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Population

163,000

Currency

British Pounds, £1 = 100 pence

Opening hours

Monday – Saturday 9.00 a.m.-5.30 p.m. Many larger stores are open later and frequently from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sundays and other public holidays.

Internet

www.bournemouth.co.uk
www.bournemouth.gov.uk

Newspapers

Bournemouth Daily Echo,
Dorset Echo,
The Guardian,
The Independent

Emergency numbers

999

Tourist information

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BOURNEMOUTH

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With 11km of sandy, white beaches, Bournemouth is one of the continent's premier resort towns offering visitors the best in water sports, yachting, beach life, nightlife and shopping. Not to mention a heap of gastropubs!

THE CITY



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Built around the mouth of the tiny Bourne river, Bournemouth barely existed at the start of the 19th century. It was then that Captain Tregonwell decided to build himself a house in the idyllic spot on Poole Bay, where central Bournemouth now stands. That original house is now the Royal Exeter Hotel on The Square. Throughout the 19th century, the town became a hub for holiday-makers in search of sun, sea and sand – and so it has remained. Along with neighbouring Poole, the area is now one of Britain's biggest water sports centres, offering windsurfing, kite surfing and yachting along with more leisurely activities. Bournemouth is also within easy reach of the New Forest National Park, Europe's largest area of uncultivated heath land, and the Jurassic Coast world heritage site, with its exposed fossil forests. Bournemouth University, established in 1992, has brought an influx of young, creative people adding vibrancy to the area's artistic and musical culture, making it one of the English south coast's most cosmopolitan towns, with some of the best nightlife and designer shopping outside London. But of course, most famously, what this area has in abundance is endless sandy beaches and clear blue waters in Britain's best climate, averaging 1,750 hours of sunshine a year.



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DO & SEE



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Bournemouth Pier

There has been a pier at Bournemouth since 1856. The pier that stands today is over 1000ft and is the central focus of the beachfront, a hub for seaside entertainments and a historic legacy of the Victorian era.

Address: Bournemouth Pier

The Bournemouth Balloon

In the Lower Gardens at Central Gardens, this is one of the most popular tourist attractions in the town – taking visitors high into the sky to get the most spectacular view of the town and sea.

Address: The Bournemouth Balloon, The Lower Gardens,
Bournemouth
Phone: +44 1202 399 939

Bournemouth Beach

Bournemouth's top attraction, the long stretch of Blue

Flag awarded beach met by the gentle waters of Poole Bay offers some of Britain's best sunbathing and swimming along with beach volleyball.

Russell-cotes Art Gallery And Museum

The Russell-Cotes family gave their house and its contents to the town in 1922. Built on the cliff overlooking the bay, the museum houses the family's vast collection of art from around the world.

Address: East Cliff
Opening hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday
Phone: +44 1202 451 858
Internet: www.russell-cotes.bournemouth.gov.uk

The Pavilion

Built in 1929 as a concert hall and renovated in 1934 before reopening as a theatre, this Georgian style pavilion has pillars of local Portland stone still has regular entertainments today.

Address: Westover Road
Phone: +44 1202 456 400
Internet: www.bic.co.uk

Bournemouth International Centre

This is one of Britain's major centres for exhibitions and tours, hosting the world's top musicians and West End musical productions.

Address: Exeter Road
Phone: +44 1202 456 400
Internet: www.bic.co.uk

Bournemouth Oceanarium

This huge aquarium takes you on an adventure through the oceans of the world, including a re-creation of the Great Barrier Reef, walk-through underwater tunnel and feeding demonstrations.

Address: Pier Approach, West Beach
Opening hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily
Phone: +44 1202 311 993
Internet: www.oceanarium.co.uk

Bournemouth Central Gardens

Turned from meadows into formal gardens in the 1860s, this lush green expanse in the heart of the town is a focus for summertime activity.

Address: Bournemouth Central Gardens

EATING



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Britain is undergoing a food culture revolution at the moment, with a desire for locally grown, organic produce and less processed foods. Driven by the country's top chefs, this movement has been particularly strong in the southwest, with Dorset becoming the location for celebrity chef Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall's organic farm, River Cottage. Bournemouth boasts some of Britain's best local seafood as well as a cosmopolitan mix of worldwide cuisines. Visit the Tourist Information Centre when you arrive in Bournemouth for a FREE Eating Out Guide.

