The Legend of Robin Hood

Dive into the story of the world’s favourite outlaw, as you take aim for Nottingham, Sherwood Forest and Lincoln Cathedral. The legend lives on...

Tour Nottingham Castle With Robin Hood

Begin your journey by discovering Robin Hood’s home city, and taking a tour into the bowels of Nottingham Castle. History and stories are everywhere here, at the site of the start of the English Civil War, and the former residence of Robin’s arch enemy, the treacherous Sheriff of Nottingham. For the ultimate tour, dive into the caves below with the city’s official Robin Hood – Tim Pollard, who will be your engaging guide. Don’t forget to grab a photo with the iconic Robin Hood statue, who has stood, bow-primed, outside the castle for over 60 years.

Robin Hood Town Tour

Once you’ve seen the castle, it’s time to join Robin Hood tour guide, Ezekial Bone, on his immersive tour of the city. Enter underground caves, shudder in the shadow of the Old County Gaol, and learn the hidden histories of Nottingham’s medieval streets – as you join his band of merry men. Full of fascinating history, this convincing actor-lead tour will take you to the heart of the legend.
Galleries of Justice
We begin Day 2 by putting Robin Hood’s character in the dock, and learning about his daily dalliances with the law - along with some of the city’s grislier history. See the cave where a medieval ballad says Robin Hood was locked away - before Little John saved the day with a daring escape plot - and explore the murky world of medieval justice with your tour guide, the Sheriff of Nottingham - who was once based in this very building.

Sherwood Forest
Having explored Robin Hood’s city, escape into his legendary domain, Sherwood Forest. Make the Visitor Centre your first stop, to get your bearings and learn more about the legends and tales that are tangled in this mythical forest, before visiting England’s favorite tree - Major Oak - which was Robin and his men’s favorite hide-out. You can also see the remains of King John’s Palace - which Robin once burst into in order to free the prisoners inside - thanks to the archaeological work conducted by Mercian Archaeology. You can arrange a special archaeology tour, if you contact them in advance.

Lincoln Cathedral
On the final day of the trail, we head east into Lincolnshire, and take aim at the origin of the phenomena that is Robin Hood. The stunning Lincoln Cathedral, which was consecrated in 1092, is surely worth a visit on its own, but in the Cathedrals Wren library you’ll find the first ever reference to the Robin Hood, in a preserved poem ‘Robin Hood in Sherwood stood’ which dates back to 1410. You’ll also be stood below a stunning, 50-foot high oak roof, which was constructed from wood taken from the mighty boughs of Sherwood Forest itself.

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Robin Hood Pageant
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Where to stay:

There is a great choice of places to stay, from well known brands to independent small hotels, country houses and guest houses. Contact us for further ideas.

**Lincolnshire**

**Belton Woods** - Set in picturesque countryside, with easy access to Lincoln, Boston and Nottinghamshire

**The Petwood Hotel** - Traditionally English and stylish, a warm welcome - and beautiful gardens - await

**The White Hart Hotel** - Situated in the heart of Lincoln's historic quarter, with views over the stunning Cathedral

**Nottinghamshire**

**Forest Holidays** - With 3,300 acres of forest to explore from your cabin doorstep, the outside world falls away as soon as you arrive

**The Sherwood Hideaway** - A collection of 22 luxury cedar lodges nestled in the heart of Sherwood Forest

**Clumber Park Hotel & Spa** - Situated on the edge of Sherwood Forest, this hotel & spa has been created to offer the ultimate pampering and relaxing experience

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*It’s impossible to think of Nottinghamshire, without conjuring up images of the people’s champion, Robin Hood. In stealing from the rich, and giving to the poor, the outlaw gained many admirers – as well as his fair share of enemies. Delve into the legend, and enter a world of medieval mischief and brutal battles, in the domain of one of the world’s best loved underdogs.*