



Take the heritage trail around the city centre, the short walk will help you get your bearings and allow you to take in some of Bradford's superb architecture including City Hall, Little Germany and Bradford Cathedral. The trail finishes at the Wool Exchange, giving you the perfect excuse to head into Watersstones for some coffee and cake. Alternatively you could pop over the road to **Bradway** for some retail therapy.

Lunch



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Curry for lunch? Why not? Head up Leeds Road or Great Horton Road to sample a huge range of Asian restaurants, diners and cafes. It isn't your thing then you will find a number of great places to grab lunch around **Bradway, Market Street, Hustlegate and Bank Street**. Take a minute and book a guided tour of the Victorian cells and Courtroom in the Police Museum at City Hall.

Morning

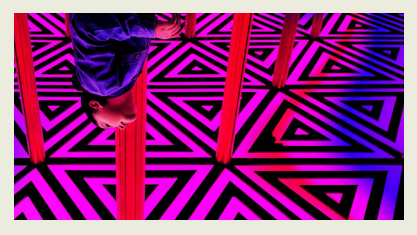
With so much to explore in the city centre it helps to have a little structure, so we've put together a guide to help you plan a perfect day in Bradford.

A Day in Bradford

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Checklist

- Explore the Wonderlab maze at NSMM
- Admire the Wool Exchange
- Take in City Hall at dusk
- Go underground at Sunbridgegawells
- Follow the Pelican Trail at Bradford Cathedral
- Whizz around the Bradford Ice rink
- See the water fountain at City Park
- Find the grand's clock in Little Germany



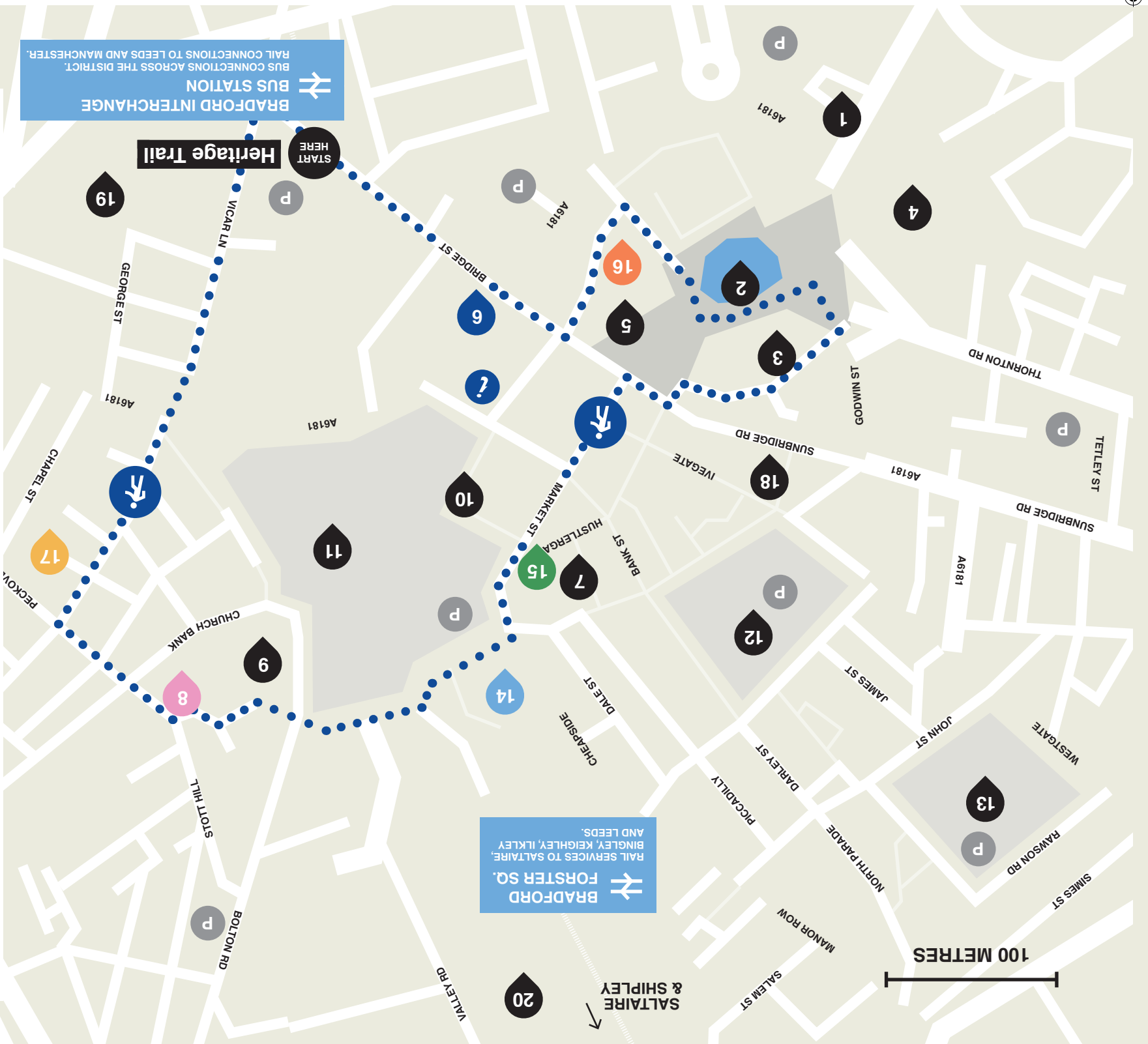
Check out the fantastic bars and restaurants around Bradford's **Top of town** including **North Parade**. Take a stroll around **City Park** and see the colourful water fountains before heading into **Sunbridgegawells** to explore Bradford's **'Underground Quarter'**. The complex is just a stone's throw from **The Alhambra** theatre and **St George's Hall** where you can take in a high class show or live music and comedy from international touring acts. Alternatively pay a visit to the **Light Cinema** on Broadway to watch the latest blockbuster movie in comfort and style.

