



## Blaby District Map & Guide

Explore the best of Blaby District's attractions, heritage, restaurants and more with this handy map and guide. www.visitblaby.org.uk









# Welcome to Blaby District Map and Guide

Whether you are local to the area or have travelled from further afield the map will highlight some top picks for shopping, dining, leisure and unforgettable experiences.

You'll find key locations marked on the map with a number including attractions, our picks for food and drink, parks and open spaces, golf clubs, leisure centres and more. Our famous Fosse Fox Tourism Trail is shown with each fox's unique logo marked on the map, and dotted lines show the 12 heritage walking trails across the district.

For more information on the Fosse Foxes, Heritage Walks and much more visit our website visitblaby.org.uk Here you will find lots more options for eating and drinking too.

## Let's go Blaby District!



## Let's Shop

There is great shopping across the district from independent shops, local produce at Garden Centres, to fabulous gifts at the award-winning Narborough Hall – More Than Just a Gift shop. 50

43 FOSSE PARK – is a hugely popular retail destination, it is one of the UK's best out of town shopping experiences and has recently been expanded and redeveloped. The destination covers everything you could need for food, fashion and home. Here the Fosse Fox Trail starts with 25 foxes each designed by local artists and groups with a different theme. You can download a trail map from their website ahead of your visit and see if you can spot them all!

When it's time for a lunch break there are options from around the world, burgers at Leicester brand Boo Burgers, Indian snacks at Chaiiwala, Lebanese street food at Fattoush, Korean Nourish bowls at Grounded Kitchen and many more. Plus favourites like Nando's and Starbucks



## Let's Explore

EVERARDS MEADOWS – get out in the great outdoors with a visit to Everards Meadows, 70 acres of green open space, a haven for wildlife, see how many birds you can spot and check out the bug hotel for smaller species.

Here you can hire a bike from Rutland Cycling, enjoy coffee and cake at the ever-popular Jenno's coffee house or visit Everard's brandnew state of the art brewery and Beer Hall, try a beer brewed on site, take a tour of the brewery and buy limited edition brews in the onsite shop.



## Let's Dive In

46 STONEY COVE – the UK's National Diving Centre, here you can learn to dive, open water swim in the clear waters or take in the incredible views from the pub restaurant.

47 STANTON LAKES – the perfect place to get away from it all with its lakeside restaurant and bar plus touring caravan site and open-water swimming.





## Let's Play

more!

MERIDIAN LEISURE PARK
– perfect for a day out with
family and friends, take in
the latest blockbuster at
the cinema, play a game of
bowling or treat the kids to soft
play. Grab a bite to eat with
options from Bella Italia. Five

Guys, Chiquito, Harvester and

## Let's Go Back in Time

KIRBY MUXLOE CASTLE – a story of intrigue, betrayal and murder lies behind this 15th century castle. Step back in time to the Wars of the Roses as you take in the historic and impressive remains.





## **Let's Stay Over**

Why not make a weekend or mini break of it, there are plenty of options from Hilton and Marriott Hotels to country lodges and B&Bs right through to touring caravan pitches overlooking Stanton Lakes.

## **Events Guide**

Every year there are a huge range of fun and varied events held, some highlights include:

**Feb** The BIG Weekend part of Leicester Comedy Festival

Jun Festival in the Pit. Live bands, stalls, food and drink and fireworks finale

Jul GlastonBlaby Charity Music Festival

Aug Cosby Yarn Bomb.
Community event
decorating the village
with yarn creations

Sept The Victory Show. Re-enactments, 1940s dinner dance and airshow





## **Fosse Fox Tourism Trail**

The Fosse Fox Trail celebrates some of our most popular attractions across the district. Each fox is a specially designed fibreglass model decorated by local artists with each fox having a unique logo. For locations see the logos on the map on the reverse and let us know when you spot one by tagging #fossefoxes on social media.





## **Transport Links**

Located in the heart of Leicestershire in the Midlands, Blaby District is easily accessible and within an hour of East Midlands International Airport.



Easily accessible by road with major transport links including the M1 and M69



Narborough Station has a regular train service to both Leicester and Birmingham



The area is well served by buses. For timetables and routes visit arrivabus.co.uk



There are lots of options for walking and cycling, follow one of the routes or hire a bike from Rutland Cycling and explore the canal path

## **Heritage Walking Trails**

Look out for the series of 12 heritage walking trails, each walk explores part of the district telling the story of the local history and people, with attractions and dining or drinking options along the way. Add the walks together to create a full perimeter District Walk.

The routes are shown in dotted lines on the map and leaflets can be found on the website, visitblaby.org.uk.

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Find all 12 heritage trails and more on the **GoJauntly app.** Simple photo guides help you navigate while nifty tips point out things of interest and places to eat (from April 2022).



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