Magnums

This is a great place to meet friends and have a drink or a home cooked dish. They also have a wide selection of starters to share.

Address: 20 Post Office Road
Phone: +44 1202 558 399
Internet: www.twentypostofficeroad.com

Langtry Restaurant

Built by King Edward VII, in 1877, for his mistress Lillie Langtry, it offers real history and original interior with stained glass and tapestries and a stylish, modern traditional menu from a rising chef.

Address: Langtry Manor, 26 Derby Road, East Cliff
Phone: +44 8009 885 720
Internet: www.langtrymanor.com

La Roche

The best in fine dining at this water's edge restaurant in the Haven Hotel on Poole's Sandbanks. An emphasis on local produce includes Dorset lamb and monkfish.

Address: Haven Hotel, Banks Road, Sandbanks, Poole
Phone: +44 1202 707 333
Internet: www.havenhotel.co.uk

West Beach Restaurant

Located on the beach next to the pier, with large glass frontage offering great sea views, this restaurant has fresh seafood brought daily from the south coast's top fish markets. Try their West Beach fish soup.

Address: Pier Approach
Phone: +44 1202 587 785
Internet: www.west-beach.co.uk

Halfway Fish Bar

This award-winning fish and chip shop offers the British national dish at its freshest and best, with grilled local fish to take out and eat on the seaside.

Address: 112 Bournemouth Road, Poole
Phone: +44 1202 741 778

Coriander

Long-established Mexican restaurant in the heart of the town with a fun, lively atmosphere and a menu full of fajitas, enchiladas, burritos and more. Good for vegetarians.

Address: 22 Richmond Hill
Phone: +44 1202 552 202
Internet: www.coriander-restaurant.co.uk

Bistro On The Beach

This café restaurant is located right on the beach, with spectacular views. They have a café menu during the day, and turns into a restaurant in the evening, with a

good selection of fresh fish.

Address: Solent Promenade, Southbourne Coast Road
Phone: +44 1202 431 473
Internet: www.bistroonthebeach.co.uk

Retro

Located in the heart of the Middle Eastern food district of Bournemouth, this traditional Lebanese restaurant offers a variety of charcoal grills dishes in an authentic atmosphere.

Address: 79-81 Charminster Road
Phone: +44 1202 315 865
Internet: www.retrorestaurant.co.uk

CAFES



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Baraca Café

Modern Mediterranean mezes, drips, salads and grills in a laid back atmosphere.

Address: 129 Charminster Road

Bayview Brasserie & Tearooms

Set in the landscaped gardens of Compton Acres, with wonderful sea views. They offer light lunches and teas.

Address: Compton Acres, Canford Cliffs
Internet: www.comptonacres.co.uk

Douce France

If you are in need of some proper, continental coffee head for this friendly corner café, plus a wide range of

baguettes and salads.

Address: 1 Fir Vale Road

Pier Café

For a memorable location, try the café on the end of Bournemouth Pier with sweeping sea views.

Address: The Pier

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Bars (or 'pubs' as they are known in Britain) are a national institution and you will find a wealth of choices all around the town, from traditional places serving English real ale to modern bars full of young revelers. With its university population and seaside location, Bournemouth has some of the best nightlife on the south coast, attracting the biggest DJs and artists. To find out what's on, ask the local designer clothing and record shops or visit: www.fishseeksbicycle.com.

Daisy O'briens

Small Irish pub in the centre of town, go there for a pint of Guinness and good banter.

Address: 77 Old Christchurch Road

Moon In The Square

Large, centrally located pub offering a good range of English real ale, food and a non-smoking area.

Address: 4-8 Exeter Road

Richmond Arms

Local pub with a welcoming clientele and a lovely beer garden, ideal for summer days.

Address: 153 Charminster Road

Durley Inn

A wonderfully located pub right on the sea front, perfect for sitting outside with a drink as the sun sets.

Address: Durley Chine

The Opera House

A grand old venue dating back to 1895, the Opera House is today Bournemouth's premier dance music venue, hosting a variety of club nights.

