

Visit Thames



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recommends...

Great Days out with the kids

Are you looking for ideas for the school holidays, weekends or family get-togethers? Here are a few of our favourite places...

Cheap Days Out

Walking is a great way to spend a day with the family. Visit Thames has a selection of [12 walks](#) along the Thames Path from Cricklade to Molesey. They are suitable for all and buggies too.

There are some great **picnic spots** along the River, choose from pleasure grounds with play areas such as Runnymede Pleasure Grounds and Henley's Mill Meadows or hidden wildlife and scenic spots. At Chimney Meadows, near Bampton, West Oxon, the Thames Path runs between the river and a nature reserve and there are picnic tables near the entrance by Shifford Lock Cut.

Have you tried Geocaching? It's a free, fun way to explore [The Thames Path National Trail](#). It's a bit like a high-tech treasure hunt that anyone can join in.



HENLEY – Hobbs of Henley

www.hobbsofhenley.com

Tel: 01491 572035

- Take a 60 minute round river trip between Marsh Lock and Hambleden Lock
- Pack a picnic and enjoy an adventure on the river in a self drive boat. A selection of diesel, electric and Edwardian boats are available.
- Ideal for families are the 'Wildlife Watching' cruises. The River Thames wildlife was the inspiration for Kenneth Grahame's 'Wind in the Willow'. Bring your binoculars!
- Or start with something simple and take out a rowing boat. You can always imagine you're one of our Olympic champions...



Looking for ideas for a children's party? Why not book a Pirate cruise or a Swallows & Amazons cruise or even a Princess cruise and give your child a birthday party to remember with MyRiverCruising bit.ly/1t0TK6X

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WINDSOR – Historic & Royal Town

www.windsor.gov.uk

Tel: 01753 743900

- Windsor Castle
- French Brothers
- Windsor Racecourse
- Windsor Great Park
- Legoland
- Changing of the Guard
- Extreme Motion



HENLEY – Town of Festivals

www.southernoxfordshire.com/henley.php

Tel: 01491 578034

- River & Rowing Museum
- Hobbs of Henley
- Mill Meadows kid's park
- Marsh Lock for picnics
- Asquith's Teddy Shop
- Bagatelle Toys



WINDSOR – French Brothers



www.frenchbrothers.co.uk Tel: 01753 851900

- Take a 40 minute round cruise at Windsor and see the sights, Windsor Castle and Eton College or
- 45 minute cruise from Runnymede Pleasure Grounds on the 'Lucy Fisher', a replica Victorian paddle steamer.
- Runnymede to Hampton Court 29 May sails 9.15am

HENLEY – River & Rowing Museum



www.rrm.co.uk Tel: 01491 415642

- Explore the magical story of The Wind in the Willows through 3D models
- Join the Taylor Tug's under 5s club
- Ratty's Refuge is a water vole friendly garden
- Family Days with inclusive extra activities

OXFORD – Salters Steamers

www.salterssteamers.co.uk

Tel: 01865 243421

Public cruises are operated between Oxford and Staines and you can hire punts, day-boats and other small craft (from Oxford only) from an hour, a half day or a day.



LONDON & WINDSOR – London Kayak Tours

www.londonkayaktours.co.uk

Tel: 0845 4532002

Kayaking tours in Windsor and London from an hour including tuition. **SPECIAL OFFER**
Windsor Kayak 1 Hour Tour - includes basic instruction (2-4-1 Special Offer).



Lots more great family days out:

- Bisham - Bisham Abbey Sailing www.bishamabbeyssailing.co.uk/dinghy-sailing/junior-courses
- Taplow - Cliveden National Trust Gardens www.nationaltrust.org.uk/cliveden
- Datchet - Kris Cruisers www.kriscruisers.co.uk
- Reading - MyRiverCruising www.myrivercruising.com
- Marlow - Longridge Activity Centre www.longridge.org.uk
- Reading - Thames Rivercruise www.thamesrivercruise.co.uk
- Henley – Henley Canoe Hire www.henleycanohire.com
- Marlow - www.wycombe.gov.uk/council-services/council-and-democracy/council-offices/marlow-information-centre.aspx

For more information: www.visitthames.co.uk/inspiration-and-ideas/family-fun