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VISITING GOSPORT

There are mainline train links direct from London to Portsmouth Harbour railway station, which is right next to the Gosport Ferry pontoon. Then it's simply a short five minute scenic ferry trip across the harbour to Gosport.

Come by yacht, and there's a choice of three excellent, deep water, fully equipped marinas.

Cycle hire is available in the summer. Call 023 9260 2212.

There are ferry connections with France and Spain (Brittany Ferries: brittany-ferries.co.uk) plus the Isle of Wight (Wightlink: wightlink.co.uk and Hovertravel: hovertravel.co.uk) and the Channel Islands (Condor Ferries: condorferries.co.uk).

Southampton Airport (southamptonairport.com) is a short drive away along the M27, and if you are driving, Gosport is well signposted from the motorway.

To help you make the most of your visits, our friendly, well trained staff at the Tourist Information Centre can help with accommodation bookings, guides, maps and local information.

Gosport Tourist Information Centre,
Bus Station Complex,
South Street,
Gosport, PO12 1EP

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EMAIL: tourism@gosport.gov.uk

VISIT: discovergosport.co.uk



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1642 LIVING HISTORY VILLAGE



GOSPORT AND LEE-ON- THE-SOLENT

Located on England's south coast – just across the harbour from Portsmouth. Gosport and Lee-on-the-Solent offer an irresistible mix of fascinating places to visit and things to do for all ages.

24 miles of waterfront, safe panoramic beaches, impressive naval heritage, plenty of watersports plus scenic countryside walks and historic trails – there is much to keep the family entertained.

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ROYAL NAVY SUBMARINE MUSEUM

IMPRESSIVE HERITAGE

Find out what lurks beneath the waves at the **Royal Navy Submarine Museum**. Take a tour of Britain's only surviving W/W2 era ocean-going submarine to discover what it was like to live and work on a submarine.

nmrn.org.uk/visit-us/submarine-museum

Learn about the weapons used by the Royal Navy at **Explosion! – Museum of Naval Firepower**. This award winning museum showcases the many different weapons used by the navy throughout the centuries.

nmrn.org.uk/visit-us/explosion-museum-naval-firepower

Follow the two mile Waterfront Trail that links these two sites to enjoy spectacular views across Portsmouth Harbour taking in the Falkland Gardens and the 'Timespace' sundial.

The **Museum of Diving** shows the fascinating world of undersea diving through the ages, from the earliest diving helmets to equipment used by James Bond.

divingmuseum.co.uk



DIVING MUSEUM



SUBMARINE MUSEUM



EXPLOSION MUSEUM

IMPRESSIVE HERITAGE



FORT BROCKHURST

You can see more James Bond equipment at the **Hovercraft Museum**, which has a hovercraft featuring in 'Die Another Day', plus ones from the TV programmes 'Top Gear', 'Scrapheap Challenge' and 'Salvage Squad'.

hovercraft-museum.org

Moving away from the maritime theme, take a wander through the **Little Woodham 1642 Living History Village** to see 'villagers' dressed in period costumes demonstrating the skills of the blacksmith potter, lace-makers and weavers.

littlewoodham.org.uk

Explore the gun ramps, parade ground and armoury at English Heritage's Victorian **Fort Brockhurst**.

english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/fort-brockhurst

You can discover more about Gosport's history at the **Gosport Museum & Art Gallery**.

gosportmuseumandgallery.org.uk

(Check the attractions' websites for opening dates/times).



