

DISCOVER Bradford



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www.visitbradford.com

ABOUT Bradford

Bradford is a diverse and historic city blessed with stunning architecture and a thriving cultural scene.

The city centre is home to a wonderful concentration of heritage buildings, the stunning **City Park** water feature and some superb museums including the **National Science & Media Museum**. A compact city centre that's easy to cover on foot, Bradford also has plenty of choice when it comes to shopping, food & drink and cultural attractions.

Visit For

Stunning Victorian architecture

International cuisine

Superb museums and galleries



Heritage



Arts &
Culture



Sports &
Leisure



Museums
& Galleries



Food
& Drink



Where
to Stay



Parks &
Landscapes

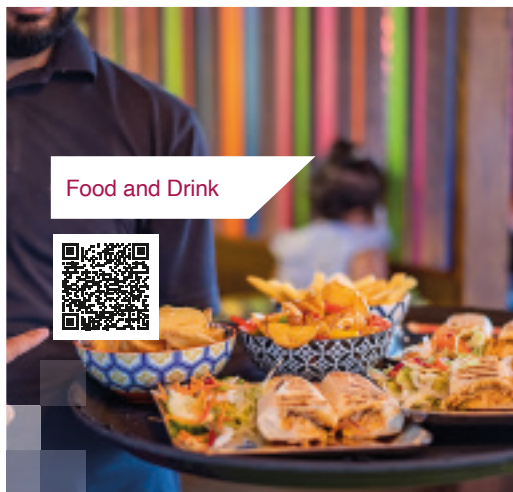
Things to Do



Events



Food and Drink



Explore



City Centre Heritage Trail

Start
Here



Bradford boomed during the industrial revolution becoming the wool capital of the world and one of the most important trading centres in the UK. Its industrial and cultural heritage can still be admired today with a fine collection of heritage buildings dotted around the city centre.



Bradford City Hall

One of Bradford's most distinctive buildings, designed to rival the new town halls of Leeds and Halifax. The original building, with its 'Italianate' clock tower, was opened in 1873 and was designed by Bradford architects Lockwood and Mawson. The upper parts of the elevations contain 35 statues of Kings and Queens of England.



Wool Exchange

The Wool Exchange symbolises the great wealth and importance which Bradford had gained from the wool trade by the mid-19th century. It was completed in 1867 to the design of Lockwood and Mawson. It is ornate 'Venetian Gothic' in style with very decorative roof parapets and pinnacles.



Bradford Cathedral

The building dates largely from the 14th and 15th century. The church received cathedral status in 1919 and parts were remodelled in 1954 – 63 by Sir Edward Maufe. It contains some fine examples of sculpture and stained glass.



Little Germany

A compact area of late Victorian warehouses and offices where merchants could store and sell goods in their own premises, rather than through the exchanges. The area has a highly distinctive character, producing some fine streetscapes.



DREWTON ROAD
SIMES STREET

TO SALTAIRE AND SHIPLEY
TO BRADFORD CITY F.C.
CARTWRIGHT HALL
AND LISTER PARK

ST. BLAISE WAY

09


RAWSON SQUARE
JOHN ST

JAMES ST

UPPER
PICCADILLY

DUKE ST

DALE STREET
PICCADILLY

 **BRADFORD FORSTER SQ.**
RAIL SERVICES TO SALTAIRE,
BINGLEY, KEIGHLEY, ILKLEY
AND LEEDS.

08

DARLEY STREET

BANK ST

10

KIRKGATE
QUEENSGATE
IVEGATE

SUNBRIDGE RD

MARKET STREET

BANK ST

07

AG181 GODWIN STREET

ALDERMANBURY

04

Heritage Trail

03

Start Here

05

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HALL INGS

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BRIDGE STREET

LEEDS ROAD




















CROFT STREET

BRADFORD COLLEGE











UNIVERSITY OF BRADFORD

 **BRADFORD INTERCHANGE BUS STATION**
BUS CONNECTIONS ACROSS THE DISTRICT.
RAIL CONNECTIONS TO LEEDS AND MANCHESTER

Bradford City Centre

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| 01 |  | NSMM, IMAX and Pictureville |
| 02 |  | Alhambra Theatre |
| 03 |  | City Park |
| 04 |  | Impressions Gallery |
| 05 |  | Bradford Police Museum |
| 06 |  | City Hall |
| 07 |  | Sunbridge Wells |
| 08 |  | Kirkgate Shopping Centre |
| 09 |  | Oastler Shopping Centre |
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| 17 |  | St George's Hall |
| 18 |  | Forster Square Retail Park |
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LEGEND

-  Pedestrian roads
-  Buses only
-  Place of interest
-  Public Buildings
-  University/College
-  Hotels
-  Car Parks
-  Cycle Parking
-  Taxi ranks
-  Public toilets with disabled facilities



Food and Drink

In Bradford you'll find a world of flavours, with over 200 Asian eateries and a stellar reputation for curry. Try Middle Eastern and Syrian cuisine at **Classic Persian**, curry with a unique twist at **My Lahore** or spice things up at **Jinnah Restaurant**.

