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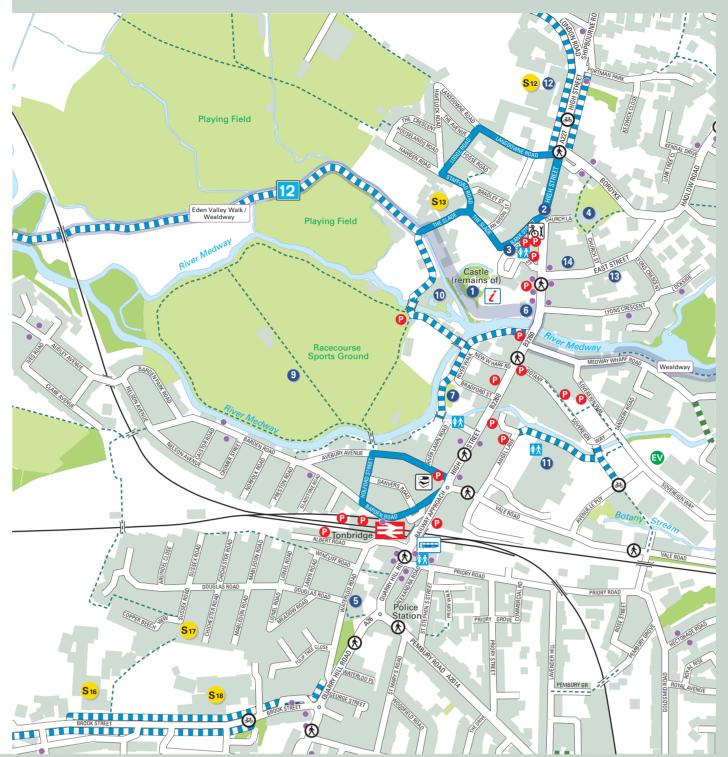
Tonbridge is a medieval market town in the heart of the West Kent countryside, best known for being home to one of England's finest 13th century motte and bailey castles, as well as its links with Jane Austen.

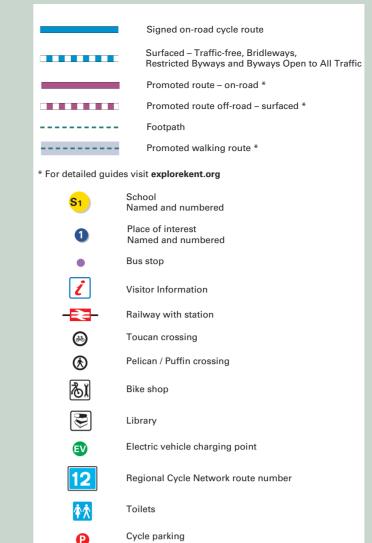
The town sits on the River Medway which hosts the annual Dragon Boat Race and where visitors can take scenic river walks, have a coffee whilst enjoying a fabulous view or be adventurous and take a boat trip.

Tonbridge has a lively town centre hosting many events and including many independent shops and eateries. In recent years it has become home to pop-ups, such as at Tonbridge Old Fire Station, and a growing art scene. There is something for everyone - from a butchers and fishmongers to great little boutiques, gift shops and a beer cafe.

The burgeoning food scene in Tonbridge now offers visitors a fantastic choice of tasty treats. There is even a monthly award-winning farmers market that is proving to be a great place to buy well sourced food and goods. In 2018 Tonbridge achieved Fairtrade Town status in recognition of its commitment to Fairtrade principles.









1 Tonbridge Castle

2 Tonbridge High Street

3 Tonbridge Old Fire Station

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7 Tonbridge Memorial Garden

8 Haysden Country Park

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Port Reeve's House
(oldest house in Tonbridge)

14 The Rose & Crown

CYCLE ROUTES

TUDOR CYCLE TRAIL

This 6-mile route offers an almost entirely traffic-free ride from Tonbridge Castle to Penshurst Place. From the castle, follow regional cycle route 12 west through charming woodland and countryside to Penshurst Place, a fortified manor house that's rich with medieval and Tudor charm. Explore the beautiful gardens or pay a visit to neighbouring Penshurst village for a taste of historic Kent.





WALKING ROUTES

MEDWAY VALLEY WALK

This linear long distance route covers just over 28 miles along the banks of the River Medway. Walkers will enjoy the variety of landscapes from the bustling market towns of Tonbridge and Rochester, to picturesque villages and orchards tucked away in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

JANE AUSTEN AND TONBRIDGE WALK

This 2.4-mile walk through the heart of beautiful Tonbridge is something everyone can enjoy with surfaces suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs. Take yourself on a literary journey and discover the life and family connections of one of England's best loved authors, Jane Austen.

TONBRIDGE WW1 WALKING TRAILS

Tonbridge WW1 Walking Trails comprise three short routes within Tonbridge, totalling just over 4 miles in length. Following level pathways with regular opportunities to take rest you can fully immerse yourself with captivating WW1 memories and landmarks.

To find detailed guides for these routes visit **ExploreKent.org**



GETTING AROUND

Tonbridge provides a link to the rest of the county, easily accessible by train whether you are travelling from Dover, Ashford, Ramsgate, Maidstone or London. Tonbridge Rail Station, situated very near the town centre is only a few short stops away from Staplehurst, Marden and Headcorn, where you can explore the picturesque Kentish Weald offering peaceful walks and idyllic cycle rides combining woodland, agriculture and wildlife.

Bus services connect Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells, or you can catch a bus to Maidstone. If you fancy soaking in some rural Kentish life, why not jump on a bus and visit the historic market towns of West Malling or Tenterden? Tired after your walk through Haysden Country Park to Penshurst Place? Take a well-deserved rest on the bus back to Tonbridge. After all, you have earned it.

Walking and cycling aren't just rewarding and fun ways to get around; leaving the car at home for some trips will save you money and reduce emissions. It also allows you to be active as part of your daily routine, helping you to stay fit and healthy.

Take a close look at the map and see how easy it is to walk or cycle from your home to the station, school, or town centre.



Download the Kent Connected mobile app or go to **kentconnected.org** to help plan your journey. View local cycling and walking routes, bus and train times and all other information on travelling in Kent



THINGS TO DO

PENSHURST PLACE AND GARDENS

A fortified manor house with beautiful landscaped gardens, perfect for a family day out or a walk in the countryside followed by a delicious meal.

HAYSDEN COUNTRY PARK

countryside, this country park offers a variety of activities, from nature and historical trails to the children's play area.

FARMERS MARKET

The biggest Farmers Market in Kent can be found in Tonbridge on the second Sunday of every month. Find out more at tonbridgefamrersmarket.co.uk

You can find more information about what's on in Tonbridge at the information centre within Tonbridge Castle or at

Set in 64 hectares of beautiful www.tonbridgecastle.org

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