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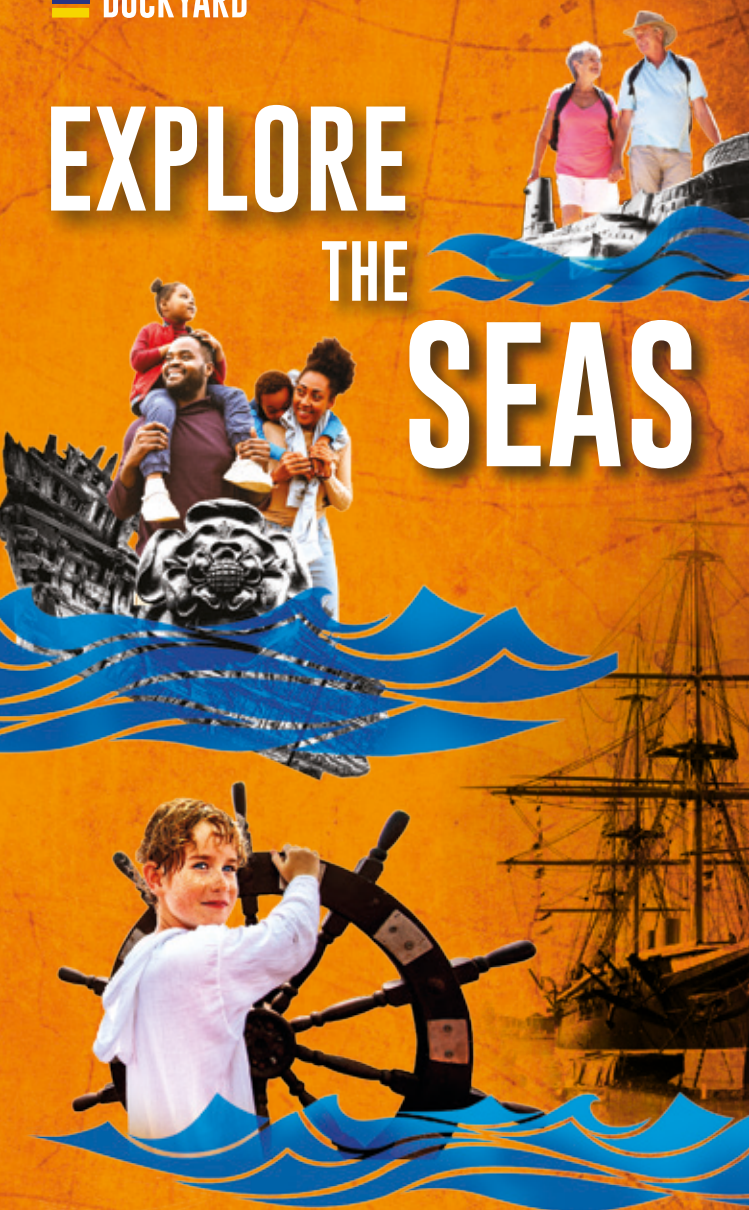
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ENJOY A RELAXING SAIL

ON THE WATER

Gosport & Lee-on-the-Solent are ideal for a sailing or watersports holiday.

Boat/yacht, kayak and paddleboard hire, sailing tuition, marinas (all with deep-water access), fishing trips, wind-surfing, kite-surfing, and jet-skiing are all available, so there is something for all ages and abilities to enjoy. If you would like to ride on a hovercraft, excursions are available from the Hovercraft Museum – see hovertravel.co.uk for details.

You will also find a good range of self-catering properties and hotels for crew accommodation, numerous chandleries to replenish your sailing gear, and plenty of cafés, bars and restaurants to relax in onshore.

If you have never sailed before and would like to learn, or if you just want to improve your skills, you will find plenty of sailing schools here to choose from.

For more information:

Haslar Marina

haslarmarina.co.uk

Premier Marinas Gosport

premiermarinas.com/gosport

Royal Clarence Marina

royalclarencemarina.org

Prestige Yacht Charter

prestigeyachtcharter.co.uk

Solent Yacht Charter

solentyachtcharter.com

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ribshare.co.uk

Dointhedo Charter Fishing Boat Hire

charterboatdointhedo.co.uk

Ray McLaren Charter Fishing

raymclarencharterfishing.com

Stoked Watersports

(Kayak and Paddleboard hire)

