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EXPERIENCE THE **RIVER DART** 



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## Welcome to Totnes

Discover the postcard-pretty, bustling town of Totnes with its thriving market and independent shop and café scene unfolding in the shadow of the impressive Totnes Castle.

Close to the South Devon beaches of Dartmouth and Salcombe and with easy access to the wilds of Dartmoor, there's lots to see and do in and around Totnes throughout the year.

## Top 6 TOTNES must see & do

Get a birds-eye view of the town from the ramparts of **Totnes Castle**.

Let off steam on **The** South Devon Railway look out for special familyfriendly events happening throughout the year or make your dream come true when you book a drive-a-train experience.



Relax with lunch and a vineyard walk at the awardwinning Sandridge Barton.

Get out on the water when you hire a kayak or let the Dartmouth River Boat **Company** gently ease you down the Dart. Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife including herons and seals.

Share your holiday memories using #VisitTotnes

## **Getting to Totnes**



#### Arrive by boat or steam train

The Dartmouth River Boat Company sails from Dartmouth to Totnes from April to October. The timetable is dependent on the tides, so check and book first. South Devon Railway runs a fleet of heritage trains along the line from Buckfastleigh to Totnes. From the station, it's a 15-minute walk into the centre of Totnes.

#### Arrive by car

Need longer to experience Totnes? It's easy to add more time to your parking. Go to your Ringo App or call 01822 670673 to buy more time without the need to return to your car. Where to park: Take a look at our map to find car parks, including EV charging facilities.

#### Arrive by bus or train

Totnes is a 30-minute train journey from Exeter and Plymouth. When you arrive, it's just a short 10-minute walk into town. The Stagecoach Gold Bus takes 1 hour from Plymouth and 20 minutes from Paignton. The 92 bus from Dartmouth takes 40 minutes. Buses cost just £2 per single journey until the end of 2024.

#### **Inclusive Totnes**

Part of our town is built on a hill, which can be challenging for people with reduced mobility. Take a look at our map to see the best flat routes from our car parks to the bottom of Fore Street. You'll also find a community bench outside The Mansion for anyone who wants to stop and have a rest.







Enjoy a wander around the Dartington Estate, where you can spot the herd of deer and amble alongside the river or explore the formal gardens, which are home to an impressive Henry Moore sculpture.

Rated by The Daily *Telegraph* as one of 'Britain's 15 Best High Streets', take time to discover the independent shops, cafes, and cinema in the town.



# Where to shop

Wander through the streets to discover independent shops catering to every taste.



Meet the makers at the **Totnes Indoor Artisan Market**: You'll find unique, handcrafted gifts at the Civic Hall in the Market Square on the second Tuesday of every month (April – November).

**DON'T MISS** Totnes has a vibrant weekly market on Fridays and Saturdays all year round. As well as a choice of delicious street food and fresh local produce, you can also browse stalls selling everything from jewellery to vintage curios.

#### WHAT'S ON

From live music and performances to workshops and special events, head to our website to discover the most up-to-date What's On in Totnes.



## Where to eat

Savour South Devon's finest food in Totnes. As you'd expect, local cafes and restaurants make full use of the bountiful harvest of fresh, local food.



**DON'T MISS** Enjoy the seasonally-changing, organic menu at the award-winning **The Bull Inn** – described by *The Sunday Telegraph* as 'exceptional'.

Experience TripAdvisor's top choice for the best ice cream in Devon - **Delphini's Gelato**. From pistachio to vegan double chocolate, there's a changing menu of creative flavours, handmade on the premises and served up in your choice of crunchy waffle cones or tub.



# **Historical Totnes**

The classic Norman motte and bailey Totnes Castle is managed by English Heritage. Climb to the top of the keep for stunning views over the town of Totnes and across to the River Dart.



**The Guildhall** offers a fascinating insight into the history of the town and is also free to visit (donations welcomed). You can still see the original cells where, until 1887, prisoners awaited trial and punishment. Then climb the 17th-century stairs to the elegant Council Chamber, with its plaster frieze and the table where Oliver Cromwell is said to have sat in 1646.



