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National Rail Enquiries 08457 484 950 www.nationalrail.co.uk
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 National Traveline 0871 200 22 33 www.traveline.org.uk
 National Express 08705 808 080 www.nationalexpress.com
 Stagecoach Local Buses 0845 121 0180 www.stagecoachbus.com
 Compass Local Buses 01903 690025 www.compass-travel.co.uk
 Brighton & Hove Bus and Coach Company ... 01273 886200 www.buses.co.uk

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By train - Direct services run three times per hour from London Victoria and an hourly service from Bognor Regis and Chichester. Trains travel through the beautiful Arun Valley calling at Amberley, Pulborough, Billingshurst, Christ's Hospital and Horsham.



By bus - Services cover the entire district. Use the travel contacts above to plan your journey.



By car - Follow the A24 from London (SW) via Dorking, the M23/A264 from London (SE) via Crawley, the A23/A281 from Brighton via Cowfold, the A24 from Worthing, the A29 from Chichester or the A281 from Guildford. The A272 crosses the district East to West.



Places to Stay

Horsham tourist information office: 01403 211661
 Steyning tourist information office: 01903 812751
 or visit www.visitsoutheastengland.com

- *Five Beautiful and Unique Market Towns*
- *A Rich and Varied Experience for the Visitor*
- *Outstanding Downland and Wealden Scenery*
- *Long Distance Cycleways and Footpaths*
- *Outstanding Visitor Attractions*
- *Nature Reserves of National Importance*
- *Local Produce Markets*
- *A Superb Architectural Heritage*
- *Independent Shops and Eating Places*

Explore the Market Towns of Horsham District



Horsham District Market Towns



The Pride of Sussex



Billingshurst

www.billingshurst-community.org.uk

The village of **Billingshurst** is situated in the heart of the Sussex Weald, in wonderful countryside. With its history dating back to Roman times - the main north to south road (A29) being **Stane Street**, an old **Roman road** - the village has a conservation area at its centre and many beautiful period buildings.

With a recently refurbished **High Street** making shopping a pleasure, the village has a thriving community. The local countryside is ideal for walking having four long distance walks and many **bridleways** and **footpaths**.

Excellent **local produce** can be sampled in the **cafes, restaurants, and pubs** which attract many visitors from across the district. There is also a **Farmers Market** once a month.

Henfield

www.henfieldvillage.co.uk

Henfield is a delightful rural market town with a long history dating from 770 AD, situated on a fertile sandy ridge overlooking the **River Adur** and the **South Downs escarpment**.

Henfield's completely rural setting and compactness has created an intimate and friendly atmosphere in the village that has resulted in a strong community spirit. There is a vibrant centre with many points of interest, a wide selection of shops, restaurants, pubs, a variety of small businesses and many active clubs and societies.

The many **listed buildings**, its old streets and **twittens** make Henfield an important conservation area. As well as the beautiful countryside bordering the village, there is plenty of open space within it - from the **three commons** on its edge and the playing fields, to the ancient **Tanyard Field** near the church; these areas are perfect for recreation and nature study.

Welcome to Horsham District - The Pride of Sussex

All of the five market towns featured in this leaflet are unique in character, and offer a wonderfully rich experience to the visitor. They each have in common a certain timeless charm, redolent of a more gentle era.

The five market towns are each surrounded by outstanding downland and wealden scenery criss-crossed by rivers, countless footpaths, bridleways and cycling routes. In addition they feature regular markets, superb nearby visitor attractions to suit all ages and tastes, an outstanding variety of places to eat, drink and relax, and if that wasn't enough each of the towns also has ample town centre parking.

To find out more, visit www.market-towns.info

Activities

Weald Recreational Centre	01403 786096
Slinfold Golf Course	01403 791555

Places to Visit

Fishers Farm Park (a family attraction)	01403 700063
Petworth House and Park	01798 342207
Leonardslee Gardens	01403 891212
Summers Ponds Fishery & Campsite	01403 732539

Local Walks

Details available from the Library and Village Hall

Activities

Horse riding	Livery stables, West End Lane
Cycling, riding, walking	South Downs Way, many paths, open countryside
Fishing	Local angling club
Commons	Henfield, Broadmere, Oreham
Leisure Centre.....	The King's Field 01273 494984
Cricket club.....	Henfield Common

Places to Visit

Museum	Henfield Hall 01273 492546
High St, Church St & Surrounds	Historic Buildings
St Peter's 13thC Church	Church Lane
Sussex Wildlife Trust	Woods Mill 01273 492630
Leonardslee Gardens	Lower Beeding 01403 891212



The Pride of Sussex

The Sussex Weald

Key

- Featured Town
 - Other Location
 - Main Road
 - Long Distance Footpath
 - Mill
 - Vineyard
 - Railway
 - Bus Route 101
 - Bus Route 100
 - Country House
 - M Museum
 - Gardens
 - RSPB Reserve
 - National Trust Site
 - English Heritage Site
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The weald is beautiful countryside spanning the area between the Surrey border in the north to the impressive South Downs, an area of outstanding natural beauty.

