



# Industrial Connections, Past & Present



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# Plymouth

Plymouth, Britain's Ocean City, is one of Europe's most vibrant waterfront cities, with so much to explore. There's something for every traveller to experience in this historic city, however long you have to stay.

Visit the Barbican and Sutton Harbour for quaint cobbled streets, a picturesque harbour and wealth of independent shops and restaurants. History fans should stop by the Mayflower Steps.

Learn all about the departure of the Pilgrims on the Mayflower ship, who sailed from the UK to the US in 1620 in search of religious freedom.

A short walk from this historic heart of the city is Plymouth Hoe – to describe it as a park doesn't do it justice.

The Hoe is home to the striking red-and-white striped former lighthouse, Smeaton's Tower, the art-deco, open-air swimming pool Tinside Lido.



Smeaton's Tower

## Getting here

### 🚗 Arriving by car

- Drive time from London is around 4 hours.
- Drive time from Manchester is around 4.5 hours.
- Drive time from Cardiff is around 2.5 hours.

### 🚆 Arriving by train

Plymouth is easily accessible by train. Travelling from London takes around 3 hours with Great Western Railway, if you're coming from the north, the trip from Manchester can take 5 hours 15 minutes.

### 🚢 Arriving by ferry

You can sail by cruise-ferry to Plymouth from France and Spain. Brittany Ferries run regular services from Roscoff in Brittany and from Santander in Northern Spain to the ferryport at Millbay – close to the city centre and waterfront.

### ✈️ Arriving by air

There are 3 airports within an easy distance of Plymouth. These are Bristol, Exeter and Newquay.

## Industrial attractions to visit

### The Box

The Box is a major new cultural and heritage attraction. With a series of amazing permanent galleries filled with objects you'll be able to discover the city's human history, natural history, art, media, photographic and archive collections.

You won't be able to miss the striking naval figureheads, all lovingly restored. Once built to adorn the bows of naval warships, these icons of maritime history are suspended in a huge sweep in The Box's main entrance space. One of the first exhibitions at The Box will be 'Mayflower 400: Legend and Legacy' a major show that explores the myths and uncovers new meanings connected to the Mayflower's epic journey in 1620.

Travel trade tours include The Box Highlights, Tour, The Mayflower Experience and many other bespoke tours which can be tailor made for your group.

[www.theboxplymouth.com](http://www.theboxplymouth.com)



The Box

### Plymouth Gin

Black Friars Distillery, the working home of Plymouth Gin since 1793, is the oldest working gin distillery in England and is situated in the heart of the historic port city of Plymouth.

The building dates back to the early 1400's with the oldest part of the building – the Refectory, a medieval hall with a fine hull-shaped timber roof, dating back to 1431.

Take a guided tour and learn about the art of making the world-famous Plymouth Gin, enjoy a tutored tasting of the range and then relax in the Refectory cocktail lounge – the ultimate place to enjoy a cocktail and where the Pilgrims are said to have spent their last night before setting sail in the Mayflower to the New World.

Pre booking for groups essential

<https://www.plymouthgin.com/en-EN>



Plymouth Gin

### A visit or a Walking Tour of Royal William Yard

Royal William Yard is an award-winning Grade I listed ex-naval victualling yard. Superbly located between the River Tamar and Plymouth Sound, Royal William Yard provides breath-taking views and a great place to live or base your business.

It boasts an array of both local and more widely known eating and drinking experiences.



Royal William Yard

Take a stroll along the famous South West Coast Path and descend the stunning steps from Devils Point into the Yard. There is an on-site marina offering berthing and a regular ferry service as well as stand up paddle boarding which launches from Firestone Arches.

Royal William Yard is steeped in history. There is a different story to be told around every corner you turn and in every building you see.

Why not take one of our regular history tours to learn more about its fascinating history. Keep an eye out in the events section for when the next tours are happening.

<https://royalwilliamyard.com/relax-and-play/history-tours>

### Key events in Plymouth

#### Armed Forces Day

As a proud military city Plymouth hosts an annual Armed Forces Day event to celebrate the links with its military personnel. Find out more at [www.visitplymouth.co.uk](http://www.visitplymouth.co.uk)

### Accommodation in Plymouth

#### Crowne Plaza Hotel

[www.crowneplaza.com/crowneplaza/plymouth](http://www.crowneplaza.com/crowneplaza/plymouth)

#### Jurys Inn – 247 bedroom

[www.jurysinn.com/plymouth](http://www.jurysinn.com/plymouth)

#### Duke of Cornwall – 72 bedrooms

[www.dukeofcornwall.co.uk](http://www.dukeofcornwall.co.uk)

#### New Continental – 99 bedrooms

[www.newcontinental.co.uk](http://www.newcontinental.co.uk)

### Food and Drink at Royal William Yard

Royal William Yard has a well deserved reputation as the place to come and eat, there's something to tempt you back time and time again. Alternatively if it's refreshment you're after they have got it covered, with everything from fine wines or healthy juices to great local beers and cocktails.

<https://royalwilliamyard.com/eat-and-drink>



For more information on places to stay, things to see and do and events in Plymouth, please visit [www.visitplymouth.co.uk](http://www.visitplymouth.co.uk)



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