

Hidden Waterways 1 – discover hidden brooks and streams which run through Winchester.

Saturday 10th May at 2.30pm

Saturday 16th August at 2.30pm

Children's Winchester History – a short, light-hearted walking tour of the sights of Winchester's funny, horrid and sometimes bizarre history, from the Romans to the present day. Tour lasts 60 minutes, for age 7+, £8 adults, £3 children.

Wednesday 28th May at 2.30pm

Monday 27th October at 2.30pm

Medieval Jewish Winchester – discover the fascinating story of Medieval Jewish Winchester on this guided walk.

Sunday 8th June at 1.30pm

Sunday 3rd August at 1.30pm

Hidden Waterways 2 – a chance to follow the Lockburn stream on its journey from the city centre to St Cross.

Saturday 21st June at 2.30pm (2 hours)

Crime and Punishment – consider the misdeeds, misdemeanours, police and prisons in Winchester's past.

Saturday 9th August at 2.30pm

Saturday 4th October at 2.30pm

Public Art in Winchester – Winchester has amazing public works of art, many of which will be seen during this tour.

Saturday 25th October at 2.30pm

Halloween – a night-time meander around the alleyways of old Winchester to hear age-old supernatural tales from the city's rich history and lore.

Friday 31st October




For Families: 5pm (60 minutes, £8 adults, £3 children)

For Adults: 7pm, 7.30pm & 8pm (90 minutes, £12 adults only)

Christmas at Abbey House – tour the official residence of the Mayor of Winchester followed by mulled wine, mince pies and a chat with the Mayor. £17 including a donation to the Mayor's charities. Minimum age 12.

Wednesday 3rd December at 2.30pm

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Private Tours are available for groups of all sizes and needs. This year's Themed Tours and others, including Sherlock Holmes, the Battle of Cheriton and Saxon Winchester, can be booked as private tours. Tours in foreign languages, illustrated talks and guides for coach tours to attractions throughout Hampshire, Wiltshire, Dorset and the Isle of Wight are also available. Contact the Winchester Visitor Information Centre for further information and to book.

5 star Tripadvisor Reviews

Winchester tour Our visitors were completely enthralled and we, as a couple who have lived in Winchester for three decades, were finding out more and more interesting facts about the city. This will be our go to entertainment with every visitor we have staying over. (Feb 24)

Upper Winchester Tour The Winchester Guided Walking Tours were the highlight of our visit to England. We took the Lower & Upper Tours which were very worthwhile. Both guides were extremely knowledgeable, friendly and helpful. These tours enhanced my historical understanding of the area and are a must do for Jane Austen fans. (April 24)

A fabulous private group tour [The guide] had a lovely blend of historical knowledge and human stories which brought the experience alive. She fully accommodated my wishes and requirements as we planned the tour together. (Sept 24)

Booking Information

For all the latest information, dates, prices and online booking visit

www.winchestertouristguides.com

Tickets are also available on the day from the tour starting point:

Winchester Visitor Information Centre,
The Guildhall, Broadway, High Street,
Winchester SO23 9GH

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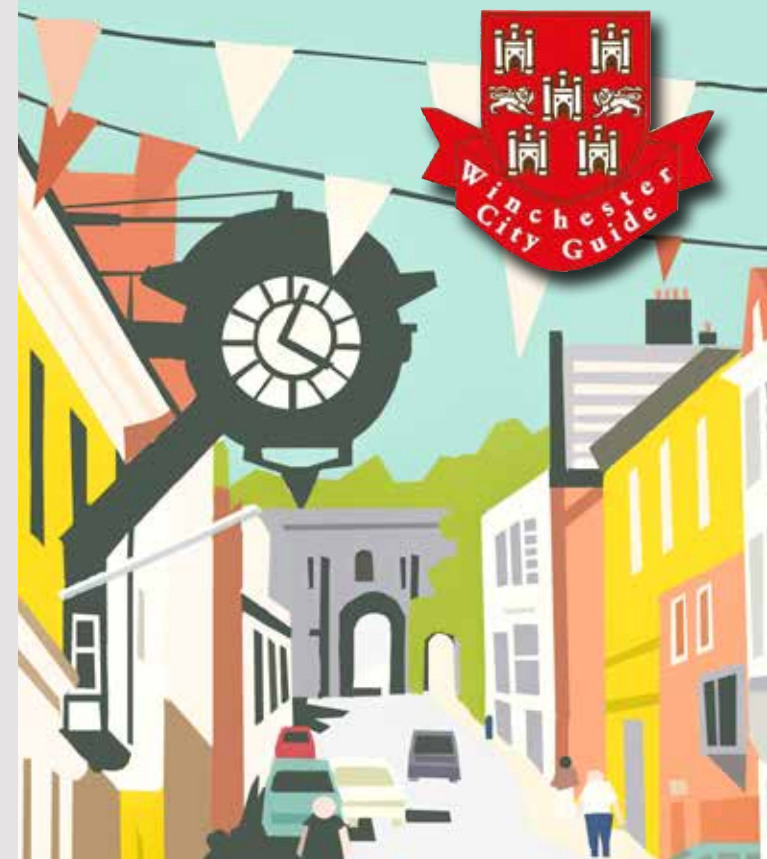
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Guided Tours

