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# EXPLORE

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**Alvaston Hall & Cheshire**  
Discover our hotel and the outdoors

### **Place to visit**

Situated right next to Nantwich, Alvaston Hall is the perfect base for exploring the town's famous architecture, but our neighbouring towns and cities are all worth a visit in their own right. Famous for its independent retailers and restaurants, there are a number of unique places to visit in Cheshire and we've picked out a few of our favourites for you.

### **Things to do**

Our team have selected just a few of our local 'hidden gems', the things to do in Cheshire that might not be immediately obvious when consulting the guidebooks. From locally sourced ice cream to a family-run farm, this is the secret side of Cheshire, so why not book your stay at Alvaston Hall, come on in and enjoy some of the area's best-kept secrets, chosen by those who know it best? Keep an eye out for our 'Warner Recommends' banner – that means our team are agreed that it's a must-see destination.



# THE BEST OF OUR GROUNDS AND GARDENS

A cursory look at our grounds will reveal pristine flowerbeds, easy walking routes and a gently trickling stream. But look a little closer and you'll find some hidden treasures – we asked our team to pick three of the best for you:



## **War memorial**

Dedicated to six brave bomb disposal engineers who sadly lost their lives in 1940. An enemy bomber jettisoned his load over Nantwich, and after successfully defusing two of the bombs with just pliers and screwdrivers the third exploded prematurely. Lest we forget.

## **Secret garden and wildlife meadow**

Our gardens are home to many a hidden treasure but if we had to pick one, we'd pick our secret garden. It's so peaceful you'd never believe a bustling hotel was just metres away, perfect for a quiet day spent watching the world go by.



# TOWNS AND CITIES

With Nantwich on our doorstep, and Chester not far away, there are plenty of places of historical interest, architectural beauty, and of course some excellent retail therapy to choose from.

## Nantwich

Nantwich is famous for its high concentration of Tudor and Georgian architecture (as well as hosting the annual International Cheese Awards), and also boasts a plethora of jewellery boutiques, antique dealerships and craft stores.



CW5 5DG  
6-minute drive



Pay & Display  
readily available



## Chester City

The Chester city walls have stood since medieval times, and still form an almost complete circle around the city. Venture within and you'll find cobbled streets, a Roman Amphitheatre, 1000-year-old cathedral, and of course the world-famous Chester Rows for shopping, dining and drinking.



CH3 5QD  
33-minute drive



Pay & Display  
readily available

## Warrington

Warrington's busy town centre is packed with shops and restaurants, while Warrington Market is home to over 50 independent traders selling food, jewellery, clothes, Fairtrade products and even musical instruments.



WA1 2TA  
46-minute drive



Pay & Display  
readily available



## Liverpool

Visit the birthplace of The Beatles, home of the Cavern Club, Albert Docks, historic architecture and the famous "Ferry 'cross the Mersey".



70-minute drive

# OPEN SPACES

There's nothing like spending the day in the great outdoors, and we're lucky enough to have some of the country's best open spaces dotted around Alvaston Hall.

## Queens Park

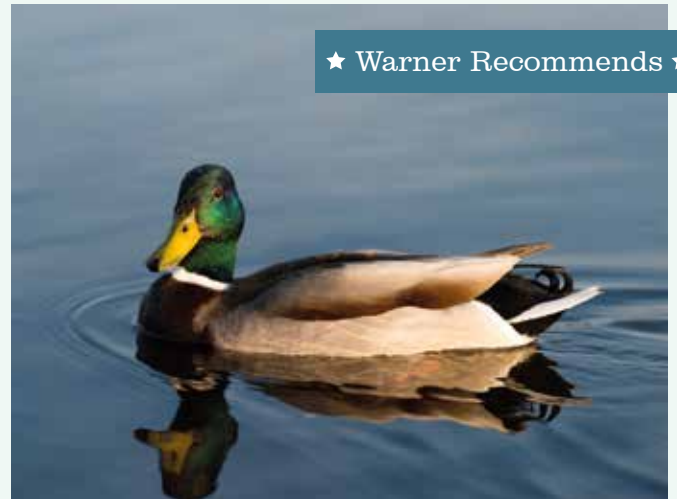
A National Heritage site, Queens Park is a wide-open green space with an ornamental lake in the centre. With a man-made waterfall, gentle fountains, stone statues and a Victorian clock tower, this easy-to-get-to parkland is perfect for a quiet summer's day.



CW2 7JS  
10-minute drive



Free parking  
available



## Trentham Gardens

Stretching across 725 acres (as big as Monaco), Trentham Gardens features a floral labyrinth, award-winning Italian gardens, natural grasslands, Trentham lake (one mile long and designed by Capability Brown) and the ruins of the old Trentham Hall.



ST4 8JG  
30-minute drive



8am – 4pm



Free parking

## Tatton Park

Bigger than New York's Central Park, Tatton Park boasts 50 acres of landscaped gardens, 1,000 acres of flat parkland where red and fallow deer roam, woodland areas and meres, all in the shadow of the Mansion, open to visitors Wed – Sun.



WA16 6QN  
40-minute drive



10am – 6pm  
Entry up to £8pp



£7 per car



# LOCAL FLAVOUR

We asked our team to recommend some of Cheshire's hidden gems and they didn't disappoint. Below you'll find antiques, animals, a boat lift, and some of the tastiest ice cream around.

## Anderton Boat Lift

One of only two working boat lifts in the UK (and a lot closer to Alvaston than Falkirk), the Cathedral of the Canals won 'experience of the year' in 2019, with its accompanying visitors centre and coffee shop situated right next to the Anderton Nature Park.



CW9 6FW  
35-minute drive



## Dagfields Crafts & Antiques

The largest crafts and antiques centre in the North West, Dagfields is home to over 250 dealers and 25 craft workshops. Homemade food is served in the tea rooms and restaurant, so you could spend the whole day here (although even then you might not make it round every shop).



CW5 7LG  
15-minute drive



10am – 5pm



Free parking



## Cotebrook Shire Horses

Between 20 and 30 horses inhabit Cotebrook at any given time, and form the centrepiece of a truly unique day out. Learn all about the history of Shires from Alistair and Janet King, who together have been breeding champion horses for over 50 years.



CW6 9DP  
22-minute drive



10am – 5pm



Free parking



## Arley Hall

Created over the course of 250 years, the gardens at Arley Hall feature a daffodil and wild flower meadow, walled garden, lime avenue, scented garden, and of course the stately home itself, with a grand staircase, intricate stained glass windows and grand hall.



CW9 6NA  
45-minute drive



Opening times  
restricted  
during winter  
– please visit their  
website for details



£2 parking



### ★ Warner Recommends ★



## Snugburys

Started by parents Chris and Cheryl, and now run by their three daughters Hannah, Kitty, and Cleo, Snugburys ice cream has become a local icon. They offer almost 40 flavours, with a dedicated on-site kitchen making fresh ingredients for that unique Snugburys flavour.



CW5 6BU  
10-minute drive



10am – 6pm



Free parking  
Drive-thru  
option