

Herefordshire

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GREAT COMBO DESTINATIONS FOR RAIN OR SHINE DAY TRIPS



Chase Distillery & Pensons Michelin Star Restaurant

Prepare for a real gourmet experience at Pensons, on the Netherwood Estate, where much of the produce and ingredients comes from for their Michelin Star dishes. The move on just 25 minutes across beautiful countryside to discover the fascinating story of artisan gin and vodka makers Chase Distillery. Go behind the scenes to see and sample the process of their single estate beverages that are produced literally from the family farm to bottle on-site.



Oakchurch & Brobury House and Gardens

Billing themselves as the 'Harrods of Herefordshire' Oakchurch Farm Shop is a huge emporium of gourmet goodies from local producers, as well as their own ranges and fantastic meat counter. The garden centre, fashion departments, toys and gift sections and restaurant are well worth the visit. Only 5 minutes away by car is Brobury House and Gardens. No matter what time of year Brobury is open and welcomes you to its terraced lawns and stunning borders and ponds, with easy walkways and handy benches for your picnic bites.



Kentchurch Court & Ty Gwyn Cider

Nestled in Herefordshire's Golden Valley, marvel at the Domesday Book history of Kentchurch Court and its 5000 acre estate, gardens and deer park. Still the seat of the Scudamore family, owner Jan Lucas-Scudamore will take you on a tremendous tour of this special property. Pop just 3 miles down the road and learn the art of Herefordshire cider making at Ty Gwyn. Of course you'll need to sample several ciders to identify the different fruits and methods used, so it's handy they have their own cider shop and bar too.



Hampton Court Castle & Queenswood

Theatrically presented inside and with beautiful state rooms and bedrooms, Hampton Court Castle has everything on your fairytale tour list; The Maze ends in a tower lookout, the water garden lets you walk behind the waterfall, the vast terraced rose and sunken gardens are staged with pergolas to sit in and there's a lovely café too. Just 3 miles away is the stunning Queenswood arboretum and country park. Perfect for picnics, family days and dog-friendly, Queenswood's stunning year round appeal is dotted with activities, but you can do the Gruffalo trail and go to the incredible viewpoint any time.



Golden Valley Llamas & Battlelands

The beautiful Golden Valley area is the perfect location for a wonderful trek with the Llamas at Old King Street Farm. This whole experience is unforgettable as you get hands on catching, grooming, feeding and walking with these genteel cousins of the camel. Stay with the outdoor theme just a few miles up the road at Battlelands and try your hand at clay pigeon and laserclay shooting, paintball and splatmaster (for younger players). Both activities are great for groups or smaller numbers.



