

TUNBRIDGE WELLS

The town of Royal Tunbridge Wells lies in an unspoilt Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The landscape is a patchwork of rolling hills, ancient woods and open heaths, home to hop gardens, orchards and vineyards, covering the Garden of England in stunning blossom in spring, rich greenery in summer and vibrant colours in autumn.

With more castles, historic houses and gardens concentrated in this area than any other in England, the region of Tunbridge Wells is the perfect holiday base for history and garden lovers alike, as well as those who want to ramble and cycle in its charming splendour.

The historic town is a pretty tapestry of Georgian and Victorian architectural treasures and vibrant green spaces which can be explored via the self-guided Heritage Walking Trail.

Royal Tunbridge Wells is a well-known stop off for cyclists between London and the coast, hence its inclusion on the world-renowned Avenue Verte cycle route. Hire a bike and cycle the lanes of the countryside between attractions, stop off and refuel in a local pub or café serving tasty local fare.

Board a vintage steam or diesel train on the Spa Valley Railway at Tunbridge Wells West and enjoy adventures in leafy Groombridge (home to Groombridge Place and the Enchanted Forest), High Rocks (an ancient monument), and beyond.



- Signed on-road cycle route
- Unsigned routes – useful to link up your cycle journey
- Pedestrianised roads
- Footpath
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- 18 National Cycle Network route number
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PLACES OF INTEREST

- 1 The Pantiles
- 2 The Chalybeate Spring
- 3 Tunbridge Wells Common
- 4 The Spa Valley Railway
- 5 High Rocks
- 6 Wellington Rocks
- 7 Calverley Grounds
- 8 Hotel du Vin
- 9 Trinity Theatre
- 10 Assembly Hall Theatre
- 11 Church of King Charles the Martyr
- 12 Rusthall Common
- 13 The Forum
- 14 Dunorlan Park
- 15 Salomons Estate
- 16 Knights Park Leisure Park
- 17 Royal Victoria Place Shopping Centre
- 18 Grosvenor and Hilbert Park
- 19 The Opera House (Wetherspoons)
- 20 RSPB Broadwater Warren
- 21 Groombridge Place

WALKING ROUTES

TUNBRIDGE WELLS COMMON EASY ACCESS TRAIL

This is a short circular walk of 0.86 miles (1.4km) around the Pantiles historic common on tarmac paths. There is generally a hard, compact surface suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs although some walks may use grassy surfaces, which can become muddy in winter months. Public toilets are close to the start and refreshments are within easy reach in the town.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS CIRCULAR WALK

This route passes through the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty around Royal Tunbridge Wells and through the villages of Southborough, Pembury, Frant, Groombridge and Speldhurst. Walkers can enjoy undulating countryside, a landscape of patchwork fields, broad-leaved woodland and parkland with features of archaeological, historical interest. If you don't want the challenge of completing the full 27.5 miles (44.3km), there is also an opportunity to sample one of four shorter circular walks. Guides for each walk are available from ExploreKent.org.



DUNORLAN PARK WALK

Once a private landscaped garden, Dunorlan Park is now a historically important and much-loved public park. Enjoy a short circular walk of 1.6 miles (2.6km) on a compact surface around the ornamental lake in this beautiful Victorian park. The route is an easy access trail, meaning it is free of stiles and obstructions and suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs.

GETTING AROUND

Royal Tunbridge Wells is less than an hour by train from London Charing Cross, Gatwick Airport and Ashford International rail stations. Regular direct train services operate from Tunbridge Wells to London and Hastings. Tunbridge Wells is also well served by a number of different bus companies, with regular services across the local area.

Bike racks are available at Five Ways (near Royal Victoria Place), Monson Road, on the High street, at Calverley Grounds and at both Tunbridge Wells and High Brooms station. There is also a bike rack at Dunorlan Park, though cycling is not permitted in the park.

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.



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

The Farmers' Market can be found at the Pantiles on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month or in Marker Square on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Enjoy the usual farm produce as well as tasty homemade bread and cakes.

Groombridge Place is a remarkable country estate on the border between Kent and East Sussex, easily accessed by cycling via NCN 18. Discover a 17th century moated manor house, sculpted gardens and 200 acres of parkland to enjoy.

Explore Tonbridge by following the new cycle route parallel to the A21 or taking your bike on the train. Why not visit Tonbridge Castle, or pick up the Tudor Cycle Trail to Penshurst Place? Download a copy of our Tonbridge Town Map from [ExploreKent.org](https://www.explorekent.org) to help you find your way around.

For more information on attractions, places to eat and things to do in the area check out Visit Tunbridge Wells.

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WALKING AND CYCLING MAP

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CYCLE ROUTES

THE WEALDEN CYCLE TRAIL

This 42-mile (67km) route linking Ashford to Tunbridge Wells forms part of National Cycle Route 18. This route is the perfect way to take in Kent's quintessential scenery, from hops and apple orchards to oast houses and picturesque villages. This route is not recommended for beginners due to on-road sections and hills, but there are traffic-free sections at Bedgebury National Pinetum and the Ashford Green Corridor which are ideal locations for novices and young children.

To find detailed guides for these routes visit [ExploreKent.org](https://www.explorekent.org)

KEY

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In the town centre area cycle parking is only shown on inset map overlay



CYCLE TO SCHOOL

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| S1 Langton Green Primary School | S118 St Johns C of E Primary School |
| S2 Holmewood House School | S119 St Matthew's High Brooms C of E (V C) Primary School |
| S3 Rusthall St Pauls C of E (V A) Primary School | S200 Skinners Kent Primary School |
| S4 Broomhill Bank School | S21 Kent College Pembury |
| S5 Speldhurst C of E Primary School | S22 Pembury School |
| S6 Bidborough C of E (V C) Primary School | S23 Oakley School |
| S7 Meadows School | S24 Skinners Kent Academy |
| S8 Southborough C of E Primary School | S25 Temple Grove Academy |
| S9 Bennett Memorial Diocesan School | S26 Beechwood Sacred Heart School |
| S10 Bishop's Down Primary School | S27 St Barnabas C of E (V A) Primary School |
| S11 Rose Hill School | S28 St James' C of E (V A) Infant School/St James' C of E Junior School |
| S12 The Wells Free School | S29 St Peter's C of E Primary School |
| S13 The Skinners' School | S30 Claremont Primary School |
| S14 Tunbridge Wells Girls Grammar School | S31 The Mead School |
| S15 St Gregory's Catholic School | S32 Broadwater Down Primary School |
| S16 Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys | S33 St Mark's C of E Primary School |
| S17 St Augustine's R C Primary School | S34 Groombridge St Thomas C of E Primary School |