Look out for the special **Totnes Image Bank** QR codes displayed at key locations around the town. Scan the codes to step back in time as you access historic photos from their archives. **totnesimagebank.info** 

**DON'T MISS Totnes Elizabethan House Museum** - see advert number 13 on the reverse.

## Franklin Totnes Trail

The Franklin trail is a 6<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile, waymarked, circular walk starting and ending in the town. It's possible to shorten the route if you don't have the 3 - 4 hours needed to complete the full trail.

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Main Franklin route

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Off Road

Start the walk on The Plains, just in front of the Waterside Bistro.

# Walk to Dartington **Cider Press Centre**

Starting and ending in Totnes, this 4-mile round trip (6 miles if you continue to Dartington Estate) is accessible to all. Stop at the bird hide to look out for herons, kingfishers and more.

There's a choice of places to eat at the Cider Press Centre and at Dartington Hall if you need a guick pitstop.

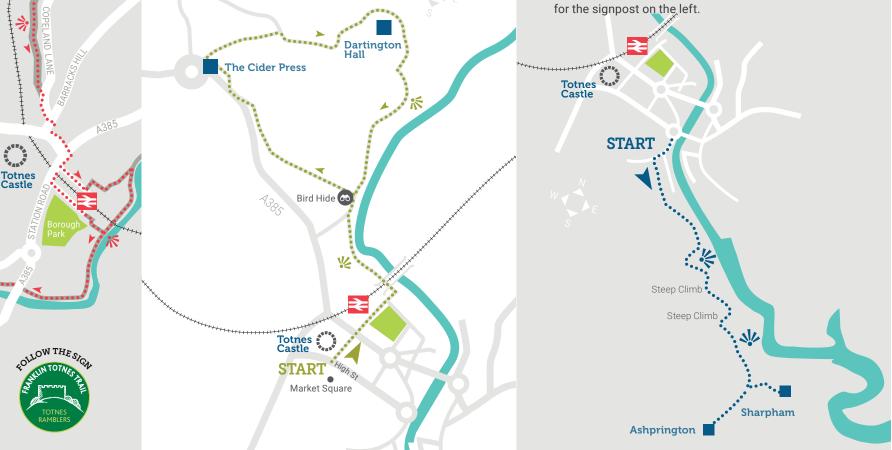
Start the walk by following Castle Street from the town centre down to the train station and picking up the riverside path beyond it.

