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**Thoresby Hall & Nottinghamshire**

Discover our hotel and the outdoors



### **Places to visit**

With some of the best places to visit in Nottinghamshire just a few minutes from Thoresby Hall, we asked our local team to recommend some of their favourites, and they didn't disappoint! From a millennia-old cathedral to boutique shopping hubs, with so much on offer you'd be forgiven for feeling spoiled for choice.

### **Things to do**

Getting out and about around Thoresby Hall couldn't be easier, surrounded by parklands and the trees of Sherwood Forest. Travel slightly further afield and you'll be treated to some of the best locations and things to do in Nottinghamshire, including the adrenaline-fuelled Sherwood Pines and the historic limestone formations of Cresswell Crag.





# THE BEST OF OUR GROUNDS AND GARDENS

Our grounds are as beautiful as anything else Nottinghamshire has to offer, so we've picked out three of the best things to see in the gardens of Thoresby Hall:

## **Victorian Rose Garden**

Our rose garden boasts 25 varieties of roses dating from 1100 to the 2000s, including our very own Thoresby rose that's unique to our grounds. If you're visiting us between July and November, it's a must-see (and a must-smell) destination.



## **Thoresby's Tallest Tree**

Standing a quite incredible 100 feet tall, this towering Douglas fir is the tallest tree in Thoresby Hall's grounds. You'll find it on the winding path that leads to our rose garden, a nice, easy stroll for all levels of walker.

## **Old House East Side View**

Lovingly restored to their historic glory during the 1990s, our wrought-iron gates were featured in the 1999 BBC production of 'Great Expectations', and now form one of the most iconic photo ops Thoresby has to offer!



# A MIX OF INDOORS AND OUTDOORS

One thing we can't promise here at Thoresby is that the sun will be shining for every day of your break, but these attractions are perfect for all kinds of weather:

## Nottingham Arboretum

Opened in 1852, Nottingham's oldest park is the immaculately maintained home of over 800 trees, with peaceful walking trails just a stone's throw from the bustling city centre. It takes just over an hour to circle the mostly-flat park, with just a couple of inclines in places.



NG7 4HF  
40-minute drive



10am – 4.30pm  
daily



Local car parks  
available



## Southwell

A centuries-old cathedral, stone carvings so intricate they've had poems written about them, the most complete historic workhouse standing today, family-run tea rooms, and the home of the Bramley apple, celebrated with its own festival every October – you might need more than just one day in Southwell.



NG25 OHQ  
28-minute drive



Free parking  
for 2hrs at  
Church Street,  
NG25 OHQ

## Edwinstowe

Only 10 minutes' walk from Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre, the medieval village is home to the church of St. Mary where Robin Hood married Maid Marian. This vibrant and busy destination offers many craft shops selling handmade chocolates, vintage fabrics, jewellery, plus several restaurants and pubs.



NG21  
7-minute drive



Free parking at  
Mansfield Road,  
NG21 9NJ





# WIDE OPEN SPACES

If you've come to Nottinghamshire for a breath of fresh air, these outdoors places to visit will be right up your street:

## Thoresby Park and Courtyard

A courtyard featuring boutique jewellery and craft shops, plus over 1,000 acres of picturesque English countryside less than a two-minute walk from the hotel – not that we're boasting.



NG22 9EP  
2-minute walk



9am – 4:30pm  
daily



## Sherwood Forest

Sherwood Forest is most famous for the Major Oak tree, legendary home of Robin Hood that produces 150,000 acorns every year, but it's also Europe's largest collection of ancient oaks and features woodland walking routes for all fitness levels.



NG21 9QB  
8-minute drive



10am – 5pm  
(Nov – Feb  
10am – 4.30pm)



£4 all day

## Sherwood Pines

Perfect for thrill-seekers – the Sherwood Pines visitor centre focuses on tree climbing and zip wires, but there's also plenty of unspoilt, natural forest to explore at your own pace just off the beaten track.



NG21 9JL  
16-minute drive



8am – 6pm  
(winter)  
8am – 10pm  
(summer)



£2 for 1 hour,  
£4 for 2 hours,  
£6 all day.  
Card payment  
accepted



## Rufford Abbey Country Park

Just over two miles from Thoresby Hall, the almost 900-year-old Rufford Abbey is home to leafy woodland, a wildlife meadow, formal gardens dotted with modern sculptures, and a 250-year-old man-made lake. The grounds are largely flat, ideal for a casual stroll.



NG22 9DF  
13-minute drive



10:30am - 5pm  
Closed on  
Sunday



£4 all day

★ Warner Recommends ★



## Vicar Water Country Park

With woodland, grassland, heathland, a stream, a lake, and a duck pond, the walking routes of Vicar Water are suitable for all fitness levels. Keep your eyes peeled for a huge range of wildlife, with goldfish, woodpeckers, kingfishers, and even lizards dotted around the park.



NG21 9AA  
16-minute drive



9am – 8pm



Parking £1  
voluntary  
donation



## Clumber Park

The grade I listed gardens of Clumber Park feature the longest lime tree avenue in Europe, a Gothic Revival-style chapel, four-walled kitchen garden, and easy walking routes across pristine parkland. The ornamental bridge has just completed a two-year restoration and almost glows in the sunshine.



S80 3AZ  
12-minute drive



9am – 5pm



Parking charges  
apply with a  
£5 entry fee





## Creswell Crags

From quick strolls to day-long hikes, the limestone gorge of Creswell Crags and its caves have been a popular destination for humans and Neanderthals for over 40,000 years. The museum features fossils of spotted hyena, woolly rhinoceros, and even lions that once inhabited this historic tourist spot.



S80 3LH  
17-minute drive



10am – 4:30pm



£4 all day

