



LOCAL INFORMATION:-

COUNTRY PUBS

Firle and the surrounding area is full of a some great country pubs, serving a host of local ales from the Harveys Brewery in Lewes.

Here's a list of few of the best ones.

THE RAM INN, FIRLE T 01273 858 222 www.theram-inn.com

Serves the best food of any pub in the area, and has a hearty welcome. There is an extensive garden out the back, or sit on the beach!

Serves food Mon - 12pm -3pm Tues - Sat 12pm -3pm & 6.30pm -9.30pm

Sat 12pm -4.30pm & 6.30pm -9.30pm Sun 12pm -4.30pm

Walking Time 40minutes; Driving time 5 minutes

THE ROSE COTTAGE, ALCISTON T 01323 870 377

It's the nearest pub and well worth a visit, serves good food and has great character. Local game and lamb is to be found on the menu. It's just off the coach road, in the pretty village of Alciston. Have a look at the Bloomsbury covered walls in the church. And then maybe walk onto the Cricketers Arms at Berwick.

Walking time 40 minutes Driving time 5 minutes

THE CRICKETERS ARMS, BERWICK. T 01323 870 469 www.cricketersberwick.co.uk

Take a stroll down the coach road, running parallel with the South Downs.

The pub has a good selection of local ales, and a lovely beer garden. Serves good pub grub.

Serves food Mon - Thurs 12noon - 2.15pm & 6.15pm - 9pm

Sat & Sun 12noon - 9pm

Walking Time 1hour; Driving time 10 minutes

THE SUSSEX OX, MILTON STREET T 01323 870 840 www.thesussexox.co.uk

Sit outside and enjoy fantastic views of the South Downs and Long Man of Wilmington.

Serves food Mon - Sat 12pm - 2pm & 6pm - 9pm Sun 12pm - 3pm

Driving time 10 minutes

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GIANTS REST, WILMINGTON T 01323 870 207 www.giantsrest.co.uk/

Fantastic variety of food and some gorgeous deserts. Need to book most days.
Serves food Mon – Sun 12pm – 2.30pm 6pm - 9pm

EIGHT BELLS, JEVINGTON T 01323 484 442

Really good choice of food at reasonable prices. Pub quizzes most Tuesday nights.

LOCAL VILLAGES

FIRLE

Take a stroll around the village, and walk up to Firle Beacon, take a pint in the Ram, watch a game of cricket, buy your stamps in the village shop, spot the headstone of Duncan Grant in Firle Church or walk around Firle Place.

GLYNDE

Pop into Glynde Place or take in the opera at Glyndebourne.

GLYNDE PLACE & GLYNDEBOURNE OPERA www.glyndebourne.com or
www.glynde.co.uk/glyndeplace

Great village shop to buy your papers, or have a drink in the Trevor Arms.

ALCISTON

Beautiful country village only a 40 minute walk way. The church has murials painted by the Bloomsbury set and then take a drink in the Rose Cottage.

ALFRISTON

Lots to do and see in this village. You can park up and walk along the embankment to Cuckmere Haven in a couple of hours, or lazy around the village and take in Alfriston Clergy House on the tye or nose around Much Ado Bookshop www.muchadobooks.com

There are plenty of places to eat and drink in Alfriston and these are some of the best ones:-

WINGROVE INN, ALFRISTON T 01323 870 276

YE OLDE SMUGGLERS INN, ALFRISTON T 01323 870 241

THE STAR INN, ALFRISTON T 01323 870 495

BADGERS TEA SHOP Really good place for scones and jam with the kids



LITLINGTON

If you take a left before Alfriston, you can drive the back route to Cuckmere Haven through the little village of Litlington. Have a look in the fantastic Crystal Shop or walk around the Nursery, good food and drink can be found at:
PLOUGH AND HARROW, LITLINGTON T 01323 870 632

If you continue on towards the sea, you will go past Friston Forest, and Cuckmere Haven Both are great to explore on bikes.

BIRLING GAP

Midway between Seaford and Beachy Head is this gorgeous little stretch off beach. Ideal for BBQs and watching the sun go down. If it's a bit blustery, pop into the coffee shop and sup tea with the geraniums.

SEAFORD

On your way to Seaford from Alfriston, you will come through High and Over, a great local walkers spot.

Seaford, is a typical old English seaside town and home to a fantastic Fish & Chips at Trawlers Restaurant.

You can eat in, or take a short walk and eat them on the sea. Laze on the beach,, take a dip in the sea or try and catch your own fish. Seaford is also home to some great charity shops. Fantastically inspiring sea walks can be taken along Seaford Head, towards the Severn Sisters and Beachy Head.

NEWHAVEN

Not much to do in Newhaven, but for the more adventurous take day trip to Dieppe on the ferry. If you want to cook or BBQ fresh fish, daily catches can be brought from ????.

LEWES

VISIT LEWES www.vivalewes.com

Visit the historic market town of Lewes, which holds a market every Saturday. There are plenty of great antique shops to nose around in and lots of good places to eat and drink.