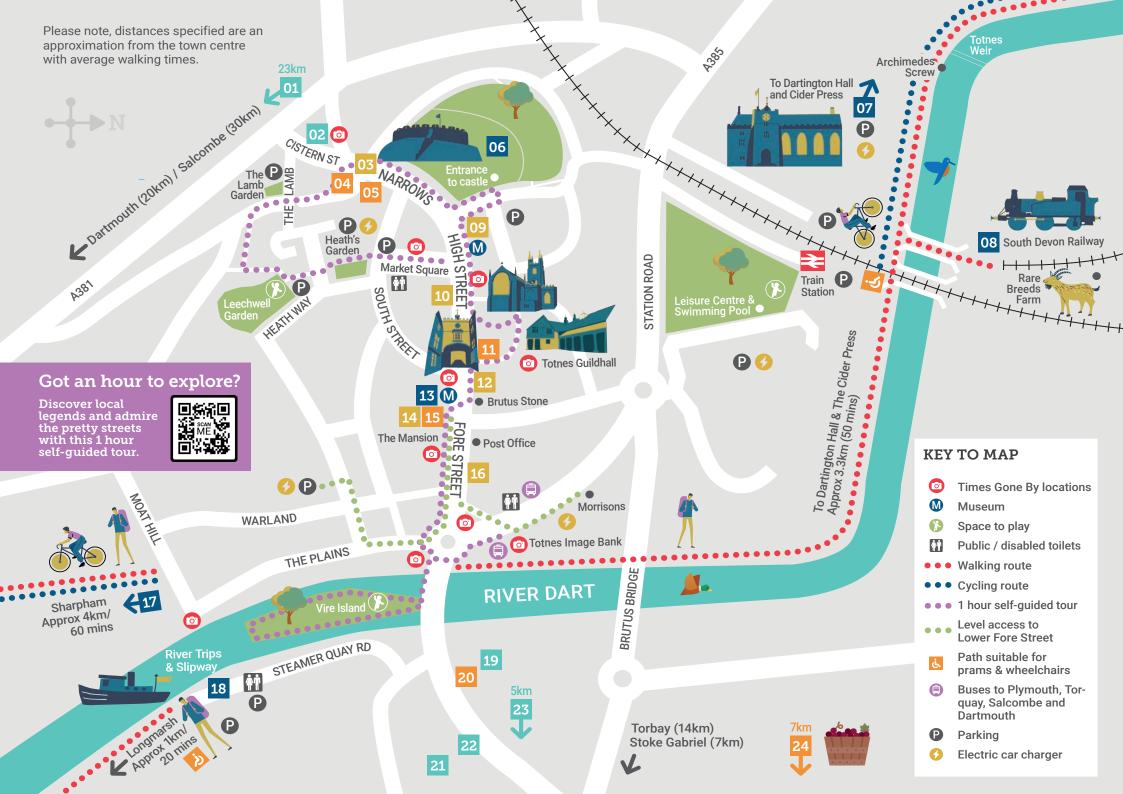
# Walk to Sharpham and Ashprington

A popular walk from Totnes to Ashprington (access to Sharpham House is for residentials only). The main path is firm and suitable for bikes and walking. There are some hills and this walk is considered moderate. Dogs are welcome on the path to Sharpham, however some parts cross a conservation area. As a result, owners are requested to keep dogs on leads in some places to avoid disturbing wildlife.

There is an option to turn this into a circular walk using the footpath which follows along the edge of the river.

Start the walk at The Plains and head south to The Steam Packet Inn. Turn up right on the lane and look





#### DITTISHAM HIDEAWAY

A collection of self catering treehouses, shepherds lodges & an American Airstream. Experience luxury and charm in the heart of the Devonshire countryside. Just a mile from the waters' edge of the beautiful River Dart, overlooking a private sun-dappled wooded valley, sits the stunning Dittisham Hideaway. suitable for couples, families with children and dogs, along with lone travellers welcome.

Dittisham, Devon TQ6 0JB 01803 925034 dittishamhideaway.co.uk

### BAY HORSE INN TOTNES

The little pub with the big garden! CAMRA listed and with three en-suite rooms available; two boutique doubles, plus the Coachhouse, a king-bed apartment, great for longer self-catering stays. Local real ales, lager, ciders and soft drinks feature on the bar and regular music includes folk sessions, singer-songwriter nights, open mic nights and jazz Sundays.

8 Cistern Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5SP 01803 862088 bayhorsetotnes.com

#### GREENFIBRES TOTNES

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We're Greenfibres - Totnes' original organic and natural lifestyle store. Since 1996, we've been stocking a wide range of eco products to help you live more sustainably. Our shelves are packed with ethical goodness - from soft towels and bedding, to pillows and duvets, alongside a great selection of clothing, accessories, skincare and eco-friendly cleaning products.

99 High Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5PF 01803 868001 greenfibres.com

#### THE BULL ORGANIC INN

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An award-winning organic, radical and ethical pub with nine consciously designed bedrooms, a self-catering apartment and seasonally-led restaurant right in the heart of Totnes. Boom Awards '22/23, Food & Travel Awards 2022/23, Sustainability Pioneer 2022/23, Best Dining Pub '22, The Times Best Eco Hotel 20/21, National Geographic Big Sleep Awards, Best UK BnB's Conde Nast.

102 High Street, Rotherfold, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5SN 01803 640040 bullinntotnes.co.uk

#### CAFÉ MUMBAI

One of the most famous Indian restaurants and take aways in the South Hams. Their aim is to make your visit as pleasant and enjoyable as possible and to make dining a memorable occasion. The food is prepared in a style which blends the finest oriental spices to produce a variety of subtle and exotic flavours without over spicing. They also do outside catering, please get in touch.

98 High Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5SN 01803 862691 / 01803 866171 cafe-mumbai.co.uk

#### 05 TOTNES CASTLE

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There are spectacular panoramic views to be found at Totnes Castle, built high above the town nearly 900 years ago.