Bradford remains the undisputed champion of curry having being crowned 'Curry Capital of Britain' six years in a row. With a vibrant community and a large number of historic and contemporary curry houses, it's no wonder foodies come from far and wide to experience an authentic Bradford curry. Wherever you are in the city you can seek out some top quality South Asian cuisine, curry hot spots include **Leeds Road** and **Great Horton Road**.

For a unique food and drink experience explore **Sunbridge Wells**, a maze of fully restored tunnels that provides dining and drinking in a characterful setting. In addition to the many traditional pubs dotted throughout the city, **North Parade** has earned a reputation as the place to go for lively independent bars and beer cafés. Plus, for some tasty dining options look out for Sunday lunch and Bottomless Brunch at **Crafted** or **Rumshackalack**.

Across the city you'll find a mix of true independents to national chains, you can choose from brands such as **Nando's**, **Pizza Express** and **Zizzi**, but don't miss our local stars from Bradford institution **Pizza Pieces** to fine dining at **Cona Restaurant**.

Bradford has a number of great independent cafés and coffee shops. For a venue with a view, try **The Rooftop Café**, which offers panoramic views of Bradford Cathedral or the delicious **Cake 'Ole** overlooking City Park and majestic City Hall. For anyone with a sweet tooth **Haute Dolci**, where you can enjoy delicious desserts in elegant and stylish surroundings is a must visit.

Behind the facades of Bradford's historic buildings you'll find a delicious selection of eateries, from **Café W** located within the magnificent Wool Exchange, to **Lafferis Coffee and Tearoom** and **Tiffin Coffee**, providing characterful surroundings for coffee and cake.

With so many choices, there's always something new to try every time you visit Bradford.



Impressions Gallery

One of the UK's leading venues for photography, showing significant work by regional, national and international artists. Situated in the heart of Bradford and overlooking the multi-award winning City Park, the gallery presents an inspiring programme of free exhibitions and a rich mix of events and creative workshops.

Centenary Square, Bradford BD1 1SD
www.impressions-gallery.com



Cinema

Pictureville at The National Science and Media Museum showcases a truly diverse programme of world cinema, classic films, and independent pictures, plus the epic **IMAX** screen.

Elsewhere **The Light cinema** offers a fantastic range of film with luxury seating and stylish bar area. For blockbusters and bollywood, the multi- screen **Cineworld complex** also offers a great cinema experience.



National Science and Media Museum

Galleries exploring the science and culture of image and sound technologies and their impact on our lives. **Museum closed for renovation June 2023 - Summer 2024**
Pictureville Cinema will remain open in 2023.

Bradford BD1 1NQ

www.scienceandmediamuseum.org.uk



Bradford Police Museum

A unique insight into the history and heritage of policing, criminal justice, civic enforcement and the development of crime and punishment in Bradford from the early 19th century onwards.

Centenary Square, Bradford BD1 1HY

www.bradfordpolicemuseum.com



City Park

Bradford's brilliant public space and home to the largest urban water feature in the UK. The mirror pool has over 20 water fountains, the largest of which can blast water 100ft into the air. A great place to meet up, relax and enjoy one of the best views of Bradford. City Hall, BD1 1HY





Bradford Cathedral

Explore the treasures of this historical gem in the city centre. Look out for William Morris stained glass and sculptures by Flaxman and John Shaw.

The cathedral also hosts a busy programme of events throughout the year.

1 Stott Hill, Bradford BD1 4EH
www.bradfordcathedral.org.uk



Bolling Hall

One of Bradford's oldest buildings, during the Civil War the household supported the Royalist cause and Bolling Hall was a stronghold during the 'Siege of Bradford'. Nowadays it is a heritage museum with rooms furnished and decorated to give a taste of life at different periods of the house's 500 year history.

Bowling Hall Road, Bradford BD4 7LP
www.bradfordmuseums.org



Sunbridge Wells

Sunbridgewells is a unique underground development, created from restored tunnels beneath the city streets in the heart of Bradford, within easy reach of City Park, Sunbridge Road and Ivegate. Incorporating dining and drinking venues in a quirky and historic setting.

Millergate, Bradford BD1 1SD

Nearby Attractions



Bradford Industrial Museum

Discover permanent displays of textile machinery, steam power, engineering, printing machinery and motor vehicles, along with an exciting exhibitions programme. Explore the splendour of the Mill Managers' home, Moorside House, or visit the Mill-workers' terraced houses dressed to reflect three different time periods.

Moorside Road, Bradford BD2 3HP
www.bradfordmuseums.org



Cartwright Hall Art Gallery

Bradford's civic art gallery offering an exciting programme of contemporary exhibitions, and four permanent galleries, including 19th and 20th century British art, international contemporary prints and contemporary South Asian art and crafts.

The Hockney Gallery showcases Bradford's unrivalled public collection of the work of David Hockney.

Lister Park, Bradford BD9 4NS
www.bradfordmuseums.org



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Lister Park

One of Bradford's largest parks, it provides the perfect setting for Cartwright Hall.

The generously proportioned park includes a boating lake, a fantastic children's playground, elegant Mughal Water Gardens and hosts a weekly park run.

