OXFORD / A DAY AWAY

One day in Oxford

Spend a day in Oxford with the historic centre, a reserved Bodleian tour, market lunch, the Ashmolean, seasonal punting and dinner at Folly Bridge.



CHOOSE YOUR VISIT DATE

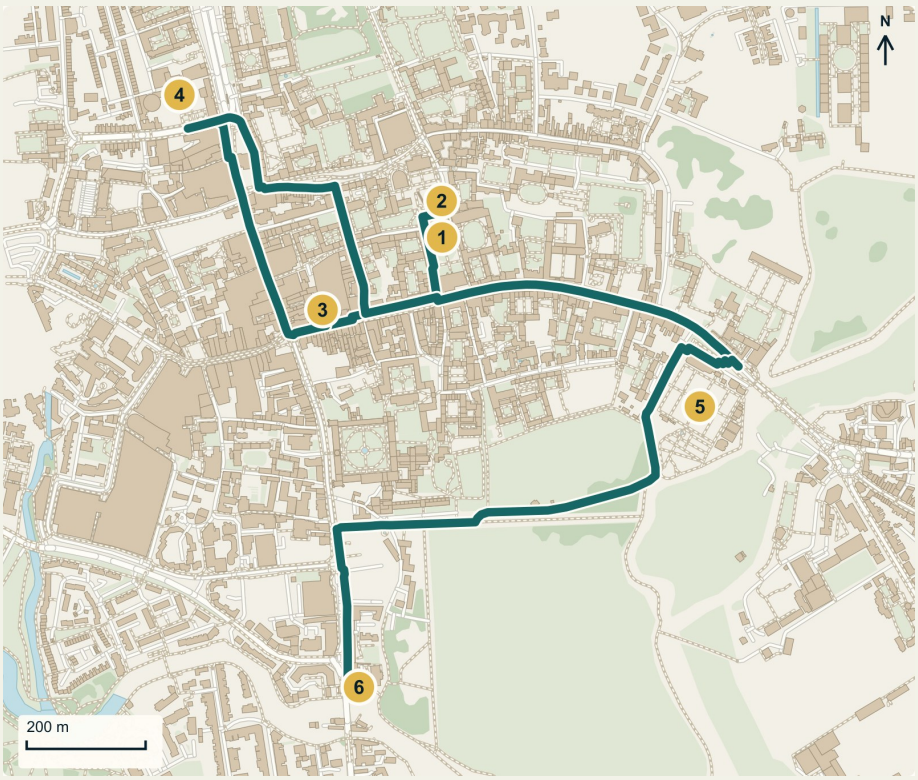
09:00-18:45

Open your day online

Suggested times. Reservations are separate.

THE ATLAS

The route area



1. Radcliffe Sq.
2. Bodleian
3. Covered Market
4. Ashmolean
5. Cherwell punt
6. Folly Bridge

THE ATLAS / VISITOR INFORMATION

Open the interactive route

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THE ATLAS

The opening stops



1. Radcliffe Sq.
2. Bodleian
3. Covered Market

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THE DAY 09:00 - 10:15

Historic core walk

01



Begin in Radcliffe Square, then explore Catte Street, the Bodleian exterior and nearby lanes. This is an outdoor walk, with no college interiors included. Leave 15 minutes to the tour meeting point.

Allow 75 min.

Full venue guide ↗

THE DAY 10:30 - 11:45

Bodleian & Divinity School



This allowance covers check-in and a 60-minute guided tour; use your actual ticket time rather than treating 10:30 as an available departure. The tour is for ages 11+ and uses stairs. Check room closures before booking. If unavailable, use the Weston exhibitions and the public library quarter instead. Allow 15 minutes to lunch.

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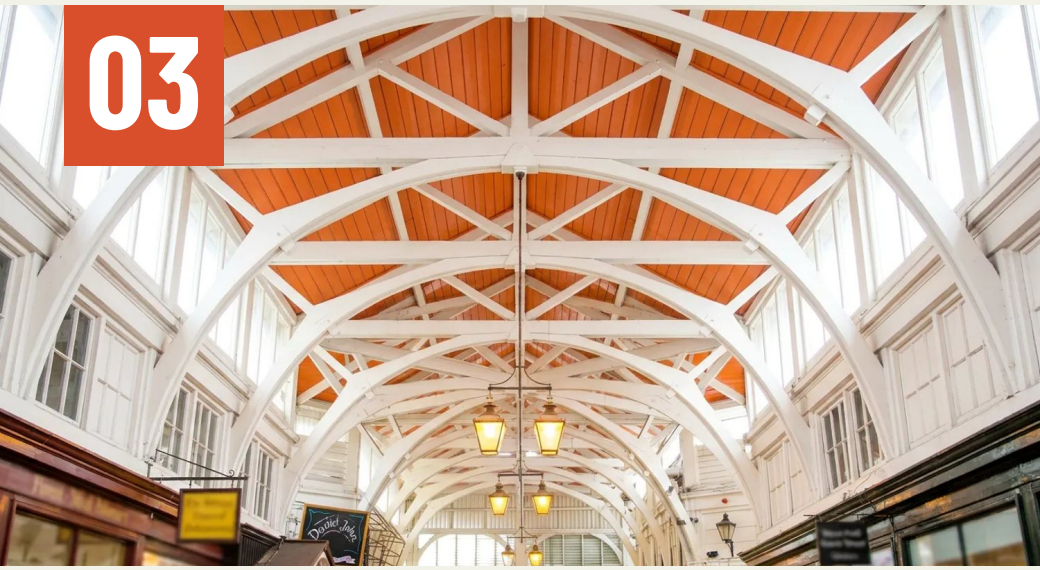
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THE DAY

12:00 - 13:00

Lunch in the Covered Market

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Take a proper lunch break; individual traders have different opening hours. Allow 15 minutes to the Ashmolean on Beaumont Street.

Allow 60 min.

Full venue guide ↗

THE DAY 13:15 - 14:45

The Ashmolean Museum



Choose a few galleries rather than attempting the whole collection. General admission is free; special exhibitions can need a separate ticket. Leave 30 minutes to walk to Magdalen Bridge Boathouse and arrange the boat.

Allow 90 min.

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THE DAY 15:15 - 16:45

Punt the Cherwell



Use Magdalen Bridge Boathouse, beside the Botanic Garden, and return to the same landing. The allowance includes handover and about an hour afloat. The operator normally runs February-November, weather permitting, with a sunset-dependent return deadline. In short daylight, move this stop earlier and shorten the museum; if closed or unsafe, spend longer indoors at the Ashmolean or Weston. Allow 30 minutes from the boathouse to Folly Bridge.

STOP 5 / VISIT DETAILS

Allow 90 min.

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THE DAY

17:15 - 18:45

Dinner at the Head of the River



Finish at the pub by Folly Bridge, rather than a different boathouse elsewhere in Oxford. Reserve a table separately if you want a guaranteed meal; saving the stop does not book it. Choose indoor seating in poor weather.

Allow 90 min.

Full venue guide ↗

THE PRACTICALITIES

Getting there & home

Getting to Oxford

Arrive by train or coach, or use Park and Ride if you are driving. Allow time to reach the first stop.

Oxford arrival guide ↗

Between stops

Use the numbered map to locate visits, then open the online route for walking directions and current visit information.

View this itinerary ↗

Make it yours

Open the full route to save the stops and arrange the day around your own start, pace and bookings.

Open the planner ↗

Before you go.

Start times are suggested. Arrange timed tickets and meals separately, then adjust the sequence around your confirmed bookings.

Make the day yours.

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