

## "Best Free Sites in Stratford-upon-Avon"

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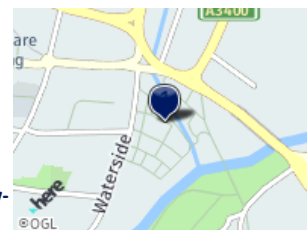


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### Bancroft Gardens

#### "Lazy Days Riverside Gardens"

For those who like their leisure activities passive, this is an ideal spot to relax. Feeding the ducks at the water's edge is about as energetic as it gets! However, there are lots of things to see including the colorful narrowboats moored in the canal-basin and the impromptu street-entertainers. And that is not all. On one side of the gardens is the splendid Royal Shakespeare Theatre, and on another is the truly inspirational Gower Memorial. The Gardens are also just a short walk from the town center, making them particularly popular with visitors recovering from whistle-stop tours of Stratford's heritage sites.



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🌐 [www.visitstratforduponavon.co.uk/attractions/bancroft-gardens](http://www.visitstratforduponavon.co.uk/attractions/bancroft-gardens)

📍 Bridgefoot, Stratford-upon-Avon

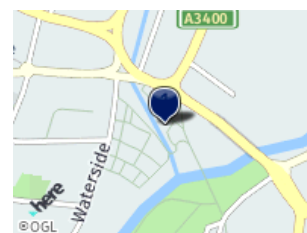


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### Stratford-upon-Avon Canal

#### "Restored Canal Steeped in History"

As 200-year-old feats of engineering and unique combinations of industrial heritage and wildlife havens, canals provide us with some fascinating walks. The Stratford-upon-Avon Canal is no exception. From its basin in the Bancroft Gardens, the canal extends for 26 miles before it meets the Worcester and Birmingham Canal. The canal boasts many features of architectural interest, including over 40 listed structures and buildings ranging from aqueducts and locks—of which there are 56 in all—to the British Waterways' office and workshop at Lapworth. And, yes, even here Shakespeare is remembered. A bust of the Bard can be seen on the portal of the Brandwood Tunnel—even though this tunnel is actually much closer to Birmingham than to Stratford-upon-Avon!



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🌐 [www.waterscape.com/canals-and-rivers/stratford-upon-avon-canal](http://www.waterscape.com/canals-and-rivers/stratford-upon-avon-canal)

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📍 Chapel Street, Stratford Basin, Stratford-upon-Avon

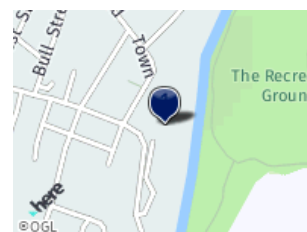


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### Holy Trinity Church

#### "Shakespeare's Grave"

This landmark church is located in a picturesque setting on the edge of town, beside the river and approached through an avenue of lime trees. The burial site of famous playwright Shakespeare, Holy Trinity Church is considered to be one of the finest parish churches in the Midlands, and one of the most beautiful in England. A bust of Shakespeare on the north wall brings about the much debated question: is it lifelike or not? Admission to the church is free, however they ask for a small donation.



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📍 Old Town, Stratford-upon-Avon

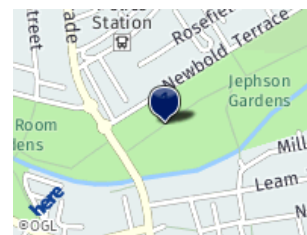


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## The Royal Pump Rooms

### "A 21st Century Cultural Complex"

The Royal Pump Rooms now house a variety of cultural assets. Today not only can you admire the stunning architecture but you can also explore life in a Victorian spa town, relax in the magnificent Turkish room and discover the water treatments which were once used in the Pump Rooms' hey day. You can also wander round the library, view art exhibitions in the art gallery and museum, book theater tickets at the Tourist Information Center or indulge in a decadent afternoon tea at the patisserie bistro.



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The Parade, Leamington Spa

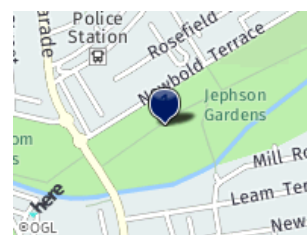


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## Jephson Gardens

### "Fun Day's Out"

Winner of the Green Flag and Green Heritage Award, Jephson Gardens are an extremely picturesque garden located in the heart of Leamington. With a gamut of attractions and activities to pursue, the gardens offer the perfect day out for the whole family. The various attractions to visit include the Glasshouse, which houses interesting tropical plants and a goldfish pond. You can also go boating on River Leam or explore massive collection of trees and plants. A one of a kind Sensory garden is also a must visit here and it includes plants to touch and smell.



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