TH & SUNDAY 30TH JULY

Heckington Show, Heckington www.heckingtonshow.org.uk

SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST Revesby Country Fair, Revesby www.revesby-country-fair.co.uk

FRIDAY 25TH – MONDAY 28TH AUGUST Asylum Steampunk Festival www.asylumsteampunk.co.uk

SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER Lincoln Sausage Festival www.visitlincoln.com

SATURDAY 2ND & SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER

Lincolnshire Food and Gift Fair www.lincolnshireshowground.co.uk

THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER – SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER Lincoln Christmas Market www.lincoln-christmasmarket.co.uk

A SUMMER OF FUN AT TOLETHORPE HALL

The Rutland Open Air Theatre's covered auditorium faces an open air stage set within an enchanting woodland glade. The theatre is situated in the grounds of historic Tolethorpe Hall, where last summer over 34,000 people experienced the magic of a visit to this unique venue. The beautiful gardens overlook classic English parkland, where every night hundreds of people enjoy picnics before heading into the auditorium to see a stage like no other.

This year's Shakespeare productions are two of his most popular comedies; A Midsummer Night's Dream and Much Ado About Nothing. These hilarious plays are sure to delight audiences of all ages. The third play this year is Harold Brighouse's classic comedy from the cobbles of Lancashire: Hobson's Choice. This timeless tale never fails to amuse and entertain in equal measure.

Also to be seen at Tolethorpe are a set of stained glass windows depicting scenes from Shakespeare, the only ones like it in the world, and a stunning tapestry made by the internationally famous Kaffe Fassett. The beautiful grounds have been enhanced by leading gardener Bunny Guinness, a regular face on BBC television.

The season runs from 6th June to 26th August, with performances every night (excluding Sundays) at 7.45pm and matinées every Saturday at 1.30pm. Tickets are priced £11 - £19. Box office: 01780 756133

For more information, and to book online, visit: **www.stamfordshakespeare.co.uk**

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- ➡ Cot(s) available
- & Disabled toilets
- Garden for guests use
- 🖨 Ground floor accommodation
- 🖢 🛛 Level access
- ${f Q}$ Licensed to sell alcohol
- Online bookings
- Parking facilities
- Passenger lift/Stair Lift
- ★ Pets welcome (prior arrangement)
- ★ Swimming pool
- ♥ Within 2 miles of the Viking Way
- \blacktriangleright Within 5 miles of the Hull to Harwich cycle route
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- 🗙 🛛 Evening meals available
- 🛚 Guests lounge
- 🖼 Restaurant on site
- \blacksquare Special dietary needs catered for
- Tea/Coffee making facilities
- D Dishwasher
- **F** Freezer
- 🖬 🛛 Fridge
- 🕲 🛛 Linen hire available
- Linen provided free of charge
- Microwave
- Washing machine available
- Chemical toilet disposal facilities
- Electric hook-up available
- Food shop on site/mobile food shop
- Gas cylinder exchange or refill
- Shower on site
- 🚾 🛛 Toilets on site

RATINGS MADE EASY

*	Simple, practical, no frills
**	Well presented and well run
***	Good level of quality and comfort

- $\star \star \star$ Excellent standard throughout
- $\mathbf{x} \star \star \star \star$ Exceptional with a degree of luxury

Information and prices in this guide are correct at the time of going to press, but may change. Readers are therefore strongly advised to check all prices at the time of booking. Unless otherwise stated, all serviced accommodation prices are per room per night, all self catering and static caravan prices are per week and touring caravan prices are per night.

Hotel

Guest House, B&B, Inn

Self Catering

Camping & Caravanning



Annexe at Skelghyll Cottage



Situated six miles from Lincoln city centre on a bus route (near bus stop), this is a well equipped cottage bungalow consisting of large, open plan kitchen/dining/living room and separate bathroom and double bedroom.