Explore the wildflower-covered moat walk, picnic under the shade of ancient trees in the inner bailey, or simply relax and take in the history around you. Dogs on leads are welcome.

Castle Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5NU 01803 864406 english-heritage.org.uk/totnes-castle

#### BUTTERWALK 09 DEPARTMENT STORE

Butterwalk is a sustainable department store over two floors in a renovated listed property opposite the market square in Totnes. We offer a huge range of artisan craft, homewares, gifts and books as well as clothing (made in our studio in the shop) plus wood roasted coffee and pastries in our cafe (the Curator).

51 High Street, Totnes Devon TQ9 5NP 07595 459916 butterwalk.co.uk

### LAWSONS ESSENTIALS

Lawsons Essentials for Home Living does exactly what it says on the shop! We sell everything for your home from cookware to DIY to bed and bathroom linen.

With top brands such as Le Creuset, Kitchenaid, Magimix, Global knives, Christy towels, Sanderson bed linen and many more.

12 High Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5SB 01803 864619 lawsonshop.co.uk

#### DARTINGTON ESTATE

Based on 1,200 acres of beautiful parkland, Dartington Estate is a historic visitor destination centred around a medieval Great Hall, Courtyard and Grade II\* Listed Gardens. You'll find a range of fabulous food & drink, Deer Park trails and playgrounds, a programme of live music, theatre and cinema, and accommodation in our B&B and campsite.

Dartington, Totnes, Devon, TQ9 6EL 01803 847000 dartington.org/visit

#### SOUTH DEVON RAILWAY

The South Devon Railway, which runs from Buckfastleigh to Totnes Riverside, on the southern fringes of Dartmoor, is a delightful 14-mile return steam train journey along the beautiful valley of the River Dart. Your GWR steam train takes you on a leisurely ride in comfort through some of Devon's most peaceful countryside.

The Station, Dartbridge Road, Buckfastleigh, Devon TQ11 0DZ 01364 644370 southdevonrailway.co.uk

#### DELPHINI'S GELATO

Fresh, home made gelato and hot chocolates of the finest quality – also for vegans! Italiantrained owner Johan makes everything daily on site, using organic Devon milk and cream, seasonal fresh fruits, Belgian chocolate, Sicilian pistachios, Piedmont hazelnuts, Amarena cherries - and not much more. Delicious fresh flavours change daily, so pop in any time for a free taster.

5B High Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5NN 07583 173671 facebook.com/delphinisgelato

#### DEBBIE MACPHERSON 12 ATELIER

Debbie MacPherson Atelier design and handcraft fashion-led leather and cork handbags and accessories. Each item is individually made in their Totnes retail workshop using only the highest quality Italian leathers and upholstery graded corks with substantial saddlery fittings. They offer both a 'ready to buy' and bespoke service with personalised options.

65 Fore Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5NJ 01803 411630 debbiemacpherson.com

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#### TOTNES MUSEUM

The Elizabethan House Museum is one of the finest restored Tudor town houses in the country. Built in about 1575 for cloth merchant Walter Kellond, it has twelve galleries, a courtyard, and a herb garden. It's a brilliant place to come spend of few hours feeding your curiosity.Opens 27th March, Monday -Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm (last entry at 3:30pm). Entry is free (donations welcome).

70 Fore Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5RU 01803 863821 totnesmuseum.org

#### RAVEN LIFESTYLE

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Raven Lifestyle is an independent clothing and lifestyle store, stocking a large range of womenswear, accessories, and footwear to suit all budgets, plus much more.

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Discover collections across fashion, beauty, and gifting, with top brands such as L'Occitane en Provence and Sugarhill Brighton available exclusively within the area.

66 Fore Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5RU 01803 865191 ravenlifestyle.co.uk

#### ROLY'S FUDGE PANTRY TOTNES

Making our delicious, crumbly fudge to a traditional family recipe daily in the heart of Totnes since 1995. The result is a melt-inyour-mouth fudge, made using the highest quality of carefully sourced ingredients. Make sure to pop in to try a free taster of our yummy award-winning flavours of fudge! Vegan options are available.

