

BBC Radio Nottingham's Big Day Out will take place on Sunday, 6 April offering free entry to museums and heritage attractions in Nottinghamshire. They include the DH Lawrence Birthplace, Nottingham Castle, Newark Air Museum, Newstead Abbey and Calverton's Iron Age Roundhouse. All the venues involved are offering free admission in some form.

Please check the details below and in some cases you will need to bring this flyer with you, or book in advance.

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 2.00pm until 5.00pm.

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

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This house is where David Herbert Richards Lawrence was born in 1885 and is the first of the Lawrence family's four Eastwood homes. Through a guided taster tour you will be able to learn about his family life and the type of working class home and mining family that shaped his formative years. The venue is open from 10.00am until 5.00pm with timed tours through the day. For more information call 01773 717353.

D.H. Lawrence Heritage Centre, Mansfield Road, Eastwood, NG16 3DZ

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This building offers an exhibition on D. H. Lawrence and the local area's proud mining history. As a boy Lawrence would pick up his father's wages from this impressive building, which was the offices of the local coal owners, Barber, Walker & Co. The centre is open 10.00am until 5.00pm.

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

This attraction looks at rural life through the eyes of a village shopkeeper. The museum's shop window themes in 2014 will be two-fold: WWI and anything and everything connected with gardens and gardening. The garden theme is to link in with garden openings in Flintham in June 2014. Tea, coffee and cakes (at reasonable prices) will be served in the village hall which is close to the museum. The museum will be open free of charge from 11.00am to 4.00pm. Behind the museum there is a community shop so you'll be able to see the differences in shopping over the last 100 years.

Framework Knitters Museum, Chapel Street, Ruddington, Nottingham NG11 6HE.

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Nottinghamshire folk have been Framework Knitting for over 400 years. You'll discover how the Knitters lived and worked, visit the workshops, see a Framework Knitter in action, explore the garden, the wash house and other period buildings. 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. Open 1.30pm to 4.30pm. For more information call 0115 984 6914.

Galleries of Justice Museum, The Lace Market, Nottingham, NG1 1HN.

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The museum preserves the site of Nottinghamshire's old courthouse and county gaol and maintains a vast collection of spine chilling artefacts relating to crime and punishment. The museum is offering free exclusive 'Behind The Scenes' Tours of its archives and collections. The tours will run at 12pm, 1pm and 3pm and must be booked in advance. Visitors must show their print out from the BBC Radio Nottingham website in order to get in. Also available is the Lace Market Heritage Trail audio tour. These are not at any specific times of the day as this is a hand held audio tours so visitors will go round at their leisure. Again, you must book to avoid disappointment. Also please note that the museum will require a refundable £5 deposit just for the Lace Market Heritage Trail audio tour. This will be given back to the visitor when they hand in their audio guide. To book call 0115 952 0555.

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. For more information call 0115 915 6878.

Iron Age Roundhouse, Woodview Farm, Mansfield Lane, Calverton, Nottingham NG14 6HP

The Roundhouse was built in 2006 as a research project looking at construction methods using the same tools, timber and building materials that were originally used over 2,500 years ago. Once completed it became apparent that the house had a second function as an educational resource complementing traditional classroom teaching methods. The inside is set out

to illustrate how an extended family of between 12 to 20 people would have lived and worked together. The Roundhouse will be open between 1.00pm and 4.00pm on the Big Day Out. There is no need to book.

Laxton Heritage Museum and Village Tour, Main Street, Laxton, NG22 0NX

Join Stuart Rose on a guided tour of Laxton village and its agricultural heritage starting from the Laxton Visitor Centre which is beside The Dovecote Inn. The tour will include a visit to the site of Laxton Castle and the open medieval farming fields ending with a look at traditional Victorian farming tools and household items at Laxton Heritage Museum. Participants should wear stout walking footwear suitable for walking off road. The walk is not suitable for anyone who cannot manage a minimum of 800m off road. If anyone unable to manage this would like to come, please contact Stuart in advance as a driven tour may be available. The tour commences at 10.30am. You can contact Stuart Rose on 07939228353 or 01777 871702.

