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Special thanks go to all the event organisers, guides, volunteers and organisations for their commitment and hard work - without them this event simply would not happen!

Welcome to Winchester's Heritage Open Days

“Heritage Open Days and its army of volunteers play an important role in championing our wonderfully diverse local heritage, opening up doors and keeping access free for these very special four days every year. Don’t miss this once-a-year chance to be a tourist in your own town and treasure the treasures on your doorstep.”

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Patron of Heritage Open Days

Come and explore Winchester’s rich architectural and cultural heritage with over 40 different events taking place this year. Discover hidden places, try out new experiences and enjoy a wide range of tours, events and activities, all celebrating our local or national heritage - all completely free!

Further Information
For more information and any last minute changes and additions to the programme please visit Heritage Open Days: www.heritageopendays.org.uk and Winchester Tourist Information: www.visitwinchester.co.uk

Booking
Some events may have limited capacity and must be booked in advance. You can check individual listings for details but please do not attend a booked event if you have not pre-booked. Please also note that not all events are open on all four days.

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**Abbey House**  
The Broadway, SO23 9BE  
Built in the 18th century on the site of a former nunnery, Abbey House is now the official residence of the Mayor of Winchester. See inside this elegant property and meet the Mayor who will also be on hand to show you around and answer any questions. Donations accepted for the Mayor’s Charities.  
Open: Sat, Sun 10:30-15:30 (max 40 people per tour).

**Abbey House Collections**  
The Broadway, SO23 9BE  
Take a guided tour of some of the City’s collections of paintings and furnishings rarely on display to the public. Originally built as a private house around 1700, Abbey House was bought by the City Council in 1889 and restored to its original 18th century splendour following extensive refurbishment in the 1980s. It is now the official residence of the Mayor of Winchester.  
Tours: Thurs 10:00, 12:00 & 14:30  
Pre-booking required - max 10 people per tour.

**Barter Memorial Chapel**  
Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Romsey Road, SO22 5DG  
Rarely open to the public, come and explore the original hospital chapel designed by William Butterfield and its beautiful stained glass windows. Learn more about the history of the RHCH and see historical artefacts, including Florence Nightingale’s lamp, and photos through the ages. Unsuitable for children under the age of 10.  
Open: Sat 11:00-15:00  
(max 15 people per tour)

**Behind-the-scenes tour of museum collections**  
Chilcomb House, Chilcomb Lane, SO23 8RD  
A unique chance to peek behind the scenes and meet the experts who curate the museum collections cared for by the Hampshire Cultural Trust. Visitors will be able to see costumes, artwork, natural history, archaeology, historic transport and social history collections. Also on display will be a rare surviving Georgian Sedan Chair contemporary with Jane Austen’s stay in Winchester shortly before her death in 1817.  
Tours: Thurs 09:30-12:30 & 13:30-16:30  
Pre-booking required - max 20 people per tour.

**Carter Marsh & Co**  
32A The Square, SO23 9EX  
Based in the city since 1947, Carter Marsh & Co are renowned dealers of antique clocks and watches. Come and watch skilled craftsmen at work and delight at some of the finest examples of antiquarian horology on display in the showroom. Unsuitable for children under the age of 14.  
Open: Thurs 10:00-16:30, Fri 10:00-16:00  
Pre-booking required for the workshop - max 4 people per session.

**Chesil Theatre**  
4 Chesil Street, SO23 0HU  
St Peter’s Chesil is a 13th century church which was converted to a 75 seat theatre about 40 years ago. Discover the delightful building and intimate theatre. You can see behind the scenes, the stage and lights along with costumes, set designs and photos which will also be on display. Members of the Winchester Dramatic Society will be available to answer your questions.  
Open: Sat, Sun 10:00-16:00  
(max 6 people per session).

Contact: Trudi Bedford on 01962 826700 or email: trudi.bedford@hampshireculturaltrust.org.uk

Contact: Ranji Goddard on 01962 844443 or email: info@cartermarsh.com

Unsuitable for children under the age of 5.
**Guided Tour of Winchester College**
College Street, SO23 9NA
Believed to be the oldest continuously running school in the country, Winchester College was founded by William of Wykeham in the 14th century and has been described as one of the finest collections of historic buildings in southern England. Join a guided tour to find out more. Unsuitable for children under the age of 11.
Pre-booking required - max 20 people per tour.

