



*BBC Radio Nottingham's "Big Day Out" is on Sunday 28th April 2019 offering FREE entry to Nottinghamshire museums and heritage attractions. Listed below are the entry details for each of the attractions taking part. Please check them carefully as in some cases you will need to show this document, which acts as a voucher, or to book in advance. You can pick up a copy of this list from BBC Radio Nottingham's reception on London Road (during office hours) and the Tourism Centre in the Old Market Square, Nottingham.*

**Anchor Supplies WW1 & WW2 Museum, Cattle Market Road, Nottingham NG2 3GY**

Anchor Supplies has been dealing in Genuine Military Surplus for almost 40 years! In that time they have grown a large collection of genuine WW1 & WW2 artifacts & memorabilia. There is such a large variety of items that they now have their own museum for people to come and enjoy. The 'Nottingham Barracks', is just off London Road, All Anchor's staff are extremely knowledgeable. They say it's a way of life! The museum will be open from 10am to 4pm. For more information please call 0115 9864902

**Bestwood Winding Engine, Bestwood Country Park, Off Park Road, Bestwood Village NG6 8ZA**

Bestwood Country Park was once home to one of the busiest coal mines in Nottinghamshire. The Winding Engine House is the last remaining part of the former colliery. The tall brick building houses a huge winding engine which lowered colliers into the mine shaft, and winched mined coal up to the surface. Originally it was powered by steam, but today's visitors see the massive engine turned by an electrical motor. The Engine House is open for free on the Big Day Out from 10am to 1pm with volunteers on hand to explain how it works and the Dynamo House café will also be open serving homemade cakes. Children can be 'History Hunters' and dress up as both modern and Victorian miners and the family fun trolley has more to keep them occupied too. To find out more call 0115 976 2422

**Bilsthorpe Heritage Museum, Cross Street, Bilsthorpe, Nottinghamshire, NG22 8QY**

The museum contains a collection of items dedicated to the mining industry and the social history surrounding the community of Bilsthorpe. There are accurate models of the heavy machinery used in collieries, breathing apparatus, photographs etc - as well as a team of volunteers to show visitors round and explain the history. The museum is open from 10am to 4pm on the Big Day Out.

**Breach House, 28 Garden Road, Eastwood, NG16 3FW**

The Breach House is a re-creation of a former pit-house built in the second half of the 19th century, and was used as the setting for the early part of D H Lawrence's 1913 novel 'Sons and Lovers'. The Lawrence family lived here from 1887-1891 after they left Victoria Street (now the Birthplace Museum). There are plans for its refurbishment (whilst still retaining its

original features) as a Centre for the Arts, Industry and Education, including accommodation for scholars and lovers of Lawrence. On April 28th, as part of the Big Day Out the house and garden will be open from 11-3pm for free guided tours. Hot drinks and light refreshments available.

**Calverton Folk Museum, Main Street, Calverton, NG14 6FG**

The museum is dedicated to Victorian Calverton, with four rooms exhibiting period furniture and dress. There is also an actual framework knitting machine on display. The museum will be open from 2pm until 5pm, hopefully refreshments will be available next door at the Baptist Church, please confirm on the day.

**Canalside Heritage Centre, Weir Cottages, Canal Side, Beeston, Nottinghamshire, NG9 1LZ**

As part of Nottingham's Big Day Out the Canalside Heritage Centre will be offering FREE entry for one day only to the exhibitions, a FREE creative craft activity for all the family and a FREE guided historical canal side walk. The Canalside Heritage Centre is a thriving hub for visitors to enjoy and explore, with a tea room, gift shop and interpretation centre, as well as tranquil gardens. Enjoy a walk along the river or the canal, Look out for the many boats, enjoy the changing colours and sunshine on the water and enjoy the plentiful wildlife that can be found at any time of year. Open 9.30am to 4.30pm. For more information call 0115 9221773.

**Creswell Crags, Crags Road, Welbeck, Worksop, Nottinghamshire, S80 3LH**

Ancient limestone caves tell the story of life over 50,000 years ago, back in the last Ice Age. Inside the visitor centre there is a museum, showcasing some of the most amazing ice age and stone age artefacts ever found. There is also an augmented reality sand box in the museum - perfect for little explorers! There's free entry to the main exhibition for the Big Day Out with handling sessions of artefacts throughout the day, and also free behind-the-scenes tours of the collections store which is jam-packed with bones! These tours will take place throughout the day from 10.30am and will take approx. 20-30 mins. Booking is required on 01909 720378. You can also take a stroll alongside the caves and feed the friendly ducks in the gorge, head to the café for a spot of lunch, coffee or cake, or take an exciting tour into the caves which will run throughout the day for an extra charge. All day parking is £3.

