

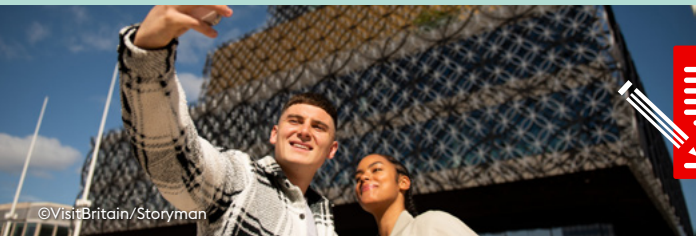
Birmingham

England

- Britain's second largest city, Birmingham is an industrial hub with a vibrant, creative heart, showcased by its renowned Jewellery Quarter.
- Celebrate the city's diversity at one of its many festivals, including Birmingham Pride, Birmingham Mela and Moseley Folk and Arts Festival.
- Take a walking tour to discover Birmingham's rich industrial heritage or follow in the footsteps of the Peaky Blinders at Dudley's Black Country Living Museum.
- Explore the city's eclectic cuisine with a meal in the Balti Triangle – the birthplace of the popular curry dish.




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Fun Fact

Birmingham is the birthplace of heavy metal music, with Black Sabbath front man Ozzy Osbourne a proud brummie.

Did you know?

Birmingham has more miles of canals than Venice – experience the city’s waterways on a canal tour.



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Things to do in Birmingham



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Cadbury World

Explore the history of Cadbury and learn all about the making of chocolate at this popular attraction based in the village of Bournville, near Birmingham.

www.visitbritainshop.com/world/en/cadbury-world-tickets

Ikon Gallery

Featuring contemporary art from all over the world, this internationally acclaimed art venue focuses on works by established and emerging artists.

www.ikon-gallery.org

Birmingham Pride

Discover dance tents, fabulous cabaret shows and dramatic drag queen performances as the city becomes awash with rainbow flags.

www.birminghampride.com

Black Country Living Museum

Step back in time at the Black Country Living Museum and follow in the footsteps of the Peaky Blinders.

www.bclm.com

Birmingham Mela

Experience the sights and sounds of the UK’s biggest South Asian music festival, held every August.

www.birminghammela.com

Bull Ring & Grand Central

Visit Bullring & Grand Central for top-notch shopping and dining, with leading fashion brands and restaurants galore.

www.bullring.co.uk

Walk the city

Delve into Birmingham’s while wandering the streets of the once industrial city. From its hidden gems to iconic canals, there’s heaps to discover.

www.positivelybirmingham.co.uk

Discover the best of Birmingham



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Like... a city filled with sport

Home to Premier League football team Aston Villa, and sporting legacy from the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games – the city is bursting with high adrenaline sport.

Love... a spot of summertime cricket

Nail-biting drama fills Edgbaston Stadium each summer as the cricket ground plays host to Warwickshire County Cricket Club and international fixtures.

www.edgbaston.com



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Seasonal highlights

Spring



Birmingham in bloom

Explore Birmingham Botanical Gardens, a 15-acre haven featuring landscaped gardens and tropical glasshouses, all designed to showcase seasonal blooms and diverse plant life.

www.birminghambotanicalgardens.org.uk/

Summer



Go for a paddle

Escape the hustle and bustle of the city and try stand-up paddleboarding on the Edgbaston Reservoir, a 70-acre open water site surrounded by woodlands and wildlife.

www.sailbirmingham.com/stand-up-paddleboarding

Autumn



Have a right laugh

Get ready for some big laughs at Birmingham Comedy Fest, a vibrant annual event that showcases the best in comedy, featuring a mix of established stars and emerging talent. Spanning over a week, the festival includes stand-up and improv shows across various venues.

www.bhamcomfest.co.uk

Winter



Christmas in Birmingham

Marvel at a performance of The Nutcracker from Birmingham's Royal Ballet or get a taste of Germany at the annual Birmingham Frankfurt Christmas Market. Enjoy a hot mug of glühwein and pick up traditional Christmas gifts.

www.visitbirmingham.com/christmas

Places to stay in Birmingham



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West Side

Here, visitors will find a buzzing nightlife scene, hip bistros, cocktail bars, and Birmingham's Gay Village. For those who fancy something more laid-back, there's The National Sea Life Centre and plenty of parks and woodlands.

Digbeth

The former heart of this industrial centre has long been transformed into the city's cultural epicentre for arts and indie sellers. It's a vibrant place where visitors can find vintage to vegan, music and breweries.

Jewellery Quarter

This historic district is renowned for its rich heritage in jewellery making and features a high concentration of bespoke boutiques as well as bars, galleries and swish restaurants. It also houses budget and mid-budget gems.