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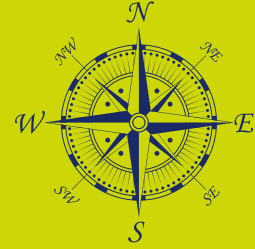
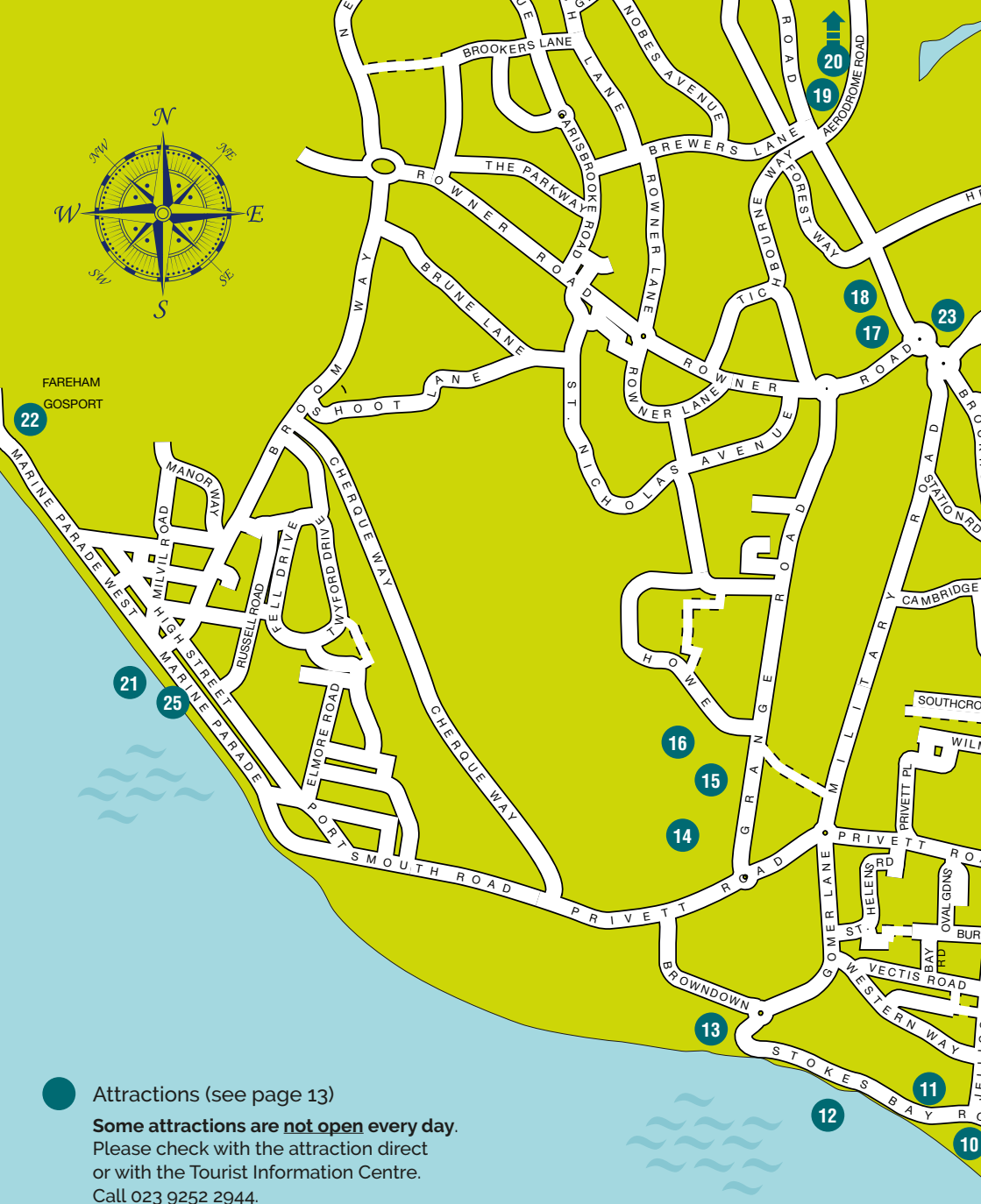