Outside is an attractive patio garden, within a two and a half acre private garden in a rural village location, with private parking. Shops within 2 and a half to three miles. Golf and fishing within one mile. Cycle routes and many footpaths in village and surrounding area. Peaceful location, bird heaven. Two nights minimum stay. Sleeps 2-4 people (sofa bed). Telephone booking preferred.

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Stunning elevated retreat for 6 people, village location 1 mile from Lincoln. Spacious luxury split-level accommodation, incorporating modern design features with a homely feel. Sauna and gym are available. Enjoy alfresco dining on the wraparound balcony, with spectacular views of the large graden, Cathedral, Castle, and nearby golf course.

Prices





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details. Min 3 nights stay.

From £150 per night for a

4 nights mid week stay.

Please contact for more

Hartsholme Country Park & Camp Site



An oasis of countryside within the City of Lincoln. Guided walks and family activities arranged throughout the year. Flat/level grassy pitches in mature wooded parkland. Ideal for relaxing family holidays or weekend breaks visiting friends and relatives. Easy access to city centre and tourist sites. Touring pitches and camping pod available.

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- : hartsholmecp@lincoln.gov.uk
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Prices: Touring pitches with electric from £16.80 to £22. Non electric pitches, tents only from £10 to £19. Camping pod £35-£50.



Welcome to our Holiday Inn Express Lincoln hotel where guests will be able to enjoy Lincoln on a budget without compromising on comfort. Our hotel has 118 modern bedrooms, all with en suite showers. There are parking facilities available and evening meals are served in our Great Room located at our Reception. Ideal for couples and families, or for visits to the city for a business trip, our Holiday Inn Express staff will make sure you have a wonderful stay. Our central location and value room rates will ensure that your stay in Lincoln is a happy one, even so here are some extra perks we think you'll enjoy: Free Wi-rfi, Inclusive breakfast, On site parking (£5 per night). Stay Smart - Our Lincoln hotel offers the ideal location to host any meeting. Our Meeting room can hold up to 35 delegates and is a smart, professional setting for any business meeting, small conference. training day or interview.

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Lincoln Holiday Homes





Welcome to Lincoln Holiday Homes at Fen Farm, Lincoln. Set in 800 acres on the very edge of the city. Perfect for family holidays, relaxing short breaks or business accommodation. Any length of stay is possible from one night to one month for one to twenty guests. All our holiday homes have their own private hot tubs, steam shower/baths and under floor heating.

Prices

Short breaks

Guest Accommodation

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£295-£740

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- : info@lincolnholidayhomes.co.uk
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The Loudor



A warm welcome, a comfy bed and a tasty breakfast await you at The Loudor. This highly praised, ecological, family run guest house has been looking after business and leisure travellers since the 1960s. Whether you arrive by car, on foot, or even on a bicycle you will leave feeling refreshed and relaxed after your stay.

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Prices: Single from £42 Twin/Double from £63 Family £75-£90 Annexe from £80

The Lincoln Hotel

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The Lincoln Hotel is a privately owned establishment set within the historical Cathedral Quarter in the heart of Lincoln. Built in the 1960s, this three-star hotel has 71 bedrooms, including 20 cathedral view rooms.

The hotel has an award-winning restaurant, concentrating on showcasing local produce. It also has 6 conference rooms with private dining options for larger groups, welcoming residents and non-residents to enjoy the facilities on offer.

The Lincoln Hotel has excellent road and rail links that are easily accessible from the A46 ring road; there is also ample, secure on-site parking.

Whether it's a discreet gathering, a formal business dinner, a large family celebration or a dream wedding. The Lincoln Hotel has the experience and expertise to ensure your event is one that is accomplished with effortless style.

Our contemporary Green Room Restaurant offers a delicious selection of lunch, afternoon tea and dinner options in an elegant and comfortable setting.

All our dishes are made using fine, locally sourced, seasonal Lincolnshire produce. You can enjoy your meal with a glass of wine from our carefully chosen list, or another drink from our bar.

Our vibrant Bar 67 offers good music, tasty food and a great atmosphere. The retro décor is an ode to the spirit of 1967 – when Jimi Hendrix played a sell-out gig at Lincoln's ABC Cinema – and our cosy booths enable you to enjoy your evening in comfort. We serve a range of pub-style foods and bar snacks until midnight.