Regular Tours

Discover the sights of Winchester with stories and scandals along the way. The Winchester guides have a love of history, a sense of humour and a passion for the city which guarantees a memorable visit. **All tours start at Winchester Visitor Information Centre.**

The regular tours provide an ideal introduction to Alfred the Great's city, the ancient capital of Wessex and England. Routes vary, but include a selection of the following: the iconic statue of **King Alfred**, the historic **High Street**, the site of **Winchester Castle** and **King Charles II's Royal Palace**, the **River Itchen** and the ruins of **Wolvesey Castle**. Also the exteriors of the **Great Hall, Winchester College, No. 8 College Street** (where Jane Austen died), **Winchester Cathedral** and the **Westgate**.

Regular tours take place:

11am tour Upper Winchester,

2pm tour Lower Winchester/City Highlights.

January – March: Saturdays at 11am & 2pm

April – October: daily at 11am & 2pm
(not Sundays in April, Sept & Oct)

November – 21st December: daily at 2pm, Saturdays & Sundays at 11am & 2pm (no tour Sundays 2nd, 9th, 16th Nov)

Current tour details are available on

www.winchestertouristguides.com

Tickets

£12 with accompanied children under 16 free.

All tours are on foot and start from the Visitor Information Centre. They last 90 minutes and are accessible to wheelchair users. Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome. Tickets can be bought on the day from the Visitor Information Centre (see back of leaflet) or booked in advance, until 9am on the day, through the website

www.winchestertouristguides.com

Themed Tours

Explore aspects of Winchester's rich heritage in more depth with a themed tour. Tickets are £12 for adults, £5 for children (under 16) and tours last approximately 90 minutes unless otherwise stated. Well behaved dogs are usually welcome but for more information, including accessibility, and to book in advance please see

www.winchestertouristguides.com

Privies, Pots & Pits – not a “bog standard” tour but a chance to explore the history of Winchester toilets to mark UN World Water Day and UN World Toilet Day. £15 including a donation to the WaterHarvest charity.

Saturday 22nd March at 10.30am & 2.30pm

Wednesday 19th November at 10.30am



Chesil Railway – in the year celebrating the 200th anniversary of railways take a guided walk exploring the route of Winchester's “other” railway, the old Didcot, Newbury and Southampton line operated by the Great Western Railway. Includes a visit inside the disused Chesil Railway tunnel.

Steep slopes and steps.

Saturday 29th March at 10.30am & 1.30pm

Saturday 26th April at 10.30am & 1.30pm

Saturday 17th May at 10.30am & 1.30pm

Wednesday 11th June at 6.30pm

Thursday 10th July at 6.30pm

Saturday 30th August at 10.30am & 1.30pm

Saturday 27th September at 10.30am & 1.30pm

Winchester for Locals – a walk covering things you probably don't know about your own city even if you've lived here for years!

Saturday 5th April at 2.30pm



Book online at

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Jane Austen's Winchester – see landmarks of her life, places she visited and learn about people she met. Jane died at No. 8 College Street in Winchester.

Saturday 12th April at 11.30am

Saturday 19th July at 2.30pm

In flagrante delicto: Regency Scandals – have your smelling salts at the ready as you learn about some of Winchester's biggest scandals that shocked and entertained Regency high society in equal measure.

Saturday 3rd May at 10.30am

Saturday 28th June at 2.30pm

Saturday 23rd August at 2.30pm

George Shepherd's Regency Winchester – a summer evening walk to discover Shepherd's beautiful early 19th century watercolours and see what has changed since then.

Wednesday 23rd July at 6.30pm

Georgian Style & Society – a look at some of Winchester's buildings that date from the Georgian era considering the styles and materials used but also stories of 1700s society from behind the front doors.

Saturday 26th July at 2.30pm

Saturday 6th September at 2.30pm

Jane Austen's Birthday Tea – a brief tour of Abbey House followed by tea, cake and readings to celebrate Jane Austen's life on the 250th anniversary of her birth – 16th December 1775. £17 including a donation to the Mayor's charities. Minimum age 12.

Tuesday 16th December at 2.30pm

“My Dear Cassandra” – a walk through Regency Winchester to mark the 250th anniversary of Jane Austen's birth, with quotes from her books, poems and letters read by ‘Georgian’ players. Enjoy her wit and wisdom on a tour of a city that she knew and loved. Dates: 31st May, 1st, 4th, 5th & 6th June at 3pm. More details on our website.