Newark Air Museum, The Showground, 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. 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 & Park, Ravenshead, Nottinghamshire NG15 8NA.

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Newstead Abbey is throwing open its doors for the Big Day Out and holding a free 'Open House' event. The 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 open house takes place from 12 noon - 4pm. Admission is free, but you must take a print out of this page to secure entry and car parking charges still apply. For more information call 01623 455900

Nottingham Castle Museum & Brewhouse Yard Museum, Off Friar Lane, Off Maid Marian Way, Nottingham, NG1 6EL

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A magnificent 17th century ducal mansion built on the site of the original medieval castle has a vibrant museum and art gallery housing collections of silver, glass, decorative items, visual arts, paintings and Nottinghamshire archaeology and history. Admission is also available to the Brewhouse Yard Museum which includes a step back in time to discover over 300 years of Nottingham's history. Witness for yourself what houses and shops would have looked like in the early 1900s and see a huge variety of items (from toys to tools) that span the years. For more information call 0115 876 1400. Admission is free for BBC Radio Nottingham's Big Day Out but you must take a print out of this page. Open 10am to 4pm.

Nottingham Industrial Museum, Wollaton Park, Nottingham NG8 2AE

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The museum is located in the 17th century stables block of Wollaton Hall and houses a unique collection of working steam and diesel engines as well as examples of textile and transport technologies. There are also exhibits reflecting local industries such as mining, railways, bicycles, motorcycles, lace, telecommunications, pharmaceuticals, tobacco and printing. The museum won the Nottinghamshire Heritage Site of the Year Award 2012. Open 11am to 4pm.

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

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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. Papplewick Pumping Station was built between 1882 and 1885 to supplement the water supply for the growing town of Nottingham. Admission is free on the Big Day Out only to those with a print out of this webpage.

Stonebridge City Farm, Stonebridge Road, St Ann's, NG3 2FR

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The farm will have all the usual attractions available, including animal feeding, small animal holding, kiddies play area, picnic area and farm shop. Admission is always free. The farm will be open from 10.00am to 3.00pm. Anyone that mentions BBC Radio Nottingham will receive a free tea or coffee.

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

The UK's newest cavalry museum displays the historic collections of The Queen's Royal Lancers, the Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry and the South Nottinghamshire Hussars. These fascinating collections are of national importance and are

displayed together for the first time in the newly renovated wing of Thoresby Courtyard. Open 10.30am to 4.30pm (last entry 4.00pm).

Vina's Dolls Gallery, The Old Rectory, Great North Road, Cromwell, Newark, Nottinghamshire, NG23 6JE

This museum houses a large collection of dolls dating from the 18th century to the present day. The collection is brought together in a late 17th century Dower house and former Rectory, which is itself of considerable interest. Also on display are Vina Cooke's own handmade portrait dolls which include Robin Hood, members of the Royalty (past and present), and stars from stage and screen. Open 10am to 4.30pm.

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

The museum, off Bramcote Lane in Wollaton, was built circa 1565 to house the doves for Wollaton Hall. There are no doves still there now, but this interesting building is a small two storey Elizabethan dovecote, which now houses the Museum of Wollaton Life. The museum is opening especially for the Big Day Out between 2.00pm and 5.00pm with a guided walk round the village at 3.00pm. Refreshments will be served.

Wollaton Hall Natural History Museum, Nottingham, NG8 2AE

The museum is set in an Elizabethan mansion located in a 500 acre deer park. Daily tours of the hall give you a chance to see behind the scenes, such as the Tudor kitchens or the beautiful Prospect Room with views over the natural landscape. Stylish courtyard café on-site. Car Parking charges apply. For more information call 0115 915 3900.