Eastnor Castle & Eastnor Pottery

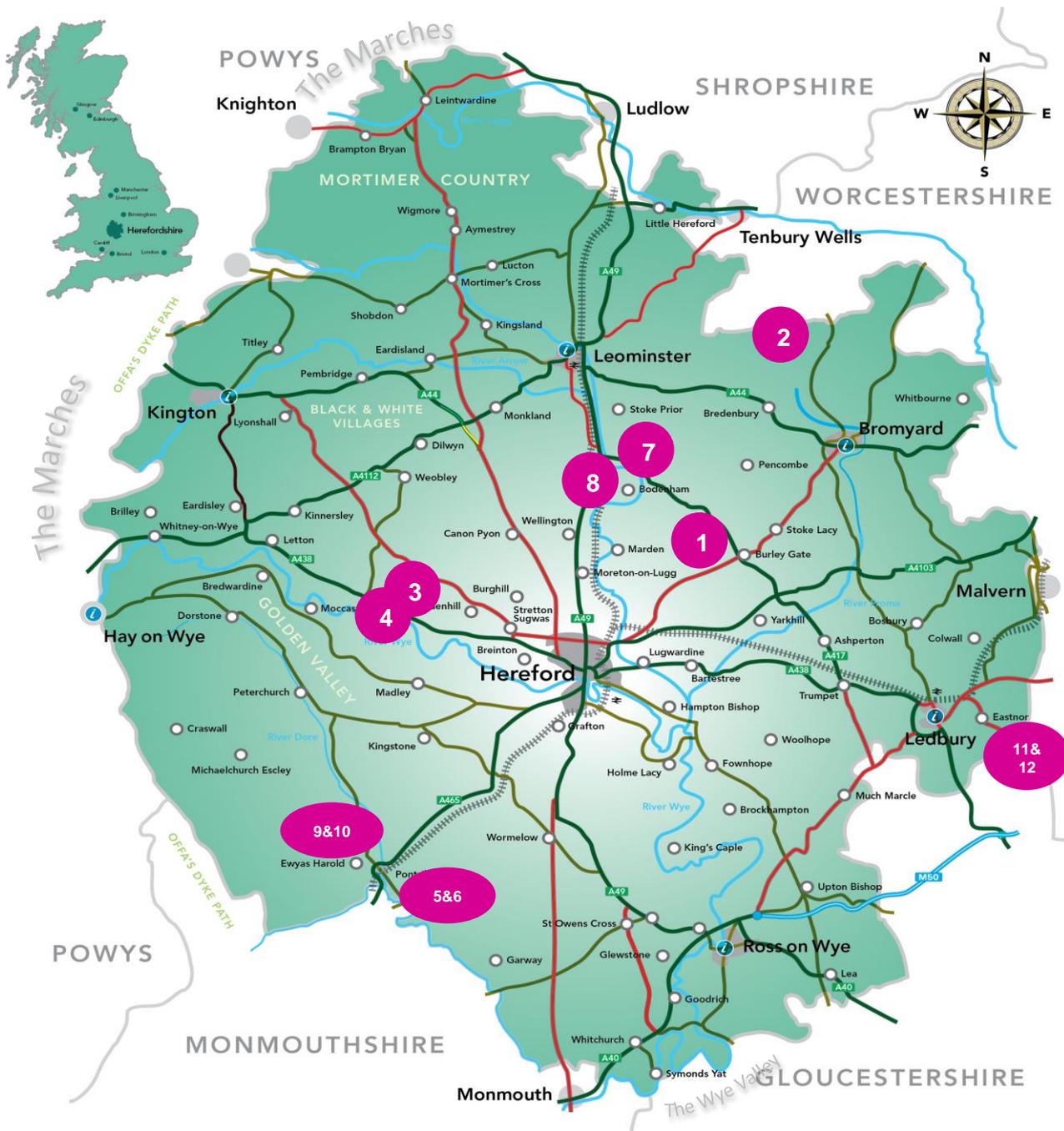
Still the home of the Hervey-Bathursts after 200 years Eastnor Castle is in fact not much older than that. But, built in Norman revival style, it certainly plays its part for authentic drama and dressing. Time your visit around their various events, or just walk the beautiful arboretum and lake, and visit the deer park. The vast Eastnor estate is also home to the brilliant Eastnor Pottery. This rustic building is where you'll find your hidden talent for making masterpieces out of clay, or perhaps just an ashtray or a plant saucer. A session here is truly unforgettable and you'll have a piece of your own artistry as a memento



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2. Pensons Restaurant Stoke Bliss, Worcestershire, WR15 8RT pensons.co.uk
3. Oakchurch Farm Shop Brecon Road, Staunton on Wye, Hereford HR4 7NH oakchurch.net
4. Brobury House and Gardens Bredwardine, HR36BS broburyhouse.co.uk
5. Kentchurch Court Pontrilas, Hereford, HR2 0DB kentchurchcourt.co.uk
6. Ty Gwyn Cider Pen Y Lan, Pontrilas, Herefordshire HR2 0DL tygwyncider.co.uk
7. Hampton Court Castle Hope Under Dinmore, Leominster, Herefordshire HR8 IRL hamptoncourtcastle.co.uk
8. Queenswood Country Park Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 0PY queenswoodandbodenhamlake.org
9. Golden Valley Llamas Ewyas Harold, Herefordshire HR2 0HB llamasllamas.co.uk
10. Battlelands Middle Cefn Farm Ewyas Harold Herefordshire HR2 0JH battlelands.co.uk
11. Eastnor Castle Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 IRL eastnorcastle.com
12. Eastnor Pottery Home End Farm, Eastnor, Ledbury HR8 IRD eastnorpottery.co.uk