For more information please visit www.thelincolnhotel.com or call 01522 520348.

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Prices: £85 to £140

St Clements Old Rectory



Ideally located, well equipped, our cosy apartments within a former Victorian Rectory have loads of character and charm. Cathedral views, quiet gardens with mature trees, you are just a short walk from historic 'Uphill Lincoln'. Everything is provided for a relaxed comfortable stay. Ample off-street car parking.

Prices.

From £230 per week

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Based at the heart of the university campus with great views over the Brayford waterfront, The Swan is an award-winning pub and a finalist in The Great British Pub Awards 2016. The pub offers locally produced food and a wide range of craft and cask ales in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, making it the perfect place to stay during your visit to the city.

Above the pub, two double rooms and a family room with shared facilities are available, or hire the whole three-bedroom guest house for a larger group. A separate en suite double room is also available. All rooms provide newly decorated, modern facilities to make your stay as comfortable as possible.

Full details of the rooms can be found on the website, where you can see availability, prices and book instantly.

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West Bight Cottage



Charming period end cottage nestled within in the heart of the 'Historic Cathedral Quarter' of Lincoln. Luxury 2 double bedroom property offering spacious modern living with enclosed courtyard, an ideal setting for your 'alfresco' dining. Egyptian linen, complementary toiletries and a selection of luxury items are included. Parking for one vehicle.

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Prices:

Double room from £30

Family room from £40 Full guest house from £100

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Prices: From £165 per night - Min 2 nights stay. Please contact for more details.





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Hotel

Guest House, B&B, Inn

The Grange

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Self Catering

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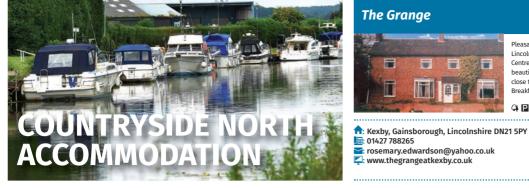
Guest Accomodation

Pleasant Victorian farmhouse on a working farm betw Lincoln and Gainsborough. Convenient for Hemswell Antiques Centre, historic Lincoln with its attractions and great shopping,

beautiful countryside and market towns in the Wolds and close to Gainsborough. Both rooms have private facilities. Breakfast using local produce. Select Lincolnshire Member.

Prices:

Single £38, Double £70



Barn & Piglet Cottages





Barn Cottage Five Star Gold Accommodation in Lincolnshire Barn for six persons and Piglet Cottages for four persons offers a stay to be remembered. Winter or summer. Both are situated on the Lincolnshire Nottinghamshire border (A57), within easy access of the historic city of Lincoln. Can be booked through TripAdvisor or HolidayLettings. See for prices.

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Dairy Barn



A 'Hidden Gem' for you to relax and enjoy. Award winning 5 star gold accommodation nestled in a village location north of Lincoln. This stunning 2 bedroom Grade 2 listed barn offers open plan luxury with traditional and contemporary features, creating a light, spacious holiday let. Enjoy your complimentary local produce hamper to enhance your stay.

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Prices: From £450 per week - short breaks welcome. Min 3 nights stay. Please contact for more details.

Guest Accommodation

Self Catering





Fresh and clean double rooms with en-suite showers. Breakfast overlooking the Humber. Feel the warmth of North Lincolnshire Hospitality at its best. Dogs are welcome at our discretion. We are the perfect venue for cyclists, walkers and workers with our open fires and fabulous welcome. Our traditional yet unique approach to food and drink makes The Hope and Anchor a special place to visit. The Pub offers a combination of traditional seasonal cuisine and historic dishes. Locally sourced guest ales, superb cocktails and a carefully selected wine list all contribute to the perfect place to unwind, for locals and visitors alike. We welcome a broad range of guests who appreciate the simple yet satisfying things in life, whether it be a "cheeky" pint after a dog walk or bird watching, sailing in via the Humber, or just to enjoy great wine and wanting simple food cooked well.

