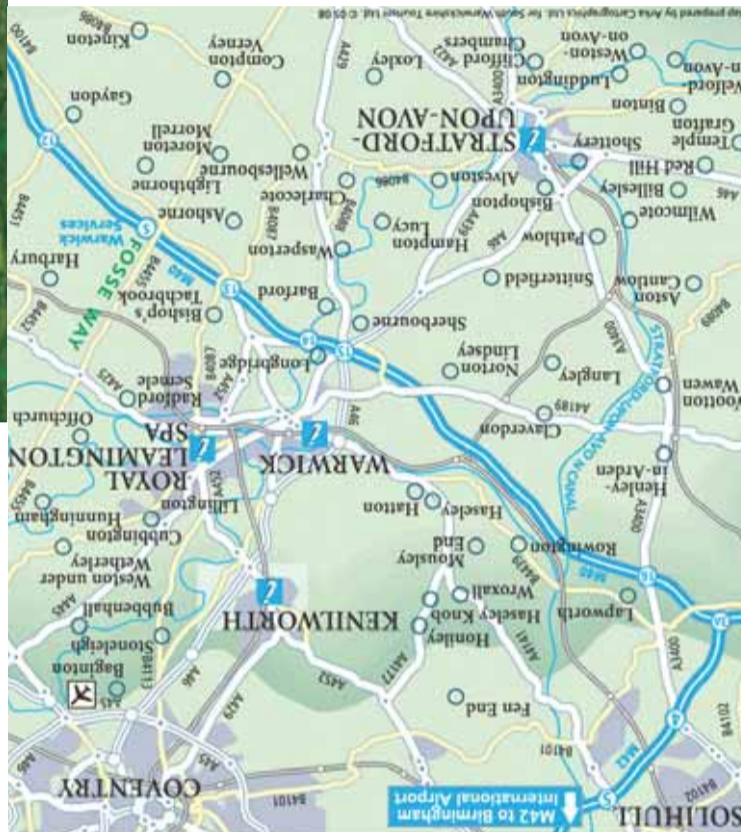




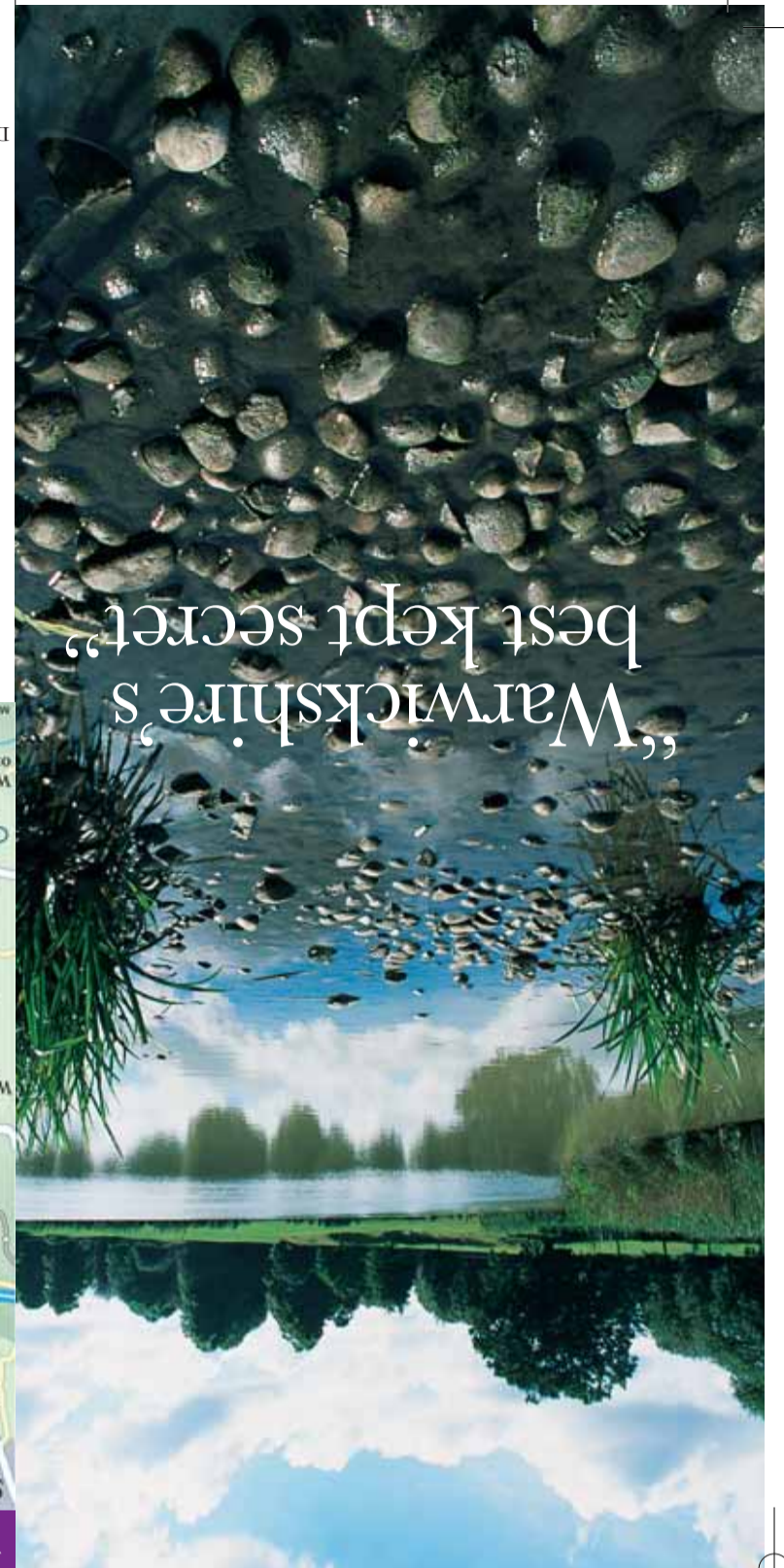
A PLACE IN HISTORY



TOWN GUIDE



YOUR PLACE IN SHAKESPEARE COUNTRY



Warwickshire's best kept secret

Better known for the novel by Sir Walter Scott that bears its name, Kenilworth was an important stopping off point for cattle drovers. Industries such as tanning and comb-making contributed to an essentially agricultural economy. Although untouched by the worst elements of the Industrial Revolution, Kenilworth benefitted from its proximity to Coventry and Birmingham, evolving into the historical yet modern market town that defines it today.



FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES, Kenilworth has been strategically important. In 1119AD Henry I bestowed land to Geoffrey de Clinton to build a castle in what was then known as Chinewrde. Built from local sandstone, by an ancient ford, at a point where the Finham Brook could be dammed to form a defensive lake, Kenilworth Castle evolved to become the most impressive medieval fortress of Elizabethan England. Destroyed by parliamentary forces in 1649, the ruins live on as a reminder of their illustrious past.

One of the first English parliaments was held at Parliament Piece, an ancient meadow bordering the north side of town and now a nature reserve open to visitors. Both St. Mary's Abbey and Stoneleigh Abbey were destroyed by Henry VIII for being too powerful. Today the ruins of St Mary's can be seen in Abbey Fields, close to the picturesque church of St Nicholas' overlooking the children's play area. Nearby Stoneleigh Abbey has been restored to its 18th century glory and is well worth a visit.

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RELAX AMIDST THE RUINS OF PAST GLORIES. A stroll through the seventy acre Abbey Fields will take in the Ford, Kenilworth Castle, the remains of St Mary's Abbey, the ancient and flourishing St Nicholas' Church and lead to the picturesque old



town with its thatched cottages, pubs and restaurants. Wander into the town centre and you'll find award winning restaurants, pubs, lounges and cafés serving food and drink amongst a diverse range of shops.

