



EFL League One 2023/24



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Guide to League One teams for 2019-20 season in this part of the book I have outlined their history old grounds with pictures a ground guide plus historical facts plus how to get there driving, public transport and walking to the ground along with where to drink for a neutral or away supporter and what you will pay to get in.



- Local Bus



Rail



- London Underground Transport



→ - Walking time distance



- Car



- London Overground



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** been to an older ground (The Editor)

Front Cover – Merthyr Town FC (1920 – 1930 Third Division South)

Barnsley

Ground - Oakwell, Grove Street, Barnsley, S71 1ET

Main Telephone No: 01226 211211

Fax No: 01226 211 444

Ticket Office: 0871 226 6777

Capacity: 23,009 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 110 x 75 yards

Club Nickname: The Tykes or Reds

Year Ground Opened: 1888

Shirt Sponsors – The Investment Company

Kit Manufacturer – Puma

Website: www.barnsleyfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1887

Former Names – Barnsley St Peter

Years at Today's Ground – 127 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1898 to Division Two from the Midland League

First Official Floodlit Match – February 1962

Highest Attendance – 40,255 v Stoke City, FA Cup Fifth Round, 15 February 1936

Highest Score for – 9 – 0 v Loughborough Town Division Two 28/01/1899, v Accrington Stanley Division Three North 3/02/1934

Highest Against – 0 – 9 v Nottinghamshire (Notts) County FC Division Two 19/01/27

Highest Scorer in a Season – 33 Cecil McCormack in 1950/51

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Highest Scorer Overall – 150 Ernest William (Ernie) Hine 1921 – 26, 1936 - 38

Player with most First Team Appearances – 514 Barry Murphy 1962 – 78

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Ground Guide

The ground has a capacity of more than 23,000; Oakwell is more than double the size of the average home gate. A nice modern stadium with West Stand in need of redevelopment part of which dates back to 1904 and three sides of the ground were redeveloped in the 1990's.



East Stand

On one side is the particularly attractive two-tiered covered East Stand running along one side of the pitch. Opened in March 1993, this stand has a capacity of 7,500. Opposite is the classic looking West Stand, it was made all seated by putting seats in the old enclosure part but its open to the elements in the mid 1990's and its roof is perched the television gantry.

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At the Pontefract Road End is an all seated, covered stand for home supporters, which has a capacity of 4,500 and this stand was opened in 1995 and at the other end, the North Stand, was previously an open terrace, but is now a relatively new single tier, covered stand; Visiting supporters are seated in the North Stand. Who normally get about 2,000 to 6,000 fans varies according to demand and this is the most recent addition to the ground being opened in 1999 and has greatly enhanced the overall look of Oakwell with the North Stand being shared between home and away supporters.



Pontefract Road End

A good feature of the stadium is a purpose-built stand for disabled supporters as there is a three-floor structure that sits at the corner between the East & South Stands which gives them great views of the match. There is also an electric scoreboard at one corner of the North Stand, on top of a security control room. The teams come out from one corner of the ground between the North and West Stands.



North Stand

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The Dove Inn on Doncaster Road it is only a five-minute walk away from the ground down Oakwell Lane and is happily frequented by both home and away fans. The Landlord and staff were friendly, and there was a nice mix of home and away fans with no bother and there is also a superb beer garden and a terrace where you can see the ground. The alternative pubs are the East Dene Men's Working Club for a small fee as well as you can park there for £2.00 or the Harbour Hills Working Men's Club on Vernon Street.

Food on offer inside the ground includes a range of Pies; Steak and Ale, Chicken & Mushroom Chicken Balti (all £3), Burger/Cheeseburgers (£3.50), and Hot Dogs (£3.50) and there are good portions and £4.00 a pint. Me I am not for paying those prices so take a walk over to Market Hill and from Pound Bakery three hot pies for the price you pay in the ground.



West Stand

Driving to the Ground



Travel the A1/M1 and leave the M1 at Junction 37 and take the A628 towards Barnsley on Dodworth Road. Stay on this road (the ground is well signposted) and go through one roundabout and the next roundabout take the first exit into Wesley Street then at the T Junction take a right into Lambra Road and follow the road under the railway bridge to the T Junction then turn right then take the second right after the Mount pub.

There are a couple of car parks located at the ground, but they are mainly for permit holders only. In between the ground and the Metrodome is a car park for visiting supporters, called the Queens Ground, which costs £3 Cars, £6 Mini Buses and £10 Coaches or street parking.

Public Transport & Walking



→ 10 mins

Train to **Barnsley Railway Station** is about a ten minutes' walk away to the ground. From the train station and then turn left away from the town centre and into Kendray Street and head towards the bridge that the dual-carriageway runs over. Go under the bridge and cross the road then turn left into Bala Street and at the junction continue up the hill this is called Belgrave Road continue to the top of the hill with Oakwell is in front of you.

Admission

Adults (A £30) (B £28) (C £25) (D £23)

Over 65's/Under 22's £24 (A £22) (B £20) (C £18) (D £16)

Under 17's £10 (all categories)

Under 12's £5 (all categories)

Blackpool

Ground – Bloomfield Road, Seaside Way, Blackpool, Lancashire, FY1 6JJ

Main Telephone No: 0871 622 1953

Fax No: 01253 405 011

Capacity: 16,750 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 112 x 74 yards

Club Nickname: The Seaside or Tangerines

Year Ground Opened: 1899

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Visit Blackpool

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

Website: www.blackpoolfc.co.uk

Programme: £2.00



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Away



Alternative

History Facts & Records

Founded - 1887

Former Names – Blackpool AFC (merged with South Shore 1899)

Years at Today's Ground – 118 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1896 elected from Lancashire Football League to Division Two for Rotherham County FC

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1958

Highest Attendance – 39,118

Highest Score for – 10–0 v Lanerossi Vicenza, Anglo-Italian Cup 10/06/1972

Highest Against – 1 – 10 v Small Heath 02/03/1901, v Huddersfield Town Division One 13/12/1930

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – 45 goals 1929/30, 252 James (Jimmy) Hampson 1927 – 38

Player with most First Team Appearances – 569 James Christopher (Jimmy) Armfield 1954 – 71

Former Grounds

Raikes Hall Gardens (1887 – 97),
Athletics Ground (1897 – 98),
Raikes Hall Gardens (1898/99),
Waterloo Road (Cow Gap Lane) (1899/1900)

Ground Guide

The ground has been almost completely re-developed over the last decade, with three permanent stands being built, along with a temporary stand on the East side. The three permanent sides are of similar design, being single tiered, of the same height, all seated and

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covered.

In March 2010 the long-awaited South Stand was finally opened, being a mirror image of the North Stand, and extending around and meeting the West Stand, enclosing the South West corner of the stadium. During the 2011/12 season the South East corner between the South Stand and the temporary East Stand was also filled with an additional 500 seats. The South Stand (Jimmy Armfield Stand) in tribute to the Blackpool legend, Jimmy Armfield which has a capacity of 3,600 seats.



South Stand

The West Stand (Stanley Matthews Stand) on one side of the stadium and the North Stand (Stan Mortensen Kop Stand) at one end, were both opened in February 2002. The North West corner between these stands has also been filled with seating, enclosing this area of the ground. Behind the main seating in the West Stand and the North West corner, is a hospitality balcony to the North West corner is the Sir Stanley Matthews Hospitality Suite.



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On the East side of the ground the Club have erected a new covered temporary stand. Although temporary it is of a good size housing some 5,000 fans in a single tier of seating of which half are given to away fans with the press dividing them in the middle of the stand. It is also covered, with the only main drawback is that it has a number of supporting pillars running across the front of it. Situated in one corner of the ground between the East & South stands is a large video screen. Outside the stadium, behind the North Stand is a statue of the former Blackpool legend Stan Mortensen, whilst outside the main entrance is a statue of Jimmy Armfield.



Stan Mathews and North Stand

Driving to the Ground



Leave the M6 at Junction 32 and then follow the M55 into the outskirts of Blackpool and continue straight along Yeadon Way through a number of roundabouts past Blackpoll South Railway Station until you see the ground on your right. A huge pay and display car park is located just across the road from the ground, which stretches all the way from Blackpool South station. It costs £3.50 for three hours (some of the pay machines also accept credit/debit cards).

Public Transport



→ 10 mins

Take the train to **Blackpool South Railway** and is around a ten-minute walk away just walk up Seaside Way to the ground. (However, fewer trains stop at this station).

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5 mins

Take the train to **Blackpool North Railway** then walk straight and walk straight down Queen Street and then take the first right and take the **Blackpool Bus Company 3 bus** to Park/Westmorland Avenue then cross the road and take a right and follow it to the crossroads and walk straight on into Rigby Road and continue on till you get to McDonalds then take a left up the path into Seaside Way the ground is on your right.

Admission

Adults £22
Over 60's £18
Under 19's £10
Under 11's Free**

** When accompanied by a paying adult.

Where to have a Drink

The Old Bridge House pub on Lytham Road It is only short walk away (walk down Bloomfield Road towards the sea front and then turn right into Lytham Road and the pub is down on the right) and has screens showing Sky Sports. The Auctioneer Pub on Lytham Road near Blackpool South Station. It's a 10 minutes' walk to the ground and serves good beer and excellent food.

Bolton Wanderers

Ground - Reebok Stadium, Burnden Way, Horwich, Bolton, BL6 6JW

Main Telephone No: 0844 871 2932

Main Fax No: 01204 673 773

Ticket Office: 0844 871 2932

Ticket Office Fax: 0844 871 2931

Capacity: 28,723 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 105 x 68 yards

Club Nickname: The Wanderers

Year Ground Opened: 1996

Undersoil Heating: Yes

Shirt Sponsors: Betfred

Kit Manufacturer: Macron

Website: www.bwfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1874

Former Names – Christchurch FC

Years at Today's Ground – 22 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1888 Founder Member

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1957

Highest Attendance – 69,912 v Manchester City, FA Cup Fifth Round, 18 February 1933

Highest Score for – 13–0 v Sheffield United second round, 01/02/1890

Highest Against – 1–9 v Preston North End, FA Cup Round Two, 10 /12/1887

Highest Scorer in a Season – 285 Nathaniel Lofthouse 1946 - 60

Highest Scorer Overall – 38 Joseph Smith 1920/21

Player with most First Team Appearances – 578 Eddie Hopkinson 1952 – 70

Former Grounds

Christ Church Playing Fields (1874 – 77),

The Park Recreation Ground (1877 – 78),

Cockles Field (1878 – 81)

Pikes Lane (1881 – 95)

Burnden Park (1895 – 1997) **

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Ground Guide

The stadium was opened in 1997. From the outside it looks simply stunning especially when it is lit up at night. It has a great eye-catching design and is unlike anything else in the country just know.

The inside is functional and tidy, and situated between the two tiers is a row of executive boxes. Above the stands there is a gap between the back of the stands and the roof to allow additional light to reach the pitch and situated between the South and Nat Lofthouse Stands. One unusual feature of the ground is that the teams emerge from separate tunnels on either side of the halfway line.



There are no bad views in the stadium and away fans are accommodated up to 5,000 in the South Stand behind the goals. Outside the stadium is a statue of former player and legend Nat Lofthouse.



Driving to the Ground

From the South:



Drive to Junction 21a M6; take eastbound M62 leaving at Junction 12. Follow signs for M61 (Bolton/Preston) and exit the M61 at junction 6, and take the first exit off the slip road roundabout onto the A6027 Mansell Way. Just before the ground take the first exit and then take the fourth exit at the next roundabout into the car parks.

From the North:



Take the M6 to Junction 30 and take the M61 towards Blackburn. Then leave the M61 at junction six. The grounds are visible from this junction and follow the road markings for Horwich and at the roundabout just before the ground take the first exit and then take the fourth exit at the next roundabout into the car parks.

Parking is available for £6.00 per car and the car park is secure but its slow getting out at some matches but if you wish to park away from the stadium then put in the beehive pub into your sat nav and park there for £5.00 its 10 minutes the stadium at 991 Chorley New Road, Bolton BL6 4BA a good meal and drink (but not if you're driving) but it well worth the 17 minute walk to and from the ground down the A6027 you will get home quicker

Public Transport



→ 5mins

Take the train to **Horwich Parkway Station** serves the stadium, with regular trains and the ground is only a few minutes' walk from the stadium just walk up Middlebrook Lane with the

ground is in front of you.

Admission

Bolton operates a four-category system of ticket pricing (A, B & C) so choose your match carefully

Adults £30 (B £26) (C £23) (D £15)

Over 65's/Under 23's £20 (B £18) (C £16) (D £7)

Under 18's £12 (B £10) (C £9) (D £7)

Under 12's £7 (all categories)

Where to have a Drink

Drink in the city before going to the match either at the Barracuda Bradshawgate, or the Spinning Mule in Nelson Square, there is good food and beer at all three pubs and are only five minutes from Bolton Railway Station.

Bristol Rovers

Ground - Memorial Stadium, Filton Avenue, Horfield, Bristol BS7 0BF

Main Telephone No: 0117 909 6648

Ticket Office No: 0117 909 8848

Match day Ticket Office No: 0117 909 8848

Capacity: 12,011(All Seated)

Team Nickname: Gasmen or Pirates

Year Ground Opened: 1893 (Clifton Rugby Club)

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Ultima

Shirt Manufactures: Macron

Website: www.bristolrovers.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1883 (Black Arab FC)

Years at Today's Ground – 22 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 from the Southern League Founder Member Division Three (1920/21) & Division Three South (1921/22)

First Official Floodlit Match – September 1959

Highest Attendance – 38,472 v Preston North End, FA Cup, 30/01/1960

Highest Score for – 15 – 1 v Weymouth FA Cup Fourth Qualifying Round 17/11/1900

Highest Against – 0-12 v Luton Town Division Three South 13/04/1936

Highest Scorer in a Season – 33 Geoffrey Reginald William (Geoff) Bradford in 1952/53

Highest Scorer Overall – 242 Geoffrey Reginald William (Geoff) Bradford from 1949 - 64

Player with most First Team Appearances – 546 Stuart Taylor from 1966 -80

Former Names

Black Arabs FC 1883 - 1884

Eastville Rovers, 1884 – 1897

Bristol Eastville Rovers 1897 – 1900

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Former Grounds

St Johns Ground Purdown (1883/84)

The Acres Ashley Hill, Eastville (1884-91)

Schoolmaster Cricket Ground (1891/92)

Durdham Down (1892 – 94)

The Ridgeway (1894 – 96)

Eastville Stadium (Gasworks Park) 1896 - 1996

Twerton Park, Bath (1986 – 1996)

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The Memorial Ground where the club moved to the stadium in 1996 and two years later bought the ground from the then owners Bristol Rugby Club and although the Memorial Stadium has seen some changes since the Rovers took up residence, it still has the feel of a rugby ground about it.



