

Rural areas of White Cliffs Country also have some very worthwhile sites to visit; these are just a few – from Gardens to Museums, Memorials to steam engines and preserved stations.



Goodnestone Park Gardens

CONSIDERED to be one of the best gardens in the South East, with 14 acres including a woodland area and walled garden. Fine trees, large collection of roses and herbaceous plants. Connections with Jane Austen who frequently visited. One of only 3 gardens in Kent to be awarded the coveted 2 Stars by the Good Gardener's Guide. House tours are also available.

Opening Hours: 11.00 to 17.00 Wednesdays to Sundays from 22nd March - 7th October.
Enquiries: Tel/Fax 01304 840107. Email: fitzwalter@btinternet.com
Website: www.goodnestoneparkgardens.co.uk

Location: Near Wingham, Canterbury, Kent.



Battle of Britain Memorial

A MEMORIAL to the Allied aircrew of the Battle of Britain. Opened in July 1993, the Memorial is in the shape of a giant three-bladed propeller carved into the ground with the statue of a lone airman sitting on the propeller-boss looking out to sea. Carved on the boss, are the Squadron badges of the RAF units which took part in the battle. A black granite wall lists 3000 aircrew who took part; close by sit full scale models of a Hawker Hurricane and Supermarine Spitfire. There is a Visitor Centre with souvenirs and refreshments. The site is open daily April 1st. to Sept. 30th. 11:00 -17:00. Admission is FREE, but donations are very welcome. Coach groups welcome all year, but contact Mrs Lynn Hall, Site Director, on 01303 253286, beforehand. Location: Capel-le-Ferne, Nr. Dover



Battle of Britain Museum

THE MUSEUM has UK's largest collection of Battle of Britain artefacts: aircraft, vehicles, weapons, flying equipment and prints. Relics from 600 crashed aircraft. Beverages, snacks and shop. FREE Parking.

Groups very welcome, but please phone for opening times, rates etc. on 01303 893140. www.kbobm.org.uk
kentbattleofbritainmuseum@btinternet.com
Location: Aerodrome Rd, Hawkinge, Nr. Dover



East Kent Railway

The Railway was originally constructed to carry coal from the local mines; it now carries people from the idyllic station at Shepherdswell, through the Kent Countryside to the village of Eythorne, on historic trains. There is also a buffet, shop, miniature railway, picnic area and museum.

Opening Hours: Station at Shepherdswell open all year for static viewing from 11.00am-3pm except Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. Trains operate an hourly service on Sundays & Bank holidays from Easter to September departing Shepherdswell 1130 to 1530. Santa Specials run on December weekends and there are Halloween Ghost Trains in October.

Groups very welcome, but please telephone 01689 876023 beforehand.
Website: www.eastkentrailway.com Location: Shepherdswell, Near Dover.



Elham Valley Railway Museum:

The South Eastern and Chatham Railway Company started building the Railway in 1884; now you can step back in time to the 1930's.

If you love the Golden Age of the Railways, this is the place to come – with or without the children.

Trains, memorabilia, gardens and artefacts.

See the model (in N gauge) of the service and route as it was in 1930, complete with stations, sidings, level crossings etc.

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Web-site: www.elhamvalleylinetrust.org

Location: Peene, just off junction 12 of the M20.