North Park Road BD9 4NR
www.bradforddistrictparks.org



The Broadway

Located in the heart of the Bradford, whether you need your next fashion fix or the perfect gift for someone special, you'll find everything you need all under one roof. From leading brands to fashion favourites, food and drink outlets, and a boutique cinema.

[Broadway, Bradford, BD1 1JR](#)
www.broadwaybradford.com



Kirkgate Centre

Shopping centre and indoor market, incorporating high street brands and independent traders. Update your wardrobe, pamper yourself or grab a bite to eat with friends.

[Bradford, BD1 1TQ](#)
www.kirkgate.co.uk



Oastler Market

Located off Westgate, the market offers quality fish, meat and fresh fruit and vegetables, sourced from all over the world, along with a choice of cafés and food outlets.

[Westgate, Bradford, BD1 3SR](#)
Bradfordmarkets.com



Forster Square Retail Park

Great shopping, conveniently located close to Forster Square railway station. You'll find a range of stores including Boots, Currys, TK Maxx and ASDA Living.

[Valley Road, Bradford, BD1 4RN](#)
www.forstersquare.co.uk



Bradford Playhouse

The Bradford Playhouse is an independent theatre in Bradford offering a diverse programme of theatre, cinema, cabaret and much more.

4-12 Chapel St, Bradford, BD1 5DL
www.bradfordplayhouse.org.uk



Kala Sangam

An intercultural arts hub dedicated to bringing high-quality artists, choreographers and composers from a variety of cultural heritages to Bradford city centre. The Ganges Theatre also presents performances by local amateur groups and dance schools throughout the year.

St Peter's House, Bradford, BD1 4TY
www.kalasangam.org



St. George's Hall

Renowned for exceptional acoustics and intimate atmosphere, St George's Hall, opened in 1853, is one of the UK's oldest concert halls. The venue hosts a packed schedule of live comedy, music and entertainment.

Bridge Street, Bradford, BD1 1JT
www.bradford-theatres.co.uk



Alhambra Theatre

The venue hosts a range of major touring companies including Northern Ballet and the National Theatre and has staged major West End shows with Wicked arriving in Spring 2024. It's also home to one of the most popular pantomimes in the UK.

Morley Street, Bradford, BD7 1AJ
www.bradford-theatres.co.uk

What's On

Bradford has a busy events calendar for 2023. From live music, theatre and cinema to festivals and family events there's plenty to keep you entertained during your visit. Look out for theatre and musical performances at Alhambra Theatre, St George's Hall, Kala Sangam, Bradford Playhouse and Cathedral as well as smaller venues throughout the city.

Event Highlights 2023

Super Soapbox Challenge
30 April

Bradford Science Festival
24 May – 4 June

Bradford Literature Festival
23 June – 2 July

BD: Festival
28 – 29 July

BD: Is LiT
3 – 4 November





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Peel Park

Spacious Peel Park includes a lake, parkland and terrace, all perfect for informal recreation and quiet contemplation, with the children's play area and skate area ensuring there is something for everyone.

Bolton Road, Bradford, BD2 4BX
www.bradforddistrictparks.org



Undercliffe Cemetery

Described as one of the most striking achievements of Victorian funerary design, you'll find grand nineteenth-century monuments, elaborate tombs, finely decorated obelisks and extravagant mausoleums, along with sweeping views over the city. The listed monuments, amongst others, have QR codes so that you can find out more about who they commemorate with a click of your smartphone.

127 Undercliffe Lane, Bradford BD3 0DW
www.undercliffecemetery.co.uk



South Square Centre

A community arts centre featuring gallery, bar, café and events space, housed in a cluster of 19th century workers cottages. The centre hosts a variety of community events and activities, as well as a workshop programme.

Thornton, BD13 3LD
www.southsquarecentre.co.uk

Getting to Bradford

Getting Here and Around

Getting to Bradford district couldn't be easier whether you choose to drive or use public transport. Once here you can travel around the district with a great range of public transport available connecting you to all the must see places.



By Road

The **M606** brings you within 1.5 miles of the city centre and connects via **M62** with the **M1**, **A1** and **M6**.

Electric vehicle charging points are located across the district, find out more at www.geniepoint.co.uk

Bradford Clean Air Zone is now in place, passenger cars will not be charged. Find out more www.gov.uk/clean-air-zones



By Bus and Coach

Bradford Interchange is served by **National Express** and **Megabus** to destinations across the country.

First in Bradford is the main operator of local bus services in Bradford along with **Transdev** who offer services across the **Haworth**, **Keighley** and **Ilkley** area.



By Rail

Bradford has excellent rail links with two central train stations; **Bradford Forster Square** and **Bradford Interchange**. Both stations have excellent links to **Leeds**, **Manchester** and further afield, plus a direct service to **London**. Local services from **Bradford Forster Square** connect **Saltaire**, **Keighley** and **Ilkley**.

For journey planner and details of routes and fares go to www.wymetro.com

Visitor Information

Contact us for more information to help plan your visit including accommodation and special events. Bradford Visitor Information Centre, Britannia House, Broadway, Bradford, BD1 1JF

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