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Lincolnshire Lanes 3 star self-catering holiday log cabins are hidden among a grove of fir trees, and offer the perfect retreat for a relaxing getaway. Situated in the serene Lincolnshire countryside, this hideaway rests approximately 10 miles between the city of Lincoln and Market Rasen. If you are looking for a peaceful break, our Scandinavian Log Cabins boast woodland walks, and are within 8 miles of the Hull to Harwich cycle route. Lincolnshire Lanes is the ideal base to explore Lincoln's sites of interest, and discover the Lincolnshire Wolds, area of outstanding natural beauty. Open all year round, Rosemary and Robert invite you to enjoy a tranquil break on their rural, family run farm. Each log cabin sleeps up to six people, online booking available.

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Lincolnshire Lanes Campsite





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Prices:

See our website for

prices and availability

This charming little campsite offers quirky glamping options, along with 3 star self-catering holiday log cabins. Located in the serene countryside of Lincolnshire, this idyllic haven lies between the historic, Roman city of Lincoln and Market Rasen, a traditional market town. The 2017 summer season hosts two Bell Tents, a Romany Caravan, and the Ark Glamping Pod to accompany the campsite, as available glamping options. Situated approximately 10 miles from Lincoln city centre, and within 8 miles of the Hull to Harwich cycle route, Lincolnshire Lanes is the ideal hub for plenty of activities. Open all year round*, Rosemary and Robert invite you to enjoy a tranquil break on their rural, family run farm. *Some glamping options hibernate over the winter months

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Winteringham Fields



It's been said that the greatest secrets are hidden in the most unlikely places. A sentiment never truer than in the case of Winteringham Fields. Located a skipping stone's throw from the Humber, it's become one of the country's best foodie sanctuaries. People travel to get here, but the food never does. The restaurant uses only the best local ingredients to create an ever-evolving menu that reflects nature. It's what Head Chef, owner and Great British Menu finalist Colin McGurran calls his 'one-mile menu'. Befitting its 16th century exterior, this four AA Rosette restaurant is a snug warren of dining rooms. Furnished in a country house theme, with roaring fires, antiques and earthy, warming tones. While its five-star en-suite rooms offer all the luxuries you would expect from a boutique hotel: walk-in showers, slipper baths, king-size beds... And with views of natural beauty at every turn, it's the perfect haven for relaxing getaways.

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- reception@winteringhamfields.co.uk
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Prices: £175-£220 Double includes breakfast and VAT





Enveloped in the swathes of 88 acres of private parkland, the Branston Hall Hotel presents a historical facade in the heart of the LincoInshire countryside. This 19th century country house serves as a starting point for exploring the nearby surrounds dotted with National Trust signs and many walking trails, but is located just three miles from LincoIn town centre. The abode welcomes guests to individually decorated rooms featuring sleek TVS, Internet access and hot drink-making facilities. Visitors may take advantage of the leisure facilities available on site including an indoor swimming pool, hot tub and sauna, as well as a spa centre. The AA Rosette-awarded Lakeside Restaurant dishes up extensive table d'hote and a la carte menus, complemented by a list of fine wines. Branston Hall Hotel has an average score of 4 out of 5 on TripAdvisor and holds a Certificate of Excellence.

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From £89 per night

Prices



Our warm, comfortable bungalow is within easy reach of Lincoln, the Wolds, Lincolnshire's aviation heritage and The Fens. Come and enjoy a quiet location overlooking an old windmill. You can park your car off-road. The bungalow is fully equipped and we provide all the bedding and towels. There is full gas fired central heating. A short walk down the road and you are amongst the shops, post office, pharmacy, pubs and churches. A little further on and you will be at the railway station. The village is also on local bus routes.

We are a good base for visiting towns like Woodhall Spa, Sleaford and Newark. Locally there are nature reserves, identified walks and cycle routes. All the guides are in the bungalow.

We have been awarded the Visit England Gold Award following our last inspection and we are members of the Walkers and Cyclists welcome schemes.

