

Intriguingly creative

Hebden Bridge is a small market town nestled in the heart of the Yorkshire Pennines... with a difference.

From the old stone bridge that gives the town its name, look across a roofscape of old coaching

inns and Victorian chapels, up to the distinctive doubledecker houses ascending steep valley sides, and then to the woods and moors beyond. There are cafes galore, little independent shops, art galleries - in the evening pubs and restaurants, our historic Picture House and the famous Trades Club music venue - wavy steps onto the Hebden Water where you can feed the ducks, opportunities for many walks and bike rides, and hundreds of quirky stone steps - where do they lead?

WINNER OF 2016 GREAT BRITISH HIGH STREET AWARD! - CALENDAR PACKED FULL OF FESTIVALS AND EVENTS!

Our award-winning 'Best Small Outdoor Market' is now four days a week (Thurs-Sunday); and your very first stop should be at our 'Best Visitor Information Centre in Yorkshire', by the canal marina **01422 843831** hebdenbridge@ybtbic.co.uk There's more information online at www.heartofthepennines.org.uk, and at www.hebdenbridge.co.uk/visitors where you can download this leaflet.

The best way to get here is by train (3-4 trains an hour from Manchester, Leeds and Lancashire).

So what are you waiting for?



Handmade Parade



Packhorse bridge



Arts Festival

Gibson Mill

Don't miss...

THE VISITOR CENTRE 2016 Award-winner and the best place for information and recommendations about where to go and what's on whilst you are here. Plenty of walking and cycling leaflets. Open every day 10am-5pm **01422 843831** hebdenbridge@ybtbic.co.uk

THE BRIDGE The magnificent old packhorse bridge built in 1510. Can you spot the old inscriptions on the bridge recording various repairs? This leads to...

THE BUTTRESS Steep cobbled old packhorse trail to Lancashire goes via Heptonstall. Climb up part of the way for fabulous views.

DOUBLE DECKER HOUSING These unusual tall houses cling to the hillsides; the other side of the top half opens onto a different street.

RAILWAY STATION A gem! A delightful café, & Friday-Saturday evenings pop up bar with live music. Don't miss the historic exhibitions in the waiting rooms. Spot the white & red roses in the canopy.

FUSTIAN KNIFE This sculpture in St George's Square commemorates the fustian industry which the town was internationally famous for. It's also a giant sundial set just to 'Hebden Bridge' time.

WORKING WATER WHEEL in Innovation Café Hebden Bridge Mill, St Georges Square. A mill has stood on this site since the 14th Century. An Archimedes screw on the river now generates electricity for the mill.

MILLENNIUM CLOCK (Opposite Town Hall) Astronomical style clock paid for by public subscription.

TOWN HALL Always has an art exhibition, and waterfront cafe terrace.

ROCHDALE CANAL Watch boats go through the lock on the aqueduct crossing the River Calder; look over the side for the curious carved head or take a...

BOAT TRIP on the Canal from Stubbing Wharf Pub.

www.hebdenbridgecruises.com

Advance booking only **07966 808717**.

CALDER HOLMES PARK Popular Skateboard Park, superb children's playground, outdoor exercise equipment and café.

MARINA The former canal basin built in 1893 now a great spot to watch boats & the noisy geese & ducks.

PICTURE HOUSE Community owned and entertaining the town since 1921; it retains many of its original features. The cinema hosts a mix of Art house and mainstream films. www.hebdenbridgepicturehouse.co.uk

MARKETS: Winner of the Best Small Outdoor Market award in 2015; now relocated next to St George's Square and 4 days a week (after Easter): food/general market - Thursday; bric-a-brac - Friday; local produce and arts & crafts - Saturday; local foods - Sundays.

THE TRADES CLUB Voted one of the best small music venues in the North. www.thetradesclub.com

THE LITTLE THEATRE An excellent local theatre. Try to catch ones of its shows. www.hebdentheatre.moonfruit.com

AND FROM HEBDEN IT'S SO EASY TO EXPLORE A LITTLE FURTHER:

HARDCASTLE CRAGS National Trust estate in a beautiful wooded valley with deep ravines, tumbling streams & waterfalls. At the heart is Gibson Mill a former cotton mill, now restored as interpretation centre & café. 2017 - **FREE** admission www.nationaltrust.org.uk/hardcastlecrag

HEPTONSTALL Delightful historic village full of interest including the world's oldest octagonal Methodist chapel. Museum open weekends April-October. Poet Sylvia Plath is buried in the new graveyard. Delicious tea room.

UP TO THE MOORS Save yourself the effort and catch a bus up to the 'Tops' where you can roam the moors. Or walk to Stoodley Pike, memorial to the end of the Napoleonic wars which dominates the southern horizon.

MYTHOLMROYD Explore the birthplace of Poet Laureate Ted Hughes, just down the valley. You can even stay in the house where he was born: www.theelmettrust.org/teds-house



Eat well, drink well

Hebden Bridge supports more cafes, pubs, and restaurants than many other much larger places - another ingredient for a great day out. And they're independent. NO Starbucks, NO Costa... just friendly local proprietors serving good coffee, tea, cakes, breakfasts, snack lunches and more. There are cafes in old mills, by the canal, in the park, along the river, everywhere. Many restaurants too, all reasonably priced but serving quality, often local ingredients: Italian, Thai, Greek, Turkish, Vegetarian, Indian, Fish and Chips, English. And plenty of stylish inns, now joined by a couple of micropubs.