**Come and Meet Binky Bear**
P & G Wells Bookshop
11 College Street, SO23 9LZ
Come and listen to Binky Bear’s adventures around historic Winchester and receive an Explorer Pack complete with trail maps, checklists and colouring sheets. Why not bring your teddy along to meet Binky and have your photo taken too? Liz Nankivell will be available for book-signing afterwards. This event is suitable for 2-7 year olds.
Open: Sat 10:00 (Allow 45 mins)
Pre-booking essential - max 20 people.

**Eclipse Inn**
25 The Square, SO23 9EX
This 16th century building, now a public house, was once a rectory. It is said to be haunted by Lady Alicia Lisle who spent her last night in the rectory before being executed in The Square for treason. Discover the story of her fate and her part in history. Unsuitable for children under the age of 14.
Open: Thurs, Fri, Sat 11:00-21:00 (max 12 people per session).

**Friends Meeting House**
16 Colebrook Street, SO23 9LH
An 18th century house, formerly a rectory and now a Quaker meeting house, used for meetings, worship and community activities. Feel free to roam around the house and enjoy cream teas in the beautiful walled garden. Visit the exhibition exploring the work of Quakers and prisons. Meet Quakers from times past, follow a labyrinth and discover other activities. Unsuitable for children under the age of 2.
Open: Sat, Sun 13:00-17:00
Partial wheelchair access on ground floor only.

**Ginchester Walking Tour**
The Buttercross, High Street, SO23 9BG
Join the gents from Cabinet Rooms, two local food and drink enthusiasts, on a walking tour of Ginchester. Starting at the Buttercross and ending at the Green Man pub in Southgate Street, take a refreshing look at Winchester, its history and what makes the city so great today. Unsuitable for children under the age of 18.
Tour: Sat 18:00-19:00
Pre-booking essential - max 20 people. Guests will also have an option to pay for a specially priced G&T and dinner package.

**Heritage Poetry: new writing inspired by Hampshire’s history**
River Cottage Canteen, Abbey Mill, SO23 9GH
The Hampshire Cultural Trust in association with Winchester Poetry Festival present an evening of poetry celebrating some of Hampshire’s heritage sites, read alongside an exhibition of local artist Alex Hoare’s contemporary interpretation of the Nunnaminster. Poet Stephen Boyce is joined by Robyn Bolam and Hampshire Poet 2016 Isabel Rogers who will be creating new work especially for the event.
Open: Thurs 19:00-20:00
Pre-booking essential - max 30 people
**Open Office at Old Hyde House, ADAM Architecture**

75 Hyde Street, SO23 7DW

Built on part of the original 12th century Hyde Abbey Precinct, Hyde House is a Grade II* listed building which has served many uses over the years. Visitors will be given a guided tour of the architects’ office, hear the building’s rich history and see remnants of the old buildings that still exist today. Unsuitable for children under the age of 15.

Open: Thurs, Fri 10:00 & 12:00
Pre-booking required - max 10 people per tour.

Contact: Sue Beaumont on 01962 843843 or email: sue.beaumont@adamarchitecture.com

**Points of View over Winchester - Exhibition of paintings**

City of Winchester Trust Ltd, 32 Upper Brook Street, SO23 8DG

A special exhibition of drawings and paintings of some of the buildings and street scenes around Winchester by local architects Andrew Rutter and John Bulford. Varying in style and approach both artists succeed in showing a different side to the city with some of the panoramic views taken from within buildings that are not normally accessible. Limited edition cards and prints will be available for sale.

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**Jeremy France Jewellers**

32 High Street, SO23 9BL

Watch traditional jewellery making skills that have been used for hundreds of years and see how a ‘Lovers Wedding Ring’ is made in the workshop. Visitors will also be treated to an informative and educational journey through the history of diamonds and how they are used in modern day jewellery.

Open: Sat 10:00
Pre-booking required - max 15 people.