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Prices: £200-£300 per week



Self Catering period cottage adjacent owners' vineyard in one of Lincolnshire's prettiest cliff villages. Sleeps 2-7 in 3 bedrooms (one with ensuite sink and wc). Lounge with leather sofas, separate dining room, dining kitchen with modern appliances, utility room with washing machine and downstairs wc, family bathroom. Very clean. Hot ub in part covered private courtyard. Secure cycle store. Enclosed garden with variety of modern garden furniture. BBQ. Ample parking for several cars. Complimentary hamper of local produce on arrival. Only 5 minutes level walk to award winning pub/restaurant and Fulbeck Craft Centre and Fulbeck Tea-rooms. Cottage ideally situated for all Lincolnshire's attractions (on a direct bus route into Lincoln). Visit www.fulbeckgardenscottage.com for prices and availability. Tel: 01400 273989. We have been awarded the Visit England Gold Award in both 2014 and 2015.

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Prices: Weekly £495 to £860, all year round





The Petwood is a Grade II Listed independent hotel set in 30 acres of grounds in Woodhall Spa, central Lincolnshire. An Edwardian former country residence and the wartime officers' mess of 617 'Dam Busters' Squadron, the Petwood offers delicious, locally sourced food and warm, friendly service, making it the ideal base for exploring Lincolnshire and its aviation heritage sites. Visit the historic city of Lincoln, discover the Lincolnshire Wolds with charming market towns and scenic country walks, or indulge with relaxing beauty treatments onsite and excellent golf nearby at Woodhall Spa Golf Club. '3 for 2' special offer available Sundays to Thursdays.

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Canal Farm Cottages

Self Catering



Three charming cottages on the banks of the Louth Canal. Peaceful location, wonderful views - near coastal nature reserves. Perfect for cyclists, walkers and nature lovers. Well-stocked fishing lake for guests' enjoyment. Private patio areas and ample off road parking. Open all year.

Prices

£430-£575

Caravan & Camping

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Cherry Tree Touring Park



Adult only park for caravans, motorhomes and trailer tents. Spotlessly clean facilities offer privacy washrooms, showers, indoor dishwashing and laundry. Self-contained accessible suite. Radar key entry. All hardstanding touring pitches with EHU and area for awning. Serviced pitches have drinking ater/waste water drainage. WiFi, motorhome service point.

Prices

£20-£27 per night

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Court Royal Holiday Apartments



100 South Parade, Skegness PE25 3HR

Seafront spacious holiday apartments, with marvellous sea views. Open all year. Situated at the southern quieter end of South Parade overlooking the sea and sand dunes. Close to bowling green, boating lakes and other amenities. Convenient for shops and town centre 2-6 persons. 12 units

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Prices £150-£515 per week

Dunes Cottage

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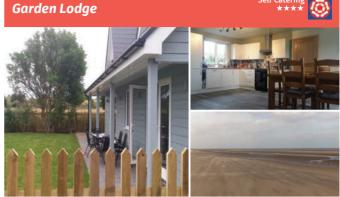
on the edge of a national nature reserve, close to a vast sandy beach. Within easy reach of the seaside resort of Mablethorpe, the market towns of Louth and Alford and the Lincolnshire Wolds. Sleeps 4. Dogs welcome.

This charming 19th century cottage with large garden is

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Prices £330-£500 per week. Short breaks by arrangement.



Enjoy a tranquil holiday on the East Lincolnshire coast. Just a few minutes walk from a stunning expanse of sandy beach and the Saltfleetby-Theddlethorpe National Nature Reserve, Garden Lodge is a perfect base for those seeking either a relaxing or an active getaway.

New in 2016, the cottage offers comfortable, modern accommodation for up to 7 people, with one ground floor bedroom and a family bathroom, two ensuite bedrooms on the first floor, one with balcony overlooking the sand dunes. Patio doors open on to the veranda and a private enclosed garden. There is a parking area. Dogs are welcome.