The Main Stand

On one side is the West Stand, which with its pavilion looks more like a cricket stand and it has a row of hospitality boxes across the top, with a few rows of seats in front. Below is the Paddock area of terrace. Just under this stand's roof is a television gantry and a small electric scoreboard. The stand runs for about half the length of the pitch and straddles the half way line.



West Stand

On one side of it, towards the Blackthorn end is a small covered terrace, used as a family area, whilst the other side has a small covered area of temporary seating, called the South West Stand. Opposite is the Uplands Stand, taller than the West Stand, but similar in length. This stand has covered seating to its rear and terracing at the front. It has open terracing to either side, one of which is given to away supporters. The team dug outs are located in front

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of this stand, although the dressing rooms are located behind the West Stand. This leads to quite a procession of players and officials at half time and full time.



North Stand (Patrick Snowsell)

At one end is the unusual looking South Stand. This was originally erected as a temporary stand, to fill the previously empty end. It has now been opened for a number of seasons now, although it still looks, with its green seats and bright white roof, more suitable for an outdoor show jumping competition than a football ground. The stand only runs for just over half the width of the pitch, has several supporting pillars running across the front and has been nicknamed 'the tent' by Rovers fans. Opposite is the Blackthorn End, which is a covered terrace for home supporters.



South Stand (Gibbo 92)

Driving to the Ground



From the West/East

Whether you're coming from east or west exit the M4 at junction 19 and join the M32. Travel along the M32 for just over 3 miles until you reach junction 2. Here, exit the motorway and

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take the third exit signposted Horfield and Southmead and follow the road through a division and a roundabout both of which have clear signs reading Memorial Stadium. Once through this area you join Muller Road and you should continue to drive along it for over a mile until you come to a signal-controlled crossroads. Signposted right is Horfield Health Centre and Library. At this junction ignore the sign and turn left into Filton Avenue where the ground is located almost immediately on the left.



From the North/South

Exit the M5 at junction 16 (Signposted A38 Thornbury and Filton). At the roundabout head right signposted A38 Filton and join the A38. Travel along the A38 (Gloucester Road) for 4.3 miles as you enter the outer suburbs of Bristol. On your trip you'll pass Filton Airport on your right, the Royal Mail sorting office, an American Golf retail outlet on your left and the Royal George and Wellington pubs. At a set of traffic lights immediately past a small shop called Satellite Warehouse and before Polypipe Timber take an unsigned left turn into Filton Avenue where you'll see the ground is on your right after just a couple of dozen yards.

Airport & Public Transport



→ 2 mins



18, 73, 74, X73, 319 and 460



→ 5 mins

Take the train to **Bristol Parkway Railway Station** walk over to the bus station and take the **First Bus 460 bus** to Hornfield Common at Churchfield Avenue and its three-minute walk to the ground or **First Bus 18, 73, 74 X73 and 319** to Gloucester Road.



→ 2 mins



8, 9 and 70



→ 5 mins

Take the train to **Bristol Temple Mead Railway Station** the **First Bus 8 9 & 70 buses** go to the ground get off at Gloucester Road and Filton Avenue.

Admission

South Stand,

East Stand (Terrace):

Adults £18 (B £16), Under 22's £14 (B £12) Over 65's/Under 16's £10 (B £8)

South Stand (Seated):

Adults £21 (B £19), Under 22's £17 (B £15) Over 65's/Under 16's £12 (B £10)

Where to have a Drink

The Queen Vic pub on the Gloucester Road, which is around a five minutes' walk from the ground, although it does get busy A nice little pub, and always welcoming from the Gas Heads for neutrals and away fans but not City fans.

Burton Albion

Ground - Pirelli Stadium, Princess Way, Burton upon Trent, Staffs, DE13 0AR

Main Telephone No: 01283 565 938

Fax No: 01283 523 199

Capacity: 6,912 (2,034 Seated)

Pitch Size: 110 x 72 yards

Team Nickname: The Brewers

Year Ground Opened: 2005

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Tempobet

Kit Manufacturer: TAG

Website: www.burtonalbionfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



Eaton Park & Pirelli Stadium

History Facts & Records

Founded - 1950

Years at Today's Ground – 10 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2002

First Official Floodlit Match – 1968 Eaton Park

Highest Attendance – 6,193 v Manchester United FA Cup Third Round 8/01/2006

Highest Score for – 12–1 v Coalville Town, Birmingham Senior Cup, 6 September 1954

Highest Against – 0–10 v Barnet, Southern League Premier Division, 7 February 1970

Highest Scorer in a Season – 45 Richie Barker from 1960 - 67

Highest Scorer Overall – 159 Richie Barker from 1960 - 67

Player with most First Team Appearances – 270 Richie Barker from 1960 - 67

Colours



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Former Grounds

Lloyds Foundry Ground 1950 - 1958
Eaton Park 1958 – 2005

Ground Guide

In 2005 the Club left their Eton Park ground, which had been their home since 1958 and moved to a new £7.2m purpose-built stadium nearby 400 yards up Princess Way. The Main Stand, which is covered and all seated. The Clubs administration offices and corporate facilities are located in this stand and so at the back of the seated area is a row of windows running across it.



West Terrace

The other three sides are small, steep covered terraces and they each have a large visible back wall. Each of these terraced stands has solid windshields to either side, apart from one side of the South Stand where there is a Police Control Box present.

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Away fans are predominantly housed in the Coors East Stand Terrace at one end of the ground, where just over 1,400 fans can be accommodated plus an addition 400 seats are also made available to visiting supporters in the Main Stand.



East Terrace

Driving to the Ground



North

Leave the M1 at junction 28 and join the A38 towards Derby. Continue on the A38 through Derby towards Burton. Leave the A38 at the Burton North exit and follow the A5121 towards Burton. Go straight across a roundabout and you will then pass a McDonalds on your right. Just before the next roundabout you will see the stadium on your right. Turn right at the roundabout into Princess Way. A short distance along Princess Way on the right is the entrance to the Club Car Park.



South

Exit the M1 at junction 22 (signposted Coalville, Ashby, Burton) and follow the A511 past Coalville, Ashby-De-La-Zouch, Woodville and Midway. When you enter Burton, get into the right-hand lane going straight through the traffic lights and across the Trent Bridge. Stay in the right-hand lane going straight through the first set of lights at the end of the Bridge and then in the middle lane at the second set, into Horninglow Street, and then straight again at the next lights (next to the Magistrates Courts). Turn right at the traffic lights underneath the Brewery flyover, into Hawkins Lane. Go through the industrial estate, straight across the mini-roundabout, past the Ruby Cantonese Restaurant and over the Railway Bridge, and then straight over the roundabout into Princess Way. The ground is 100 yards on left.



Main Stand

Public Transport



V1 or V2



→ 2 mins

Take the train to **Burton upon Trent Railway Station**, the **Trent Barton V1 and V2** bus service runs every half an hour from directly outside the railway station to the Pirelli Stadium.

Admission

Seating

Adults £22

Over 65's and Under 23's £20

Under 17's £12

Terrace

Adults £18

Over 65's £16

Under 23's £13

Under 17's £5

Where to have a Drink

Near to the railway station are the Roebuck Inn 101 Station Street one minute from the station serves good food and beer and for staying over for a night

The Devonshire is just past the Roebuck Inn at 86 Station Street three minutes from the station Great pub, excellent Burton Bridge beers and wonderful arrangement with a local sandwich shop to order food!

The Cooper's Tavern at 43 Cross Street 1 minute from the Devonshire and four minutes from the railway station However, you don't visit this pub for its comfort or ambiance, you go

for its amazing choice of beers and ciders, mainly straight from the barrel. If you walk from the station to the ground, you will pass The Albert on Derby Street on your left good food and beer and friendly staff.

Cambridge United

Ground - Abbey Stadium, Newmarket Road, Cambridge CB5 8LN

Main Telephone No: 01223 566 500

Fax No: 01223 729 220

Capacity: 9,617 (4,376 Seated)

Pitch Size: 110 x 74 yards

Team Nickname: The U's

Year Ground Opened: 1931(Cambridgeshire Cricket Club)

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Mick George

Kit Manufacturer: Hummel

Website: www.cambridge-united.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1912

Years at Today's Ground – 83 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1971 for Bradford Park Avenue

First Official Floodlit Match – Sept 1963

Highest Attendance – 14,000 v Chelsea Friendly 01/05/1970

Highest Score for – 7 – 0 (v Weymouth, Conference Premier, March 2007, v Forest Green Rovers, Conference Premier, September 2009)

Highest Against – 0 – 7 v Sunderland, League Cup Second Round, 1/10/2002

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Highest Scorer in a Season – 24 – David Crown in Division Four, 1985–86

Highest Scorer Overall – 319 JS Forfar from 1922 – 36

Player with most First Team Appearances – 450 Steve Fallon 1974 – 86 with 27 goals

Former Names

Abbey United FC 1912 – 1951

Former Ground



Parkers Piece (1912 – 33) (The birth of Football Association Rules)

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Alternative

Ground Guide

The ground has four separate stands each with its own character. The big main stand dates back to the start of time and has been pencilled in for redevelopment in the past. The North

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stand, also known as the Newmarket Road End is where the home fans congregate, with its social club in the corner.



Main Stand

Away fans are usually housed in the south stand known as The Marston's Smooth Stand which is an all-seated affair with a capacity of 1,600 which is quite uncommon within the lower leagues of English Football. The entrance to the away stand is located along a path through the common field, and once you are in the stand you will have decent views of the game with the stand being relatively modern.

For away fans The Earl of Beaconsfield Pub at 133 Mill Road with good food and an assortment of Ales and wines it's on the walk to the ground or The Devonshire Arms at 1 Devonshire Road pub shows BT & Sky Sports on large screens and has up to five real ales from the Milton Brewery; it is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide and The Kingston Arms at is a traditional pub award winning ales and first rate food in a cosy venue with beer and wines changing nearly every day to give you a more choice of what you would like to drink



South Stand

Driving to the Ground



From the North

Take the A1 to junction 14 at the Huntingdon Rd/A14 (signs for Cambridge/ A1307/ A10/ Ely/ Felixstowe/ Harwich) then drive for about three mile till you get to Murray College take a left into Victoria Road and follow the signs for the A1134 and at the roundabout take the third exit down Elizabeth Way then continue down to the next roundabout and take the first left down Newmarket Road then at the City Life Centre take a right up Coldhams Lane then at the roundabout go straight on and after the railway bridge take a left into Coldhams Road and leave the car there and walk back down to the Greyhound then walk to the lights and turn left and walk through the park under the railway bridge and follow the path to the ground.



From the South

Take the up the M11 until you reach junction 14. Take a turn onto the A14 East, passing the junction for Histon. Then exit the A14 at the fourth junction (situated east of Cambridge), up the slip road to the roundabout (signposted Stow-Cum-Quay). Turn right onto the A1303, and return westwards towards Cambridge. Go straight over the first roundabout, passing Marshall Airport to the left. Go straight over two sets of traffic lights to a roundabout.



The Ground's floodlights can be seen from here and McDonald's is on the right. Turn left onto the ring road. Turn right at the first roundabout (a large Sainsbury's is on the left here), and go along Coldhams Lane. After half a mile, immediately after the traffic lights (at the Greyhound Public House) turn right into Coldhams Road before the railway bridge.

There is no car parking at the ground and you will have to find a space in the nearby streets so park there and walk back down to the Greyhound then walk to the lights and turn left and

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walk through the park under the railway bridge and follow the path to the ground.

Public Transport & Walking



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→ 2 mins

Train to **Cambridge Railway Station** then walk out of the station and at Stop 7 take the **Stagecoach Cambridge Citi 3** to Ditton Walk on Newmarket Road it's a two-minute walk to the ground and get a Day rider ticket for £3.70

Admission

South Stand (Seating): Adults £19, Concessions £13, Under 18's £9

Habbin Terrace: Adults £16, Concessions £11, Under 18's £6

Carlisle United

Ground Address: Burnton Park Warwick Road, Carlisle, CA1 1LL

Main Telephone No: 01228 526 237

Ticket Hotline: 0844 371 1921

Capacity: 18,202

Pitch Size: 112 x 74 yards

Team Nickname: The Cumbrians

Year Ground Opened: 1909

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Thomas Graham

Kit Manufacturer: Umbro

Website: www.carlisleunited.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1903 (Shaddongate United FC)

Years at Today's Ground – 109 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1928 for Durham City

First Official Floodlit Match – Feb 1952

Highest Attendance – 27,500 v Birmingham City FA Cup Third Round 05/01/1957

Highest Score for – 8-0 v Hartlepool United Division Three North 1/09/1928, v Scunthorpe United Division Three North 25/12/1952

Highest Against – 1-11 v Hull City Division Three North 14/01/1939

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – Jimmy McConnell, 42 goals in 1928–29 with 126 goals, from 1928–1932 in 178 appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – Alan Ross, 466 from 1963–1979

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Former Names

Shaddongate United FC 1903/04

Former Grounds

Milholme Bank (1903 – 05)

Devonshire Park (1905 – 09)

Ground Guide

The Story Homes (East) Stand on one side of the pitch, is a covered all seated stand, and this stand was opened in 1996. The other side is an old partly covered (to the rear) Main Stand, which has seating at the back and a terraced paddock to the front. The central part of this stand was built in 1954 and the wings added at a later stage.

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East Stand (Babs Arnott)

The Warwick Road End is a covered terrace that has a peculiar looking roof, which consists of three triangular sections. The other end, the Petterill End (aka The Waterworks End), is largely a small open terrace, which oddly contains a small section of seating on one side. This end is only used for the bigger games. On one side of this end is a Security Control Box, which also has a small electric scoreboard mounted below it.

