Bournemouth is home to seven miles of award winning sandy beach, which offers a range of beach lifestyle activities. Relax by renting a beach hut for the day or get your adrenaline pumping with one of the many water sports on offer. The town also has Historic Grade II listed gardens and a bustling town centre filled with high street names and independent shops.

Poole boasts the second largest natural harbour in the world with a cockpited old town and bustling quayside, as well as Natural Trust treasure, Brownsea Island, famed for red squirrels and links with Lord Baden-Powell and the scouting movement.

Sandbanks is known for its beautiful beach, celebrity houses and property value (by area the fourth highest land value in the world).

Christchurch is home to an 11th century Priory, which gives the town its name. This historic town also contains the ruins of Christchurch Castle, which pre-date the Norman Conquest. Nestled at the mouth of a spectacular natural harbour, Christchurch is perfect for riverside walks, boat trips and getting close to nature.

Castlepoint is the UK’s largest shopping park and is home to a vast range of popular high street names from M&S to Wallis, Gap and Lakeland.

For more information visit bournemouth.co.uk

Getting about Bournemouth

**Buses**
Two main bus companies operate in Bournemouth offering a great service across the town and surrounding areas.

**Cycling**
Bournemouth is well placed for cycling benefiting from two National Cycle Network routes 25 and 2 and a network of on and off-road cycle routes. There are cycle hire facilities across the town. Major cycle routes are indicated on the map.

**Walking**
Bournemouth is a pedestrian friendly destination, with pavements, underpasses and walkways spread across the town making it both easy and safe to get around.

**Taxi**
Taxis are situated across Bournemouth so it’s always easy to jump in a taxi and hop across town.

**Rail and Coach**
Trains, coaches and local bus services feed into the main Bournemouth Rail and Coach station – also known as the Travel Interchange.
Bournemouth town centre is fully pedestrianised with frequent quality bus services operating directly into the heart of the town. Car parks close to the shops and plenty of alfresco cafes jostling alongside restaurants for the full shopping experience.

**Major attractions**

**Bournemouth Pier D5**
A historic structure offering spectacular views with the Isle of Wight on one side and Purbeck hills on the other. www.bournemouth.co.uk

**Bournemouth International Centre**
The BIC, conferences and exhibitions; www.bic.co.uk

**Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum F4**
One of the most important and fascinating museum-houses in England holding collections of international status. www.russellcotes.com

**Beach Huts B5–F4**
Bournemouth is home to more than 2000 beautiful beach huts. To rent one call 01202 451781 www.bournemouthbeachhuts.co.uk

**Cliff Lifts C5, G4**
Bournemouth has three cliff lifts (West, East and Fisherman's Walk) that operate every day between Easter and the end of October.

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**Shopping**
Bournemouth shoppers are spoilt for choice with high street names, boutiques and department stores. Southerndown, Westbourne and Bournemouth also offer a range of shops for the specialist shopper.

**Eating & Drinking**
Bournemouth offers an abundance of over 250 top quality restaurants, serving locally-sourced produce and some of the best seafood in Britain.

**Accommodation**
Bournemouth boasts a wealth of accommodation from cosy B&Bs to boutique style hotels and self catering properties – there really is something for everyone.

**Entertainment**
There is year-round entertainment with top concert venues such as the BIC and the Pavilion Theatre plus glamorous bars, pulsating nightclubs and traditional pubs.

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**Coastal Activity Park (CAP)**
Stretching along either side of the seafront, the park provides lots of free activities including boating and sailing lessons as well as a music trail. Outdoor gym and sea and land based activities, including surfing www.coastalactivitypark.co.uk

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- National Rail Station
- Bus Stop
- Coach Drop Off
- Bicycle Parking
- Public Toilets
- Police Station
- Public Toilets
- Disabled Toilets
- Post Offices
- Cycle Lanes
- Baby Change
- Showers

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