**D.H. Lawrence Birthplace Museum, 8a Victoria Street, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire NG16 3AW**

Enjoy a taster tour of the museum and see an interactive demonstration of a Victorian wash-house. It is suitable for all ages and a great opportunity to come and see the authentically restored mining cottage where the controversial writer was born. The event takes place from 11am till 4pm (last admission 3.30pm). There is no need to book and parking is available nearby. Please call 0115 9173824 for more details.

**Flintham Museum, Inholms Road, Flintham, Nottinghamshire NG23 5LF**

This museum looks at rural life through the eyes of a village shopkeeper. Each year the museum's shop window displays have a different theme; this year it's Animals. Discover how villagers lived and worked with animals through unsold shop stock and advertising material and be prepared for some surprises! The museum will be open free of charge from 11am until 4pm. There is a modern community shop on the site where coffee and home-made cakes will be available. The team looks forward to welcoming you, especially as we are celebrating 20 years of opening.

**Framework Knitters Museum, Chapel Street, Ruddington, Nottinghamshire NG11 6HE.  
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There's a behind the scenes experience where you can have a go at some traditional spring tasks. Help plant and tend the cottage garden, choose an object for display, spring clean the

cottages and even try your hand at knitting on an antique machine! Free entry for visitors with the Big Day Out pdf. The museum will be open from 11.00am to 4.30pm with last entry at 4.00pm on the day.

**Green's Windmill and Science Centre, Windmill Lane, Sneinton, NG2 4QB**

The windmill was built by the father of notable scientist and mathematician George Green in 1807. Many of our technologies today, such as mobile phones, are based on Green's amazing ground-breaking theorem. Today the still-working mill is a popular museum and science centre, which teaches new generations of children about the valuable work of George Green. The centre is open 10.00am - 4.00pm. Charges may apply for some activities. For more information call 0115 915 6878.

**Mansfield Fire Museum, Fire Station, Rosemary Street, Mansfield, NG19 6AB**

The Fire Museum houses vintage vehicles, uniforms and firefighting equipment from across the years. In addition, there will be outside demonstrations and activities on the Station yard, plus a tombola and refreshments available. The East Midlands Branch of Fire Service Preservation Group (F.S.P.G.) will be bringing number of vintage Fire Appliances dating back to WW1. The Fire Museum is normally only open by appointment but will be open for free from 11am to 4pm.

**The Museum of the Horse, Market Place, Tuxford NG22 0RN**

The museum is now in its fourth year and is about horses and how they fit into our history. With nine rooms full of artefacts and clothing, it looks at how our means of travel developed. The museum has one of only three Mail Coaches left in the country and also focusses on mining history, agriculture and sport. There is a room devoted to the cavalry and items going back to about 600 BC right through to the 20th Century. There are also pieces from around the world. Entry is FREE for the Big Day Out when there will also be a special exhibition of the History of the Side Saddle. The museum also has a large car park and a coffee shop in the courtyard.

**National Civil War Centre, Newark, NG24 1JY**

Take a trip to the 17th century on BBC Radio Nottingham's Big Day Out with a visit to The National Civil War Centre. You'll be plunged deep into the heart of Britain's deadliest conflict, exploring this dramatic era in British history through stories of gunpowder, plague and plot. Discover for yourself the clash between Roundhead and Royalist, brother and brother, and learn how a once all-powerful monarch lost his crown and his head! The whole family will love our high definition cinema experience which vividly brings to life what living through the Civil War was like. Children (and adults!) can try on Civil War costumes, lift a replica musket and take Prince Rupert's dog Boye for a walk around our fantastic galleries. The Centre will be open from 10am - 5pm (last entry is 30 minutes before closing). Free entry is available to those who quote "BBC Radio Nottingham's Big Day Out!". The on-site Café Nineteen20 shares the Centre's opening hours. For more information call 01636 655755

**National Justice Museum, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN**

Visit the National Justice Museum to experience a thrilling actor-led re-enactment of the trial of William Saville in the museum's authentic Courtroom. Saville was tried, convicted and executed for the murder of his wife and children at the Shire Hall - the very location where this re-enactment takes place. Trials start at 10.30am, 11.30am, 12.30pm, 2pm and 3pm. These are separate from regular National Justice Museum events and booking for this free event is essential as there is a maximum 80 people per session. Booking link:

