

Getting to Horsham

National Traveline: www.traveline.org.uk Tel: 0870 608 2608



By Train - Direct services run regularly from London Victoria via Croydon, Gatwick and Crawley. There is an hourly service from Bognor Regis and Chichester.

National rail enquiries: www.nationalrail.co.uk Tel: 08457 484 950



By Bus - Metrobus: www.metrobus.co.uk

National Express: www.nationalexpress.com

Stagecoach local buses: www.stagecoachbuses.com

Compass local buses: www.compass-travel.co.uk



By Car - Follow the A24 from London (SW) via Dorking, the M23/A264 from London (SE) via Crawley, the A23/A281 from Brighton via Cowfold, the A24 from Worthing, the A29 from Chichester or the A281 from Guildford.

Other Local Attractions

Country Houses & Gardens

Parham House and Gardens (near Pulborough) www.parhaminsussex.co.uk

St Mary's House and Gardens (near Bramber) www.stmarysbramber.co.uk

Petworth House (Petworth) www.nationaltrust.org.uk

Nyman's Gardens (Handcross) www.nationaltrust.org.uk

Family Attractions

Holmbush Farm World, near Horsham. www.holmbushfarm.co.uk

Huxley's Birds of Prey Centre, near Horsham. www.flyingfalcons.co.uk

Southwater Country Park: www.horsham.gov.uk/leisure/1103.aspx

Fishers Farm Park, near Billingshurst. www.fishersfarmpark.co.uk

For Golfers

Rookwood, near Horsham.

www.rookwoodgolfcourse.co.uk

Mannings Heath Golf Club.

www.manningsheath.com



Rookwood Golf Course



Welcome to Horsham

Horsham is a gem in the very heart of West Sussex. This historic market town offers the best of both worlds with a rich history, architectural heritage, outstanding parkland and beautiful countryside. The other side of Horsham's coin is its stunning town centre with pavement cafés, award winning floral displays, markets and a superb blend of specialist shops and famous names.



Visitor Information Centre

contact details and opening times



Tel: 01403 211661

email: visitorinformation@horsham.gov.uk

www.horshamvisitor.co.uk

9 The Causeway, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 1HE

Opening Times:

10am - 5pm Monday to Saturday.

Closed Sundays and Bank Holidays

Want to find out more?

Horsham's Visitor Information Centre provides all you need to find your way around the town centre and beyond. Other services include accommodation bookings and information on local events and attractions, a holiday information service, maps and guides, travel information and souvenirs. You can also check the website on www.horshamvisitor.co.uk

Official Horsham District Guide www.burrows.co.uk/horshamguide

Horsham Town and Shoppers Guide www.visithorsham.co.uk

Horsham Festivals and Outdoor Events www.horshamentertains.co.uk

Horsham's Hidden Treasures www.hiddenhorsham.co.uk

Horsham Interactive Mapping www.virtualhorsham.co.uk

Horsham District Visitor Information www.horshamvisitor.co.uk

Places to Stay

There is a superb range of visitor accommodation in and around Horsham from 5* country house hotels to excellent local bed and breakfasts, campsites to self-catering cottages. For further information contact Horsham Visitor Information Centre. Tel: 01403 21166

Email: visitor.information@horsham.gov.uk



Horsham Time Well Spent

www.visithorsham.co.uk



The Green Heart of Horsham

From our award-winning **Horsham Park** to the North, to **Chesworth Farm** in the South, you are never far from beautiful green space in and around the town. As a national Britain in Bloom winner, visitors to Horsham can also enjoy extensive plantings, flower beds and hanging baskets throughout the town centre.

Horsham Park is a short walk from the **Carfax** and offers a haven of green space with spacious grounds, a lake, trees and wildlife. Within the Park is **Park House Garden**, a tranquil landscaped sensory garden designed with the disabled and visually impaired in mind. A new **Human Nature Garden** within Horsham Park demonstrates the links between plants and humans and features an educational garden, grass amphitheatre and sculptures. For details of activities in the Park see 'Fun for All the Family' (to the right).

Warnham Local Nature Reserve

A short distance from the town centre, set in 92 acres, **Warnham Local Nature Reserve** has a wide range of habitats including a 17 acre millpond, reed beds, meadows, hedges and woodland. Over 100 species of bird can be found here including a thriving Heronry and the site offers bird hides, a nature trail, visitor centre and refreshments.

Rookwood Golf Course adjoins the Reserve and is a super public pay and play 18-hole course. www.friendsofwarnhamlnr.org.uk



Surrounding the whole of the town is the 11 mile **Riverside Walk** which provides a rich natural habitat and wildlife corridor. A dedicated map and leaflet is available from Horsham **Visitor Information Centre**.

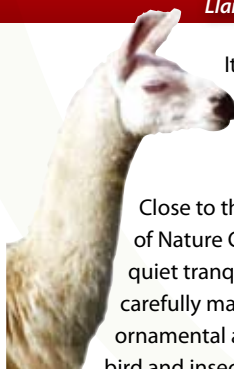


On the southern boundary of the town lies **Chesworth Farm**. This 90 acre farm contains meadowland, hedgerows, pond and riverside.



Park House Garden

Warnham Millpond



It can be explored either via the Horsham to Southwater cycle route, known locally as **Pedlars Way**, or from the Riverside Walk. A network of footpaths and bridleways also cross the site.

Close to the town centre, **Denne Road Cemetery** (a Site of Nature Conservation Importance - SNCI) is a place of quiet tranquillity; a small Victorian burial ground that is carefully managed to strike a balance between its attractive ornamental appearance and being home to a wealth of plant, bird and insect life.

Further Afield

To the east of the town lies the **St. Leonard's Forest**, an area of outstanding natural beauty. **Leechpool** and **Owlbeech Woods** are part of this ancient woodland and are particularly notable for their contrasting landscapes, varied wildlife and for being a SNCI.

Just 5 miles further south is **Southwater Country Park**, a free 90-acre site offering a selection of outdoor activities including an easy-going lakeside path, canoeing, sailing and windsurfing, an adventure-style play area and visitor centre.

The South Downs National Park

The most recent area in Britain to be designated a National Park and just a short journey from Horsham this dramatic landscape offers a sense of space and freedom for walkers, riders, cyclists and extreme sports fans.

www.southdowns.gov.org

Horsham In Bloom

Since 1996 Horsham is proud to have been a regular winner in regional, national and international 'In Bloom' competitions, culminating in a Gold Award in the Britain In Bloom competition.

www.horshaminbloom.org.uk



Horsham Park



Fun for all the Family

Horsham is a family-friendly town with charming, pedestrianised streets and plenty of entertainment on offer. The town boasts a regular free event programme throughout the year as well as free bandstand concerts and fun sessions for toddlers throughout the summer. Family shows and blockbuster movies are on offer at The Capitol, North Street whilst popular exhibitions and hands-on fun can be found at Horsham Museum & Art Gallery.



Horsham Park's Dragon

A popular site for picnics, Horsham Park boasts a children's maze leading to a dragon sculpture as well as a large modern children's play area, a skate park and conservatory Cafe. Adjoining the park is The **Pavilions In The Park** swimming and leisure centre, **Horsham Superbowl** and a popular nightclub.

www.horsham.gov.uk/leisure/292.aspx

Email: leisure@horsham.gov.uk Tel: 01403 215263

Getting Around

With much of the town pedestrianised getting about is easy. For those with mobility difficulties, a **Shopmobility** facility operates from the second floor of Swan Walk Shopping Centre car park. Please book in advance: Tel: 01403 249015



The Pavilions in the Park



Southwater Country Park