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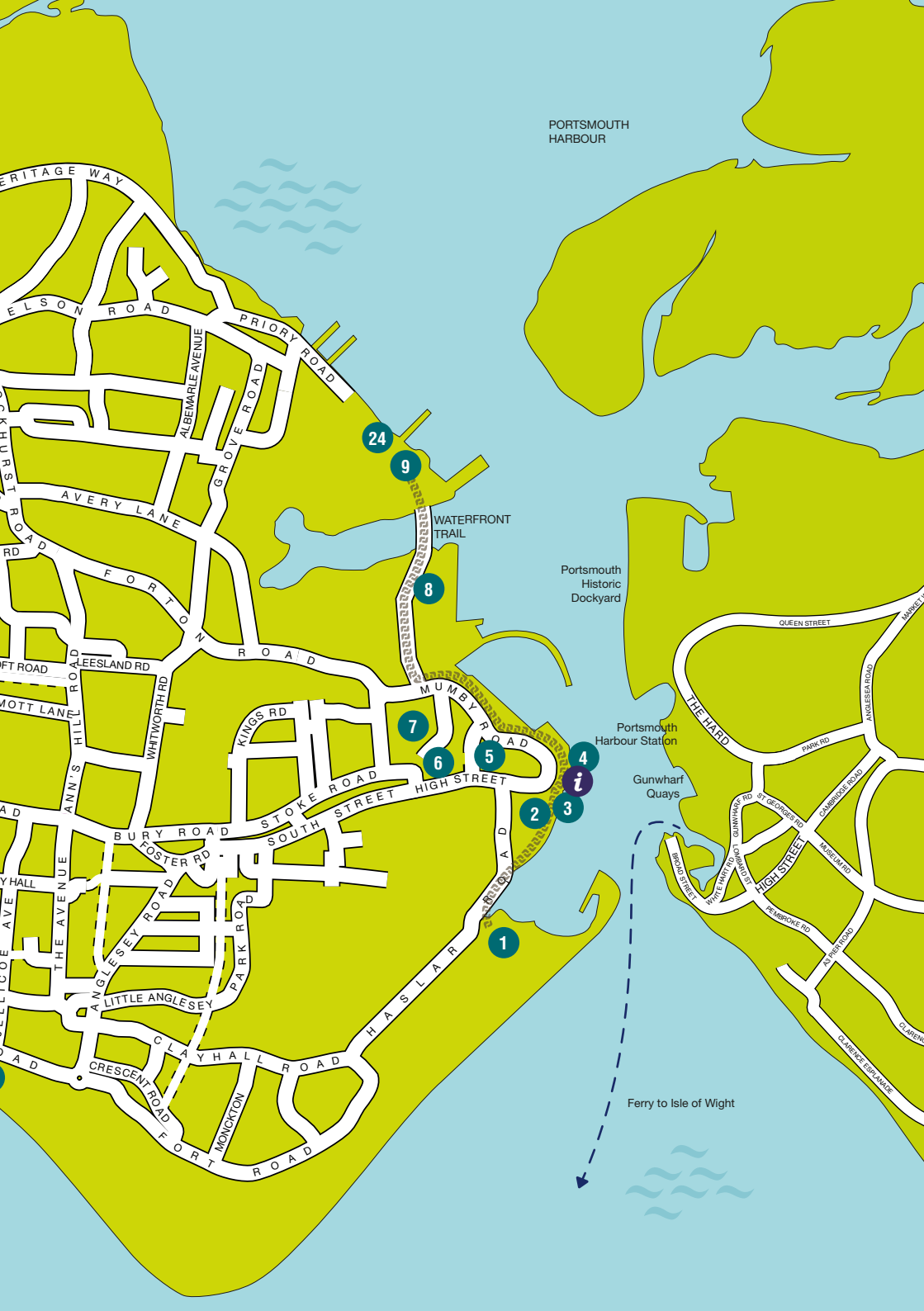
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VISIT:	nmrn.org.uk/visit-us/submarine-museum	
2	Holy Trinity Church	
VISIT:	holytrinitygosport.co.uk	
3	Timespace Sundial	
VISIT:	discovergosport.co.uk	
4	Gosport Ferry	PHONE: 023 9252 4551
VISIT:	gosportferry.co.uk	
5	Gosport Market (Tues & Sats)	
VISIT:	discovergosport.co.uk	
6	Discovery Centre	PHONE: 0300 555 1387
VISIT:	hants.gov.uk/gdc	
7	Gosport Museum & Art Gallery	PHONE: 023 9250 1957
VISIT:	hampshireculture.org.uk	
8	Waterfront Trail	
VISIT:	discovergosport.co.uk	
9	Explosion	PHONE: 023 9250 5600
VISIT:	nmrn.org.uk/visit-us/explosion-museum-naval-firepower	
10	Gosport Splash Park	
VISIT:	gosport.gov.uk/gosportsplashpark	
11	Solent Springs Adventure Golf	PHONE: 07973 309770
12	Stokes Bay Beach	
VISIT:	discovergosport.co.uk	
13	Diving Museum	
VISIT:	divingmuseum.co.uk	
14	Alver Valley and Wildgrounds Nature Reserve	
VISIT:	gosport.gov.uk/avcpsyourvisit	
15	Gosport BMX Track	
VISIT:	gosportbmx.co.uk	
16	1642 Living History Village	
VISIT:	littlewoodham.org.uk	
17	Planet Ice	PHONE: 023 9251 1217
VISIT:	planet-ice.co.uk/arena/gosport	
18	Gosport Leisure Centre	PHONE: 023 9253 4950
VISIT:	placesleisure.org/centres/gosport-leisure-centre	
19	Monkey Bizness	PHONE: 01329 239035
VISIT:	monkey-bizness.co.uk	
20	Team Sport Go-Karting	PHONE: 0844 988 0000
VISIT:	team-sport.co.uk/gosport	
21	Lee-on-the-Solent Beach	
22	Hovercraft Museum	PHONE: 02392 552090
VISIT:	hovercraft-museum.org	
23	Fort Brockhurst	
VISIT:	english-heritage.org.uk	
24	Powder Monkey Brewery Tour	PHONE: 02392 522126
VISIT:	powdermonkeybrewing.com	
25	Lee Splash Park	
VISIT:	gosport.gov.uk/leesplashpark	