<https://shop.myonlinebooking.co.uk/nationaljusticemuseum/sessions.aspx?tid=74>

**Newark Air Museum, Drove Lane, Winthorpe, Newark, Notts, NG24 2NY**

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Located on part of the former World War Two airfield at Winthorpe in eastern Nottinghamshire. There's a diverse collection of aircraft and cockpit sections covering the history of aviation. The aircraft on display include ten national benchmark aircraft, 29 significant aircraft and 18 noteworthy aircraft as listed in the National Aviation Heritage Register. Open 10.00am - 5.00pm (last admission at 4.00pm). Admission is free for BBC Radio Nottingham's Big Day Out but you must take a print out of this page in order to get in.

**Newstead Abbey Historic House and Gardens, Ravenshead, Nottinghamshire NG15 9HJ**

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Newstead Abbey is the ancestral home of the poet Lord Byron but was founded as a monastic house in the late 12th century. To this day the house retains much of its historic character including medieval cloisters, Chapter House (now the Chapel) and a collection of medieval stone carvings and manuscripts. The house will be open from 12 noon - 4pm (last entry is 1 hour before closing). The café will be open from 10am - 5pm. Admission to the house is free for the Big Day Out, but you must take a print out of this page to secure entry. Car parking charges still apply but cyclists and walkers are free. Charges may apply for some activities. For more information call 0115 8763100.

**Nottingham Heritage Vehicles, Old Bus Depot, Portland Road, Hucknall NG15 7SF**

Your chance to see many former buses originating from the Nottingham area plus relive memories of times gone by. On display will be vehicles that are preserved along with vehicles that are being restored and awaiting restoration. Additionally the charity will be offering free tours of the locality with various buses. Most of the buses in use will be 35 years old plus. There will also be displays of former Nottingham bus companies and refreshments will be available. The depot will be open from 10am to 4pm on Sunday 28th April.

**Nottingham Industrial Museum, Wollaton Park, Nottingham NG8 2AE**

The award-winning Nottingham Industrial Museum is bringing its Raleigh Rally back to Nottingham for the 2nd year. Ride your Raleigh bike down to the museum to meet like-minded cycle enthusiasts and learn all about the history of Raleigh bikes in Nottingham. There'll be displays, hands-on kids activities, and our amazing diesel and steam engines will be in steam too! The whole museum will be open absolutely free, including its galleries of rare and unique textile and transport technologies, and exhibits reflecting local Nottinghamshire industries such as mining, railways, bicycles, motorcycles, lace, telecommunications, pharmaceuticals, tobacco and printing. Volunteers will be on hand to give guided tours and to explain the history of the exhibits and how they were used. No need to pre-book, just turn up 11am-4pm (last entry 3:30pm). Please note Wollaton Hall car park charges apply.

**Papplewick Pumping Station, Rigg Lane, Ravenshead, NG15 9AJ**

The pumping station is Britain's finest Victorian Water Works and the only one in the Midlands to be preserved as a complete working water pumping station. It was built between 1882 and 1885 to supplement the water supply for the growing town of Nottingham and was in continuous operation until 1969. It is now a museum and popular wedding venue. Admission is free on the Big Day Out and the pumping station and café will be open between 11am-4pm.

**The Queen's Royal Lancers & Nottinghamshire Yeomanry Museum, Thoresby Courtyard, Thoresby Park, Nr Perlethorpe, Nottinghamshire NG22 9EP**

Nottinghamshire's Cavalry Museum displays the historic collections of The Queen's Royal Lancers, the Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry and the South Nottinghamshire Hussars. This year the Museum is continuing with its WWI exhibition, "Call to Arms", the main feature is an

indoor Trench system, which provides an experience of life in the trenches. Complete with artefacts, sounds, stories and film footage from the period. The Museum will also run a temporary exhibition on the 75th Anniversary of D Day which covers the landings and the part played by our local Regiments. These collections are of national importance and well worth a visit to Thoresby Courtyard to view them. The Museum is open from 1 March to 30 November from 10.30am to 4.30pm Wednesday to Sunday and Bank holidays (last entry 4.00pm).

**Robin Hood Experience, 94 Friar Lane, Nottingham NG1 6EB**

Journey back through time with the Robin Hood Experience! This independent visitor attraction takes you back 800 years to Medieval Nottingham where you will meet Robin Hood's friends, face his enemies and become part of Nottingham's World-famous legend! This is an indoor, interactive experience over four floors so go prepared to have fun, put your imagination to use and climb stairs! Open for free on the Big Day Out from 10am to 6pm (last entry 5.30pm).

