Brighton & Hove



Brighton & Hove is one of Britain's liveliest seaside cities, with a bohemian, artistic and eccentric atmosphere that can't be found anywhere else in the UK. Combining the modern with the traditional, Brighton has a heritage rooted in the Regency era and is brought up to date with a unique cultural offering. Elegant Regency architecture, museums and galleries mix with great shopping, stylish cafés, bars and restaurants. The city has a glittering nightlife, arts and theatre scene alongside all the fun of the seaside.



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Don't miss the Royal Pavilion, King George IV's seaside fantasy palace with its Indian domes and oriental interiors; one of Europe's most extraordinary royal palaces. There's all the fun of the fair on Brighton Pier with whirling Waltzers, fish & chips and the iconic Brighton Rock. Stroll along the vibrant beachfront enjoying the lively seafront cafés and bars, Artist and Fishing Quarters, children's play areas and dramatic sculptures. Underneath the arches there are shops selling fashion, photography and furniture, you can also work see work progressing on the new Brighton i360 observation tower, opening in summer 2016.

The arts play a major part in city life. In May the Brighton Festival, England's largest international arts festival, attracts thousands of people to hundreds of events for three weeks. There's everything from contemporary dance to comedy, operas to exhibitions and circuses to street theatre. All year round you can see performances at venues across the city including the Theatre Royal, Komedia, the Brighton Dome and the Brighton Centre.

The city's museums are treasure houses of inspiring objects from all eras and cultures. Brighton Museum & Art Gallery has dynamic and innovative new galleries, featuring exciting interactive displays appealing to all ages. Discover Brighton's origins at the seafront Fishing Museum and Hove's contribution to film at the Hove Museum and Art Gallery







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A visit to Preston Manor gives a glimpse into the life of a prosperous Edwardian family and their servants. And there's always something happening on the seafront and in the streets - classic car rallies and cycle races, fun runs and international markets, festivals and processions.

There's a wide range of places to stay, from 5 star luxury hotels to friendly family-run Bed & Breakfasts, plus a growing number of boutique hotels, individually designed and fitting in perfectly with Brighton's arty and offbeat character. Fashionable, funky and loaded with style, Brighton & Hove is the perfect city break by the sea.



Attractions:

- The Royal Pavilion
- Brightoni360
- Brighton Pier
- Brighton Sea Life Centre
- Brighton Museum and Art Gallery
- Theatre Royal Brighton

Highlights

- Shopping
- Regency architecture
- Arts and Culture
- Food and Drink
- Seafront

Annual Special Events:

- Brighton Festival and Brighton Fringe (May)
- Artists Open Houses (May and December)
- Paddle Round the Pier (July)
- Brighton Pride (August)
- CineCity Film Festival (November)
- Burning the Clocks (December)



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Directions and distance from Central London:

Just under an hour by train or car from London.

By Road - Direct motorway access via M23, M25 or A23.

By Rail - Direct line from London Victoria, London St Pancras and London Bridge.

By Sea - Ferries to Dover (2 hr drive to Brighton), Newhaven (30 min drive) and Portsmouth (1 hr drive).

By Air - Direct train line from Gatwick to Brighton.





