

WORCESTER HERITAGE WALK

1. MUSEUM OF ROYAL WORCESTER

Severn Street WRI 2ND 01905 21247

2. WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

8 College Yard WRI 2LA 01905 732900

3. FLOOD MARKS WALL

Watergate, on the river path

4. THE HIVE

The Butts WRI 2PB 01905 822866

5. THE INFIRMARY

University of Worcester City Campus, Charles Hastings Building Infirmary Walk WRI 3AS 01905 542373

6. WORCESTER CITY ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM

Foregate Street WRI IDT 01905 25371

7. WORCESTER GUILDHALL

High Street WRI 2EY 01905 722018

8. FRIAR STREET

9. THE COMMANDERY

Sidbury WRI 2HU 01905 361821

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GEORGE MARSHALL MEDICAL MUSEUM

Charles Hastings Education Centre, Worcestershire Royal Hospital WR5 IDD 01905 760738

ELGAR BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM

Crown East Lane, Lower Broadheath, Worcester WR2 6RH 01905 333224



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The walk starts in Severn Street, two minutes from the city centre, where the Museum of Royal Worcester nestles amidst the Victorian buildings that were home to the Royal Worcester factory and leads on to a journey through Historic Worcester.

1. MUSEUM OF ROYAL WORCESTER

Monday to Saturday, March to October, 10 am - 5 pm Monday to Saturday, November to February, 10 am - 4 pm Admission fee applies, includes free audio guide

The museum encompasses 250 years of the City's history and tells the story of Royal Worcester and its remarkable workforce. Customers placed orders from the four corners of the world and porcelain was so highly valued people often took it with them when they emigrated and so it became world renowned. Visit and admire the exquisite creations of highly skilled craftsmen and women, learn about the people behind the porcelain, industrial techniques and the factory community and Royal Worcester's famous customers. www.museumofroyalworcester.org

2. WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

Daily, 7.30 am - 6 pm

www.worcestercathedral.co.uk

The Cathedral, an inspirational site since the 7th century, is the final resting place of King John, two saints, a prince, a duke and a prime minister. Highlights in the cathedral are the magnificent stained glass, 11th century round chapter house and beautiful Norman crypt. Its musical heritage features through choral evensong, regular concerts and within the rare monastic manuscripts of the mediaeval library which can be viewed by appointment.

3. FLOOD MARKS WALL

This unassuming wall on the river path behind the Cathedral displays the severity of Worcester's floods since c.1700.

4. THE HIVE

Daily, 8.30 am – 10 pm

Opened in 2012, The Hive is Europe's first joint university and public library. It has a distinctive look, with seven upward-facing 'cones' and gold cladding, and has won several architectural prizes.

5. THE INFIRMARY

Monday to Friday, 9 am - 5 pm Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm

An interactive exhibition at the University of Worcester's City Campus combining history, science, art and technology to explore the medical stories of one of England's oldest infirmaries. Meet characters from the Infirmary, investigate medical technology, explore memories and occupations, share your thoughts, challenge your ideas of mental health, and compare health today to other times and places. www.worc.ac.uk/your-home/the-infirmary.html

6. WORCESTER CITY ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM

Monday to Saturday, 10.30 am - 4.30 pm

Situated in a stunning Victorian building, Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum is one of the oldest regional museums in the country. Collections include natural history, geology, archaeology and social history, art, and items from the Worcestershire Regiment and Yeomanry Cavalry. www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk

7. WORCESTER GUILDHALL

Monday to Saturday, 8.30 am – 4.30 pm

Admire the ornate façade of Worcester Guildhall as you walk down High Street. Built in 1721, this Grade I listed building was designed by Thomas White, a pupil of Sir Christopher Wren.

8. FRIAR STREET

Friar Street contains some of the oldest surviving buildings in the city, dating back to the thirteenth century. It is also the perfect place to stop for lunch, with a large selection of independent cafes and restaurants.

9. THE COMMANDERY

Tuesday – Saturday, 10 am – 5 pm Sunday, 1.30 pm – 5 pm

This Grade I listed property served as King Charles' II headquarters during The Civil War; the green space behind The Commandery is Fort Royal Hill, the site of the Battle of Worcester, which ended the Civil War.

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GEORGE MARSHALL MEDICAL MUSEUM

Monday to Friday, 9 am - 5 pm

Exploring the fascinating developments in medicine and health care over the past 250 years. Highlights include a collection of Victorian death masks and don't miss the reconstructed apothecary shop and operating theatre.

ELGAR BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM

Daily, 11 am - 5 pm Admission fee applies

Offering a fascinating insight into the life and work of Sir Edward Elgar, Britain's best loved composer, in the C19th cottage where he was born. Discover the beautiful cottage garden and rustic summerhouse. Explore Elgar's musical life in the Elgar Centre with the introductory video, touchscreen interactives and contemporary films alongside the main exhibitions. Visit to find out about the man behind the music with our unique collection of personal possessions, letters, furniture and manuscripts.