There is also a video screen situated at the back. The ground also has some strange looking floodlights that don't have the normal bank of lighting on top of the pylon, but instead have the lights mounted up the side. Outside the ground entrance is a statue of former Carlisle favourite Hughie McIlmoyle, who over three separate spells at the club, scored 91 goals in 189 appearances.

Another unusual aspect of the ground is that the central point of the East Stand is located just off the half way line. This means that one side of the stand extends past the one goal line, whilst the other side falls short of this. This was due to the fact that the Club were intending to re-build the whole ground and move the pitch a few yards further north but ran out of money and does look unusual



Main Stand

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Away fans are housed on one side of the Story Homes (East) Stand (towards the Petterill End) where around 2,000 fans can be accommodated. This all seated, covered stand is located at one side of the pitch. plus, the view of the playing area are good and for larger games then the Petterill End terrace can also be allocated which houses around 1,700 supporters.

For the away fans go to the Carlisle Rugby Club next to Brunton Park on the Warwick Road has a club bar and is family friendly. Also, near to the ground on Warwick Road is the Beehive, which serves a good pint of Theakstons. On the way to the ground try the County Hotel at 9 Botchergate for a nice pint.



Warwick Road End

Driving to the Ground



North

Take the M74 and come off at junction 43 on the M6 take the third exit on the left onto the A69 towards Carlisle. After a mile the ground is on your right (look out for the statue of a footballer on the corner). The club car park (cost £2.50) can be found by taking the first right immediately after Brunton Park into Victoria Place and then turn first right onto St Aidans Road and if there are no space then its street parking.



South

Take the M6 to Junction 43 and take the first exit left onto the A69 and follow the above directions

Public Transport



→ 21 mins

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Train to **Carlisle Railway Station** the take the path outside the main entrance up Court Square Brow to the right up to the County Hotel on Botchergate in front of you then and then walk straight on into the Crescent take a right and then first right into Warwick Road from there walk straight up to the ground it around a 21-minute walk.

Admission Prices

Pioneer Stand: Adults £19, Over 65's £16, Under 22's £13, Under 18's £10, Under 11's £7, Under 7's Free

Petterill End Terrace: Adults £16, Over 65's £13, Under 22's £10, Under 18's £7, Under 11's £4, Under 7's Free

Charlton Athletic

Ground - The Valley, Floyd Road, Charlton, SE7 8BL

Main Telephone No: 020 8333 4000

Main Fax No: 020 8333 4001

Ticket Office: 0871 226 1905

Ticket Office Fax: 020 8333 4011

Capacity – 27,000

Pitch Size - 112 x 73 yards

Club Nickname: The Addicks

Year Ground Opened: 1919

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: KV

Kit Manufacturer: Nike

Website: www.cafc.co.uk

Programme: £3



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History Facts & Records

Founded – 1905

Years at Today's Ground – off and on around 100 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1921 from Southern Football League Founder
Member of Division Three South

First Official Floodlit Match – September 1961

Highest Attendance – 75,031 v Aston Villa FA Cup Fifth Round 12/02/1938

Highest Score for – 8 – 1 v Middlesbrough Division One 12/09/53

Highest Against – 1 – 11 v Aston Villa Division Two 14/11/59

Highest Scorer in a Season – Ralph Allan 33 in 1934/35 season

Highest Scorer Overall – Derek David Hales 168 from 1973 - 76 & 1978 -85

Player with most First Team Appearances – Samuel Bartram 623 from 1934 - 56

Former Grounds

Siemens Meadow Woolwich (1905 – 07),
Woolwich Common (1907 – 09)
Pound Park (1909 – 13),
Horn Lane Greenwich (1913 – 19),
The Valley (1919 – 23), (1924 – 85)
The Mount Ringstead Road Catford (1923/24),
Selhurst Park (1985 – 1992)
Boleyn Ground (1992)

Ground Guide

The club first move to the Valley Ground in 1919 and at one time had a capacity of 75,000 which was exceeded in 1938 in a FA Cup against Aston Villa when 75,031 watched the match but by the 1980's the old ground needed repair but there was no money at the club the club moved to Crystal Palace FC ground of Selhurst Park for the 1985-86.

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West Stand

The club moved back to the Valley in 1992 and the club redeveloped the East Stand was constructed during the 1993–94 season and fully completed in 1994. As part of the first development to the ground and it replaced the massive east terrace, which had remained closed and prohibited from use since the mid-1980s after the Bradford City stadium fire. The East Stand consists of a single tier of 6,000 seats and houses the television gantry, and also has numerous executive boxes. Occasionally, for FA and League Cup matches, part of the East Stand is used to house away supporters if the demand for away team tickets is high.



East Stand

The West Stand with a capacity of 9,000 was built in 1998 after Charlton's first promotion to the Premier League and is also two tiered. This is the main stand at the Valley with the largest capacity, and also houses the club's offices, as well as the director's box, board room dug-outs, changing rooms and the commercial centre (ticket office). There are also many conferencing rooms in this stand which are used for official and community events.

The North Stand with a capacity of 9,000 was built as a replacement for the 'covered end', and is still called by this name. It was built during the 2001–02 season as part of the

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developments to bring the Valley's capacity to 26,500 after promotion to the Premier League in 2000. The North Stand houses what is considered the most vocal supporters in the ground, along with restaurants and executive suites?

The Jimmy Seed (or South) Stand is the oldest part of the ground, and dates from the early 1980s. This stand is named after Charlton's manager, Jimmy Seed – with whom Charlton won the FA Cup in 1947. This stand has a capacity of around 3,000 and hosts the away supporters at games. It is also the only part of the Valley with a supporting pillar.

The stadium doesn't have any floodlight pylons as such, but has rows of small floodlights running across the tops of the stands with the stadium is overlooked by a block of flats at the South Stand and it is not uncommon to see fans out on their balconies watching the game for nothing.

In one corner of the stadium between the Jimmy (South) Seed & East Stands is a large video screen. Outside the ground there is a statue of Charlton's legendary former goalkeeper Sam Bartram.



Jimmy Seed Stand (Away End)

Driving to the Ground



Exit M25 at junction 2 and follow until the road becomes A102 (M). Continue along to the A102 (M), until you reach the exit sign posted Woolwich Ferry. Turn right onto the A206 Woolwich Road. At the first set of traffic lights turn right and Floyd Road is the 2nd turning on the left.

Parking at the ground is for permit holders only. There is street parking, but due to a local residents parking scheme, not in close vicinity to the ground. However, as you come off the A2 onto the A206, there is some parking to be had around the industrial estates in the area, in Westmoor Street, Eastmoor Street (the very road where the club was apparently formed

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100 years ago!), Warspite Road and Ruston Road. If you are coming up the Woolwich Road from the Blackwell Tunnel, then as you go past the ground, the industrial estates are on the left-hand side.

Public Transport



From **Charing Cross, Euston and Kings Cross Railway Stations** then then walk over to the Underground station take the Northern Line direct to **London Bridge Underground Station** then then walk over to the railway station then Southern trains to **Charlton Railway Station** from Platform 1 and come out of the station into Charlton Church Lane and cross over to the other side and turn right into Valley Grove.



From the north take the train to **Luton Railway Station** then take the Thameslink Northern TI take it to the **Farrington Railway Station** then take the **Elizabeth Line to Woolwich Railway Station** then take a left and walk up to **Woolwich Arsenal Railway Station** from Platform 1 and take it to **Charlton Railway Station** come out of the station into Charlton Church Lane and cross over to the other side and turn right into Valley Grove.



For those coming from East Anglia alight at **Stratford Railway Station** and walk over to the **Stratford DLR Station** and take this to **Woolwich Arsenal DLR** then cross over to the Rail station and take the train to **Charlton Railway Station** and do the return it will save you waiting in the queue for those heading into central London and you will get home quicker.

From the west change at **Reading Railway Station** take the Elizabeth Line to **Woolwich Railway Station** take a left and walk up to **Woolwich Arsenal Railway Station** from Platform 1 and take it to **Charlton Railway Station** come out of the station into Charlton Church Lane and cross over to the other side and turn right into Valley Grove.

Admission

Adults £30 (£25),
Over 60's £22 (£20),
Under 18's £10, Under 11's £5

Where to have a Drink

The Antiglycan pub was the dedicated pubs for away fans but closed in 2018 for the away

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fans coming through Woolwich Railway Station then use the Gun Pit on the way to Woolwich Arsenal Railway Station for those using London Bridge Railway Station then use The Telephone Exchange in Quirk Street or Whisky Gin on Borough High Street both only 5 minutes from the station decent pint and grub and from Stratford Railway Station there is the Neighbourhood, Taps East, Milkmade and Bat and ball pubs all within 6 minutes of the station.

The Rose of Denmark 296 Woolwich Road is a very attractive looking pub. The pub is Charlton Athletic through and through, but don't let that put you off - it's a welcoming place for the neutral don't wear a scarf; there are three large television screens showing sporting events.

Cheltenham Town

Ground - Whaddon Road, Cheltenham, GL52 5NA

Main Telephone No: 01242 573 558

Fax No: 01242 224 675

Capacity: 7,066 (3,912 seated)

Team Nickname: The Robins

Year Ground Opened: 1927 (Cheltenham RFP)

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Mira Showers

Kit Manufacturer: Errea

Website: ctfc.com

Programme - £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1887

Years at Today's Ground – 84 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1999

First Official Floodlit Match – Aug 1960

Highest Attendance – 8,326 v Reading FA Cup Round One 17/11/1957

Highest Score for – 12–0 v Chippenham Rovers, FA Cup 3rd qualifying Round, 2/11/1935

Highest Against – 1–10 v Merthyr Tydfil, Southern League, 8 March 1952

Highest Scorer in a Season – 53 Dave Lewis in 1974/75 scored 290 goals from 1967 – 79 and 1982/83 and 600 appearances

Highest Scorer Overall – Reginald Smith 391 goals 1890 – 1903

Player with most First Team Appearances – Roger Thorndale 702 from 1958–1976

Former Grounds

Gardner's Recreation Ground (1887 – 1900),

Whaddon Lane (1900 – 1919)

Carter's Field (1919 – 1932)

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At one end of the ground is the newest addition to the stadium this is the Hazlewoods Stand and has a capacity of 1,100 fans. It is particularly steep in its design, is unusual in the respect that it has a couple of more rows of seats on one side of it. There is also a small electric scoreboard on its roof.



On the other side of the pitch is the Main Stand, it has seating to the rear and terracing at the front. Straddling the half way line, it does not go the full length of the pitch, having open spaces to either side. At one end is the small covered terrace, called the Prestbury Road Stand, which is the home end of the ground.

On one side of the ground is another relatively new stand. The In2Print Stand this stand sits proudly at one side of the pitch and houses 2,034 supporters, all seated, single tiered stand, part of which is given to away supporters. The ground is now enclosed in one corner where the two new stands meet, although it is not used for spectators.

For away fans if you get bus E or walking then drop in at the Sudeley Arms' on Prestbury Road it's nice to go somewhere where the landlord treats you more of a mate than a customer that is relaxing and all of the locals do not give you that 'local' look. 'The Conservatory' on 104-106 Winchcombe St if Bus A then reverse the journey of Bus E to Prestbury Road and Winchcombe St with both pubs are five minutes away from the ground.



Driving Directions

From the North



Leave the M5 at Junction 10, (follow road A4019) towards Cheltenham, keep going straight through traffic lights until you reach a roundabout, PC World will be on your left and McDonalds on your right. Turn left here, after 500 yards you will then come to a double roundabout, go straight over, keep going for another 300 yards then turn right into Swindon Lane, follow the road over the level crossing and 2 mini roundabouts until you come to a large roundabout, go straight over, signposted Prestbury, continue past Racecourse and turn right into Albert Road, follow this to the end then turn left at roundabout into Prestbury Road, 200 yards turn into Whaddon Road.



From the South



Leave the M5 at Junction 11 take the A40 turning right towards Cheltenham. At the second roundabout follow the A40/ Gloucester Road. Follow the road into Lansdown Road past the Texaco Garage at the roundabout take the first left past Barclays then follow the signs for the A46 and follow the Inner Ring Road into North Street then go straight on into North Place past the Parrot Pub then at the junction go right then first left into Portland Street then take the first right into Clarence Road then first left into Prestbury Road, 200yards turn into Whaddon Rd.



Public Transport



→ 10 mins

From **Cheltenham Spa Railway Station** walk across from the station and take the **Stagecoach West Cheltenham Bus E** to the Hotel in the Park walk down and take the first left walk to the end of Wellington Road take the second on the left and walk down Prestbury Road take the first left into Whaddon Road and walk down to the Bowling club and turn left and walk up to the ground.

Stagecoach West Cheltenham Service D from the Station Car park to the Town Centre (Clarence Street). On Saturdays Service D runs every 10 minutes. It costs £3.90 for a 'day-rider' ticket with unlimited travel in Cheltenham. From the Town centre it is a short walk to Whaddon Road down Prestbury Road.

