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# Fancy a "Ruddy Good Day Out"?

NCT has got together with Ruddington's village website **RUDDINGTON.info** to highlight the best things to see and do during a visit to this thriving and pretty South Nottinghamshire village.

Are you looking for rich local history? Do you enjoy strolling around a country park? How about browsing dozens of small independent shops and visiting somewhere you can come on your own or bring all the family? Maybe you'd like to stop off at a traditional tearoom, eat in a classy restaurant or just have a drink in one of the many pubs and bars? You could even play a round of golf? Ruddington has it all!

This popular village benefits from frequent Nottingham City Transport buses from the city on both the Navy 3 and Green 10 routes. With a Grouprider ticket, up to five people\* can hop on and off NCT buses together all day long from only £4.50\*\*. Even if you're travelling solo it's just £3.50. So it makes sense to leave the car at home! You can use the handy map on page 2 & 3 to plan your "Ruddy Good Day Out".

\* Minimum 1 adult, maximum 2 adults

\*\* Weekends, weekdays after 5pm and school holidays



# **Guide to Ruddington**

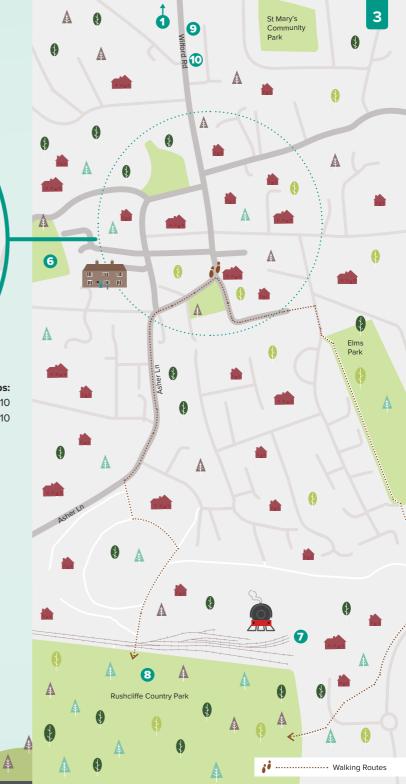


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## Key: Pubs & Bars

- The Ruddington Arms: Savages Road
  Navy 3
  The Victoria Tavern: Clifton Road
  Navy 3
- 1 Bar Six: Clifton Road Navy 3
- 12 The Red Lion: High Street Navy 3, Green 10
- 13 The Red Heart: Easthorpe Street Green 10
- The Three Crowns: Easthorpe Street Green 10
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### **Key: Ruddington Restaurants**

- 1 Ruddington Grange Golf Club: Grange Court Navy 3
- The Country Cottage Hotel: Easthorpe Street Green 10
- The Three Spices: Easthorpe Street
  Green 10
- Dhaka Delhi: High Street Navy 3, Green 10
- Gino's Ristorante: Chapel StreetNavy 3, Green 10

## **Key: Ruddington Tearooms/Delis**

- 21 Philo's Delicatessen: High Street Navy 3, Green 10
- Mathew's Café & Deli: High Street
  Navy 3, Green 10
- The Old Bakehouse Tearoom: Chapel Street
  Navy 3, Green 10

## **Key: Ruddington Takeaways**

- Happy Garden: Chapel Street
  Navy 3, Green 10
- 25 China City: Clifton Road Navy 3
- Dhaka Delhi: High Street
  Navy 3, Green 10
- The Three Spices: Easthorpe Street Green 10
- Ruddington Fish Bar: Church Street
  Navy 3, Green 10









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**Ruddington Grange Golf Club** Grange Court: Navy 3

Try out the 18 hole par 72 golf course - or just pop in for a drink and a meal. Since it was created in 1988, Ruddington Grange has acquired a reputation as one of Nottinghamshire's very best courses. It is open seven days a week and green fees start at just £10 per person.

**The Human Sundial** Ruddington Green: Navy 3, Green 10

Children in particular love this clever, educational feature on The Green. Whenever the sun is shining they can stand on the axis and use their body to tell the time!

### The Framework Knitters' Museum Chapel Street: Navy 3, Green 10

This small, unspoilt museum housed in original 400 year old Framework Knitters' workshops and cottages has acquired an international reputation in recent years. As well as its innovative displays, an attractive garden, cosy tea room and shop it has operational Framework Knitting machines – some of which you can try out yourself to create a unique souvenir. The Old Chapel now also houses an art gallery displaying the work of local painters. It opens all year except January – but check **www.frameworkknittersmuseum.org.uk** for seasonal opening times, prices and special events.





#### The Village Museum Ruddington Church: Navy 3, Green 10

This is housed within part of St Peter's Rooms, which was Ruddington's former Victorian school. Founded in 1968, the museum explores retail life in late Victorian and early Edwardian Ruddington through a series of displays which recreate the village shops of yesteryear. These include the world's oldest surviving fish and chip shop interior - relocated from the original premises on the corner of Ruddington High Street and The Green. The museum is open during the summer on Thursdays only from 10am to noon. Adult admission is just £1.50, concessions £1.00 and children over five 50p.

#### **St Peter's Church** Ruddington Church : Navy 3, Green 10

The chapel of St Mary, built in 1459, became Ruddington's parish church when St Peter's Church in nearby Flawford was demolished in 1773. Much of the current Grade II listed Gothic style building dates from 1824 but it retains the chancel and steeple from the ancient fabric. The impressive manual pipe organ was installed in 1908 and made by Brindley & Foster of Sheffield. The church is in frequent use for worship as well as other village events and concerts. The churchyard, war memorial and Hermitage to the rear are still worth strolling around even if the main building is locked.

Also find **Ruddington Methodist Church** dating from 1873 just around the corner on Church Street. This is one of four Methodist Church buildings to be found in Ruddington – but the only one still used for worship.







#### The Graves of the Rorke's Drift Survivors Ruddington Church: Navy 3, Green 10

A short walk along Vicarage Lane will take you to Shaw Street Cemetery. It contains the graves of no less than three of the survivors of just 150 British and colonial troops who successfully defended the Rorke's Drift garrison against an intense assault by 3,000 to 4,000 Zulu warriors in South Africa in 1879.

The recently restored headstones of Privates James Marshall, Caleb Wood and Robert Tongue can all easily be found.

#### **Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre**

Green 10C (Sundays & Bank Holidays) & Navy 3, Green 10 (other days) with a short walk from The Green via Asher Lane.

This is the current northern terminus of The Great Central Railway (Nottingham) and home to Ruddington's heritage railway and transport museum. At weekends and on Bank Holidays through the summer vintage steam and diesel trains take passengers along almost ten miles of the restored former Great Central Railway Main Line through the beautiful scenery of South Nottinghamshire and North-West Leicestershire.

Fares vary depending on the service and numbers and ages of passengers, but details can be found via http://www.gcrn.co.uk. There are numerous special transport related events throughout the year.







#### **Rushcliffe Country Park**

Green 10C (Sundays & Bank Holidays) & Navy 3, Green 10 (other days) with a short walk from The Green via Asher Lane.

This 210 acre open park space can either be a hive of family activity or a place of individual tranquillity - depending upon your preference. Around 250,000 visitors a year stroll around the pretty park and lake, watch the varied wildlife, explore the woods, find out about its military history or make use of the many outdoor recreational facilities.

There's an extensive playground and an Educational Centre where refreshments are often available. Dog owners, cyclists and skateboarders are encouraged to try specially designed courses and equipment. There's even an al fresco gym and table tennis. Entry to Rushcliffe Country Park is free – with no parking charges if you go by bus!

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