52 Fore Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5RP 01803 840275 rolysfudge.co.uk/stores/rolys-fudge-totnes/

#### THE POTTING BENCH

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Situated on Totnes high street, we showcase a seasonal range for both indoor and outdoor gardening. Run as an independent for the last 13 years with a passion for sustainability. Stocking a constantly growing variety of plants, pots, wildflower seeds, organic veg seeds, composts and feeds. Come in store to experience our inspiring displays.

3 Fore Street, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5DA. 01803 411272 thepottingbenchtotnes.com

#### THE SHARPHAM TRUST

We're a nature & mindfulness charity on the organic Sharpham Estate down the River Dart from Totnes. We offer mindfulness/meditation retreats, courses and nature events. We hire out & host weddings in 18th century Sharpham House. We operate Sharpham Meadow Natural Burial Ground. We're rewilding land near the Totnes-Ashprington Route 28 of the National Cycle Network.

Sharpham House, Ashprington, Totnes, Devon TQ9 7UT 01803 732542 sharphamtrust.org

#### PADDLE DEVON

A small family run business based in Totnes. Join us for our famous guided canoe trips or kayak hire on the stunning River Dart. We also offer seakayak trips along the coast, overnight camping trips , paddleboarding and lessons. Families and dogs welcome! All of our friendly instructors are British Canoeing qualified, DBS checked and insured. Open every day from 9am until 6pm (please book ahead).

Longmarsh Car Park, Steamer Quay Rd, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5AL 07527 422055 paddledevon.co.uk

#### 1A ROWSELLS LANE

1A Rowsells Lane is a terraced house in a quiet lane alongside the river. The town is a minutes flat walk away. We offer garage parking. By train the station is 15 mins walk and always has taxis. 1A has two bedrooms, double and twin, bathroom, kitchen and living room. There is a sunny cottage garden.

1a Rowsells Lane, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5AG 07793 583020 1arowsellslane.co.uk

### THE ALBERT INN AND BREWERY

The first mention of the Albert Inn, as a public house, is from 1830's. It's now a traditional English pub just over the bridge in Bridgetown. Fresh food served daily, traditional beers & ciders including it's very own craft ales. Special food evenings, beer & cider festivals, live music, dart board. Quiz and open mic nights. Private lounge available for small parties. Large beer garden.

32 Bridgetown, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5AD 01803 863214 albertinntotnes.com

#### THE OLD FORGE HOTEL

Beautiful 600-year-old stone building, set in delightful south facing walled gardens. Idyllic peaceful location, however five minutes to the centre and minutes from River Dart. Ten ensuite cosy, comfortable bedrooms- majority with garden patio or terrace. Excellent choice breakfast menu served in garden conservatory. Own car park.

Seymour Place, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5AY 01803 862174 oldforgetotnes.com

#### FOUR SEASONS GUEST HOUSE

Fantastic value B&B close to town centre. Superb breakfast selection (available in your room on request.) All diets catered for with fruit and berries from our own organic fruit garden plus home-made preserves. Comfortable spacious rooms with en-suite bathrooms. Free parking. Long stay discount. Call and ask for Paul or Laura.

13 Bridgetown, Totnes, Devon TQ9 5AB 01803 862146 fourseasonstotnes.co.uk

### AISH CROSS HOLIDAY COTTAGES

Award Winning luxury holiday cottages set in beautiful countryside 2 miles from Totnes. A choice of 3 Visit England 5 star gold holiday cottages: The Coach House (sleeps 6), The Stable (sleeps 4), The Hayloft (sleeps 4). Beautiful orchard garden and secret garden with Games Room and BBQ lodge.

Aish, Stoke Gabriel, Devon TQ9 6PT 01803 782022 aishcross.co.uk

### SANDRIDGE BARTON WINES

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Sandridge Barton, the new home of Sharpham Wine have been growing grapes to produce renowned English wines for forty years. You can visit for wine tours and tastings, dine in their restaurant 'Circa', walk woodland trails to their new vineyard or to purchase your favourite wines and local produce in their shop.

Waddeton Road, Stoke Gabriel, Devon TQ9 6RL 01803 732203 sandridgebarton.com

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