Admission

Hazlewoods Stand:

Adults £21,

Over 65's £15,

Under 18's & Students £7

Derby County

Ground - Pride Park Stadium, Royal Way Derby, DE24 8XL

Main Telephone No: 0871 472 1884

Fax No: 01332 667519

Capacity: 33,597 (all seated)

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Pitch Size: 105 x 68 yards
Club Nickname: County or Rams
Year Ground Opened: 1997
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: 32 Red
Kit Manufacturer: Umbro
Website: www.dcfc.co.uk
Programme: £3

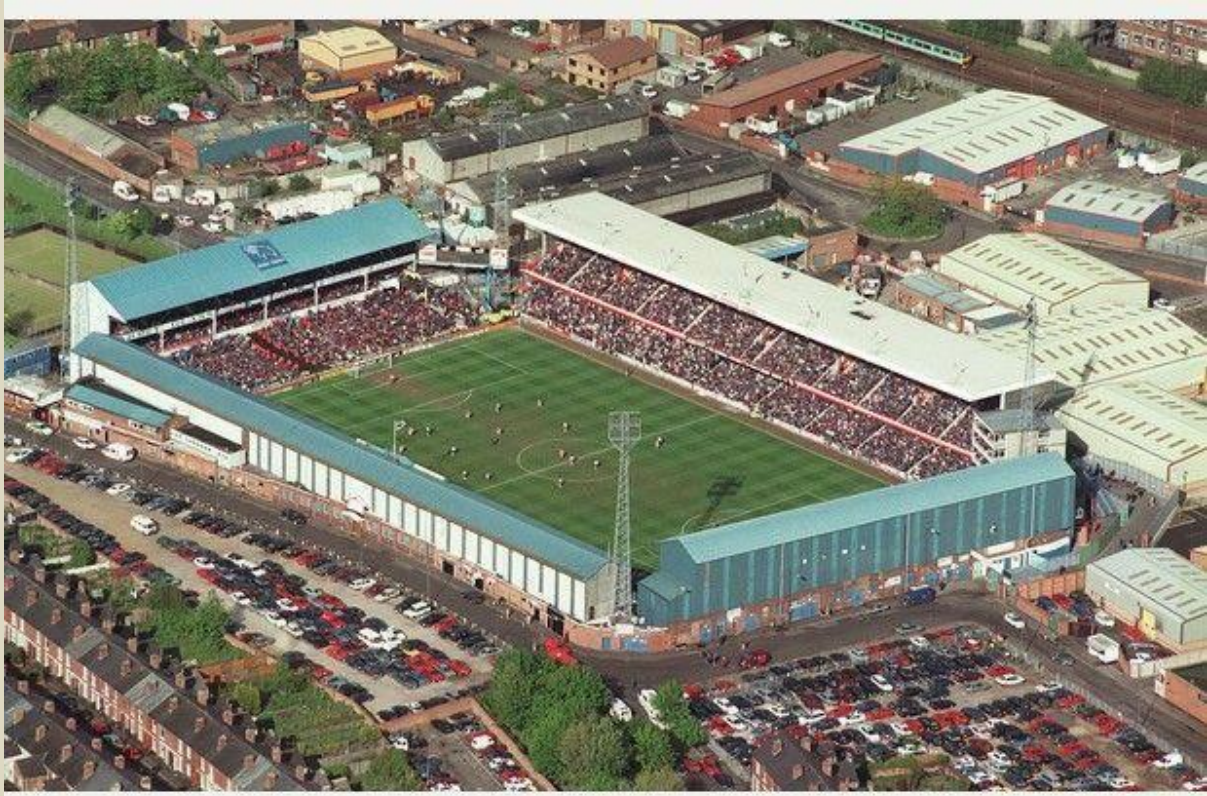


History Facts & Records

Founded - 1884
Former Names – Derbyshire County FC
Years at Today's Ground – 21 years
First Admitted to the Football League – 1888 Founder Member
First Official Floodlit Match – March 1953
Highest Attendance – 41,826 V Tottenham Hotspur Baseball Ground 20/09/1969
Highest Score for – 12 – 0 v Finn Harp Round One U.E.F.A. Cup Round 1 1976
Highest Against – 2 – 11 v Everton F.A. Cup Round One 18/01/1890
Highest Scorer in a Season – Jack Bowers 43 in 1932/33
Highest Scorer Overall – Steve Bloomer 322 1892 – 1905, 1910 – 13
Player with most First Team Appearances – 589 Kevin Hector 1966 – 82

Former Grounds

The Racecourse Ground (Derbyshire County Ground) (1884 – 1895)



Baseball Ground (1895 – 1997) **

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Ground Guide

The Club moved to Pride Park in 1997 after spending 102 years at their former Baseball Ground home. The new ground was opened by the Queen, is totally enclosed with all corners being filled.



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One corner is filled with executive boxes, with the large Toyota West Stand which runs down one side of the pitch is two tiered, complete with a row of executive boxes and the rest of the ground is smaller in size than the West Stand, as the roof drops a tier to the other sides, making it look unbalanced.

An unusual feature inside the stadium is next to the home dugout there is a statue of former player Steve Bloomer who overlooks the pitch. Outside the stadium on one corner is a statue of Brian Clough and Peter Taylor. In December 2013 the stadium was renamed the iPro Stadium in a 10-year corporate sponsorship deal but to fans its Pride Park.

Away fans are located at one end of the stadium in the Winfield Construction (South) Stand, where the allocation this can be up to from 2,700 to 5,600. The facilities within the stadium and view of the playing action are both very good and all of the away seats are sandwiched in the corner between the east and south stands. Entrance to the stadium is via electronic turnstiles, meaning that you have to insert your ticket into an electronic reader to gain entry.

Available on the concourse are a selection of Pukka Pies (Chicken Balti, Meat and Potato, Cheese and Onion) all at £4, Pasties' at £4. At half time fans are allowed outside the stadium into a cordoned off area, where there is a catering unit selling Burgers, Hot Dogs etc. It also provides an opportunity for those who smoke to have a cigarette outside. If you walk 400 yards up to Devonshire Walk is Birds good food and cakes then walk back down to the pubs.

The Navigation Inn is also popular with away supporters at 805 London Road and gives good meals from £3.95 and very good beer. The Brunswick at 1 Railway Terrace with real ale beside the railway station and a good buffet menu with the Alexandra Hotel a real ale oasis at 203 Siddals Road is just two minutes past the Brunswick. They offer an ever-changing selection of 6-8 guest ales from micro-breweries near and far plus the regular Harvest Pale from Castle Rock brewery in Nottingham Food is available all day every day in the form of 'made to order' cobs and fresh local pork and huntsman pies.

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North

Leave the M1 at junction 28 and follow the A38 to Derby. Follow the signs for the A52 (Nottingham) off the Pentagon island in Derby. After one mile, look for a large Toys R U store on the right. Take the next left at signs for Wyvern Shopping Centre (the ground is sign posted from here) and continue to the traffic island. Take the second exit, passing a Sainsbury's superstore on your right, and continue to the next traffic island. Take the first exit over the bridge, into Pride Park, and the stadium is on the left.



South

Leave the M1 at junction 25 and then at the roundabout, take the first left signposted Derby (A52). Stay on this road, for five miles, following the signs for the city centre. Look out for the signs for the Pride Park, and the signs for the travel lodge on your left. Take the next left into Wyvern Shopping Centre and continue to the traffic island. Take the first exit over the bridge, into Pride Park, and the stadium is on the left.

Public Transport



→ 10 mins

The ground is about a 10-minute walk away from **Derby Railway Station** and is well signposted. A new exit has been opened at the station which leads directly onto the retail park; you go up the stairs from the platform, turn right and walk to the end of the bridge.

Go down the stairs, exit and turn right down Roundhouse Road and then turn left at the roundabout, go straight down Riverside Road then turn right go down Pride Parkway then turn left into Derwent Parade then just before the ground turn right and the ground in front of you.

Admission

Adults £28 (B £25.50) (C £22)

Over 65's £20 (B £18) (C £15.50)

Under 18's £15.50 (B £14.50) (C £12.50)

Exeter City

Ground - St James' Park Stadium Way, Exeter, Devon, EX4 6PX

Main Telephone No: 01392 411 243

Fax No: 01392 413 959

Capacity: 8,830 (3,800 Seated)

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Pitch Size: 114 x 73 yards

Team Nickname: The Grecians

Year Ground Opened: 1890 (Exeter United FC)

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Chunk Pies

Kit Manufacturer: Joma

Website: www.exetercityfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1904 (Merger of Exeter United & St Sidwells Old Boys)

Years at Today's Ground – 126 years (as Exeter United)

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 Founder Member of Division Three, Founder Member of Division Three South 1921 & Founder Member of Division Four 1958

First Official Floodlit Match – August 1953

Highest Attendance – 20,984 v Sunderland, FA Cup Sixth Round Replay, 04/03/1931

Highest Score for – 14–0 v. Weymouth, FA Cup Qualifying Round One 03/10/1908

Highest Against – 0-9 v Notts County Division Three South 16/10/1948 v Northampton Town Division Three South 12/04/1958

Highest Scorer in a Season – 34 Fred Whitlow in 1933/34

Highest Scorer Overall – 149 David Forfar from 1904 - 1910

Player with most First Team Appearances – 530 Arnold Mitchell from 1952 - 66



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Ground Guide

The ground is a mixture of the old and the modern as on one side is the old Grandstand that was originally opened in 1926 after the original stand of 1904 was burned down. It is all seated, covered and has windshields to either side and is about half the length of the pitch and although part of it straddles the half way line, it mostly sits to one side towards the St James' Terrace End.

This means that the area to the other side of stand is open and apart from a row of floodlight pylons is unused for spectators and the Grandstand also has an unusual set of small floodlights aligned along the front of its roof, that protrude at an angle.

Opposite is the new Flybe Stand which is the newest addition to the ground and was opened in 2001 and this modern all seater stand, is single tiered, with some executive boxes located in the middle to the rear. It has the player's tunnel and team dug outs situated at its front.



St James Terrace end

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At one end is the 'Big Bank' covered terrace, which was opened in February 2000 and replaced a former open terrace. This stand is quite impressive looking and with a capacity of just under 4,000, means it is now the largest terrace left in the Football League. Unusually both the Flybe & Big Bank Stands have an open gap between the roof and back of the stands.



Ivor Doble Stand

The other end is a covered terrace, called the St James Road terrace. This end is given to away supporters. It is that small, where just over 1,000 fans can be accommodated. In addition, the Club make 150 seats available to visiting supporters in the Grandstand. For Away fans The Victoria Inn Good food at ridiculous prices, improved beer selection since I was here two years ago, there is also the Duke of York come out of St David's walk down Street. Then walk down Sidwell Street for about four minutes and the pub is on the corner on the left no food small but good beer and The Wells Tavern is 100 yards from the ground really friendly boozier with 4 real ales and a proper cider on very away fan friendly.



The Grandstand

Driving Directions



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Exit the M5 at junction 30, and then follow the signs for Middlemoor. Take the second exit at Middlemoor roundabout (signed Heavitree). Follow signs for City Centre, going through Heavitree (approx. 2 miles). Past the police station on your right, then at the bottom of the hill turn right at the roundabout into Western Way (signed Pinhoe and Broadclyst). At the next roundabout, take the second exit, and then at the top of the hill (Old Tiverton Road) first left into St. James' Road.



Big bank End

There is no parking around the ground as the locals have a parking permit in operation so park in the town centre the best is at the Guildhall in Queen Street or new St Nicholas Abbey Car Park in Smythen Street both are an easy walk to the ground



The St James End

Public Transport & Walking

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→ 3 mins

Train to **St James Railway Station** which beside the ground up the path to the ground it may be longer from St David's but the locals is friendly in all the pubs.



→ 8 mins

Train to **St David's Railway Station** in Exeter the walking without going to the pub is up St Clements Lane on to Howell Road after half a mile turn left into Blackwell Road, then turn left into Pennsylvania Road and then turn right cross the road 200 yards York Road and then 200yards up the road turn into Oxford Road the ground is at the top of the road.

Admission

Adults £22,
Concessions £19,
Under 18's £10,
Family Ticket (1 Adult + 1 Child) £28

Fleetwood Town

Ground – Highbury Stadium, Park Avenue, Fleetwood, Lancashire FY7 6TX

Main Telephone: 01253 770702

Ticket Office:

Capacity: 5,311 (Seats 2,701)

Team Nickname: Cod Army

Year Ground Opened: 1939 (Fleetwood FC)

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: BES Commercial Gas

Kit Manufacturer: Hummel

Website: www.fleetwoodtownfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded - 1997

Former Names – Fleetwood Wanderers FC, Fleetwood Freeport FC

Years at Today's Ground – 17 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2011

First Official Floodlit Match – 1997

Highest Attendance – 5,194 v York City Football League Two Play-Off 2013–14
16/05/2014

Highest Score for – 13–0 v Oldham Town North West Counties League Division Two
5/12/1998

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Highest Against – 0–7 v Billingham Town FA Cup First Qualifying Round, 2001–02
15/09/2001

Highest Scorer in a Season – 41 David Michael Ball 2016-17

Highest Scorer Overall – 101 David Barnes

Player with most First Team Appearances – 500 Nathan Pond from 2003 - 2018



Colours



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Alternative

Ground Guide

The stadium has been completely re-built over the last five years, matching the teams' meteoric rise up the leagues with six promotions in nine seasons. The latest addition to the ground is the very impressive looking Parkside Stand which was first opened to spectators in March 2011. These 2,000 capacities all seated stand and it has a single tier of seating,

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whilst above are offices and a top row of executive boxes and hospitality area, all of which have a small tier of seating outside.



Opposite is the Highbury Stand, which is a small all-seated covered stand, which was opened in 2008. It is only six rows high, has a capacity of 550 and runs for only half the length of the pitch, meaning that there is a large open area next to it, although this area does feature some buildings.

On the roof of the Highbury Stand is a small television gantry you can see a small roof which is the roof the old Main Stand which is still in existence having had the new stand built in front of it. It just shows how much the stadium has come on, when you consider that at one time there was this stand and another stand beside it plus two small enclosures which had been there since 1946 and not much else at the ground.



Memorial Stand

Both ends are covered terraces, which are similar in size in terms of height. The Percy Ronson Terrace which is named after a former player who had most appearances with the

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old Fleetwood Town and which is given to away supporters and runs for around 65% of the width of the pitch where 831 fans can be accommodated. This terrace which was opened in 2007, is covered, free from supporting pillars and affords a good view of the playing action.



Percy Ronson Stand

Away fans are housed in both the Parkside Stand (seating) and the Percy Robson Stand (standing), with the sections of the stands effectively constituting the north-west corner of the ground. The modern terrace is capable accommodating 621 fans, whilst the less popular seating area has room for 210 visitors although it's still good to offer people the choice. There is an away fans ticket office and programme booth situated outside the visiting fans entrance.

The Memorial Stand is used by the home support (is larger extending the full width of the pitch and housing just under 1,500 supporters. In one corner of the stadium between the Parkside and Memorial Stands is a large video screen.

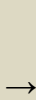
Driving Directions



Leave the M6 at Junction 32 and take the M55 towards Blackpool. Then leave the M55 at Junction 3 and take the A585 towards Fleetwood. On the outskirts of Fleetwood, you will come to a roundabout with Blackpool and Fylde College on your left. Continue straight on towards Fleetwood but after the roundabout take the first left into Copse Road.

After about a mile and as you pass Fleetwood Fire station on your left then branch left and turn left onto Radcliffe Road (going back on yourself but in parallel with Copse Road). Then take the next right into Stanley Road and the stadium is at the bottom of this road on your left. There is no parking for away supporters at the stadium itself but there is plenty of parking available in the area.

