

### Food and Drink

You will be spoilt for places to eat and drink in Shakespeare's England. Throughout Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwick, Kenilworth and Leamington Spa as well as the nearby towns and villages there is a rich tradition in local produce and they all offer a fantastic choice and an excellent variety of eateries.

Why not indulge yourself with a classic English Afternoon Tea in one of our historic tearooms or inviting quirky cafes? Or treat yourself to fine dining in our numerous award winning restaurants or simply enjoy delicious food and traditional English ales in one of our welcoming pubs & inns.

# Stratford-upon-Avon

Fancy a spot of lunch or a drink at a 16th century coaching inn? Then look no further than Stratford-upon-Avon.

Stratford-upon-Avon offers an excellent choice of quality and unique places to eat and drink, from pubs, cafe bars, and tea-rooms to historic inns and charming candle-lit restaurants, in a picturesque quintessentially English setting.

The RSC Rooftop Restaurant and Riverside Cafe offer a totally unique dining experience. The Riverside Café is the ideal place for a tea or coffee and a light snack, or an informal bite to eat. The Rooftop Restaurant is ideal for a pre-show meal and has unrivalled views over the Bancroft Gardens and River Avon and offers an excellent British menu.



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Or why not sample Stratford's unrivalled range of gastro and dining pubs. Enjoy the ambience of dining in Church Street Town House or visit The Dirty Duck, a very popular pub amongst theatre-goers or anyone who enjoys a friendly drink in a picturesque pub. The pub is housed in a 15th century building and has been a pub since the 1700s. Pop in for a pre-theatre drink and book a table for supper after the show. Visit the Actors Bar which is covered in autographed photos of RSC actors going back over the decades.

Experience Othello's Bar and Brassiere set in a 16th Century Grade I listed building. Taste some of the restaurant's contemporary English cuisine made from exceptional locally sourced produce and wash down with a glass of wine from their extensive wine list.

If you fancy morning coffee Stratford has a host of delightful and award-winning tea rooms or to treat yourself to indulgent afternoon tea at Hathaway's Tea Rooms in an idyllic setting.

## **Leamington Spa**

With over 50 pubs, restaurants and bars in the town centre alone, Leamington Spa offers a wide choice of gastronomy for diners of all ages.

During the day, the town is alive with tasty food stores, delis, cafes and bistros - all bursting with a wealth of flavoursome treats. Excellent restaurants with food from around the globe showcase award-winning chefs. As evening comes, the town's vibrant night time culture springs to life with traditional pubs, cool bars, dance clubs and live music venues where students from nearby universities mingle with locals and visitors alike for lively all-week round entertainment.

With a fantastic selection of pubs, bars and restaurant's all drawing culinary inspiration from across the world, you will be spoilt for choice!

#### Warwick

Warwick has an ever growing reputation for the variety of its cafes, restaurants and other eateries and there is something for every age and every taste all within easy reach.

Bars and restaurants are plentiful and there is a vibrant street cafe culture for people to enjoy catching up with family and friends. Market Place is the heart of the town

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centre hosting a variety of pubs and restaurants. The town's thriving Saturday Market is 500 years old and still as popular as ever.

There is such a mixture of what and where to eat, from good old-fashioned tea rooms to a slap up meal, from Tapas to Gastro, from Thai to Indian there is a huge choice of places to eat and drink.

#### Kenilworth

Kenilworth is small and beautiful town in the heart of leafy Warwickshire and Kenilworth restaurants are well known locally and attract diners from in and around Shakespeare's England.

There's a restaurant to suit all ... whether it's for a family occasion, friends getting together to large parties or those special intimate dinners...there is so much to choose from. With a choice of eating out from Indian, Chinese or Thai cuisine through to Italian and French restaurants to the ever popular gastro or traditional pubs, eating out in Kenilworth is a diner's delight. Not to be forgotten are the array of bars to frequent before or after your meal. There are also delightful tea shops and cafes dotted around the town to help fuel you during the day.

To the north of Abbey Fields is High Street, which has an array of beautiful listed buildings along with independent food stores, traditional pubs and fine dining. To the south of Abbey Fields is Warwick Road, with a fantastic array of contemporary bistros, bars and restaurants.

### **Suggested Accommodation**

There are a number of places to for foodies to stay and enjoy the food on offer in Shakespeare's England...

**The Arden Hotel** – champagne bar and scrumptious a la carte menu www.theardenhotelstratford.com

**Mallory Court Hotel** – One of England's finest country house hotels part of the Eden Hotel Collection offering romantic breaks, weddings, conference facilities located outside Leamington Spa and with a Michelin starred restaurant too. – <a href="https://www.mallory.com">www.mallory.com</a>

**Billesley Manor** – An elegant 4-star hotel near Stratford upon Avon. AA Rosette Restaurant with a 100 year old listed Garden.

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**Menzies Welcombe** – just outside Stratford-upon-Avon – with on site golf course plus excellent spa and swimming facilities – www.menzieshotels.co.uk/hotels/midlands/stratford-upon-avon-welcombe-hotel-spa-

www.menzieshotels.co.uk/hotels/midlands/stratford-upon-avon-welcombe-hotel-spa-and-golf-club

**Legacy Falcon Hotel** – in the heart of Stratford-upon-Avon www.legacy-hotels.co.uk/legacy-thefalcon

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