



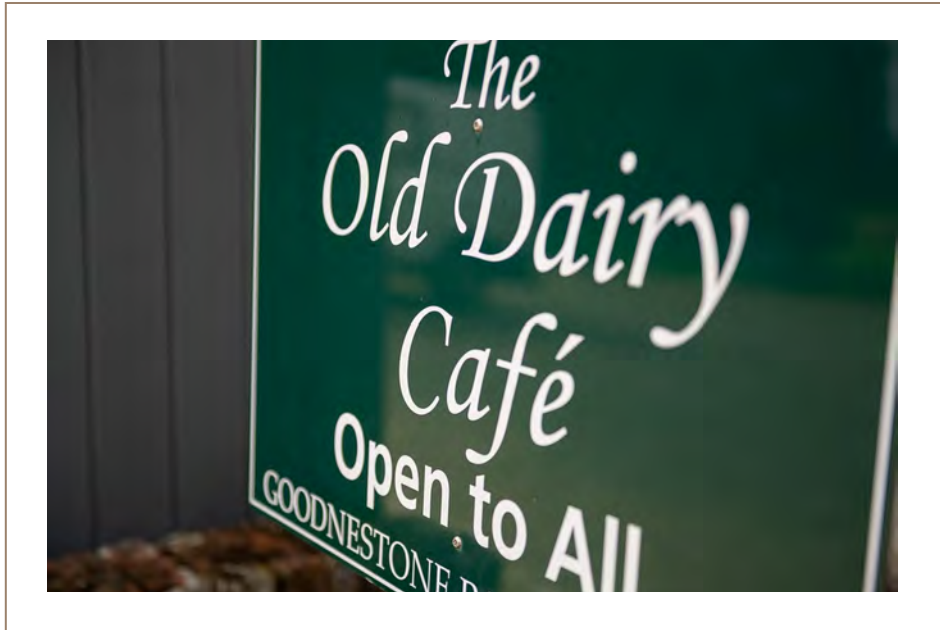
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THINGS TO DO NEAR GOODNESTONE

There are plenty of things to do near Goodnestone but before you leave make sure to drop into the Old Dairy Café for bite to eat.

The Old Dairy café is located at the entrance and serves a range of snacks, drinks and lunches.

From April to September the Café is open all week 10am–4pm. Between October and March the Café is open Thursday to Sunday 10am–4pm.



CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL

Visit Canterbury's world-famous cathedral, the seat of the Archbishop of Canterbury and home to the shrine of Thomas Becket.

Just 20 minutes from Goodnestone Park, visits to the cathedral are priced at £10 for adults with under-18s free.

The cathedral is open for visits Monday-Saturday 10am-4pm and Sundays 12.30-4pm.

To find out more, visit www.canterbury-cathedral.org/visit.

RIVER TOURS AND PUNTING

Enjoy a tour along the River Stour in Canterbury, and see the sights of the historic city from a different angle. Lasting 45 minutes and running daily 10am-5pm, tickets cost £12.50 for adults, £11.50 for seniors and £7 for children. Contact 01227 379600 or info@canterburyrivertours.co.uk to find out more.

Punting tours are also available with private tours happening daily 10am-8pm. Private tours cost £16 for adults, £14 for concessions and £9 for children. To find out more, contact 01227 464797 or ashley@canterburypunting.co.uk.





CASTLES

Leeds Castle is known as 'the loveliest castle in the world' and is set amid 500 acres of grounds and gardens. At just 45 minutes from Goodnestone Park, in Maidstone, it offers the perfect place for a day out.

Tickets cost £27 for adults, £25 for senior citizens and £18.50 for children (aged 4-15).

To find out more about visiting Leeds Castle, go to www.leeds-castle.com or contact 01622 765400.



Walmer Castle & Gardens in Deal, 30 minutes from Goodnesone Park, is a coastal castle with eight acres of award-winning gardens.

Open daily from 10am-5pm, garden tickets cost £13.90 for adults, £12.50 for concessions and £8.40 for children.

To find out more, call 0370 333 1181 or visit www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/walmer-castle-and-gardens.

Just 20 minutes from Goodnestone Park, the historic Dover Castle is teeming with history and offers some great views across the English Channel.

Open daily 10am-5pm, tickets cost £18.70 for adults, £16.90 for concessions and £11.30 for children.