Find accommodation in Birmingham

<https://visitbirmingham.com/where-to-stay>

Getting around

An extensive bus, tram and train network means it's easy to travel around Birmingham 24/7. For keen cyclist, there are many traffic free bicycle routes.

By train



Use [West Midlands Railway](#) for train travel around Birmingham and the Midlands.

By bike



Check out cycling routes and bike hire options on the [PushBikes](#) website.

By tram




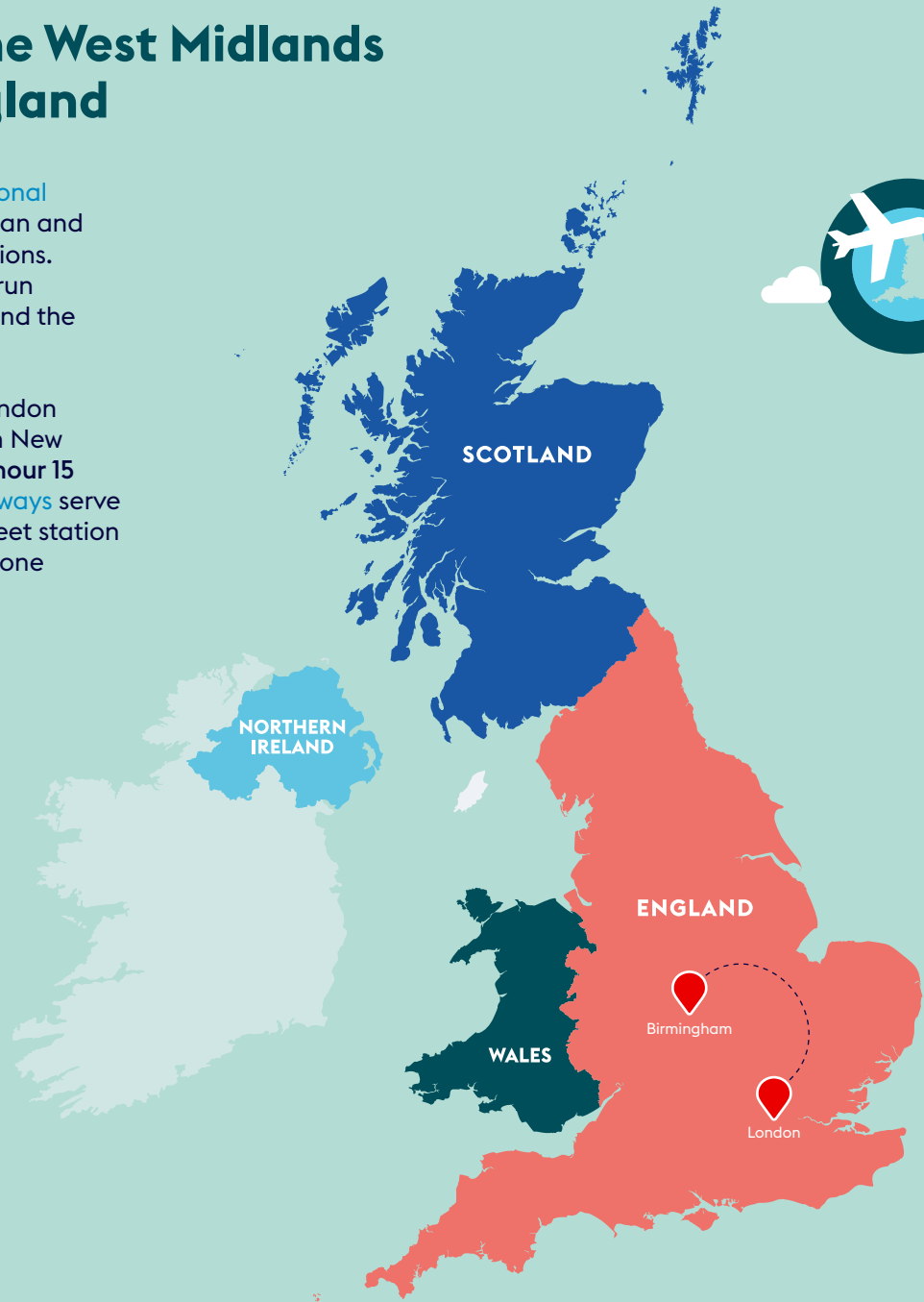
Visit [Swift](#) and discover the easiest way to pay as you go for single, return and day travel tickets.

Getting to Birmingham

Located in the West Midlands region of England

 **Birmingham International Airport** flies to European and international destinations. **West Midlands Trains** run between the airport and the city centre.

 The fast train from London Euston to Birmingham New Street station takes 1 hour 15 minutes. **Chiltern Railways** serve Birmingham Moor Street station from London Marylebone (2 hours).



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