Address: 570 Christchurch Road
Internet: www.operahouse.co.uk

Dusk Till Dawn

One of Bournemouth's newest and most stylish clubs, offering the latest dance music for a trendy crowd until 6 a.m.

Address: 205 Old Christchurch Road
Internet: www.dusktilldawnclub.com

The Old Firestation

Run by the Bournemouth Student Union, and open to non-students for some of the best live gigs in town.

Address: 36 Holdernhurst Road
Internet: www.old-firestation.co.uk

Bliss

Situated in the heart of the town centre. Chill-out with a drink in the bar area or dance the night away to the latest R&B music downstairs.

Address: 1-15 St Peters Road, Bournemouth, Dorset

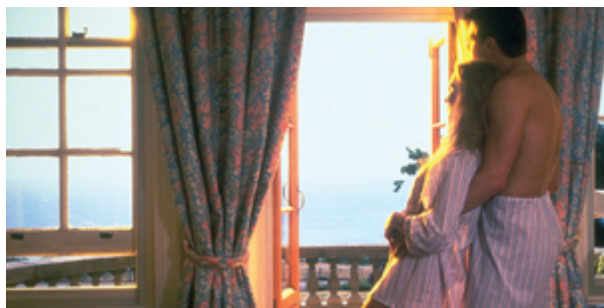
SHOPPING



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Bournemouth is the commercial hub and shopping destination for the whole of the county of Dorset and offers a wide range of all the latest worldwide stores together with thriving boutique and bohemian shopping experiences. For all the biggest names under one roof you can try either the Quadrant Centre on Old Christchurch Road, The Avenue Shopping Centre on Commercial Road or the massive Castlepoint Shopping Park on Castle Lane West. The smaller boutique and specialist shops are to be found in the town centre in the streets around The Square. These streets are mostly car-free and make for pleasant promenades. There are a number of old Victorian shopping arcades with clothing boutiques, jewellers and art shops including the Bournemouth Arcade linking Westover Road with Old Christchurch Road. Westover Road is Bournemouth's answer to London's Sloane Street with the latest designer clothing boutiques. On Old Christchurch Road, you will find the traditional department stores Beales and Dingles. The district just to the west of the town centre, Westbourne, is known for its designer clothes and interior design shops and has its own Victorian shopping arcade, while Boscombe, to the east of the town centre, has an excellent street market Thursdays and Saturdays selling fresh produce and clothing and nearby Pokesdown is good for antiques shops.

SLEEPING



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Royal Exeter Hotel

The first building in Bournemouth, built by Captain Tregonwell, forms part of today's Royal Exeter. The 2003 renovation makes this a stylish mix of classic and modern design.

Address: Exeter Road
Phone: +44 1202 438 000
Internet: www.royalexeterhotel.co.uk

De Vere At Royal Bath

In its long history, the Royal Bath Hotel has attracted such visitors as Oscar Wilde, Shirley Bassey and British royals. The Leisure Pavilion offers swimming pool and spa facilities.

Address: Bath Road
Phone: +44 1202 555 555
Internet: www.devere.co.uk

The Lodge At Meyrick Park

Set in 120 acres of the Meyrick Park golf course, this is ideal for golfers or those who want to relax – while still being just 5 minutes from the town centre.

Address: Central Drive
Phone: +44 1202 786 000
Internet: www.theclubcompany.com

Langtry Manor Hotel

Mix romance with history and sleep like a king in a four-poster bed in this historic building once lived in by King Edward VII and his mistress Lillie Langtry.

Address: Derby Road
Phone: +44 1202 553 887
Internet: www.langtrymanor.co.uk

Bourne Hall Hotel

A family-run hotel on Bournemouth West Cliff with great views and a warm welcome, within easy walking distance of the Bournemouth International Centre.

Address: 14 Priory Road, West Cliff
Phone: +44 1202 299 715
Internet: www.bournehall.co.uk

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Airport

Bournemouth International Airport is only 15 minutes away from the town centre and links easily with train, bus and taxi services, as well as having car rental available. The airport is six miles from the main train station and connected by the A1 bus route. From the train station services to Southampton leave every 35 minutes and London every 105 minutes. The A1 bus route runs from the airport via the train station and ends at The Square in the centre of Bournemouth.