To find out more, call 0370 333 1181 or visit www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/dover-castle.





CINEMA

There are a number of cinemas within close proximity to Goodnestone Park. The Curzon Cinema in Canterbury (20 minutes away) specialises in art house films, with adult tickets priced from £10. Visit www.curzoncinemas.com to find out more.

Ashford's new six-screen Picturehouse Cinema (35 minutes away) also has a wide variety of films on offer. Visit www.picturehouses.com for more information.

In summer, Leeds Castle hosts the open air Luna Cinema, with a seated pitch for two costing £36. To find out more visit thelunacinema.com/leeds-castle.



GALLERIES AND MUSEUMS

For those interested in visiting galleries and museums, there are many to choose from.

Perhaps most renowned is the Turner Contemporary in Margate (35 minutes from Goodnestone Park), one of the UK's leading art galleries, which is free entry for all.

Others include the Hornby Hobbies Visitor Centre in Margate, the Roman Museum and the Beaney House of Art and Knowledge in Canterbury.





MUSIC & THEATRE

Kent is home to many music venues and theatres. The Winter Gardens and Dreamland in Margate (35 minutes from Goodnestone Park) often host contemporary music events. Visit www.dreamland.co.uk/events to find out more.

For classical music, the Colyer-Fergusson in Canterbury (25 minutes away) regularly hosts concerts. To find out more, visit www.kent.ac.uk/music/whats-on.

For theatre, notable venues include the Marlowe Theatre in Canterbury that hosts a range of events, from Shakespeare to stand-up. Visit www.marlowetheatre.com to find out about upcoming events.



EATING OUT

There are plenty of places to eat out near Goodnestone Park. A few recommendations, all within 30 minutes of Goodnestone Park, include The Pig at Bridge Place near Canterbury, The Corner House in Canterbury and Rocksalt in Folkestone. The Fordwich Arms in the picturesque town of Fordwich. The Sportsman in Seasalter and the Whitstable Oyster Company in Whitstable are also well renowned.





SHOPPING

For shopping near Goodnestone Park, the Ashford Outlet is 40 minutes away, and has 85 stores and 14 restaurants, offering plenty to do.

Closer to Goodnestone Park, the Whitefriars shopping area in Canterbury offers an alternative. There are also several markets of interest nearby, with farmers market The Goods Shed situated by Canterbury West train station, Macknade Food Hall in Faversham and the Saturday Market in Deal.



BEACHES

Kent is home to many beautiful beaches, from the sandy dunes of Broadstairs with Joss Bay and Botany Bay (35 minutes from Goodnestone Park), to the pebbly beaches of Whitstable and Tankerton (20 minutes away), the ideal place to watch a sunset.

Other beautiful coastal locations to visit include Minnis Bay, Deal Beach and St Margaret's Bay in Dover.





ZOOS & ANIMAL PARKS

Howletts Wild Animal Park is just outside of Canterbury, 15 minutes from Goodnestone Park, and is home to the largest herd of African elephants in the UK, among many other species.

It is open daily 9.30am–5pm.

Port Lympne is in Hythe, 35 minutes away, and is Kent's largest wild animal park. It is open daily 9.30am–5.30pm.

Tickets at both parks cost £23.50 for adults, £20 for children (3–15 years), and are free for under 3s.

For more information, contact info@aspinallfoundation.org.

BARNSOLE VINEYARD

Barnsole is a boutique vineyard and winery in the village of Staple, just 5 minutes drive from Goodnestone Park

One of the oldest vineyards in Kent they sell English sparkling and still wines and offer tastings and tours.

Visitors can drop in for tastings without an appointment for a free tasting hosted by one of Barnsole's winemakers. Alternatively a more formal hourlong tour can be arranged in advance at £12 per person.

To find out more visit, www.barnsole.co.uk or call 07772300511



CHARTHAM VINEYARD

Chartham Vineyard is a family owned vineyard just 20 minutes drive from Goodnestone Park

With soils that match those of the terroir of the Champagne region of France, they offer free tastings in their Vineyard shop as well as guided tours and tastings to be booked in advance.

To find out more , visit
www.charthamvineyard.co.uk or
call 01233 813709



SIMPSONS WINE ESTATE

Simpsons Wine Estate is located in the North Downs of Kent just 10 minutes from Goodnestone Park.