At Stoneleigh Abbey, now fully restored to its former medieval and Regency glories, classical music evenings enable everyone to enjoy this most enchanting of settings. The adjacent Stoneleigh Park hosts The Royal Show, Britain's premier agricultural event and a whole host of other events.

Kenilworth is also a perfect base for exploring the surrounding countryside of Warwickshire and Shakespeare Country with Royal Leamington Spa, Historic Warwick and Stratford-upon-Avon all within easy reach.



There are many exciting and impressive events held in Kenilworth throughout the year including excellent productions at the town's two theatres and within the castle ruins.

EVENTS

- Every Thursday - Kenilworth Retail Market
 - MAY** - Kenilworth Festival
 - JUNE** - Two Castles Run
 - JUNE** - Lions Grand Show
 - JUNE** - The Kenilworth Show
 - JULY** - Kenilworth Carnival
 - NOVEMBER** - Round Table Bonfire and Fireworks
 - NOVEMBER** - Christmas Switch ons - Warwick Road and High Street
 - BOXING DAY** - The Duck Race
- ...plus craft markets, Farmers' markets, French markets and many other events...

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Kenilworth has an enviable reputation for the quality of its restaurants. Many visit the town exclusively to dine and the finest cuisine from many corners of the world, prepared to the highest standards, is available within a short walk of the town centre. You'll find Italian, French, Indian, Chinese, Malaysian, English...

LOVE FOOD. LOVE KENILWORTH.

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| RESTAURANTS | THE ORCHARD RESTAURANT
at Woodside
Glasshouse Lane
Tel: 01926 852217 | TIME 4 TEA
Castle Hill
Tel: 01926 512675 |
| BILASH INDIAN CUISINE
82-90 Priory Road
Tel: 01926 858423 | RESTAURANT BOSQUET
97a Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 852463 | PUBS & BARS |
| COCONUT LAGOON RESTAURANT
149 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 864500 | THE CROSS AT KENILWORTH
16 New Street
Tel: 01926 853840 | ALBION TAVERN
81 Albion Street
Tel: 01926 852793 |
| LA CUCINA RESTAURANT
11 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 863311 | EGO RESTAURANTS
29 The Square
Tel: 01926 804463 | THE ALMANACK
Abbey End
Tel: 01926 353637 |
| FULL HOUSE CHINESE RESTAURANT
86 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 864028 | HARRINGTONS ON THE HILL
42 Castle Hill
Tel: 01926 852074 | THE BEAR & RAGGED STAFF
68 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 857980 |
| INDIAN EDGE
50 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 850100 | THE JADE CHINESE RESTAURANT
33 Abbey End
Tel: 01926 852387 | THE CLARENDON ARMS
44 Castle Hill
Tel: 01926 852017 |
| THE COLISEUM
95 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 851300 | LA BELLA RISTORANTE
49 Abbey End
Tel: 01926 512713 | THE COTTAGE INN
36 Stoneleigh Road
Tel: 01926 853900 |
| LA BELLA RISTORANTE
49 Abbey End
Tel: 01926 512713 | LOCH FYNE
High Street
Tel: 01926 515450 | EARL OF CLARENDON
127 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 854643 |
| | | THE ENGINE INN
8 Mill End
Tel: 01926 853341 |
| | | THE GAUNTLET
Caesar Road
Tel: 01926 854756 |
| | | THE GREEN MAN
Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 863061 |
| | | THE KENILWORTH
61 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 779473 |
| | | THE LION
35 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 855267 |
| | | THE ROYAL OAK
36 New Street
Tel: 01926 853201 |
| | | THE TILTYARD
Leyes Lane
Tel: 01926 858829 |
| | | THE VIRGINS & CASTLE
7 High Street
Tel: 01926 853737 |
| | | COFFEE SHOPS AND CAFES |
| | COSTA COFFEE
15 Warwick Road | |
| | ESCAPE
47 Abbey End
Tel: 01926 863200 | |
| | THE KINGS TABLE
44 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 854721 | |
| | ROCKING HORSE COFFEE SHOP
22 Talisman Square
Tel: 01926 856413 | |
| | STARBUCKS, HOLIDAY INN
Tel: 01926 855957 | |