Shop 'independently'

In place of the usual chain stores that dominate most towns the vast majority of shops in Hebden are independent local outlets often selling local produce and art works. That's why we've just won our 'Great British High Street' award. In Hebden Bridge you will find bookshops, record shops, comic shops, jewellery shops, antique shops, outdoor clothes shops, kitchen shops, lots of dress shops, many high quality charity shops, unusual gift shops not to mention decent butchers, bakers, greengrocers and wholefood stores. Buy local bread, local meat, local cheese, local veg.

Enjoy the art

You'll see art and creativity all around Hebden Bridge, especially at ArtsMill www.artsmill.org, and Snug www.snug-gallery.com; and there are always exhibitions in the Town Hall, and the Visitor Centre.

Annual festivals and events

HEPTONSTALL PACE EGG PLAY **APRIL 14TH**
Annual performance of traditional Easter play.

WORLD DOCK PUDDING CHAMPIONSHIP **APRIL 16TH**

ANNUAL CHARITY DUCK RACE **APRIL 17TH**
Will your lucky duck win on the Hebden Water?

PIANO FESTIVAL **APRIL 21ST-23RD**
www.hebdenbridgepianofestival.com

BURLESQUE FESTIVAL **APRIL 27TH-30TH**
www.hebdenbridgeburlesquefestival.co.uk

HEBDEN BRIDGE FOLK ROOTS FESTIVAL **MAY 12TH-14TH**
www.hebdenfolkroots.org

PENNINE SPRING MUSIC FESTIVAL **MAY 30TH-JUNE 3RD**
www.penninespringmusic.co.uk Heptonstall

HEBDEN BRIDGE BRASS BAND CONTEST **JUNE 18TH**

HEBDEN BRIDGE ARTS FESTIVAL **JUNE 23RD-JULY 2ND**
(CELEBRATING 'WATER')
www.hebdenbridgeartsfestival.co.uk

HANDMADE PARADE **JUNE 25TH**
www.handmadeparade.co.uk/hebden-bridge-parade

HEPTONSTALL FESTIVAL **JULY 1ST**
www.facebook.com/HepFest

OPEN STUDIOS **JULY 7TH-9TH**
www.hebdenbridgeopenstudios.org

VINTAGE CAR RALLY **AUGUST 5TH-6TH**
www.hebdenbridge-vintageweekend.org.uk

SOUTH PENNINE WALK & AND RIDE FESTIVAL **SEPTEMBER 9TH-24TH**
www.walkandridefestival.co.uk

CAMRA BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL **SEPTEMBER 28TH-30TH**
www.hxcalderdalecamra.org.uk (TBC)

HEBDEN BRIDGE DANCE FESTIVAL **OCTOBER 20TH-22ND**
www.facebook.com/HBdanceF

Just a few of our packed calendar of events; there's many more in the What's On listing at www.hebdenbridge.co.uk/events

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PICTURE HOUSE

Hebden Bridge Picture House is an independent, not-for-profit cinema dating back to 1921 presenting quality main releases alongside arthouse, world cinema, thought-provoking documentaries, plus a repertoire of old and new classics. Also presenting an accompanying programme of Q&As, special events and live cinema broadcasts.

The recently refurbished 1920s single screen cinema offers spacious seating, excellent value, friendly personal service coupled with great cinema technology.

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Walkers and cyclists are welcome in Hebden Bridge

Hebden Bridge became the first ever 'Walkers are Welcome' town 10 years ago, so muddy boots are accepted here. And race stages through the town during the Tour De France (2014) and Tour de Yorkshire (2015) have certainly put it on the cyclists' map. Many guides for walkers and cyclists are available at the Visitor Centre.

WALK: There's a full list of walks at www.hbwalkersaction.org.uk/self-guided-walks/ and www.heartofthepennines.org.uk/path-network You can walk in the National Trust's Hardcastle Craggs. And if you want something more leisurely catch any of our little buses up to the tops and then walk down. See bit.ly/2mBAAK8 for pictures of all those quirky stone steps.

CYCLE: along National Route 66 and the cycle paths along the valley; or if you fancy a challenge why not up Cragg Vale, England's longest continuous road climb: 5½ miles at an average gradient of 3%.



Getting here

TRAIN: Excellent rail connections from Manchester, Leeds, Bradford, Burnley make this the best way to get to Hebden Bridge. Arrive at our grade 2 listed historical station complete with its independent café. From here you can catch an onward...

BUS: Our network of little buses gets you easily up to the hilltop settlements and the moors. From Hebden there's a 10 minute service along the Upper Calder Valley/Halifax (Mon-Sat). Try the 500 service over the moors to Bronte's Haworth, and Worth Valley steam railway only 30 minutes away.

ONLINE INFORMATION: Search 'Yorkshiretravel.net'

FOOT OR CYCLE: The Pennine Way passes above the town and the new Pennine Way loop connects to the town. The Calder Valley Cycle Way comes through Hebden. Bikes can be hired at the railway station: see www.bikeandgo.co.uk.

CAR: Parking is well sign-posted (locations on this leaflet map). Look for the Long Stay signs.

COACH: Parking available in the layby adjacent to the marina (3 hour maximum stay).

BOAT: 24hr Canal moorings available.

Staying here

Don't just be a day tripper. You can stay over and enjoy the evening's entertainment, the bars and restaurants and the quiet of a country morning. Fit in that walk or pub lunch that you didn't get round to yesterday or explore a little further. Full list of accommodation - hotels, B&Bs, inns, hostels, self catering or camping - at www.hebdenbridge.co.uk/accommodation and www.heartofthepennines.org.uk or contact the Visitor Information Centre **01422 843831** hebdenbridge@ybtbic.co.uk

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