Contact: James Rudge
email: James@jeremyfrancejewellers.co.uk

**King Alfred Heritage Bus & Coach Display**

Cattle Market Car Park, Worthy Lane, SO23 7AB

Rarely seen together in one place, this is a chance to photograph, see inside and learn about the history of these heritage vehicles. Up to 14 buses and coaches which will be on display and a free vintage bus service will run between the Broadway and Worthy Lane.

Open: Sat 10:00-15:00
Unsuitable for wheelchairs. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

For further info email: d.morgan52@btinternet.com or call 01737 823436.

**How Do You Take Yours?**

Event kindly sponsored by Ahmad Tea
Toscanaccio, 73 Parchment Street, SO23 8AT

An entertaining and informative performance about the history of Britain’s favourite hot beverage, tea. Set in the 1950s at the end of tea rationing, the hostess, Mrs Cox shares her tea making tips as well as guiding everyone in the correct etiquette of serving afternoon tea. Unsuitable for children under the age of 10.

Open: Fri 14:30-15:30
Pre-booking required - max 15 people.

**Nunnaminster – An Artist’s Interpretation, Abbey Mill**

River Cottage Canteen in the Abbey Mill, Abbey Gardens, SO23 9GH

An exhibition of artworks by Alex Hoare inspired by the lives of women who lived in the Nunnaminster and St Mary’s Abbey from 903AD until the Reformation. Alex explores the connections between the women of the Nunnaminster and women in contemporary Winchester.

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www.heritageopendays.org.uk

www.visitwinchester.co.uk
Serle’s House
Hampshire Lieutenancy Office, Gar Street, SO23 8GQ
A rare chance to see inside this 18th century building built in the English Baroque style. Join a guided tour to see the staircase, reception rooms and period items and paintings from both the military and Hampshire County Council collections. Unsuitable for children under the age of 5.
Tours: Thurs, Fri 10:00, 11:30, 14:00 & 15:30
Pre-booking essential – max 15 people per tour.

Contact: Events Team on 01962 845509 or email: events@hants.gov.uk

St Cross Meadows
Event kindly sponsored by Carter Jonas
Next to The Hospital of St Cross, St Cross Road, SO23 9SD
Join the education team of the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust for a fun afternoon of outdoor activities exploring wildlife in the meadows and streams next to The Hospital of St Cross. Find out how conservation grazing is helping wildflowers, insects and wetland birds, identify wetland plants and have a go at river dipping. Particularly suitable for children & families.
Open: Fri 14:00-17:00 (max 15 people per session). All children must be accompanied by an adult.

St John the Baptist’s Church
St John’s Street, SO23 0HF
Winchester’s oldest parish church is situated on the ancient Pilgrim’s Way between Winchester and Canterbury. Built in the 12th century, later features include a spectacular south window, wall paintings and screen. Described by Sir John Betjeman as ‘a gem’, major restoration has revealed its medieval simplicity and beauty.
Open: Thurs, Fri 10:00-17:00, Sat 10:00-18:00 (Ride & Stride), Sun 11:00-17:00

Refreshments & Toilets (Sat only)

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St Swithun’s School
Alresford Road, SO21 1HA
Visitors are warmly invited to tour St Swithun’s School, situated in the South Downs National Park on the edge of Winchester. Tours will include the senior school buildings and the brand new junior school and an opportunity to view the school’s archives dating back to 1884. Afternoon tea will be served for all visitors and children are very welcome.
Open: Sun 14:00-17:00

Story Telling at St John’s House
The Broadway, High Street, SO23 9BD
Visit St John’s House to hear traditional tales from Pedlars and Petticoats with a Regency twist. Suitable for children 10yrs and under, the stories will be interactive tales of daring do with gutsy girls, noble Knights and awful Ogres. Come dressed for adventure!
Open: Sat 10:30-11:00 & 11:30-12:00
The Hospital of St Cross & Almshouse of Noble Poverty
St Cross Road, SO23 9SD
Founded in 1132 by William the Conqueror’s grandson, the Hospital today remains a Christian almshouse for elderly men. Spend time exploring the beautiful medieval buildings and fine gardens and take tea in the Hundred Men’s Hall. Visit an exhibition by WARG, the society for Winchester archaeology and local history, and call in at the Porter’s Lodge before leaving to receive the Wayfarers Dole.
Open: Fri 09:30-17:00
Pre-booking required - max 25 people per tour.