Theddlethorpe is conveniently situated for the coastal resort of Mablethorpe; the beautiful Lincolnshire Wolds: the Historic City of Lincoln and the market towns of Louth and Alford.

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Prices £440-£750 per week. Short breaks by arrangement.

Jockhedge Holiday Cottages



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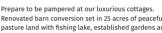
The Barn



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This very attractive converted barn is situated in the owner's water fowl gardens, with the added attraction of rheas and wallabies. It is just one mile from village shops, inns, restaurants and takeaways. The Barn is located in Donington, with the historic market towns of Boston, Spalding and Sleaford nearby.

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Self Catering

Renovated barn conversion set in 25 acres of peaceful pasture land with fishing lake, established gardens and orchard. Village centre 10 mins walk. We now have an indoor hot tub spa area.

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Guest House, B&B, Inn

Elms Farm Cottages

Self Catering

Camping & Caravanning





Hotel

Barn conversion, two self-contained luxury properties with a home from home atmosphere set in tranquil rural setting. Original beams and features, equipped to high standard with en-suite master bedrooms and luxury bathrooms. Peaceful setting, panoramic views with nature pond and sun house with jetty decking picnic area and extensive gardens. Open all year, Brochure available, Virtual tour available on website, Ideally situated only four miles north of the market town of Boston, which is steeped in history, and famous for its twice weekly market, magnificent Stump! (St Botolph's Church) and its strong links with the USA through its Pilgrim Father founders. A seaside trip to Skegness is a must at only twenty miles away and Woodhall Spa with its famous golf course is approximately fifteen miles away

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Offering a comfortable home from home and open all year round these three beautifully presented holiday cottages, sleep two, three and four guests. The cottages are fully equipped, have their own outdoor space with patio furniture and overlook a

mature garden and lake. There's a games room on site with a full size snooker table, a selection of books and comfortable seating area. Laundry facilities are available in a separate room

They are ideally situated for visiting the local RSPB nature reserves and the Lincolnshire Wolds. Trips along the river are available from the nearby market town of Boston. This is a good base for those interested in past and present aviation, for Lincoln Cathedral, Lincolnshire wildlife park or the seaside town of Skegness.

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- **Prices:** Weekly Rates: Moorhen Cottage £274-£517, Mallard Cottage £292-£581, Curlew Cottage £341-£636



"Award Winning" Converted barns and stables. Nine holiday cottages set around a pretty courtyard garden. Two and three bedroom cottages all fitted and furnished to a high standard with modern kitchens, wood floors, leather sofas, wall mounted TVs/DVDs. Four cottages have cosy wood burners, all cottages have level access, several have wet room showers suitable for wheelchair users. Over 18 acres of grass paddocks and wildflower meadows with mown walkways around two lakes for guests to enjoy. BBQ Lodge with indoor dining for 20 plus pizza oven. Elms Farm offers you the perfect place to relax and unwind in the beautiful Lincolnshire countryside with family and friends or a getaway for two. Well behaved pets welcome, village pub within walking distance. Open all year for weekly or short breaks.

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The Forge & Smithy Holiday Cottaaes



Fully & tastefully refurbished cottages. Ideally located. Highly recommended with excellent visitor comments. Rural location with access to Lincolnshire's attractions. Private gardens with secure parking. The Forge sleeps five the Smithy sleeps two. These highly sought after cottages offer you an excellent vacation