BILLS STORE Serves food Mon – Sat in a vibrant atmosphere

REAL EATING COMPANY Serves food Mon – Sun

In addition to all the great food, your in the home of the Harveys Brewery try either the Gardeners Arms, Lewes Arms or Harveys Tavern. Thursday night is normally games night in most of the pubs in the town, and well worth checking out.

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BRIGHTON

It is only a 20 minute drive away and well worth a visit, but try and avoid Brighton on a Saturday as it just gets too busy. So much to do here, wander at your own pace through The Lanes and beyond. Some great shops can be found in Kemp Town as well.

Some restaurants worth trying include:

TERRE A TERRE www.terreaterre.co.uk 01273 729 051

The best vegetarian restaurant in the UK on your doorstep.

DUE SOUTH www.duesouth.co.uk 01273 821 218

Serves fantastic fish, great views. Book early and try and get the window seat upstairs.

FOOD FOR FRIENDS www.foodforfriends.com 01273 202 310

MOSHI MOSHI www.moshimoshi.co.uk 01273 719 195

OTHER INTERESTING PLACES TO VISIT NEARBY:

CHARLESTON FARMHOUSE www.charleston.org.uk

Our nearest neighbour and home to the Bloomsbury set. Open from April - October

SARAH WALTON POTTERY www.sarahwalton.co.uk

Just a short walk away. Open from 11am - 5pm

FARLEY FARM www.rolandpenrose.co.uk/farley.aspx

Home to Roland Penrose and Lee Miller. Open from April. You will have to call about join a tour on +44 (0)1825 872691

FOR THE KIDS

MIDDLE FARM www.middlefarm.com

Fun for all the family, with a farmers market the last Sunday of every month. Open from 0930 everyday.

DRUSILLAS ZOO www.drusillas.co.uk

The Best little Zoo in the UK. Open from 10am - 5pm. Prices start from £10, with discount for groups.

SEAFORD SHEEP CENTRE www.sheepcentre.co.uk

Open from July - September from 2pm - 5pm for individuals . Contact 01323 423 302

BLUEBELL RAILWAY

PELLS POOL

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GORGEOUS GARDENS:-

WAKEHURST PLACE www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-wakehurstplace

Open 10am – 5pm Tel 01444 894 066

NYMANS GARDENS www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-nymansgarden2

Open 11am – 4pm Tel 01444 405 250

SHEFFIELD PARK www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-sheffieldparkgarden/

Open 10.30am – 5.30pm Tel 01825 790 231

WELLINGHAM HERB GARDEN

Open weekends only 10.30am – 5.30pm

ALFRISTON CLERGY HOUSE [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-vh/w-visits/w-](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-vh/w-visits/w-findaplace/walfristonclergyhouse.htm)

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Open 10.30am – 5pm Tel 01323 870 001

GREAT DIXTER www.greatdixter.co.uk

Open 11am – 5pm Tel 01797 252 878

BORDE HILL www.bordehill.co.uk

Open 10am – 6pm

BATEMANS www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-vh/w-visits/w-findaplace/w-batemans/

Open 11am – 5pm Tel 01435 822 302

HISTORICAL

HERSTMONCEUX CASTLE www.herstmonceux-castle.co.uk

Open 10am – 6pm Tel 01323 833 816

MICHELHAM PRIORY www.sussexpast.co.uk

Open Tues – Sun 10.30am – 4.30pm

ANNE OF CLEVES HOUSE www.sussexpast.co.uk

Open Tues – Thurs & Sun from 10am – 5pm. Closed Friday & Saturday

LEWES CASTLE www.sussexpast.co.uk

Open Tues – Sat 10.30am – 5.30pm

BODIAM CASTLE www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-bodiamcastle

Open 10.30am – 6pm Tel 01580 830 196

FISHBURNE ROMAN PALACE www.sussexpast.co.uk

Open 10am – 5pm

LONG MAN OF WILMINGTON www.sussexpast.co.uk

Open all year, park up nearby and walk up.

LOCAL DAYS OUT A LITTLE FARTHER A FIELD

DE LA WARR PAVILION www.dlwp.com

THE TOWNER www.townereastbourne.org.uk

New Visual Arts gallery based in Eastbourne Tel 01323 415 441

FERRIES TO FRANCE www.transmancheferries.co.uk

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FOR THE MORE ENERGETIC

AIRWORKS, GLYNDE www.airworks.co.uk

This area of Sussex is one of the best in the country to experience paragliding.

RAMBLERS ASSOCIATION www.ramblers.org.uk

CUCKMERE CYCLING HIRE www.cuckmere-cycle.co.uk

EAST SUSSEX GOLF COURSE www.eastsussexnational.co.uk/golf/index.php

BARCOME MILLS

Go and punt down the river, but take a packed lunch as the pub isn't great.

IF YOU VISIT SOMEWHERE INTERSTING THAT WE HAVEN'T MENTION PLEASE LET US KNOW AND WE WILL ADD IT TO OUR LIST.

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