Public Transport



→ 7 mins



Fleetwood



→ 2 mins

Train to **Blackpool North Railway Station** and take a right and then first right down High Street walk down to the end and take a left into Pleasant Street and at the mini roundabout take a right and first left and walk down to the Tram stop on the Promenade and take the **Blackpool Tramways** for Fleetwood to Stanley Park and it's a three-minute walk to the ground.



1 or 14



→ 2 mins

The **Blackpool Transport 14 bus** on Cocker Street near the station or the **Blackpool Transport 1 bus** from the Promenade to Fleetwood its take about 20 minutes to get there and get off at the Fire Station and its two minutes to the ground

Admission

Parkside Stand: Adults

£25, Over 65's/Under 18's £20, Under 16's £17, Under 5's Free**

Percy Ronson Stand:

Adults £23, Over 65's/Under 18's £18, Under 16's £15, Under 5's Free**

** When accompanied by a paying adult.

Where to have a Drink

The Strawberry Gardens on Poulton Road is where we meet for the games and is a 12-minute walk back to the stadium an enormous and ever-changing choice of real ales and ciders. Run with pride by a professional team, the pub offers a selection of no less than twelve beers and six ciders, not to mention most other drinks you'd care to mention. On the real ale front, you'll find familiar favourites alongside new surprises, meaning you're spoilt for choice every time you head to the bar. CAMRA members receive discounts.

Leyton Orient

Ground - Brisbane Road, Leyton, London, E10 5NF

Main Telephone No: 0871 310 1881

Fax No: 0871 310 1882

Ticket Office: 0871 310 1883

Capacity: 9,271 (all seated)

Team Nickname: The O's

Year Ground Opened: 1919 (Leyton AFC)

Pitch Size: 115 x 80 yards

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Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Dream Team
Kit Manufacturer: Erra
Website: www.leytonorient.com
Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1884

Former Names – Glyn Cricket Club, Eagle Cricket Club, Orient FC, Clapton Orient, Leyton Orient, Orient FC

Years at Today's Ground – 77 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1905

First Official Floodlit Match – August 1960

Highest Attendance – 38,219 v Tottenham Hotspur Division 2 16 March 1929

Highest Score for – 8–0 v Crystal Palace Division 3 South 12 November 1955, 8–0 v Rochdale Division 4 14 October 1987, 8–0 v Colchester United Division 4 15 October 1988, 8–0 v Doncaster Rovers Division 3 28 December 1997

Highest Against – 0–8 v Aston Villa FA Cup 4th Round 30 January 1929

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – 43 goals in 1957/58 and 121 goals for Tommy Johnston 1956–58, 1959–61 in 200 appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – 490 Peter Allan from 1965 – 78 and 29 goals

Former Grounds

Glyns Road (1884 – 1896)

Whittlets Athletic Ground (1892 – 1896)

New Whittlets Ground (Pond Lane) (1896- 1900)

Millfields Road (Homerton) (1900 – 30)

Lea Bridge Stadium (1930 – 37)

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Ground Guide

The ground has seen a lot of re-development in recent years, with the construction of three new stands since the 1990's. Finance for this has chiefly come from the proceeds of selling part of the Brisbane Road site to a property developer. In this ground-breaking development, the corners of the ground have been filled with blocks of residential apartments, which certainly gives the stadium a unique look instead of seating.

The old Main (East) Stand, which was originally opened in 1956, has been reduced in length, with the stand partly covered is now all seated after having seating installed on the former paddock front terrace. The only downside is it has several supporting pillars and the roof doesn't quite cover all of the front seating. It does though still have a gable on its roof which has 'Leyton Orient'.



Tommy Johnston (South Stand)

Opposite is the new West Stand which was opened for the 2005/06 season. This all seated stand which has a capacity of 2,872, has an unusual look about it, as above the seating area is a tall vertical structure that houses the Club offices. In fact to be honest it looks more like an office block that has some seats installed on a large viewing gallery, rather than a football stand. It also has some corporate hospitality areas, as the outside seating area of this overhang the lower tier. At the very top of the stand is a large viewing gallery for television

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cameras and press and the roof of the stand contains a lot of Perspex panels to allow more light to reach the pitch which is common these days, at one end is the single tiered, Tommy Johnston (South) Stand (capacity 1,336 seats), that was opened in 1999. This stand replaced a former open terrace and is named after the club's leading all time goal scorer who achieved that in 1958 with 35 goals.



The East Stand

At the North End is the ground is the most recent addition to the stadium. The North Stand was opened at the beginning of the 2007/08 season and replaced a former open terrace. This simple looking covered all seated stand, has space for 1,351 spectators and is near identical to the Tommy Johnston Stand.



The west Stand (nickname the office Block)

The away fans are housed in the south East corner of the main Stand up to 1,500 are accommodated. Although there is a fair sized concourse located beneath the stand which has just been updated although they could widen the turnstiles which are from the 1900's and from the original main stand at the Whittlets Athletic Ground with the food on offer inside the ground includes a range of Pukka Pies; Steak, Chicken Balti and Cheese and Onion (all £3.30), Pukka Pasties (£3.30), Cheeseburgers (£4.20), Burgers (£4) and Jumbo Hot Dogs (£3.80).

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North End

If you are coming to the ground from Leyton Railway Station then go into Percy's Bakery for sandwiches and pies and Birkbeck Tavern in Langthorne Road, behind the tube station' It is a decent size pub and ideal for games, i.e. not posh, serves beer and normally has a good atmosphere you turn left and then go left down the stairs at the gap in the railings then at the bottom of the stairs then turn left and follow this road to the end, then turn right and then take the next left into Langthorne Road with the pub is further down on the left as the Coach and Horses has now been put out of bounds for away fans but not neutrals without scarfs which is at 391 Brisbane Road 3 minutes from the ground

Driving Directions



Exit the M25 at the junction 27 with the M11, and follow the M11 towards London. At junction 4, take the A406 (West) and then exit on the right to the North Circular/ A503/ A10/ A1 the road becomes the A406 North Circular Road. Keep in the left-hand lane, and take the first exit off the A406, for the A104 towards Leytonstone/ Woodford/ Walthamstow/ A503. At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Woodford New Road (A104) and at the next roundabout, take the second exit towards Leyton and Walthamstow.

Follow this road towards Leyton High Road, passing an Esso garage. At the next set of traffic lights, turn left into Leyton Green Road. Follow the road to the end, and then turn left into Leyton High Road. When you get to the Kwang Chinese Restaurant turn right into Buckingham Road and its street parking around the ground

Public Transport & Walking



→ 2 mins



→ 11 mins

Take the Underground to **Leyton Underground Station**, when come out of **Leyton Underground Station**, turn right down Leyton High Road and then cross over the road to the other side and continue down it, you will come to Coronation Gardens on your left, take the next left past the gardens into Buckingham Road and the ground in 200 yards up the road which is a short 11 minutes' walk.

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→ 2 mins



58 or 69



→ 3 mins

The Alternative to is to take the Underground to **Walthamstow Central Underground Station** walk one minute to the bus station and take the London Bus 58 or 69 to Coronation Gardens on Buckingham Road then cross the road and turn right walk down Buckingham Road and the ground is three minutes on the right.

Admission

East Stand:

Adults £20

Concessions £15,

Under 18's £5

Where to Drink

There is a Supporters Club at the ground that does admit small numbers of visiting supporters at a cost of £1. The supporters club which is located in the new West Stand and it is very popular with fans.

At Leyton Tube Station is the Leyton Technical Pub which is housed in the old Leyton Town Hall, Northcote Arms on Grove Green Road or Birkbeck Tavern in Langthorne Road, behind the tube station'.

Lincoln City

Ground - Sincil Bank Stadium, Lincoln, LN5 8LD

Main Telephone No: 0870 899 2005

Fax No: 01522 880 020

Ticket Office: 0870 899 1976

Capacity: 10,130 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 110 x74 yards

Team Nickname: The Imps

Year Ground Opened: 1895

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Peres grind

Kit Manufacturer: ERRR

Website: www.redimps.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1884

Years at Today's Ground – 117 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1892, Founder Member of Division Two

First Official Floodlit Match – March 1953

Highest Attendance – 23,196 v Derby County in the League Cup Fourth Round Replay
November 15 1967

Highest Score for – 13-0 v Peterborough United FA Cup First Qualifying Round, 12
October 1895

Highest Against – 1-9 v Arsenal Division One 28/01/1931

Highest Scorer in a Season – Allan Hall – 45 (1931–32)

Highest Scorer Overall – Andy Graver – 143 (1950–55, 1958–61)

Player with most First Team Appearances – Grant Brown 469 from 1989 – 2002

Former Grounds

John O' Gaunt ground 1884 - 1891

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The ground is all seater, on one side is the large all seater Co-op Community Stand and this large single tier covered stand which has a capacity of 5,700. Opposite it is the Lincolnshire Echo Stand, a small covered stand it is seated, but only runs half the length of the pitch, straddling the half way line and hence there are gaps at either side. One gap has now been partly filled by a tiny covered Family Stand. Both ends are small covered affairs. The Bridge McFarland Stand is all seated and has a row of executive boxes running across the back and is used for the away support. The other end is the Stacey West all seated, covered stand, and is for home supporters.

Driving to the Ground



North West / East

From the North West take the M6 to Junction to junction 30 onto the M61 toward Manchester/ Bolton/ Leeds/ Blackburn/ M62/ M65 then keep on the left follow signs for M60/ M66/ M62/ Ring Road N/Ring Road East/ Bury/ Leeds and merge onto M62 and continue to Junction 32 on to the A1.

From the East take the A1 (M1) then take the A638/A57 exit toward Lincoln/ East Markham/ Retford then at the roundabout, take the second exit onto Cliff Gate/A57 this will lead you into the centre of Lincoln on Westbourne Grove at the lights turn left at the Horse & Groom Pub at the lights on to Brayford Way and at the next set of light take a slight right junction into Newland Road (A57) follow the road round past the University and take the second right down Broadgate (A46) drive straight over the railway bridge till you come to the Common then at the lights go straight on then take turn right into South Park.

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Lincolnshire Echo Stand



South East

From the A1 Take the A46 exit toward A17/Newark/Sleaford/Lincoln follow the A46 into Lincoln (which leads onto the High St) and the ground is indicated from there. If you follow the signs for 'away coaches' then this leads you onto the South Park, where there is plenty of street parking to be found (although it is a five-minute walk around to the ground) it cheaper than paying £4.00 at the ground.



South West

Take the M5 and then merge on to the M42 (signs for M1/London/ M40/ Airport) then At junction 7A, exit onto M6 toward London/M1/Coventry then at junction 2, take the M69/A46 exit to M1 North/ Leicester/Coventry (E) keep left at the fork, follow signs for M69/M1(N) and merge onto M69, At junction 3, exit onto M1 toward Nottingham, then take the A46 exit

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toward Braunstone Frith/ Kirby Muxloe/ B5380 then keep right at the fork, follow signs for A46/Leicester North/Newark and merge onto A46 and follow the signs for Lincoln this will take you into South Park Avenue go to the end turn right into Chadwick road then first right into South Park

Public Transport



→ 19 mins

The longer way from the **Lincoln Railway Station** is around a 19-minute walking pace to the ground unless you take in the pubs on the High Street. Turn 'left out of the train station and walk up to the traffic lights, turn left at these traffic lights onto the High Street, walking over the railway level at the crossing, keep walking for 10 minutes before turning left into Scorer Street, then walk along Scorer Street until you come to a bridge across the river, then turn right immediately after crossing the bridge onto Sincil Bank, the ground is straight ahead.



Coop Community Stand

The short way is to come out of the station and turn right to go down the road. About 30 yards ahead on your right you will see some steps and a bridge over the railway. Go over the bridge and once on the other side cross the car park walk down by the river, then take the path up to Stencil Bank and follow the road down to the ground which is on the left.



Bridge McFarlane Stand

Admission

Adults £24
Concessions £19
Under 18's £6

Where to drink

For the away fans there is a small fan zone located outside the stadium which is for both home and away supporters. It has a number of food outlets, some with local produce and beer is available too.

Otherwise, there are plenty of good pubs to be found if you head along the High Street towards the town centre. Close to Sincil Bank on the High Street is the Hop and Barley Micropub. The Golden Eagle, The Ritz' serves reasonably priced food and ales'. If arriving by train then not far from the station is the Marina area, which has a number of eating and drinking places, including the Square Sail.

In the town centre, the Golden Eagle at 21, 'The Ritz at 143 which is an old cinema' and The Treaty of Commerce at 173 with all these three pubs are located on the High Street and are listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide all serve reasonably priced food and ales'. The food is served between 11am and 2pm in these pubs.

Northampton Town

Ground - Sixfields Stadium, Edgar Mobbs Way, Northampton, NN5 5QA
Main Telephone No: 01604 683 700
Fax No: 01604 751 613
Ticket Office No: 01604 683 777
Capacity: 7,653 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 116 x 72 yards
Team Nickname: The Cobblers
Year Ground Opened: 1994
Undersoil Heating: No

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Shirt Sponsors: University Of Northampton

Kit Manufacturer: Nike

Website: www.ntfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



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History Facts & Records

Founded – 1897

Years at Today's Ground – 24 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 Founder Member Division Three & Founder Member of Division Three South 1921-22

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1962

Highest Attendance – 24,523 v Fulham Division One 09/03/1965

Highest Score for – 11-1 v Southend United Southern League Division One 30/12/1909

Highest Against – 0-10 v AFC Bournemouth Division Three South 02/09/1939

Highest Scorer in a Season – 36 Clifford C (Cliff) Holton in 1961/62

Highest Scorer Overall – 143 Jack English from 1947 – 1959

Player with most First Team Appearances – 552 Tommy Fowler 1946 – 61

Former Grounds

County Ground (1897 – 1994)

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The West Stand largest of the stands, seating for 4,000 home supporters on a match day, the West Stand also accommodates the club offices, changing rooms and supporters bar.

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Sheinman Stand Away grounds

The Dave Bowen (North Stand) which Named after ex-Northampton Town player and manager Dave Bowen, who helped take the club from Division Four to the First Division during the 1960s, the North Stand is behind the goal nearest to the hill and it seats approximately 900.

