

# Salisbury. Welcoming since 1227.

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Itinerary  
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Salisbury has been welcoming visitors since 1227. A wonderfully intimate city, set in beautiful Wiltshire countryside. Five rivers, the Cathedral Close, medieval buildings, green spaces and water meadows – Salisbury is a city on a human scale, a city made for exploring.

Alongside the cathedral and museums, visitors benefit from a thriving cultural scene, a busy Charter Market and a panoply of independent retailers and creators.

## Location

Salisbury is located close to both the coast and countryside; the New Forest is just 30-minutes from the city and offers a protected forest with roaming ponies, deer and cattle; Dorset is an hour drive and provides access to Bournemouth and the stunning Jurassic Coast with 250 million years of the earth's history to discover.

## Welcoming groups

Salisbury is a friendly city, welcoming visitors and your travel team. Coaches and minibuses can drop off close to the Cathedral and city centre in St John's Street, alternatively the purpose-built 24-hour coach park at Millstream has 23 spaces and is just a 5-minute walk into the city centre.

**Salisbury Uncovered is a two-day, one night itinerary during Spring 2023 for organised tours, including a behind the scenes tour at Salisbury Cathedral's Library and Salisbury Museum along with time to enjoy one of the oldest Charter Markets in Britain.**

Enjoy a 'Beyond the Library Doors' tour of Salisbury Cathedral's Library, built in 1445 and home to a priceless collection of books, a unique behind the scenes tour of Salisbury Museum, an evening performance of Brief Encounter at Salisbury Playhouse and experience a living history event like no other at The Wardrobe, the Rifles Berkshire and Wiltshire Museum.

*The images in this itinerary have been kindly supplied by Salisbury Cathedral, Ash Mills, Sarum College, Salisbury Museum, Wiltshire Creative, The Wardrobe, the Rifles Berkshire and Wiltshire Museum.*



# Day 1

The first thing you'll see as you arrive is **Salisbury Cathedral's spire, the tallest in the country. Standing at a breath-taking 404ft / 123m, it has been guiding travellers to Salisbury city for over 800 years. Drop off is in St John's Street, a short walk to Salisbury Cathedral.**

Enjoy a fascinating glimpse into **Salisbury Cathedral's** past on a '**Beyond the Library Doors**' tour. Built in 1445, the Library contains nearly 200 manuscript books, some over 1,000 years old, and around 12,000 early printed books. Climb the winding stone staircase to the Library, situated above the Cloisters, where you will be shown a range of handwritten and printed books, specially selected to demonstrate the importance and variety of the collection. Before you head to your next place of interest, take some time to unwind at the Cathedral's **Refectory Restaurant**.

[www.salisburycathedral.org.uk](http://www.salisburycathedral.org.uk)

**For great places to eat in Salisbury visit:**

[www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/taste](http://www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/taste)

Your next stop is **The Salisbury Museum**, currently undergoing a re-development as part of the NLHF Past Forward Project. Get up close and join an organised '**Behind the Scenes Tour**,' where you will have access to parts of the museum not usually seen. Visit before the 16th of April 2023 and view the exhibition '**Her Salisbury Story**', celebrating the lives of Salisbury's women, including Lady Jo Benson, voted as the woman who has contributed most to life in the city. End your day with a visit to **Salisbury Playhouse** and enjoy a dazzling adaptation of the greatest love story of all time, **Brief Encounter**.

[www.salisburymuseum.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.salisburymuseum.org.uk/whats-on)

**Brief Encounter** from 31st March – 22nd April 2023

[www.wiltshirecreative.co.uk/whats-on](http://www.wiltshirecreative.co.uk/whats-on)

There are plenty of great places to stay in Salisbury, one to suit every budget. Choose one steeped in history with a stay at **Best Western Red Lion Hotel**, Europe's oldest purpose-built hotel or the elegant Grade II listed **Mercure White Hart Hotel**. Perhaps consider a study break at **Sarum College**, just steps away from Salisbury Cathedral - '**Read, Reflect**' is a guided group read of the novels inspired by Salisbury or '**Explore the History of Spirituality in Britain**' examining the works of Julian of Norwich and John Donne.