Evening



No trip to Bradford would be complete without a visit to the **National Science and Media Museum (NSMM)**. With permanent and temporary exhibitions spread across several galleries, there's enough variety to appeal to all ages and interests. Not to mention the **IMAX** and **Pictureville** cinemas. Alternatively travel out of town to **Mughal Garden** and see the **David Cartwright Hall** to explore the **Hockey Gallery**.

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BINGLEY, KEIGHLEY, ILKLEY
AND LEEDS.

Bradford City Centre

Getting to Bradford

Road  

Bus and coach: Regular bus services run from Bradford Interchange across the Bradford district and to surrounding towns and cities. Bradford Interchange is situated in the city centre and is served by National Express (www.nationalexpress.com). It also services West Yorkshire and there are regular buses to key towns in the area.

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 from Bradford Interchange.

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
Tel: 01274 433678
Email: bradford.vic@bradford.gov.uk
Website: www.visitbradford.com

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Car: Bradford district is well served by motorways. The M606 brings you within 1.5 miles of the city centre. There are links from the M1, A1 and M6 via the M62.

Electric vehicle charging points are located across the district. Find out more at drivers.geniepoint.co.uk

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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.



The City of Bradford has a fascinating history, growing from a small rural settlement to an industrial powerhouse dubbed the 'Wool Capital of the World' in the Victorian era. Lavish Victorian architecture from that period is still much in evidence today.



A Welcoming City

Bradford is one of the UK's most diverse and youthful cities and prides itself on its warm and friendly character. With a compact, easy to explore city centre, it is perfect for anyone looking for a mixture of heritage, culture and character. The city has a thriving cultural scene with venues such as **Kala Sangam, Bradford Playhouse, The Alhambra Theatre** and **St George's Hall** offering a fantastic programme of live events.

Bradford City of Culture 2025

Bradford has been revealed as the winner of the hotly contested UK City of Culture 2025 competition. Bradford is one of the youngest cities in Europe, with 29% of its population under 20, and one of the most diverse in the UK. The year is set to deliver more than 1000 new performances and events including 365 artist commissions, a series of major arts festivals as well as exciting national and international collaborations.



The National Science and Media Museum

The National Science and Media Museum explores the science and culture of light and sound technologies and their impact on our lives. With the aim of inspiring the scientists and innovators of the future, it invites visitors to see more, hear more, think more and do more. Its galleries and exhibition spaces help illuminate world-famous collections in photography, film and television. The interactive gallery Wonderlab, explores the science of light, sound and perception through hands-on activities and breath-taking shows.