The East Stand (Alwyn Hargrave) is the Family Enclosure and stands opposite the West Stand. It can accommodate approximately 1,700 fans. It is usually reserved for home supporters, although if the opposition sells their allocation in The Paul Cox (South) Stand, they are usually sent an extra 450 tickets for the south end of this stand and it is named after an ex-Borough Councillor who helped the stadium become reality. This stand is well known for its 'award-winning facilities for the disabled.



West Stand

Standing opposite and identical to The Dave Bowen Stand is the Paul Cox (South) Stand this end is reserved for away fans where 800 supporters can be accommodated. If demand requires it, then an additional 300 seats can also be made available in the Alwyn Hargrave Stand. The only occasion on which this stand has held Northampton Town supporters was against Chester City on 29 April 2006 when the stand was split and supporters segregated to allow the maximum number of home supporters to witness the club's promotion to League

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One.

For away fans T.G.I. Friday's opposite the Main Stand good food and beer and close to the main stand. Just walk over the car park to the ground. In the Town Centre with The CAMRA listed Malt Shovel Tavern coming highly recommended for those in search of real ale. This is located by turning left from the station on St Peter's Way in the opposite direction of Sixfields.

Driving Directions



From the South

Leave the M1 at Junction 15A and take the first exit at the roundabout then the first exit at the next roundabout on to the A43 then at the third roundabout take the second exit on to the A5123 towards Northampton then go straight on at the next two roundabouts and at the third take the second exit and you will come to the ground on your right.



From the North:

Leave the M1 at Junction 16 and take the first exit at the roundabout and take the A4500 towards Northampton and at the first roundabout take the second exit into Upton Way and at the exit roundabout take the first exit and you will come to the ground on your right.



Moulton College Stand (Paul Cox)

The Sixfields stadium is well signposted around the area. There is a fair sized car park located at the ground, which costs £3. Make sure though that you arrive early as it has been known for it to get full for the more popular games. Parking in the nearby cinema and restaurant car parks is not allowed, so make sure that you only use the official football parking provided at the ground.

Public Transport & Walking



15 or 50 or Uno 18



→ 6 mins

Train to **Northampton Railway Station** take the **Stagecoach Midlands 50** bus, which also

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goes by the Sixfields retail park and stops about 200 yards from the stadium or you can take the **Stagecoach Midlands 15 bus** to Bella Italia and it's a five minutes' walk to the ground and **Uno 18 Foxglove bus** drops you also at the ground for night games

Admission

Adults £22
Concessions £18
Under 18's £10
Under 7's Free

Oxford United

Ground - Kassam Stadium, Grenoble Road, Oxford, OX4 4XP

Main Telephone No: 01865 337 500

Fax No: 01865 337501

Ticket Office: 01865 337 533

Capacity: 12,500 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 112 x 78 yards

Team Nickname: The U's

Year Ground Opened: 2001

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: EB Charging

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

Website: www.oufc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1896 (Headington FC)

Years at Today's Ground – 18 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1962 for Accrington Stanley

First Official Floodlit Match – December 1950

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Highest Attendance – 22,730 v Preston North End FA Cup Sixth Round 29/02/1964

Highest Score for – 9-1 v Dorchester town FA Cup Round One 11/11/1995

Highest Against – 0-7 v Sunderland Football League Division One 1998

Highest Scorer in a Season – 43 Bud Houghton 1961/62 played 1961 – 63 made 106 appearances and 61 goals

Highest Scorer Overall – 107 goals Graham Atkinson from 1962 – 74 in 356 Appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – 560 Ron (The tank) Atkinson 1959-71 and 14 goals

Former Names

Headington FC 1896 - 1911

Headington United FC (Merged with Headington Quarry) 1911 - 1960

Former Grounds

Quarry Recreation Ground, Wooten's Field, Sandy Lane and Britannia Field (1893 – 1913)

Wotton Field (1913 – 20)

Manor Ground (1920- 2001) **

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Ground Guide

The stadium offers a number of conference rooms to host corporate and non-corporate events. The stadium's South Stand is host to 28 private hospitality boxes with each box capable of holding up to 20 people each.

The ground currently consists of three stands and the North Stand (also known as the Manor Hospital Stand) is divided for use by both home and away supporters and or if demand requires it, then the whole of this stand can be allocated providing and has a capacity of 5,026. The East Stand (formerly sponsored by the Oxford Mail newspaper, and still known

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as the Oxford Mail Stand) is home to the more vocal home supporters and can hold 2,879 spectators.



The South Stand (currently without a sponsor) is the main structure of the stadium, housing the Quadrangle conference centre, the Exhibition Bar, the club offices and changing rooms, and a row of 28 glass-fronted executive boxes. The South Stand is divided into two tiers, with the lower tier including the ground's Family Section. It has a total capacity of 4,495. The West End has not been built yet but may in the future if the club get promoted.



If you are heading in from Oxford Train Station then you will certainly not be dehydrated with the centre of town having numerous pubs of varying literary pretensions such as The Old Bookbinders Ale House and Jude the Obscure.

Towards the stadium itself The George within Littlemore is popular with supporters as it acts as a go-between the station and the ground which is approximately 10 minutes away. I prefer the Catherine Wheel Henley Road, Sandford-on-Thames, Oxford which is 18 minutes

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from the ground with good food and excellent ale.



The West End

Driving Directions



North:

Take the M40 to Junction 34 take the third exit and follow the A34 down to the Sign for Ring Road A423 and at Spring roundabout take the first exit, from all other directions take the M4 to junction 13 and follow the sign for A34 North up to Oxford and exit at the sign for Oxford A4144 and at the roundabout take the third exit for A423.

The stadium can be found in between the Oxford Science Park & Blackbird Leys Estate. From the A423 Ring Road, go straight on at the first roundabout then take the second exit at the second roundabout onto the A4074 Reading Oxford Science Park & Blackbird Leys Estate. Just after Sleaford on Thames take the left turning sign posted Cowley/ Wallington/ Oxford Science Park and follow Grenoble Road and you eventually come to the ground on your left.



South

Using the M3, M27 and A34 to just outside Oxford then take the signpost for the A4144 Oxford Ring Road and at the roundabout take the Third exit onto the Southern by Pass and follow the A423 then at Heyford Hill Roundabout get in the lane for the A4074 then take the left turning sign posted Cowley/ Wallington/ Oxford Science Park and follow Grenoble Road and you eventually come to the ground on your left.



West

Using the M5 and then the M4 then leave at Junction 13 for Oxford & Newbury and then at the roundabout take the first exit onto the A34 and follow it to just outside Oxford then take the signpost for the A4144 Oxford Ring Road and at the roundabout take the Third exit onto

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the Southern by Pass and follow the A423 then at Heyford Hill Roundabout get in the lane for the A4074 then take the left turning sign posted Cowley/ Wallington/ Oxford Science Park and follow Grenoble Road and you eventually come to the ground on your left.



East

Take the M40 to Junction 7 onto the A329 and follow through one roundabout and then follow it right just after the BP Garage onto the B490 for Oxford & Abingdon and at the next roundabout take the first exit onto Grenoble Road go straight on at the first roundabout then take second exit at the next roundabout and the ground is 100 yards on the left.

There are 2000 car parking spaces in and around the stadium itself, which are free. However, the main car parks tend to fill up fast, use the additional car parking spaces are now available at the Ozone cinema and bowling alley complex adjacent to the stadium

Public Transport & Walking



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→ 18 Mins

Take the train to **Oxford Railway Station** the from the forecourt take the **Oxford Bus Company Service, Number 3**, from stop R2 to Catherine Wheel Pub there it's a 18 minute walk to the ground by walking down the Stanford Road till you get the red house at the end of Stanford on Thames on the left then take the first left into Grenoble Road walk under the bridge to the roundabout and take the first right into Grenoble Road the ground is in front of you in about 200yards



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→ 13 Mins

From the Station forecourt Stop R2 take the **Stagecoach in Oxfordshire 1 bus** or **Oxford Bus Company Service, Number 5** to Sandy Lane walk back and do a left right across Blackbird Ley Road into Merlin Road.

At the end of the road take a right into Knights Road and at the bottom take a left up the path to the ground after the game you will get both busses back at the top of Knights Road and Blackbird Ley back to the ground around. These busses are the same for night games buses are around 10 pm.

Admission

Adults £24,
Over 65's £17,
Under 22's/Students £16,
Under 18's £14

Peterborough United

Ground - London Road, Peterborough, PE2 8AL
Main Telephone No: 01733 563 947
Ticket Office No: 01733 865 674
Fax No: 01733 344 140
Capacity: 15,314
Pitch Size: 112 x 76 yards
Team Nickname: The Posh
Year Ground Opened: 1909 (Peterborough & Felton United FC)
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Mick George
Kit Manufacturer: Nike
Website: www.theposh.com
Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1934
Years at Today's Ground – 80 years
First Admitted to the Football League – 1960 for Gateshead
First Official Floodlit Match – May 1957
Highest Attendance – 30,096 v Swansea City FA Cup Fifth Round 20/02/1965
Highest Score for – 18-1 v Birmingham City Transport FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round September 1935
Highest Against – 1-8 v Northampton Town FA Cup Round Two Replay 23/12/1946

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Highest Scorer in a Season – Terry Bly – 52 in 1960–1961 (also an all-time Fourth Division record) 81 goals in 88 appearances

Highest Scorer Overall – Jim Hall – 122 from 1967–1975 with 322 appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – Tommy Robson – 482 from 1968–1981 with 119 goals

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Ground Guide

The new Stand which has been built at the Moy End of the Ground for 2,500 capacity with the last remnants of the old ground at the London Road Terrace end.

The Norwich & Peterborough South Stand, which was opened in 1996 and replaced a former open terrace. Similar tubular steelwork as to Huddersfield, the 5,000-capacity stand is an impressive sight. The two-tiered stand, is covered and all seated. There is also a row of executive boxes running across its middle.

The other side, the Main Stand, is a two-tiered covered stand that is all seated and is a classic looking old stand. As to be expected from a terrace of such vintage it does have a number of supporting pillars running across the front of it, which could impede your view of the game. In one corner of the ground between the South Stand and the London Road Terrace, is a Police Control Box The away fans are housed in the Moy End Stand where 2,500 are housed.

The food available inside the ground includes the standard fayre of; Cheeseburgers (£3.50), Burgers (£3.50), Hot Dogs (£3.50), Various Pies including Chicken Balti, Steak and Cheese & Onion (£3.10), Pasties (£3.10) and Jumbo Sausage Rolls (£3.10) but get your food in the town its cheaper and there are many outlets.



New Moy End (Motorpoint Stand)

The Palmerston Arms at 82 Oundle Road The range of beer, using several from Bateman's, together with several from the local area as well as two from Manchester (Oldershaw's & Phoenix) and one from Newcastle (Mordue), was superb. It has along with staffs that are easy going, pleasant and efficient and the beer is gravity fill and taste better for it. Going there follow the directions to the ground instead of taking a left to the ground take a right into Oundle Road walk past the Cherry Tree to the Palmerston and its 300yards back to the ground.



South Stand

Driving Directions



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North/West:

Take the M1 to Junction 27 then at the roundabout take the first exit and follow it to the left and go into the right hand lane and at the next roundabout take the sign for the Outer Ring Road A563 and continue up to Palmerston roundabout then take a left onto A6 follow the road to the Garby Hotel at the cross roads and take a left the at the roundabout take the first exit then at the lights at the cross road at the Hong Kong restaurant (On your right) take the signs for Peterborough A41 and at junction 15 exit the A47 and at the roundabout take the third exit onto Nene Parkway and then take the second exit onto Oundle Road then at the junction just after the railway bridge go straight on down to the ground.



London Road End



South

Leave the A1 at the junction 16 take the third exit at the roundabout then take the A15 towards Peterborough you will eventually come to the ground on your right go past the ground and at the lights take a right and follow it to the car park at the back of the ground. There is no parking available to visiting supporters at the ground. There is a council pay & display car park just off London Road (turn left at the traffic lights after crossing on the right) into Oundle Road. This costs £3 to park there for the day. There is a fair-sized car park at the Cherry Tree pub on Oundle Road (A605).

Public Transport



→ 20 mins

Take the train to **Peterborough Railway Station** which is around a mile away from the ground. Turn right out of station entrance and follow Station Road down to the main road (Borges Boulevard), at the roundabout walk straight on passing an Asda store on your right

and at the traffic lights near to the Rivergate Shopping Centre, turn right go down Bridge Street.

At the end of Bridge Street take a slight right into Rivergate and then go straight over the bridge over the river carry on and go over the Railway Bridge, at the next set of lights take a left and the ground is in front of you. It takes about 20 minutes to walk from the station to the ground.

Admission

Main (North) Stand A Wing Seating

Adults £23,

Over 60's/Under 22's £14,

Under 18's £10

Portsmouth

Ground: Fratton Park, Frogmore Road, Portsmouth, PO4 8RA

Main Telephone No: 02392 731204

Main Fax No: 02392 734129

Ticket Office: 0844 847 1898

Ticket Office Fax: 0871 230 1899

Capacity: 20,700 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 115 x 73 yards

Team Nickname: Pompey

Year Ground Opened: 1898

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: KYXO

Kit Manufacturer: Nike

Website: www.portsmouthfc.co.uk

Programme: £3

History Facts & Records

Founded - 1898

Years at Today's Ground – 121 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 Founder Member of Division Three & Founder Member of Division Three South 1921/22

First Official Floodlit Match – August 1956

Highest Attendance – 51,385 v Derby County, FA Cup, 26 February 1949

Highest Score for – 9–1 v Notts County, Division 2, 9 April 1927

Highest Against – 0–10 v Leicester City, Division 1, 20 October 1928

Highest Scorer in a Season – 42 Guy Whittingham, in 1992/93 with 200 appearances and 92 goals

Highest Scorer Overall – 211 Peter Harris, from 1946–1960 with 479 Appearances

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Player with most First Team Appearances – 834 Appearances Jimmy Dickinson, from 1946–65 and 9 goals



Colours



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Away



Alternative

Ground Guide

The stadium currently has four stands, all seated. The pitch runs from east to west. The largest and most modern stand, at the ground's western end, is the *Fratton End* (commercially never known by its sponsor name as JobSite UK stand). Along either side of the pitch are the *North* and *South* stands, both of which are two-tiered.