Internet: www.flybournemouth.com

Ferries

From Poole ferry port there are three daily crossings on Brittany Ferries to Cherbourg in France, and crossing on Condor Ferries to St Malo in France and the Channel Islands.

Internet: www.brittany-ferries.co.uk,
www.condorferries.co.uk

Public Transport

South West Trains service 158 connects Bournemouth with Christchurch to the east and Branksome to the west. There is also an extensive bus network – look out for the easily visible bright yellow buses. A day tripper unlimited pass is £3 for adults, £2 for children.

Internet: www.thetrainline.com,
www.yellowbuses.co.uk

Taxi

It is easiest to hail a taxi on the street, especially in the centre of town or at the airport and train stations. Taxis can also be ordered from companies, for example United Taxis.

Phone: +44 1202 556 677
Internet: www.556677.com

Post

Stamps can be purchased from post offices and newsagents. Post offices are generally open from Monday to Friday from 9am to 5.30pm and Saturday 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Pharmacy

NHS Direct on +44 8454 242 424 can advise you about pharmacies with longer opening hours.

Dentist

Please phone +44 8454 242 424 for information about urgent medical and dental care. In an emergency, dial the emergency number 999.

Telephone

Country Code: +44

Area code: 01202

Electricity

240V, 50Hz





Albert Road	B3 C3	East Cliff Promenade	C4	Poole Road	A3
Alyth Road	A1	East Overcliff Drive	D3	Portarlington Road	A3
Bath Road	C3 D3	Elgin Road	A1	Portchester Road	C1 D1 D2
Beechey Road	D1	Exeter Road	B3 C4	Priory Road	B3 B4
Belvedere Road	C1 D1	Fortescue Road	C1	Queens Road	A2 A3
Benellen Avenue	A2	Gervis Road	D3	Richmond Hill	B3 C3
Berwick Road	B1	Glen Fern Road	C3	Shelbourne Road	D1
Bodorgan Road	B2	Glenferness Avenue	A1 A2	St Anthony's Road	B1 B2
Bourne Avenue	B3	Grove Road	D3	St Augustin's Road	B1 C1
Braidley Road	B2 C2	Heron Court Rd	C1	St Leonard's Road	D1
Branksome Wood Road	A2	Holdenhurst Road	D2 D3	St Peter's Road	C3
Cambridge Road	A3	Huntly Road	A1	St Stephen's Road	B3
Capstone Road	D1	Iddesleigh Road	C1	St Winifred's Road	C1 C2
Cavendish Road	C2	Lansdowne Road	C2 D2	Stafford Road	D2 D3
Central Drive	B1 B2	Leven Avenue	A2	Stewart Road	D1
Charminster Road	C1 D1	Little Forest Road	A1	Suffolk Road	A3
Christchurch Road	B3 C3 D3	Lonsdale Road	B1 C1	Surrey Road	A2 A3
Clarendon Road	A3	Lowther Road	D1	Terrace Road	B3
Cliff Promenade	B4	Maderia Road	C2 C3	The Avenue Road	B3
Cotlands Road	D2 D3	Malmesbury Park	D1	Tregonwell Road	B3
Cranborne Road	B3	Marlborough Road	A3	Trinity Road	C2 C3
Crescent Road	A3 A4	Methuen Road	D1	Upper Hinton Road	C3
Crescent Road	B3	Meyrick Road	D3	Wellington Road	D1 D2
Dean Park Road	C2	Milton Road	C1	Wessex Way	A3 B2 C2 D2
Dean Pk Cres	C3	Nairn Road	B1	West Cliff Road	A4 B4
Dunbar Road	B1	Nortoft Road	D1	West Hill Road	A3 B3
Dunkeld Road	A1 B1	Norwich Avenue	A3	West Overcliff Drive	A4
Durley Chine	A4	Norwich Road	A3 B3	West Road	B4
Durley Chine Road	A3 A4	Ophir Road	D1	Westover Road	C3
Durley Gdns	A4	Oxford Road	D2	Wharfdale Road	A3
East Avenue	A1 B1	Parsonage Road	C3	Wimborne Road	B1 C1 C2
		Poole Hill	B3		