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● Attractions (see page 13)
Some attractions are not open every day.
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or with the Tourist Information Centre.
Call 023 9252 2944.

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ACCOMMODATION

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PHONE: 023 9258 2157	VISIT: angleseyhotel.co.uk
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PHONE: 01329 232946	VISIT: bridgemarymanor.co.uk
Old lodge	
PHONE: 023 9252 2572	VISIT: alverstokeoldlodge.co.uk
Premier Inn	
PHONE: 0333 321 9314	VISIT: premierinn.com
Travelodge	
PHONE: 08719 846566	VISIT: travelodge.co.uk

GUEST HOUSES/B&Bs

Avon Manor Guest House	
PHONE: 023 9255 2773	VISIT: avonmanor.co.uk
Briar Glen	
PHONE: 01329 239815	VISIT: briar-glen.co.uk
Leeward House	
PHONE: 023 9255 6090	VISIT: leewardhouse.co.uk
Manor House	
PHONE: 023 9242 1683	VISIT: manorhouse-bandb.co.uk
Number Five	
PHONE: 023 9258 3972	VISIT: numberfivebedandbreakfast.co.uk
Wisteria House	
PHONE: 01329 511940	VISIT: wisteria-house.co.uk

CARAVAN/CAMPING

Kingfisher Caravan site	
PHONE: 023 9250 2611	VISIT: kingfisher-caravan-park.co.uk

SELF-CATERING

Bury Tower House		
PHONE:	07870 381815	VISIT: buryholidayhomes.co.uk
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PHONE:	023 9258 3084	VISIT: completeaccommodation.com
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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

You'll find a wide range of places to eat and drink, many located on the water's edge with spectacular views. Here are some suggestions of places to eat located on or near the waterfront.

Castle Tavern, Castle Row, Mumby Road

PHONE: 023 9258 3991 **VISIT:** facebook.com/castletaverngosport

The Deck at The Boat House, Gosport Marina

PHONE: 01329 833133 **VISIT:** thedeckcafe.co.uk

Bakers Bar & Kitchen, Royal Clarence Marina

PHONE: 023 9258 2513 **VISIT:** bakersbarandkitchen.co.uk

The Pump House, Royal Clarence Marina

PHONE: 023 9252 8266 **VISIT:** facebook.com/ThePumpHouseGosport

Artys, Royal Clarence Marina

PHONE: 023 9258 4699 **VISIT:** facebook.com/artysclarencemarina

Lakeside Café, Walpole Park

PHONE: 023 9252 6555 **VISIT:** lakeside-cafe-bar.edan.io

Jolly Roger, Priory Road

PHONE: 023 9307 6584 **VISIT:** ourlocal.pub/pubs/the-jolly-roger-gosport

Bayside Cabin, Stokes Bay Road

PHONE: 023 9258 1426 **VISIT:** baysidecabin.co.uk

Pebbles, Stokes Bay Road

PHONE: 023 9251 0789 **VISIT:** pebblesfishandwinebar.co.uk

On the Water

PHONE: 023 9359 3399 **VISIT:** onthewaterrestaurant.co.uk

Bluebird Café, Marine Parade West

PHONE: 023 9255 0773 **VISIT:** facebook.com/bluebirdcafesolent

Penguin Café, Marine Parade West

PHONE: 023 9255 2354 **VISIT:** facebook.com/thepenguincafelee

The Powder Monkey

PHONE: 023 9252 3970 **VISIT:** thepowdermonkey.co.uk



FAMILY FUN

From tiny tots and teenagers to mums, dads and grandparents, Gosport and Lee-on-the-Solent offers a fantastic range of family fun activities.