At the eastern end is the Milton End by far the smallest stand. Formerly the only roofless

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stand in the Premier League, a roof was added before the 2007/08 season and this stand is shared between home and away supporters where the normal allocation is 2,000. If demand requires it, then the whole of this end can be allocated, raising the allocation to 3,200 seats. Although this end now benefits from having cover, the facilities within are pretty basic and the leg room tight, as this stand was a former terrace that has been converted to all seating.



The original entrance to the Fratton End is notable for its mock Tudor façade and following the arrival of former owner Alexandre Gaydamak several renovations were made to Fratton Park, including improved dressing rooms, the above-mentioned roof over the Milton end and a big-screen above the police box between the North Stand and Milton End.



Fratton End

The North Stand was refreshed for the 2010/2011 season with renewed sponsorship by Mercedes-Benz (Ridgeway Group) which replaced the "Fratton Park Portsmouth" and the club crest.

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For the away fans the Old House at Home 104 Locksway Road, Milton its beer choice has gone up, always something local on, and it's always in good nick, also does a range of real ciders, and decent grub Turn left along Goldsmith Avenue and walk down to local park walk across it cross the road into Locksway Road the pub is about 100yards on the right coming back its down the way you came to the local park but take a right up Milton Road and cross over and take the first left into Priory Road and take the third right and walk down to the ground which is at the end of the road and take a right.



Milton End

Driving Directions



From the North take the A34 and join the M3 at Winchester and follow it down to Southampton then join the M27 and continue on to the A27. At junction 12, exit onto M275 toward Portsmouth (W)/Sea Port and follow it down and join the A3 on Mile End Road then at the roundabout take the first exit into Church Street then go straight on at the next two roundabouts then after crossing the railway bridge and at the next roundabout take the first exit into Winston Churchill Avenue straight through the next two roundabouts then its first left to Fratton Park.

There is a large car park behind the TY Europe Stand, but this is for home supporters only. So, it is mostly street parking for away fans. I like to park beside the Old House at Home pub in Locksway Road which is only 6-minute walk to the ground.



Public Transport & Walking



→ **8 mins**

The nearest local train station is **Fratton**, which is an eight-minute walk away from the ground. On arrival at Fratton by train you pass the ground on the left. Fratton station has a footbridge as the only way out. The exit leads into Goldsmith Avenue. Turn left along Goldsmith Avenue and walk about half a mile passing Lidel on the way straight around to a small roundabout. Then go straight on still on Goldsmith Avenue, take the first left into Frogmore and the entrance to the Ty and South stands is 100m ahead. For the Milton End stay on Goldsmith Avenue for another 100m and turn left into Aspley Road. The entrances to the Milton End are 100m ahead.



→ **22 mins**

Train to **Portsmouth & Southsea Railway station** is at least a 22-minute walk away. come out on to Brunel Square then walk between the high rise and the railway this will lead out onto Dugald Drummond Street at the car park take a right and walk up to the church. Then turn left into Greetham Street walk up the road till you have church in front of you cross over then take a sharp right /left into Carlisle Street at the roundabout take a slight left into Victoria Street walk on till the next roundabout. Walk straight on into Goldsmith Avenue walk up to Fratton Railway Station and follow the above directions.

Admission

Adults £23,
Over 60's £17,
Under 17's £15

Port Vale

Ground - Vale Park Hamil Road, Burslem, Stoke on Trent, ST6 1AW

Main Telephone No: 01782 655 800

Main Fax No: 01782 834 981

Ticket Office: 01782 655 832

Ticket Office Fax: 01782 836 875

Capacity: 18,947 (all seated)

Team Nickname: The Valliant's

Year Ground Opened: 1950

Pitch Size: 114 x 77 yards

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Synetecs Solutions

Kit Manufacturer: BLK

Website: www.port-vale.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1876

Years at Today's Ground – 64 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1892 Founder Members Division Two

First Official Floodlit Match – September 1958

Highest Attendance – 49,768: v Aston Villa FA Cup Round 5 20 February 1960

Highest Score for – 9–1: v Chesterfield Second Division 24 September 1932

Highest Against – 0–10: v Sheffield United Second Division 10 December 1892

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – Wilf Kirkham: 38 in 1926–27 (Second Division) & 164 goals 1923–1933

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Player with most First Team Appearances – Roy Sproson: 842 from 1950–1972

Former Names

Port Vale AFC, 1876 - 1885
Burslem Port Vale FC 1895 - 1919

Former Grounds

Lime Kiln Lane Ground (Scott Lidgett Road) (1876-81)
Westport Meadows (1881-84)
Burslem Football & Athletic Ground (Moorland Road) (1884-86)
Corbridge Athletic Ground (Waterloo Road) 1886 – 1913)
Kent Street Recreation Ground (Hanley) (1913-49)

Colours



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Ground Guide

The ground has a good mixture of the old and the new, it is just let down that the Lorne Street Stand, which was partly opened in 1999, is still yet to be fully completed but with finances in place it will be fully opened for the 2014/15 season. This stand which is two-tiered has a row of executive boxes situated between its large lower tier and much smaller upper tier. The club said that it will have a capacity of 5,000. The original clock that was on the old stand has been incorporated into the new construction, above the player's tunnel and Directors area in the centre of the stand.

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Lorne Street Stand

On the opposite side is the Railway Stand which was opened in 1954 and it has a number of supporting pillars that run across the middle of the stand. It had a large paddock terrace in front for people to stand, but this was subsequently filled with seating in the 1990's.

The Bycars Road End, which was built in 1992. It also is partly covered to the rear and has some supporting pillars to either side. Situated in one corner, in-between the Bycars & Railway Stand is an odd looking two-tiered structure that looks if it has been 'wedged' into the stadium. In fact, this area is the only portion of the old ground that still remains from when the ground was originally built in 1950 and the steelwork and roof of this structure were brought from the Kent Street Old recreation Ground in Hanley. Filled with seating it is currently used as a Family Stand. On one side of the Hamil Road Stand there is a Police Control Box, which keeps a watchful eye over the crowd. The pitch is also one of the widest in the League. Outside the Lorne Street Stand is a statue of former player and manager Roy Sproson who played for the club 842 times.



Railway End

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At one end is the Hamil Road End, which is a good sized single tiered stand. It also has an electric scoreboard situated just below its roof. Again, it has a number of supporting pillars, plus it has windshields to either side.



The Bulls Head at 14 St John's Square in Burslem is a good place to drink for away and neutral fans and at least 3 Titanic Beers are available at all times plus a large selection of guest beers from Small Independent Breweries.

If going to the Bulls Head then take the Wardle Transport to Birches Head Shops from the Station then walk over to Hanley bus Station and then take the **First Potteries 20A bus** to Pitt Street it's a three-minute walk to the pub. From the pub to the ground is walk down on to Market Street at the cross road and then walk straight on then cross over the road and take a second left into Hamil Road the ground is 400 yards and is an eight-minute walk from the ground.

Driving Directions



The ground is located in the town of Burslem in Stoke on Trent so leave the M6 at junction 16 and take the A500 towards Stoke on Trent. Follow A500 until Longport Junction then exit and take first left on to the A527 Tunstall/Burslem. At the next roundabout follow the sign for the Moorcroft Factory, then at the cross mini roundabout take the second exit into Newcastle Street. Continue on this road up the hill, crossing another island and into Burslem town centre. Continue straight on over the traffic lights at the cross roads and then take the left into Hamil Road which takes you down to the ground. There is a large car park located outside a superstore next to the ground which costs £4, otherwise street parking.

Public Transport & Walking

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→ 13 mins

Take the train to **Stoke on Trent Railway Station** then get the **D&G 9** to McDonalds on High Lane and then take a left and walk down Moorland Lane, then take a left into Burslem Park and walk through it of the ground.



25



3A



→ 10 mins

The Alternative is to take the **First in the Potteries 25 bus** to Hanley Bus Station then walk down onto Bethesda Street and take a right and cross the road Stop B1 then take the **First Bus in the Potteries 3A bus** to High Lane and Hamill Road then walk back and turn right into Hamill Road the ground is seven minutes on the right.

Admission

Adults £22,
OAP's £17,
Under 19's £10,
Under 9's Free

Reading

Ground - Madejski Stadium Bennett Road, Reading, RG2 0FL

Main Telephone No: 0118 968 1100

Fax No: 0118 968 1101

Ticket Office: 0844 249 1871

Ticket Office Fax: 0870 999 1001

Capacity: 24,200 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 102 x 70 metres

Team Nickname: The Royals

Year Ground Opened: 1998

Undersoil Heating: Yes

Shirt Sponsors: Select

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

Website: www.readingfc.co.uk

Programme: £3



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1871

Years at Today's Ground – 16 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 elected from the Southern League as a Founder Member of Division Three and Founder member of Division Three South 1921

First Official Floodlit Match – February 1956 Elm Park

Highest Attendance – 33,042 v Brentford in the FA Cup Fifth Round 19/05/1927 at Elm Park

Highest Score for – 10 – 2 v Crystal Palace Division Three South 4/09/1926

Highest Against – 0-18 v Preston North End F.A. Cup Round One 27/01/1894

Highest Scorer in a Season – 41 Trevor Senior in 1983/84

Highest Scorer Overall – 158 Ronald Henry (Ronnie) Blackman 1947 – 54

Player with most First Team Appearances – 603 Martin Hicks 1978 – 1991

Colours



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Former Grounds

Reading Recreation Common (1871 – 72),
Sonning Lane Reading Cricket Ground (1872 – 82),
Coley Park (Coley Recreation Ground) (1882 – 89),
Caversham Cricket Ground (1889 – 96),
Elm Park (1896 - 1998) *

Ground Guide

The Royals after having spent 102 years at their former home of Elm Park moved to the stadium in 1998. The stadium is of a fair size and is totally enclosed, with all four corners being occupied. Three sides are single tiered; with the West (Main) Stand is two tiered, including a row of executive boxes.



East Stand

This stand has a curve in its roof and unlike the West Stand, the others stands have a more conventional look to their roofs, although there is a gap between the roofs and the back of the stands, that contains Perspex, to allow more light to reach the pitch like most modern build grounds.

The ground has been designed with the supporter in mind as the fans are housed very close to the pitch and the acoustics are very good. The stadium also has a video screen in the South East corner with the ground named after Reading's chairman John Madejski who saved the club in there darkest hour and put up the money for the new ground.



West Stand

The away fans are housed behind the goals up to 4500 in the Foster's Lager South Stand and the leg roof has been well designed and you can stretch your legs and the food well the Steak pie is good and the coffee is strong and can keep you awake if the game is boring.



North End

Driving Directions



Leave the M4 at Junction 12, bear left on to the A4 and go into Reading City Centre then at the Castle Hill roundabout take the second exit and follow the road to the Sahara Bar then take the road to the right then follow the road to the Bridge Roundabout and then take the third exit onto the A329 and follow it on to the A33 relief road which leads you directly to the stadium. The Madejski Complex is well signposted from the A33 but the traffic is horrific on match days

Public Transport



60m



→ 2 mins

Train to **Reading Railway Station** walk three minutes from main entrance over to Station Stop SC and take the **Reading Bus 60M** will drop you off at the ground the same bus will take you back at 17.02 from the stadium

Admission

Adults £30,
Over 65's & Under 21's £17,
Under 16's £10

Where to have a Drink

Three Guineas bar has a good beer selection with friendly staff. Plenty of seating in and out the food is fine.

The Gateway 31 Greyfriars Road with the loss of the Malthouse is the next pub on a walking route to the ground the London Pride is usually OK (£3 pint) and the bar staff friendly enough. And its 200 yards from the station

Red Cow its 800 yards away from the station if you're looking for a real British gem of a pub come here. It's the genuine article the biggest fry up for £2, it can't be beat. It's a pub that will transport you back to the 1970's

The Hop Leaf Pub at 163-165 Southampton Street why on earth this pub is not in the Good Beer Guide I go in every time I am back and am never disappointed by the quality of the ales - 6 Hop Back beers plus a Downton (this time their Imperial Stout at 9%) two of the them and your walking on air believe me.

Shrewsbury Town

Ground - Greenhouse Meadow (The New Meadow), Oteley Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ST

Main Telephone No: 01743 289177

Fax No: 01743 246972

Ticket Office: 01743 273943

Capacity: 9,875 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 115 x 77 yards

Team Nicknames: Shrews, Salop, Town or Blues

Year Ground Opened: 2007

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Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Tuffins, Shropshire Homes

Kit Manufacturer: Errea

Website: www.shrewsburytown.com

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1886

Years at Today's Ground – 7 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1950

First Official Floodlit Match – November 1959 Gay Meadow

Highest Attendance – 18,417 v Walsall Third Division 26 April 1961

Highest Score for – 21–0 v Mold Alyn Stars, Welsh FA Cup 1st round, 27 October 1894

Highest Against – 0–13 Small Heath XI, Birmingham League, 25 December 1895

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – 38: Arthur Rowley in 1958–59 & 152 goals from 1958–65 in 200 appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – 418: (Sir) Mickey Brown from 1986–91, 1992–94 and 1996–2001 with 36 goals

Former Grounds

Racecourse Ground, Monkmoor 1886–1889

Ambler's Field, Copthorne 1889–1893

Sutton Lane, Sutton Farm 1893–1895

Barrack's Ground, Copthorne 1895–1910

Gay Meadow, Abbey Foregate 1910–2007 **

Colours

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Alternative

Ground Guide

The stadium was constructed by Hall Construction, a construction company who have built several Football League stadia and grandstands. It currently has a capacity of 9,875 seated spectators, accommodated in four stands having played at Gay Meadow in the Town since 1910.



West Stand

In addition, there are several corporate and hospitality suites, which the club uses both on match days and for general community use, therefore assisting the club in gaining revenue. Following consultation with supporters' groups, the stadium consists of blue seating, with the club's initials (STFC) spelt out in amber on each side of the ground. This is following considerable outcry when the club initially stated that seating would consist of the club's original blue and white colour scheme. Despite originally being blue and white, the club has adopted a distinctive blue and amber colour scheme since the 1970s, which many supporters feel is a unique and distinctive part of the club.



Pro Vision Stand (North Stand)

Like many modern football grounds, the ground has 'cashless turnstiles', meaning that no payments are accepted on the turnstile itself. To obtain access to the ground, non-season ticket holding spectators must purchase a ticket from the club in advance of the game, or on the day from ticket booths situated at the ground (away fans have their own designated ticket booth).

