

# **Boreatton Park Excursion Guide**

# Planning your Itinerary

We want to make organising your trip as simple as possible. This guide contains information to help you plan your trip, but if you have any questions, please contact your Tour Organiser who will be happy to help.

When completing your itinerary planner, please consider the travel time to and from the venue, especially in or around cities, particularly during rush hour or on public holidays. Public holidays can also mean longer queues at attractions and some attractions may be closed.

Coach drivers' hours are regulated by law. The rules are complex but there are a few basic principles you can use to help ensure the smooth running of your trip;

- Drivers can drive for up to nine hours per day
- Drivers must have a 45-minute break after 4½ hours' driving
- Drivers can work for 13 hours per day (this includes time spent stationary whilst the group are visiting an attraction)

If your plans conflict with drivers' hours regulations, we will let you know so that we can agree a suitable alternative.

### **Risk Assessments**

In line with the recommendations of the School Travel Forum and BAPA, and in order to identify potential hazards, PGL monitors feedback from PGL staff and groups regarding the attractions included in this guide. We would stress that risk assessments can only be undertaken by the party leader who is familiar with the specific requirements of the participants and we encourage you to make preview visits for this reason. The majority of attractions/sites visited by schools on PGL tours are open to the public. They are responsible for the health and safety of all their visitors including groups travelling with PGL. We have no liability for the standard of their provision, and schools visit these attractions/sites at their own risk.

# **Excursions**

This guide contains details of the most popular visits and excursions near Boreatton Park. Many attractions offer educational programmes or curriculum-based activities, so speak to your PGL Tour Organiser for further information or visit the attraction's website. Individual venues will be able to advise you on what is most relevant to your particular needs and we will forward details of their educational material to you in your final information pack.

Unless otherwise stated, guides and entrance fees to museums, galleries and places of interest etc. are not included in the cost of your tour. All entrance fees must be paid locally by the group.



## **Ironbridge Gorge Museums**

Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust is an industrial heritage organisation which runs ten museums and manages 35 historic sites within the Ironbridge Gorge in Shropshire, widely considered as the birthplace of the Industrial Revolution.

www.ironbridge.org.uk

Duration: All day

### **Beatles Story, Liverpool**

The award-winning Beatles Story is an unforgettable journey through the lives, times, culture and music

of the Beatles.

www.beatlesstory.com **Duration:** 2 hours

### **Tate Liverpool**

With year-round modern and contemporary art on show and a series of unique exhibitions, there is always something to capture children's imagination.

www.tate.org.uk/liverpool
Duration: 2-3 hours

### **National Museums Liverpool**

National Museums Liverpool (NML) is a diverse group of museums and galleries. Its collections are among the most important and varied in Europe, and contain everything from Impressionist paintings and rare beetles to a lifejacket from the Titanic and artefacts from ancient Egypt.

http://www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk

**Duration:** 2-3 hours

# National Football Museum, Manchester

The National Football Museum was established at the Urbis building in Manchester city centre and founded to preserve, conserve and interpret important collections of football memorabilia. Discover the history of football and get your hands on some famous silverware!

www.nationalfootballmuseum.com

**Duration**: 3 hours

# Cadbury World, Birmingham

Discover the history of chocolate and the origins of Cadbury on a fantastic day out for children.

www.cadburyworld.co.uk

**Duration**: 3 hours

#### **Thinktank Birmingham**

Make science come to life! With a 360° digital planetarium and 10 themed rooms you will discover amazing science facts in a hands-on environment.

www.thinktank.ac **Duration**: 3 - 4 hours

### **Black Country Living Museum, Dudley**

A living museum capturing life at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Experience traditional skills first-hand such as glass cutting and engraving, metal working, underground mining and many more.

www.bclm.co.uk **Duration**: 2-3 hours

### **Warwick Castle**

Originally built by William the Conqueror in 1068, this medieval castle was a strategic stronghold on the river Avon for centuries. Visit the castle and make history come to life with shows, battles, live entertainment and adventure.

www.warwick-castle.com

**Duration**: All day



## **RAF Cosford Aerospace Museum**

Opened shortly before the outbreak of World War II, RAF Cosford is now home to an Aerospace Museum housing over 70 iconic aircraft. Features include The Cold War Exhibition, the only collection of three 'V' bombers in one place and lots of interactive activities to keep you entertained. www.rafmuseum.org.uk/cosford

**Duration:** 2 hours

### **Wroxeter Roman City**

Discover urban-living 2,000 years ago at Viriconium (Wroxeter) - once the fourth largest city in Roman Britain. Wander the remains of the bathhouse and explore a reconstructed town house from a city which was almost as large as Pompeii. Discover the daily lives of the people who lived here with the audio tour and through their objects - found here and on display in the museum.

http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/wroxeter-roman-city

**Duration:** 2 hours

#### **Buildwas Abbev**

Impressive ruins of a Cistercian abbey, including its unusually unaltered 12th century church, beautiful vaulted and tile-floored chapter house, and recently re-opened crypt chapel. http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/buildwas-abbey/

Duration 1.2 hours

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## **Pricing Information**

Contact your PGL Tour Organiser for the most up-to-date prices. Admission costs may vary depending on the size and type of group and the type of visit required. Some venues require a non-refundable payment at the time of booking. Due to restrictions at some attractions, PGL may not be able to book all of your visits on your behalf and your Tour Organiser will advise you if this is the case.