**Rufford Abbey Country Park, Ollerton, Nottinghamshire NG22 9DF**

Set in beautiful parkland, Rufford Abbey offers over 870 years of history, from its origins as a 12th century cistercian monastery to its period as a Jacobean era family home. There is plenty to explore; with walks through the native woodlands, a lake and gardens plus a range of attractions, activities and places to relax and eat. For this year's Big Day Out, Rufford will be offering free wildlife workshops in our new woodland activity base. Come and make bug hides, nature calendars and bird boxes with all the family. Car park open 9am - 5pm, activities start at 11.30am until 3pm (normal car parking charge applies.)

**Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve, Forest Corner, Edwinstowe, NG21 9RN**

Home of Robin Hood, and 1,000-year-old Major Oak, the mighty ancient tree which legend tells sheltered the outlaw and his merry men. Explore 450 hectares of fabulous woodland, and the best collection of ancient oaks in Europe. Enjoy trails, archery, arts and crafts, and our Robin Hood-themed adventure play area. The Big Day Out will include the chance to join a talk at the Major Oak to discover some of Sherwood's best-kept secrets. Visit the new visitor centre, which is fully accessible and includes a cafe and Changing Places facility. Open 10am until 5pm. Free entry to the forest. There is a charge for parking but it's free for RSPB members.

**Southwell Minster & The Archbishop's Palace, Church Street, Southwell NG25 0HD**

Christian worship has taken place on this site for over 1000 years and the current minster dates back to 1108. As part of BBC Radio Nottingham's Big Day Out, there will be FREE tours of The Archbishop's Palace, including the magnificent State Chamber and gardens as well as free Minster Tower tours. Tours of The Archbishop's Palace, State Chamber and gardens run from 11am - 3pm and you just need to turn up at The Archbishop's Palace at any time where you'll be met by one of the friendly guides. Minster Tower tours will run at 12pm, 1pm, and 2pm and last approx. 1hr. Please arrive 15 mins prior to ensure a prompt start. Booking is essential as we can only take 15 people up at a time. All Tower Tour guests must be aged 7-70 for insurance purposes. Bookings can be made by emailing [events@southwellminster.org.uk](mailto:events@southwellminster.org.uk) <<mailto:events@southwellminster.org.uk>> specifying the number of your party and which tour slot you would like (12pm, 1pm or 2pm).

**William Booth Birthplace Museum, 10-14 Notintone Place, Sneinton, Nottingham NG2 4QG (near Green's Windmill)**

Step back in time to see the birthplace of William Booth, founder of The Salvation Army, as it would have appeared in 1829 and learn about the life of the young William, who was shaped by the radical ideas of his time. Discover what made William choose the path that would lead him to become Nottingham's most famous preacher and social reformer and leader of a worldwide movement that is active in 131 countries today. An independent museum and

Grade II listed Georgian terraced house. The museum is opening on a Sunday especially for the Big Day Out from 10am to 4pm. For more information call 0115 979 3464. Access the Museum via a walkway to the right of shops near the junction of Sneinton Road and Notintone Street.

**Wollaton Dovecote Museum, Dovecote Drive, Wollaton, NG8 2NB**

The museum on Dovecote Drive, off Bramcote Lane in Wollaton was built circa 1565 to house doves to supply fresh meat and eggs for the original Wollaton Hall. There are no doves there now, but this unique and interesting building is an Elizabethan dovecote, with many nesting sites still in situ. Exhibitions include a replica early 20th century Parlour and Scullery, maps of Wollaton from 1774 to 1965, old photographs of Wollaton and much more. The museum is opening especially for the Big Day Out, and will be open between 2.00pm and 4.30pm. A free guided walk around Wollaton Village will also take place at 3pm, weather permitting. For information call 0115 9283414. Please note there are no toilet facilities at the museum and it could be cold.

**Wollaton Hall Natural History Museum, Nottingham, NG8 2AE**

The museum is set in an Elizabethan mansion located in a 500 acre deer park. Tours of the hall are available and give you a chance to see behind the scenes, such as the Tudor kitchens and the beautiful Prospect Room with views over the natural landscape (charges apply). The hall will be open from 11am - 4pm (last entry is 1 hour before closing). The cafes are open from 10am-5pm. Car parking charges apply. Charges may apply for some activities. For more information call 0115 8763100.