The Archaeological and Architectural Remains of Hyde Abbey
King Alfred Place, SO23 7DF
Hyde is one of the great lost abbeys and the final designated resting place of Alfred the Great. Visitors will learn all about the Abbey on a guided walk, be shown some of the locations and buildings in Hyde that are linked to its history and hear about the latest research by Hyde900.
Tours: Sat 10:00 & 14:00
Pre-booking required - max 25 people per tour.

The Great Hall
Castle Avenue, SO23 8PJ
Home to the legendary Round Table of King Arthur, this medieval hall once formed part of Winchester castle. Visitors will have a rare chance to see the 18th century Former Grand Jury room and Law Library, learn about some of its famous trials and even try on a judge’s costume. With tours of the Great Hall, a children’s trail and storytelling this event is ideal for all the family.
Open: Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun 10:00-17:00
Pre-booking preferred for storytelling – max 15 per session.

The Chesil Rectory and more
1 Chesil Street, SO23 0HU
Step inside the ancient doorway of the Chesil Rectory and discover a quirky gem of a restaurant brimming with original features. From here an hour’s guided walk with one of Winchester’s professional tourist guides will take you to some of the other highlights of the area, including St John’s church and the Chesil Theatre. Unsuitable for children under the age of 8.
Tours: Fri 10:30, Sat 16:00
Pre-booking essential - max 16 people per tour.

The Colour Factory Studios
The Lodge, Gordon Road, SO23 7DD
Come along for a colourful afternoon packed full of arty fun and other activities for all the family. Using exciting techniques and traditional printing presses learn how to paint and print patterns found in Winchester’s unique heritage. Visit the artists’ gallery, meet Mrs Heritage and enjoy homemade cakes in the vintage tea gardens.
Open: Sun 12:00-17:00

The Stable - Cider Tasting and Talk
31B The Square, SO23 9EX
Cider has a long and fascinating history in the UK. Come and find out more about its heritage and enjoy an evening of cider tasting. We expect this event to be popular so early booking is advised to avoid disappointment. Strictly for over 18s only.
Open: Sat 17:00-20:30
Pre-booking essential - max 30 people.

Contact: Susan Jones on 01962 864487 or email: events@hyde900.org.uk
Contact: Alexandra Redhead & Diane Grudgings on 01962 846476 or email: the.great.hall@hants.gov.uk
Contact: Winchester Tourist Information Centre on 01962 850348 or email: tourism@winchester.gov.uk
Contact: Matt on 01962 878333 or email: winchester@stablepizza.com
Unsuitable for children under the age of 12.

The Villas of Painters Fields – a walking tour
Upper Barracks (next to the fountain), Romsey Road, SO23 8TS
Join local architect George Saumarez Smith on a guided walk describing the area and buildings between St Cross and the railway known as “Painters Fields”. The walk will explore how this area was rapidly developed in the mid 19th century and discuss what lessons this might hold for future housing developments in the city. The tour will finish on St James’ Villas.
Tour: Thurs 18:00-19:00 (meet from 17:45 for a prompt start). Pre-booking essential – max 20 people.

Contact: Sue Beaumont on 01962 843843 or email: sue.beaumont@adamarchitecture.com

Theatre Royal Winchester Backstage Tour
22-23 Jewry Street, SO23 8SB
Take a guided tour of Winchester’s historic Theatre Royal and learn what goes on ‘behind the scenes’. The building began as a cine-variety hall in 1915 and, after major refurbishment, it re-opened as a full-time professional theatre in 1985. These tours are always very popular so early booking is advised to avoid disappointment. Pre-booking essential – max 15 people per tour.

