



# Berkhamsted

Berkhamsted is a friendly, historic market town located to the north west of London. Set amongst the beautiful, rolling Chiltern hills, it is a great mixture of town and country, old and new.



Berkhamsted's history stretches back to Norman times. William the Conqueror accepted the crown of England here in 1066.



Berkhamsted stands on the famous Grand Union Canal. The canal, built in 1798, runs from Birmingham and eventually flows into the River Thames in London. Originally for trade, it is now a haven for river wildlife.



Berkhamsted School was built in 1541 and is one of the town's most impressive buildings. Queen Elizabeth II visited Berkhamsted in May 2016 for the school's 475th birthday celebrations.



There are many historic buildings around Berkhamsted, including the impressive church of St Peter's, built in 1222.



There is plenty to see in the picturesque town centre. Evidence of the oldest shop in Great Britain has been found in Berkhamsted, dating from 1277.



Despite the hustle and bustle of Berkhamsted's main town centre, there is a wealth of wildlife surrounding the area and a peaceful atmosphere to relax in.

## Transport links

Central London is less than 1 hour commute via coach and 30 minutes by rail.

LHR, STN & LTN - within 1 hour via road.

Oxford and Cambridge are both within 90 minutes by road.