The National Science and Media Museum, Bradford, BD1 1NQ
tel: 01274 202030
www.scienceandmediamuseum.org.uk



Cinemas

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.

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
tel: 01274 777720
www.bradfordcathedral.org



The Bradford Police Museum

The Police Museum provides 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
tel: 01274 510245
www.bradfordpolicemuseum.com



Where to Stay?

Staying in the city centre is perfect if you want to be close to major attractions, nightlife and shopping. It also offers great transport links for visiting the wider district. There are several grand hotels in the heart of the city centre, along with a number of modern budget hotels.



Impressions Gallery

Established in 1972, Impressions has grown to become 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
tel: 01274 737843
www.impressions-gallery.com



Grabbing a Coffee

Bradford has a number of great coffee stops, including **The Rooftop Cafe**, which offers panoramic views of Bradford Cathedral. You'll find **Smorgasbord Coffee Bar** just off Darley Street, while **Tiffin Coffee**, **Café W** in the magnificent Wool Exchange, and **Lafferis Coffee and Tearoom** are all tucked away in and around Hustlergate.



Alhambra Theatre

Opened in 1914, Bradford's 1400 capacity Alhambra Theatre is regarded as a 'jewel in the crown' of northern theatre. The venue hosts a range of major touring companies including Northern Ballet and the National Theatre and has staged major West End shows including *The Lion King*, *War Horse* and *Mary Poppins*. It's also home to one of the most popular pantomimes in the UK.

Morley Street, Bradford, BD7 1AJ
tel: 01274 432000
www.bradford-theatres.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
tel: 01274 800415
www.bradfordplayhouse.org.uk



Kala Sangam

Kala Sangam is an intercultural arts hub dedicated to bringing high-quality local, national and international artists from a variety of cultural heritages to Bradford city centre. Kala Sangam is the home of music and dance in Bradford, bringing some of the world's best choreographers and composers to the city. The Ganges Theatre also presents performances by local amateur groups and dance schools throughout the year.

St Peter's House, Bradford, BD1 4TY
tel: 01274 303340
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
tel: 01274 432000
www.bradford-theatres.co.uk

Nearby Attractions

Bolling Hall Museum

One of Bradford's oldest buildings, and for many years home to two important landowning families the Bollings and the Tempests. Nowadays it is a heritage museum with rooms decorated to give a taste of life at different periods of the house's 500 year history.

Bolling Hall Road, Bradford, BD4 7LP
tel: 01274 431826
www.bradfordmuseums.org



Cartwright Hall Art Gallery

Cartwright Hall is Bradford's civic art gallery and offers an exciting programme of contemporary exhibitions. The collections consist mainly of 19th and 20th century British art, with strong collections of international contemporary prints and contemporary South Asian art and crafts. The Hockney Gallery includes some of the artist's early work and provides an introduction to his life and art with a particular focus on Yorkshire and Bradford.

Lister Park, Bradford BD9 4NS
tel: 01274 431212
www.bradfordmuseums.org

Lister Park Green Flag Award

One of Bradford's largest parks, is situated in the Manningham area of the city. In 2006 it was given the prestigious award of Britain's Best Park, and was also nominated for Best Park in Europe. Visit the Mughal Water Garden, or wander into the lovely Cartwright Hall.

North Park Road, BD9 4NR
www.bradforddistrictparks.org



Bradford Industrial Museum

Bradford's Industrial Museum has permanent displays of textile machinery, steam power, engineering, printing machinery and motor vehicles, along with an exciting exhibitions programme. You can enjoy the splendour of Moorside House where the Mill Manager lived, or visit the Millworkers' terraced houses dressed to reflect three different time periods.

Moorside Road, Bradford BD2 3HP
tel: 01274 435900
www.bradfordmuseums.org

Undercliffe Cemetery

Undercliffe Cemetery has been described as one of the most striking achievements of Victorian funerary design with 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 smart phone.

127 Undercliffe Lane, Bradford, BD3 0QD
tel: 01274 642276
www.undercliffecemetery.co.uk



Peel Park Green Flag Award

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