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Prices

£395-£780

Self Catering

£200-£650 depending

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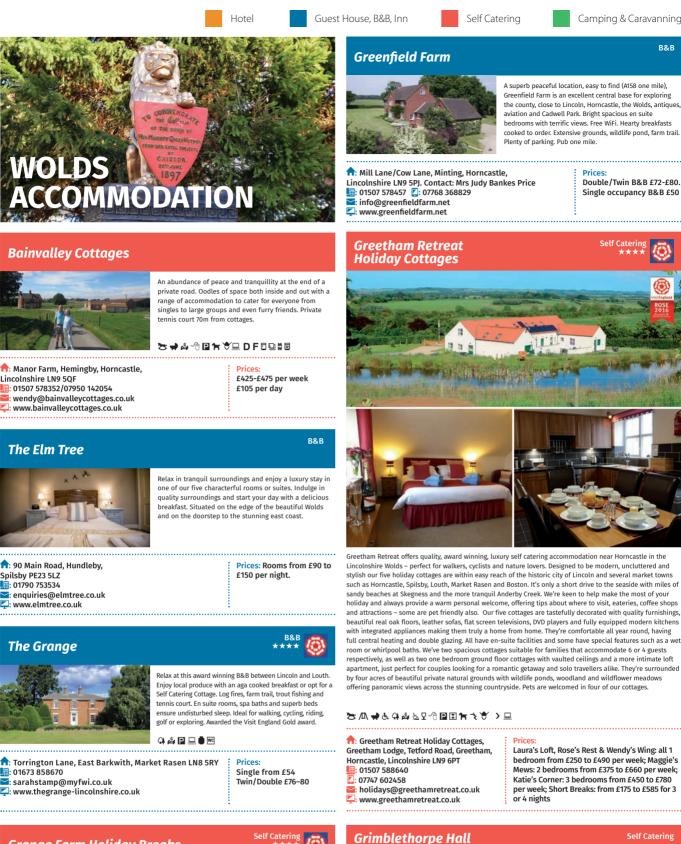
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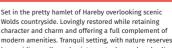
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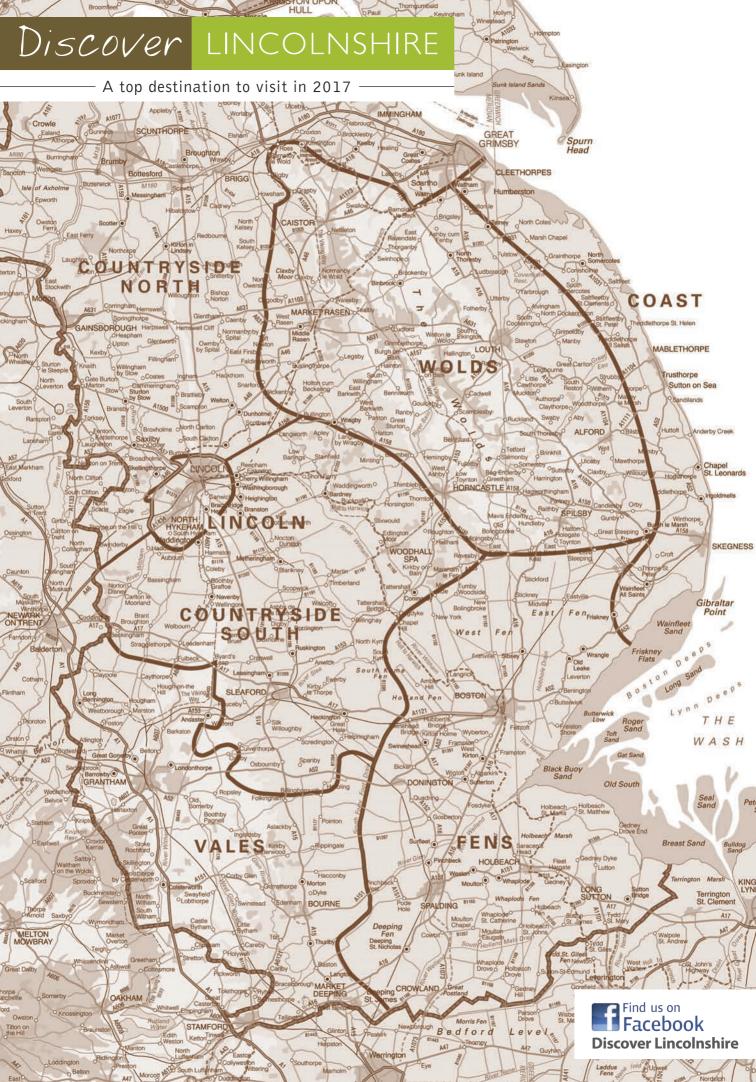
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