Contact: Theatre Royal Winchester on 01962 840440

Warren & Son
85 High Street, SO23 9AE
Discover the fascinating history behind one of Winchester’s longest established businesses and look inside the big safe which has never before been open to the public. There you will see memorabilia and several tokens from the past including some first edition books published by Warrens.
Open: Thurs, Fri, Sat, 09:30-17:30, Sun 10:30-16:30
Talks: Fri 10:30 & 12:30 (max 20 people per session)

Winchester City Mill
Milling Weekend
Bridge Street, SO23 9BH
This National Trust property dates back to Saxon times and is probably the oldest working watermill in the country. Rebuilt in 1744, it is a rare surviving example of an urban corn mill. Today hands-on activities, displays and milling and baking demonstrations make the City Mill a lively and informative place for all the family to enjoy.
Open: Sat, Sun 10:00-16:30
Wolvesey
Wolvesey Palace, College Street, SO23 9ND
Come and enjoy a peaceful setting in the beautiful gardens of the Bishop’s home. Visitors can also book a special tour of the house with a guide looking at portraits of the Bishops of Winchester over the centuries. Unsuitable for children under the age of 5.
Gardens open: Sat 12:00-16:00
Tours: Sat every half hour between 12:00-15:30
Pre-booking essential – max 15 people per tour. No booking required for the gardens.

Contact: Winchester Tourist Information Centre on 01962 840500 or email: tourism@winchester.gov.uk

FURTHER AFIELD VENUES

Hockley Water Mill Open Day
Church Lane, Twyford, SO21 1NT
Hockley is an 18th century water mill with two sets of stones and other gearing powered through a horizontal beam. The mill machinery is currently too fragile to use, so Hampshire Mills Group offer guided tours explaining all the farmer and miller could do with water power. Steep stairs to upper floors. No unaccompanied children please.
Open: Sun 11:00-16:00
(max 6 people per tour).

Contact: Winchester Tourist Information Centre on 01962 840500 or email: tourism@winchester.gov.uk
**Matterley Bowl**
*Off the A31 Alresford Road, Alresford, SO21 1HW*
Discover the recent history of the Matterley Bowl and join a guided tour of this stunning natural amphitheatre within the SDNP. Learn about traditional land management, watch hedge laying & hurdle making heritage skills and go in search of late flying butterflies. Unsuitable for small children.
Tours: Thurs 09:00, 11:00, 13:00
(Wellingtons/sturdy shoes & waterproof clothing advisable)

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**St Michael & All Angels Church, Bullington Craft Fete**
*Bullington Lane, Bullington, SO21 3RE*
Visit this gem of a medieval church to see local craftspeople demonstrating their skills, and join in all the fun of the fete outside. Attractions for all ages including a vintage tractor, bouncy castle, music, teas, cakes, and other stalls. The perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon.
Open: Sun 14:00-17:00

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**The Grange at Northington**
*Grange Park, Northington, SO24 9TG*
Book a guided tour of a ‘roofed ruin’ of one of the earliest Greek revival houses in Europe. Built in 1670, the exterior was altered in the 19th century by William Wilkins to resemble a Greek temple. Owned by English Heritage, the house is currently used for opera events & private functions. Unsuitable for children under the age of 8.
Tours: Thurs 10:00, 11:30, 14:00
(sturdy footwear advised).
**Pre-booking essential for tours** - max 20 people per tour. Grounds free to explore and open until dusk.
Contact: Lesley Haigh on 01483 252000 or email: Lesley.Haigh@historicengland.org.uk

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**Watercress and Gin...**
The Watercress Company, Old Alresford, SO24 9DH
Explore the history of watercress in Hampshire, take a guided walk around the beds and learn more about the health-giving properties of watercress and wasabi. Afterwards visit the Winchester Distillery site for a tour and free tasting of their award-winning watercress gin. Unsuitable for children under the age of 18.
Tour: Fri 18:00-20:00
Pre-booking required – max 30 people.
Contact: The Watercress Company on 01962 742104.

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**What's in store?**
Gilbert White’s House & Gardens, High Street, Selbourne, GU34 3JH
A rare chance to view items from the collections store not on display in the Museum. From personal items belonging to 18th century naturalist Gilbert White, to artefacts brought back from Africa by Victorian explorer Frank Oates, and memorabilia from the tragic Terra Nova expedition to the South Pole in 1912 led by Captain Scott.
Open: Thurs 10:30-17:00, Fri 12:00-15:00 (max 25 people per session)
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