The district has many fascinating places to visit and to walk or simply enjoy the countryside. There is a timeless quality to the landscape which is also apparent in the delightful towns and villages. This, along with its accessibility, tranquility, architectural heritage and a rich history, make the weald and the market towns of Horsham district, the pride of Sussex.



More Information
 For information on events in the district visit www.horsham.gov.uk
 Information on the Horsham District Community Partnership. www.hdcp.uk.net

www.amberleymuseum.co.uk Amberley Working Museum
www.horshammuseum.org Horsham Museum
www.rspb.org.uk RSPB for info on Pulborough Brooks
www.westsussex.gov.uk All things West Sussex
www.leonardsleegardens.com Leonardslee Gardens
www.nationaltrust.org.uk National Trust for Petworth House
www.southdownsonline.org A guide to the South Downs
www.parhaminsussex.co.uk Parham House
www.stmarysbramber.co.uk St Mary's Bramber

Pulborough

www.pulborough.org

At the natural heart of rural West Sussex, **Pulborough** is rich in beautiful landscape and steeped in history while offering some of the finest food and wine shopping in the area.

Pulborough stands on the **River Arun** and has been an important settlement since ancient times. The Romans constructed many significant buildings, the Normans built a castle and other structures while, later, the railway ensured the village continued to be a centre for trade and industry. With over one hundred **listed buildings** and monuments, much of this history is still visible.

Today, the landscape provides outstanding views across 'The **Brooks**', towards the South Downs, along with a wonderful recreational environment for **walking, fishing, boating** and **wildlife** – the **RSPB bird and nature reserve** is a magnet for nature lovers from across the UK. Traditional **pubs, tea shops**, along with a range of places to eat, make Pulborough a natural destination for visitors.

Activities

Walks www.pulborough.org
Tennis Recreation Ground 01798 873856
Boating ... Slipway on the Arun by the Cornstores 01798 875067
Fishing River Arun 01798 830007 www.calpac.info
Bowls Pulborough Bowls Club 01798 812206

Places to Visit

RSPB Pulborough Brooks 01798 875851
www.rspb.org.uk
Nutbourne Vineyard 01798 815196
www.nutbournevineyards.com
Tullens Fruit Farm 01798 873800
www.tullens.co.uk

Steyning

www.steyningsouthdowns.com

With the backdrop of the South Downs, history is everywhere in Steyning. The legacy of the Normans is still here in the fine 12th century **church of St Andrew's** and the ruins of **Bramber Castle**. Visit Steyning's **Museum** to learn the story of **St Cuthman**.

At Steyning's heart are the timber framed buildings of Tudor and Stuart tradesmen, 125 are listed. There is ample free parking with a wide choice of interesting shops, including the award winning **Cobblestone Walk**, tea rooms, pubs and restaurants and a monthly **Farmers Market**. Steyning is an important centre for walkers being on the route of the **South Downs Way** and **Downs Link long** distance paths.

Events include the Easter Monday **Festival of Sport**, the **Arts Music and Heritage Festival** and **Country Fair** held each May.

Activities

Steyning Leisure Centre and Swimming Pool 01903 879666
Cricket, Bowls, Tennis, Recreation Memorial Playing Field
Childrens Play Areas ... Memorial Playing Field and Cuthman Field
Fishing Alderwood Ponds, Passies Pond, Coombes
Walking Cycling and Riding Footpaths, Bridleways and Cyclepaths

Places to Visit

Cobblestone Walk award winning shopping area High Street
Church Street and High Street Historic Buildings
Steyning Museum Church Street 01903 813333
St Andrews 12thC Church Church Street
Monthly Farmers Market High Street Car Park
Bramber Castle, Ruins and Picnic Area... Free English Heritage Site
St Mary's House and Gardens Bramber 01903 816205
Chanctonbury Ring Former Iron Age Hill Fort, Wiston

Storrington

www.storrington.org.uk

In 1086 the Domesday Book records **Storrington** as 'Estorchestone' a place well-known for storks. The history of Storrington has little to do with storks, and more to do with being a flourishing market place, with a fulling and tanning industry. Storrington was given permission to hold a regular **market** from 1399, as well as a twice-yearly fair. These continued until the end of the nineteenth century.

Today Storrington is a busy and lively village, nestling under the **South Downs**. It has a wide range of shops and caters for almost all leisure and sporting past-times. **Antique shops, violin and jewellery craftsmen** are also to be found. There is a good range of **accommodation** for visitors to this attractive part of the Sussex Downland, including a modernised hotel with 13 en-suite bedrooms and conference facilities. There are **bed and breakfast** establishments, and also **self-catering holiday cottages**. There are 3 public houses, many good restaurants with a range of cuisine, and several cosy **tea-rooms**.

Activities

Chanctonbury Leisure Centre 01903 746070
Parham Gliding Field (info.weekday mornings) ... 01903 742137
West Sussex Golf Club 01798 872563
www.westsussexgolf.co.uk

Places to Visit

Kithurst Hill and Chantry Post on the South Downs
via the South Downs Way
Parham House and Gardens (closed in winter) ... 01903 744888
Storrington Museum 01903 892210