PLACES TO EAT

Kenilworth is well served with a range of accredited accommodation providers. From large international hotels to small B&Bs you'll find a warm and friendly welcome. There is also an attractive selection of high quality self-catering properties, available for short breaks, weekly or longer lets. We are proud of our town and want our visitors to experience the very best that English hospitality has to offer.

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| HOTELS | ★★★★
CHESFORD GRANGE HOTEL
Chesford Bridge
Tel: 01926 859331 | ★★★★
ENDERLEY GUEST HOUSE
20 Queens Road
Tel: 01926 855388 | ★★
HOWDEN HOUSE
170 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 850310 |
| ★★★★
THE BEST WESTERN PEACOCK HOTEL
149 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 851156 | ★★★★
FERNDALE HOUSE
45 Priory Road
Tel: 01926 853214 | ★★★★
GROUNDS FARM KENILWORTH
Tel: 01926 864542 | SELF GRADED
THE GRAND HOTEL
95 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 863100 |
| AWAITING GRADING
HOLIDAY INN KENILWORTH
212 Abbey End
Tel: 01926 855957 | ★★★★
THE QUINCE HOUSE
29 Moseley Road
Tel: 01926 858652 | ★★★★
SILVER AWARD VICTORIA LODGE
180 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 512020 | THE KENILWORTH
61 Warwick Road
Tel: 01926 779473 |
| ★★
MILSOMS HOTEL
The Clarendon House
High Street
Tel: 01926 515450 | ★★★★
CASTLE LAURELS GUEST HOUSE
22 Castle Road
Tel: 01926 856179 | ★★★★
HOLLYHURST GUEST HOUSE
47 Priory Road
Tel: 01926 853882 | THE OLD BAKERY
12 High Street
Tel: 01926 864111 |
| ★★★★
RAMADA HOTEL KENILWORTH
Chesford Bridge
Tel: 01926 858331 | ★★★★
STONELEIGH PARK LODGE
Stoneleigh Park
Tel: 024 7669 0123 | ★★★★
THE COTTAGE INN
36 Stoneleigh Road
Tel: 01926 853900 | CONFERENCE CENTRES WITH ACCOMMODATION
WOODSIDE CONFERENCE CENTRE
Glasshouse Lane
Tel: 01926 852217 |
| GUEST ACCOMMODATION | ★★★★
GOLD AWARD LOWERIDGE GUEST HOUSE
Hawksworth Drive
Tel: 01926 859522 | ★★★★
THE COTTAGE HOUSE
56 High Street
Tel: 01926 511617 | SELF CATERING |
| ★★★★
STONELEIGH PARK LODGE
Stoneleigh Park
Tel: 024 7669 0123 | ★★★★
ABBAY GUEST HOUSE
41 Station Road
Tel: 01926 512707 | ★★★★
AVONDALE B&B
18 Moseley Road
Tel: 01926 859072 | ★★★★
NORTH MERE
Pleasance Farm
Chase Lane
Tel: 01926 863134 |
| | | | ★★★★
THE OLD CHURCH HOUSE
1 Spring Lane
Tel: 01926 859290 |
| | | | ★★★★
JACKDAW COTTAGE & WRENS NEST
Tel: 01926 855616 |
| | | | ★★★★
THE LITTLE BARN
Crewe Farm Barns
Crewe Lane
Tel: 01926 850692 |

PLACES TO STAY

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- Priory Theatre
01926 863334
- Talisman Theatre
01926 856548
- Swimming Pool
01926 855478
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01926 858535
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