Get ready for a “Ruddy Good Day Out”!

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

Ruddington’s rich, local history comes to life in three museums. You could take a stroll - or jog - around Rushcliffe Country Park. It’s the perfect place for dog owners, too, and somewhere to go on your own or take the whole family. In the village centre you can browse dozens of small, independent shops. You’ve the choice of stopping off at a traditional tearoom, enjoying time out in a café, eating in a classy restaurant or just having a drink in one of the many pubs and bars. You can even play a round of golf. Ruddington has it all!

The village benefits from frequent Nottingham City Transport buses from the city - with services further enhanced in 2017. The Navy 3 now runs up to every 20 minutes whilst a whole new fleet of modern, eco-friendly bio-gas buses has been introduced for the Green 10.

All day travel costs just £3.70 and you can reduce this price further by using the new NCTX Buses App or Robin Hood card - and there are cheaper fares for groups and under-19s, too. It really does make sense to leave your car at home!

Use this handy booklet to plan YOUR “Ruddy Good Day Out”...

Up to two adults and three children can travel with a Grouprider ticket for just £5!

£5.00 weekdays after 09.30, all day weekends and bank holidays.
£10.00 all other times.

Up to 5 people, min 1 adult, max 2 adults
Guide to Ruddington

Key: Tourist Places

1. Ruddington Grange Golf Club See Pg. 7
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2. The Human Sundial See Pg. 7
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4. The Village Museum See Pg. 9
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7. Great Central Railway Nottingham See Pg. 11
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Bus Stops:
- Navy 3, Green 10
- Green 10
**Key: Pubs & Bars**

9. The Ruddington Arms  
   **Use stop:** Savages Road - **Navy 3**

10. The Victoria Tavern  
    **Use stop:** Clifton Road - **Navy 3**

11. Bar Six: Clifton Road  
    **Use stop:** Clifton Road - **Navy 3**

12. The Red Lion  
    **Use stop:** High Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

13. The Red Heart  
    **Use stop:** Easthorpe Street - **Green 10**

14. The Three Crowns  
    **Use stop:** Easthorpe Street - **Green 10**

15. The Frame Breakers  
    **Use stop:** High Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

16. The White Horse  
    **Use stop:** Chapel Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

**Key: Ruddington Takeaways**

18. The Three Spices: Easthorpe Street  
    **Use stop:** Easthorpe Street - **Green 10**

19. Dhaka Delhi: High Street  
    **Use stop:** High Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

24. Happy Garden: Chapel Street  
    **Use stop:** Chapel Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

25. China City: Clifton Road  
    **Use stop:** Clifton Road - **Navy 3**

26. Ruddington Fish Bar  
    **Use stop:** Ruddington Church - **Navy 3, Green 10**

**Key: Ruddington Restaurants**

1. Ruddington Grange Golf Club  
   **Use stop:** Grange Court - **Navy 3**

17. The Country Cottage Hotel  
    **Use stop:** Easthorpe Street - **Green 10**

18. The Three Spices  
    **Use stop:** Easthorpe Street - **Green 10**

19. Dhaka Delhi  
    **Use stop:** High Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

20. Gino’s Ristorante  
    **Use stop:** Chapel Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

**Key: Ruddington Tearooms/Delis**

11. Jasper’s Café  
    **Use stop:** Clifton Road - **Navy 3**

21. Philo’s Delicatessen  
    **Use stop:** High Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

22. Black Cat Café  
    **Use stop:** High Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**

23. The Old Bakehouse Tearoom  
    **Use stop:** Chapel Street - **Navy 3, Green 10**
Ruddington Grange Golf Club
Use stop: 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
Use stop: 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 plate at the relevant month and use their body to tell the time!

The Framework Knitters’ Museum
Use stop: Chapel Street - Navy 3, Green 10

This small, unspoilt museum housed in original four hundred 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 opposite houses an art gallery, with free admission, displaying the work of local painters. Both sites are open all year except January – but check www.frameworkknittersons.org.uk for seasonal opening times, prices and special events.
The Village Museum

*Use stop: 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 10.00am - noon and Bank Holiday Mondays 2.00pm - 4.00pm. Adult admission is just £1.50, concessions £1.00 and children over five 50p.

St Peter’s Church

*Use stop: 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 The Hermitage (to the rear) are worth strolling around to see - 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

**Use stop:** 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 Caleb Wood, James Marshall and Robert Tongue (pictured) can all be found fairly easily.

Great Central Railway Nottingham

**Use stop:** Rushcliffe Country Park - Green 10C (Sundays & Bank Holidays) or The Green - Navy 3, Green 10 (other days), with a short walk from The Green via Elms Park to the GCRN.

This is the current northern terminus of The Great Central Railway (Nottingham) and home to Ruddington’s heritage railway and transport museum. There’s a café and gift shop, plus miniature and model railways. 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 [www.gcrn.co.uk](http://www.gcrn.co.uk). There are numerous special transport related events throughout the year.
Rushcliffe Country Park

Use stop: Rushcliffe Country Park - Green 1OC
(Sundays & Bank Holidays) or The Green - Navy 3, Green 10 (other days), with a short walk from The Green via Asher Lane to Rushcliffe Country Park.

This 210 acre open park space, with over five miles of footpaths, can either be a hive of family activity or a place of individual tranquillity, depending on your preference. Around a quarter of a million visitors a year stroll around the pretty park and lake, watch the varied wildlife, explore the woodland trails, find out about its military past or make use of the many outdoor recreational facilities, including an extensive children’s play area. There’s an Education Centre where youngsters can learn about conservation and where refreshments are sometimes 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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