

The royal enclave of Windsor sits 21 miles west of London, where the famous Windsor Castle towers above the town on a steep chalk hill. The castle is an impressive sight, its walls and medieval bastions continuing as far as the eye can see. Step inside and take in the grandeur of the State Apartments and paintings from the Royal Collection. Explore Windsor Great Park, which stretches for several miles to the south of the castle. Close to Windsor is Eton, a small village lined with old bookshops and antique dealers, but internationally famous for Eton College, which boasts the marvellous College Chapel.



Windsor Castle

Considered one of the must-see sights for overseas visitors, Windsor Castle is one of three official residences of the Queen and has been home to the sovereign for over 900 years. Windsor is the largest inhabited castle in the world and the oldest in continuous occupation. When the Queen is in residence the Royal Standard flies from the Round Tower. At all other times you will see the Union Flag.



Changing of the Guard

The Changing of the Guard is one of the highlights of a visit to Windsor. The guards are usually accompanied by a band and can be watched as they march up the High Street and into the castle – to see the actual ceremony you need to be inside the castle and walk down to the Lower Ward. The Changing of the Guard takes place on alternate days and there is no Changing on Sunday.



Windsor Royal Station

Set amidst the grandeur of the refurbished Victorian railway station, Windsor Royal Station offers more than 40 exciting shops ranging from quality fashion to quality homeware and gifts. With a selection of continental-style cafés and restaurants it is the perfect place to sip a cappuccino, soak up the atmosphere and watch the world go by.



Eton College

Eton College was founded in 1440 by King Henry VI to provide free education for poor scholars. The school has since expanded to about 1,280 boys aged from 13 to 18 who are admitted by competitive examination and has become one of the most exclusive schools in the world. Tours of the college are a fascinating experience and include the Cloisters, the Chapel, the oldest classroom in the college and the Museum of Eton Life.

What else can I see and do?

The impressive **St George's Chapel** at Windsor Castle is a glorious Perpendicular structure ranking with Henry VII's chapel in Westminster Abbey, and the second most important resting place for royals.

High Street names, designer labels, special gifts, antiques and art: Windsor has them all. London-style shopping is all contained under one roof at Windsor Royal Station, while the town's **compact shopping area** makes it easy and comfortable to walk around.

Eton's historic half-mile **High Street** has a diverse range of small, family owned businesses, including specialist clothing, jewellers, bookshops and gift shops. Here you will find a unique personal service that has been maintained down through the centuries.

The **Windsor Wheel**, in Alexandra Gardens near the River Thames, provides an overhead view of the castle, Eton and the Thames Valley. The wheel is assembled in the spring and dismantled in the autumn.

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