FUN AT THE BEACH

With designated swimming areas and great water-sport opportunities, a day on the beach will delight all ages. Lee-on-the-Solent seafront has a children's play area, a skate park, seafront cafés and restaurants and plenty of places to get an ice cream! Stokes Bay seafront was voted one of the 10 best places for a picnic in the UK, plus there is an adventure golf course, children's splash park, and kayak and paddleboard hire available.

THRILL SEEKERS

For high octane excitement then you can't beat the Go-Karts at the indoor Team Sport's Karting track.

Fans of 'Dancing on Ice' should get their skates on, and head for the 'Planet Ice' Rink. Right next door is the Gosport Leisure Park with its swimming pools, sports hall, health and fitness studio, dance studio and crèche/soft play area.

If you like BMX then head for Gosport BMX Track which hosts regular races and events throughout the year.

The kids can let off steam at 'Monkey Bizness' – a premier indoor multi-activity soft play centre catering for children up to 12 years of age.



For more information:

Team Sport Go-Karting

team-sport.co.uk/gosport

Planet Ice

planet-ice.co.uk/locations/Gosport

Monkey Bizness

monkey-bizness.co.uk/indoor-play-centres/Gosport

Gosport BMX Track

gosportbmx.co.uk

Gosport Leisure Centre

placesleisure.org/centres/gosport-leisure-centre

Stoked Watersports

(Kayak and Paddleboard hire)

stokedwatersports.co.uk

Prime Paddling

(Kayak and paddleboard hire and tuition)

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An aerial photograph of the Gosport Waterfront, showing a large marina filled with numerous small boats, surrounded by industrial and residential buildings along the waterfront. The water is a vibrant green color. The text 'GOSPORT WATERFRONT' is overlaid in white at the bottom left of the image.

GOSPORT WATERFRONT

Gosport Waterfront is an attraction in its own right. Overlooking the harbour entrance, there is a constant bustle of yachts, ferries and warships sailing in and out. Spread along the waterfront, and especially within the three marinas, you'll find a choice of waterfront bars and restaurants to relax in. You can even take a brewery tour and sample some of their fine ales.

Royal Clarence Yard is a waterfront conservation area containing several listed buildings, some of which have been converted into cafes & restaurants and artist studios & galleries.

The countryside of the Alver Valley and Wildgrounds offers good cycle routes and a range of countryside walks and trails suitable for all abilities and ages.

Across the Harbour is Portsmouth. Here you will find Gunwharf Quays with its outlet shopping, restaurants, cinema and the stunning 170 metre Spinnaker Tower with its unforgettable views, The National Museum of the Royal Navy attractions HMS Victory, HMS Warrior plus the Mary Rose are all close by in Portsmouth Historic Dockyard.



RELAX BY THE SEA



GOSPORT MARINA



ALVER VALLEY



For more information:

Powder Monkey Brewery Tour

powdermonkeybrewing.com

Royal Clarence Yard

rcyard.org.uk

Gosport Ferry

gosportferry.co.uk

Gunwharf Quays

gunwharf-quays.com

Spinnaker Tower

spinnakertower.co.uk

Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

historicdockyard.co.uk

Alver Valley and Wildgrounds

discovergosport.co.uk



EVENTS

Whatever time of year you are planning to visit, there is something to enjoy in Gosport. Throughout the summer you will find festivals, carnivals, heritage days and sailing events. Check out the 'What's on' section of discovergosport.co.uk to see what's happening during your visit.

GOSPORT TOWN CENTRE

Gosport Town Centre has a mixture of independent shops as well as major high street names. On Tuesdays and Saturdays the High Street hosts one of the South Coast's longest established markets.

Gosport Museum and Art Gallery hosts a year-round programme of exhibitions for everyone to enjoy. Drop into the welcoming café and browse products from local makers while you are there!

The Holy Trinity Church holds regular music events throughout the year.

For more information:

Gosport Museum & Art Gallery

gosportmuseumandgallery.org.uk

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holytrinitygosport.co.uk/events/

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