Town own the New Meadow, using the money raised selling the Gay Meadow to property developers to finance the purchase of the land and construction of the new stadium. The East and West stands face the length of the pitch; the South and North stands face onto the ends of the pitch. All stands are fully seated and covered; each stand also has its own catering (licensed) and at present the stands are detached from one another.



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Each of the stands are simple single tiered stands, and each of the stands are 18 rows high, with Roland Wycherley Stand the East stand on one side, being the 'Main Stand', named after the present chairman; includes his stand has a slightly different layout to the others with a press area and eight corporate boxes at its rear, club offices, club shop, etc. and is entered through seating blocks 1-7.

The Salop Leisure Stand which is the South stand behind the goal, named after a local business sponsor entered by seating blocks 8-12 with the Pro-Vision CCTV Stand" - the North Stand which is opposite which is given in whole to the away supporters; also has the media box, resulting in fewer seats than the South stand and accessed by seating blocks 20-24.

An unusual feature of the stadium is that the areas for disabled fans are high up at the very back of the stands and are accessed by lifts and there is also a small electric scoreboard next to the away end.

For Away fans the Brooklands Pub on Mill Road if you're walking to the grounds then use the **Prince of Wales** 30 Brynner Street following the directions above then on Belle Vue Road take a first left down Trinity Street and third left in Brynner Street.

Very friendly community type pub, quite busy for a Saturday afternoon and it was lovely to sit outside on the decking area overlooking the bowling green. We tried the Hobsons Mild which was a bit too cold but the Salopian Golden Thread and the St Austell Tribute were both very good. Great beer, nice atmosphere and seemed to have a good following of regulars

From here to the ground then it walks to the end of the Street turn right walk down Sutton Lane over the railway bridge and at the main roundabout turn right and walk up to the next roundabout Mole Brace take the first left into Oteley Road and at the lights walk across the road then take the road to the ground.

Driving Directions



At the end of the M54 continue onto the A5. After about seven miles, there is a roundabout take the first exit following the A5. At the next roundabout take the third exit onto Thieves Lane. Continue along Thieves Lane going straight over two roundabouts and this will lead you into Oteley Road. At the lights take the left-hand lane up to the ground.

There is a large car park at the stadium, holding almost 700 cars; however, this is for permit holders only although if you are early you may be admitted for £7! Parking is prohibited in the nearby Retail Park and nearby streets, check though for any parking restrictions detailed on posts, before parking up. The best place to park is at the car park at the Meole Brace Bowling Club, which is at Meole Rise (Off Upper Road, SY3 9JF) which cost £5 per car and has a bar on site too. You just walk up Upper Road to the end and take a left walk down to the roundabout and take the second exit right and at the lights cross the road and walk up to the ground its 15 minute walk.

Public Transport & Walking



→ 5 mins



27 or 544



→ 8 mins

Train to **Shrewsbury Railway Station** walk five minutes to the town centre bus station and from Stop C take the **Arriva in the Midlands 27 or 544** bus goes to BP Garage Meole Brace at the roundabout for it round and take the road sign for the Stadium and after the railway bridge to the ground which is on the right at the lights at Lidel.

Admission

North Stand:

Adults £24

Over 65's £17

Students £15

under 16's £11

under 11's £5

Stevenage

Ground - Broadhall Way, Stevenage, SG2 8RH

Main Telephone No: 01438 223223

Fax No: 01438 743 666

Capacity: 6,920 (Seating 3,412)

Pitch Size: 110 x 70 yards

Team Nickname: Boro

Year Ground Opened: 1961 (Stevenage Athletic)

Pitch Size: 110 x 70 yards

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Burger King

Kit Manufacturer: Errea

Website: www.stevenagefc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1976

Years at Today's Ground – 33 Years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2010

First Official Floodlit Match – Aug 1980

Highest Attendance – 8,100 v Newcastle United FA Cup Fourth Round 25/01/1998

Highest Score for – 13-2 v Exmoor Wanderers FA Vase Preliminary round 1981

Highest Against – 0-7 v Tilbury Athletic Isthmian League Division One 1988

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – 40 Martin Gittings in 1991/92 plus 209 goals from 1980 – 95

Player with most First Team Appearances – 466 Mark Smith 1992 - 2004

Former Grounds

King George V Playing Fields 1976 – 1983

Former Names

Stevenage Athletic FC 1976 – 78

Stevenage Borough FC 1978 – 2010

Colours



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Away



Alternative

Ground Guide

The ground's pitch includes four stands – the East Terrace, the North Terrace, the Main Stand, and South Stand. The Main Stand is all-seated and covered, and covers the length of the pitch, although it has open corners to either side of the stand.

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Main Stand

At the back of the stand there are a number of glass-fronted areas to various club offices and executive boxes. The club shop is situated next to the Main Stand, opposite to the club's official car-park. Opposite to the Main Stand is the East Terrace, which is a covered terrace for home supporters. The terrace has a gable with a clock sitting on its roof above the half-way line, as well as holding a television gantry on its roof.

The North Terrace where away fans are housed with a capacity of 1,700 seat stand. Opposite the North Terrace is the South Stand, which is a single tiered, all-seated covered stand and is reserved for away supporters and can hold a capacity of 1,400.



South Stand

For away fans 'Our Mutual Friend' pub in Broadwater Crescent and this pub which is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide offers seven beers on hand pump, plus real cider. The Roebuck Inn on London Road, about a ten-minute walk away from the away end is certainly worth a visit. It's an old Tudor building pub with a Best Western Hotel attached. It serves real ale and, on my visit, it was quite easy to get served and there is a good bar at the ground where serves home and away fans.

The stand also has an electronic scoreboard in the centre of the roof, which was installed in 2001, making it visible to home supporters. The scoreboard was replaced in October

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2011. Behind the stand is the supporters' club and a new set of floodlights were installed before the start of the club's 2007–08 campaign.



North Stand

Driving Directions



Leave the A1 (M) at Junction 7 and take the A602 towards Stevenage (First Exit from North and Third exit from South). Go straight across the three roundabouts and go straight along Broadhall Way and just after Greenside School (on the left) take the first right then you will see the entrance on the left to the large official car park which is free. The car park though has only one entrance/exit, this is a bottleneck after the game has finished.

Public Transport & Walking



→ 15 mins

Train to **Stevenage Railway Station** which is about one mile away from the ground. Leave the station booking hall and turn left towards the town onto Lytton Way then at the roundabout which has the police station on the right turn left into Six Hills Way, cross the road and walk up to the next roundabout go left continuing along the Monkswood Way, after passing the retail parks you will arrive at a roundabout and the ground will be opposite you on the other side of the road. Bar at the ground is the Boro own social club nice price for beer and wine and friendly.



East Terrace

Admission

Adults £20 (£18),
Concessions £17 (£15),
Under 21's £15 (£12),
Under 12's £10 (£8)

Wigan Athletic

Ground - DW Stadium, Loire Drive, Wigan, WN5 0UZ

Main Telephone No: 01942 774 000

Fax No: 01942 770 477

Ticket Office: 0871 663 3552

Capacity: 25,023 (all seated)

Pitch Size: 110 x 60 metres

Team Nickname: The Latics

Year Ground Opened: 1999

Undersoil Heating: Yes

Shirt Sponsors: DW Fitness

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

Website: HTAFC.co.uk

Programme: £3

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1932

Years at Today's Ground – 16 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1978 for Southport FC

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1965 Springfield Park

Highest Attendance – 27,500 v Hereford United, FA Cup Round 2 12/12/1953 Springfield

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Park

Highest Score for – 12–0 v Stubshaw Cross, Lancashire Combination Cup, 15 September 1954



Highest Against – 1–9 v Tottenham Hotspur, Premier League, 2009

Highest Scorer in a Season – 31, Graeme Jones, 1996–97

Highest Scorer Overall – 70, Andy Liddell, from 1998–2004

Player with most First Team Appearances – 317 Kevin Langley from 1981–1986 & 1990–1994

Colours



Home



Away

Former Grounds

Springfield Park (1932 – 2000)

Ground guide

The Club moved from its former home of Springfield Park, where it had been in residence since the Club's formation in 1932 to the DW Stadium in 1999. The four separate stands are of roughly the same height and are all single tiered. They are also quite steep meaning that fans sit quite close to the playing action, although the stands themselves are set back a fair distance from the pitch boundary and The Latics share the ground with Wigan Warriors RFC.



both the side stands have large supporting steel frameworks visible above their roofs, with the ground doesn't have the large corporate areas and executive boxes it has less than most modern grounds. There is an electric scoreboard above the Boston (East) Stand, on one side of the ground.

The stadium was originally named the JJB Stadium under a sponsorship deal was lasted for 10 years. This was replaced by a new deal in August 2009, which saw the stadium being renamed the DW Stadium in partnership with DW Sports Fitness.

Outside the ground is Robins Park, where Wigan play their reserve games and athletics meetings are held. There is quite a sizeable stand on one side of the Park, as is used by Wigan Robin Park FC.

Wheelchair users:

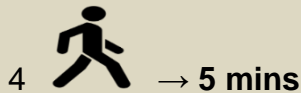
Each stand at the DW Stadium has two designated disabled platforms with catering and toilet facilities available, along with a lift to each concourse and direct access to the platforms. These platforms are designated for people totally confined to a wheelchair with personal Assistant seats, if required, are allocated at the side of each platform. There are additional facilities for wheelchair supporters at the front of the West Stand and as wheelchair spaces are limited, these will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Supporters using this facility will be charged the relevant price, with their personal assistant being free of charge.

Driving Directions



Leave the M6 at Junction 26 take the M58 exit to Skelmersdale/ Southport. From the South get in the right-hand lane and follow the road markings for the A577 round the roundabout under the M6, from the North take the M58 exit to Skelmersdale/ Southport then at the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto A577. Follow the road down and then turn right onto Orrell Road and follow the signs for Wigan town centre then at the roundabout take the first turn left into Robin Park Road and continue into Scot Lane with the ground is on the right down Scot Lane.

Public Transport



Train to either **Wigan North Western & Wallgate Railway stations**, from Wallgate Station walk down to Stop A at North Western Railway Station and from North Western walk two minutes over to Stop A and then take the **Stagecoach in Manchester 4 bus** to Montgomery Avenue cross the road and walk down the boulevard to the ground.

Admission

Adults £25,
Concessions £18
Under 16 £10

Where to have a Drink

The Berkeley on Wallgate near the railway station visited this place admittedly after seeing it listed in good beer guide but from outside it looks far too trendy and lively to be the pub, then I walked in and discovered a sixteen-barrel beer fest with beers straight from the barrel Otherwise alcohol is available inside the stadium with a dedicated away bar and the Jacobs Well Pub a good mix of away supporters serves five ever changing real ales

Wycombe Wanderers

Ground – Adams Park, Hillbottom Road, High Wycombe, HP12 4HJ

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Main Telephone No: 01494 472 100
Fax No: 01494 527 633
Ticket Office: 01494 441 118
Capacity: 10,300
Pitch Size: 115 x 75 yards
Team Nickname: The Chairboy's
Year Ground Opened: 1990
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: Cherry Red Records and Utilita
Kit Manufacturer: O'Neill's
Website: www.wycombewanderers.co.uk
Programme: £4.00



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History Facts & Records

Founded – 1887

Years at Today's Ground – 26 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2004

First Official Floodlit Match – September 1963

Highest Attendance – 14,000 Loakes Park

Highest Score for – 18-1 v Staines Town Great Western Suburban League 27/12/1909

Highest Against – 1-10 v High Wycombe Rovers 1/12/1887 FA Cup Qualifying Round 1

Highest Scorer in a Season, Highest Scorer Overall & Player with most First Team Appearances 60 Anthony (Bodger) Horseman in 1966/67 with 450 goals & 749 Appearances 1961 – 78

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Former Grounds

The Rye (1887 – 91)

High Wycombe Cricket Ground (1891 – 94)

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Spring Meadow (1894 – 95)
Loakes Park (1895 – 1990) **

Colours



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Away



Alternative

Ground Guide

Adams Park built in 1990 which Wanderers shared with London Wasps till they moved to Coventry and is now also used by Reading WFC.



The North Stand (Beechdean Stand) has a capacity of 1,267, all seated. There is additional space for 232 standing spectators in the paddock at the front of this stand, for London Wasps matches only. For Wycombe Wanderers matches, spectators may only stand here if they already have a valid seat ticket. The stand also contains the club offices, changing rooms, club shop, and catering facilities. The Vere Suite, located in the Beechdean stand, is named after the Vere family who own and run the Verco Furniture Company based in High Wycombe.

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Dreams Stand

The East Stand became all-seater in 1996 before being doubled in size to the current 2,053 all-seated capacity, with a space for 10 wheelchairs. This stand is designated as the away end for football matches. For teams with a larger following then 350 seats are also made available in the Main Stand, increasing the total allocation to 2,403. For away fans take The Hourglass Sands at 144 Chapel Lane Sands on your way walking to the ground this friendly is only 11 minutes from the ground Large, bright open plan pub with largely modern decor and very friendly staff.



Main Stand

The South Stand originally a single level terrace, this stand was expanded into a two-tier unit in 1996. Now with a capacity of 4,990 (2,842 in the Upper Tier, 1,738 plus 50 wheelchair spaces in the Lower Tier) the South Stand contains boxes for corporate hospitality and is designated as the stadium's Family Stand. The Woodlands Suite is situated on the Executive Box level of the South Stand.

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With a capacity of 1,974 the Green King IPA terrace is the home supporters' end for football matches, and the only remaining terrace in the stadium. The ground also contains a bar, called Scores, and since 2006 a club shop in the corner of the ground between the Beechdean and Dreams Stands.



Driving Directions



Leave the M40 at Junction 4 and take the A4010 towards Aylesbury then turn left at the 4th roundabout into Mill End Road and the end of the road do a left into New Road then a right into Lane End Road at the mini roundabout then at the bend turn right into Hillbottom Road and the ground is at the end of the road.

Public Transport & Walking



4 mins



36 38 102 or X74



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6 mins

Train to **High Wycombe Railway Station** then walk down to Easton Place and take the **36 38 102 or X74** buses to the Bus Station and take the **Arriva Shires 32 bus** to Hillbottom Road on Lane End Road and the Hour Glass Pub its six minutes to the ground and they run every fourteen minutes

Admission

Adults £20,
Concessions £16,
Under 26's £14,
Under 19's £11

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Under 16's £7