**For great places to stay in Salisbury visit:**

[www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/sleep](http://www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/sleep)

# Day 2

**Salisbury is a modern medieval city and offers visitors an experience like no other. Today includes a visit to The Wardrobe, a military museum where you can experience a 'Living History' event along with time to explore the Charter Market, dating back to 1227.**

Today begins with a visit to **The Wardrobe, the Rifles Berkshire and Wiltshire Museum**, the only military museum in Salisbury. Visit during the weekend of 25th -26th March and enjoy a 'Living History' free event, '**Women Through Time Weekend**' looking at the roles of women in wartime throughout history or on the 8th April experience a Second World War re-enactment, '**West Country at War**'. After all that excitement take a quiet moment of reflection in the garden and then refuel at **The Rifleman's Table**, popular with visitors and the locals.

[www.thewardrobe.org.uk](http://www.thewardrobe.org.uk)

In Salisbury, we celebrate the unique and the quirky, the local and the original. Salisbury is a shopper's paradise, unlike any other high street where you'll be sure to find something unusual. Visit Salisbury on a Tuesday or Saturday and you can experience the **Charter Market** located in the Market Place, near the Guildhall. One of the oldest markets in Britain, Salisbury has hosted a weekly market since 1227. Today you will find a vibrant, friendly market packed with fresh, local artisan produce and unique products to take home.

[www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/listing/salisbury-charter-market](http://www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/listing/salisbury-charter-market)

**For more great places to shop visit:**

[www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/shop](http://www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/shop)

It's time to head back to St John's Street to meet your coach and bring your tour to an end. On your way back pop into Salisbury's award-winning friendly **Information Centre** to pick up a last-minute gift or souvenir or for further information to inspire your next visit.

Experience more of Salisbury's originality and charm throughout the year, with a great range of festivals and events to delight you. Join us in November and December when our medieval streets, markets and shops burst with festive merriment and sparkling decorations.

[www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/what-s-on](http://www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/what-s-on)

[www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/listing/salisbury-information-centre](http://www.experiencesalisbury.co.uk/listing/salisbury-information-centre)



## Group Pricing 2023

Bookable Product	Adult / Concession	Group Contact
Salisbury Cathedral	'Beyond the Library Doors' group tour Adult £22 online / £165 for a group of 8 Entry to the Cathedral - Adult £7.20 (groups of 10+)	✉ groups@salcath.co.uk ☎ 01722 512156
Refectory Restaurant	Bespoke catering packages available	✉ groups@salcath.co.uk ☎ 01722 512156
Salisbury Museum	Behind the Scenes Tour Adult £15 (groups of 10 -15 people) Introductory talk – Adult £10 per person (min 10 people)	✉ museum@salisburymuseum.org.uk ☎ 01722 332151
Salisbury Playhouse	Brief Encounter – Tickets from £12.00 A range of performances throughout the year Group discounts available on some performances	✉ ticketsales@wiltshirecreative.co.uk ☎ 01722 320333
The Rifles Berkshire and Wiltshire Museum	Standard Adult £5 (1 free entry per 10 people) Entry to the Garden only – Adult £2 FREE entry to the 'Living History' events No advanced booking required, pay on arrival at The Museum	✉ trust@thewardrobe.org.uk ☎ 01722 419419
Sarum College (20 + people)	Study break: 24 hours full board (min 10 people) from £127pp Accommodation only: Single Ensuite Rooms – room only £63 / B&B £72 Twin / Double – room only £71 / B&B £87 Double Room with view – room only £76 / B&B £110 Standard Room (shared facilities) – room only £33 / B&B £42	☎ 01722 424812

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