Over the spring and summer months , the Estate is open for guests to explore Simpson's vineyards and taste their award winning wines.

With a number of tastings and tours on offer, visit www.simpsonswine.com or call 01227

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HELICOPTER FLIGHTS

Helicopter tours across Kent are available departing from Manston Airport in Ramsgate (30 minutes from Goodnestone Park) or Rochester Airport in Chatham (50 minutes away).

Sightseeing tours from Manston run the first weekend of each month and from Rochester the last weekend of each month.

Flights are priced from £99 per person.

Enjoy bird's-eye views of Kent, its countryside and coast.

To find out more, contact 01843 823 067 or visit www.polarhelicopters.co.uk.



CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING

Enjoy an afternoon of clay pigeon shooting at the nearby Greenfields Shooting Grounds (20 minutes from Goodnestone Park). A 75-acre site located in the Stour Valley, Greenfields has been the home of shooting in Kent for over 60 years.

Suitable for all levels of experience, prices for a group of at least 8 people start at £50 for 50 shots. The site is open 10am-1pm Wednesday-Saturdays, and 9.30am-12pm on Sundays.

To find out more, contact 01227 713222 or go to www.greenfieldsshooting.co.uk.

GOLF

For guests at Goodnestone Park interested in golf, there are a number of courses nearby, such as the Royal St George's Golf Club in Sandwich, just 15 minutes away.

One of England's best known links courses, prices for July-October 2020 are around £250 for 18 holes. To find out more, contact office@royalstgeorges.com or 01304 613090.

Leeds Castle Golf Club has a 9 hole pay and play course, costing £15 for adults on Weekdays and £19 at Weekends and Bank Holidays. Visit www.leeds-castle.com/golf for more information.





HORSE RIDING

For horse riding, the local Bokesbourne Stables or Bursted Manor offer a number of possibilities.

They can organise a hack or lesson for guests of all abilities, with Bursted Manor even offering beach rides.

For Bokesbourne Stables, contact 01227 830910 and for Bursted Manor, 01227 830568 or email@burstedmanor.co.uk.

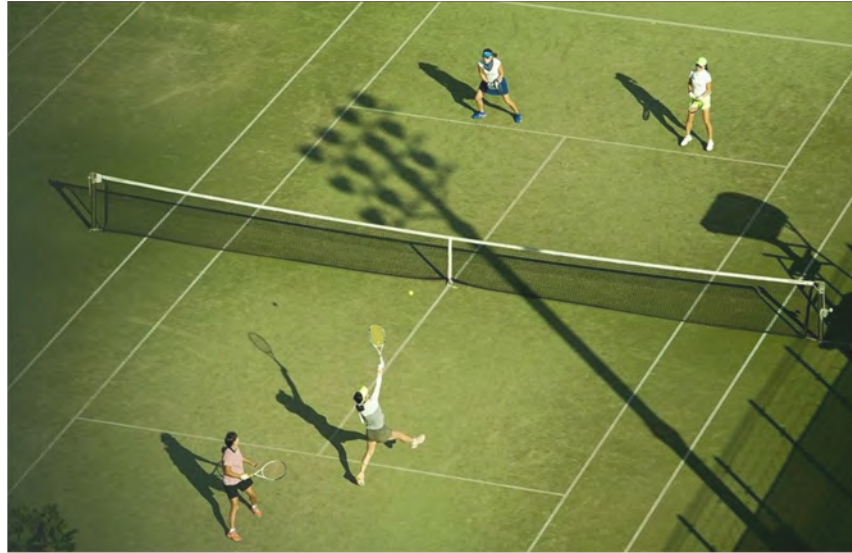
SWIMMING

There are a number of options near Goodnestone Park for those interested in swimming.

Active Life have swimming pools in Canterbury, Whitstable and Herne Bay, all within 35 minutes of Goodnestone Park. Prices for swimming for adults start at £5.30 for non-members.

Visit www.activelifeltd.co.uk to find out more.





TENNIS

If you fancy a game of tennis, The Appeti Tennis Centre is just 20 minutes away in Canterbury, offering courts for hire without requiring membership.

Indoor courts at off peak times can be hired for £18 an hour, at peak times for £22 an hour, with outdoor courts available from £8 an hour.

To find out more, contact 01227 767661 or visit www.appeti.com.



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