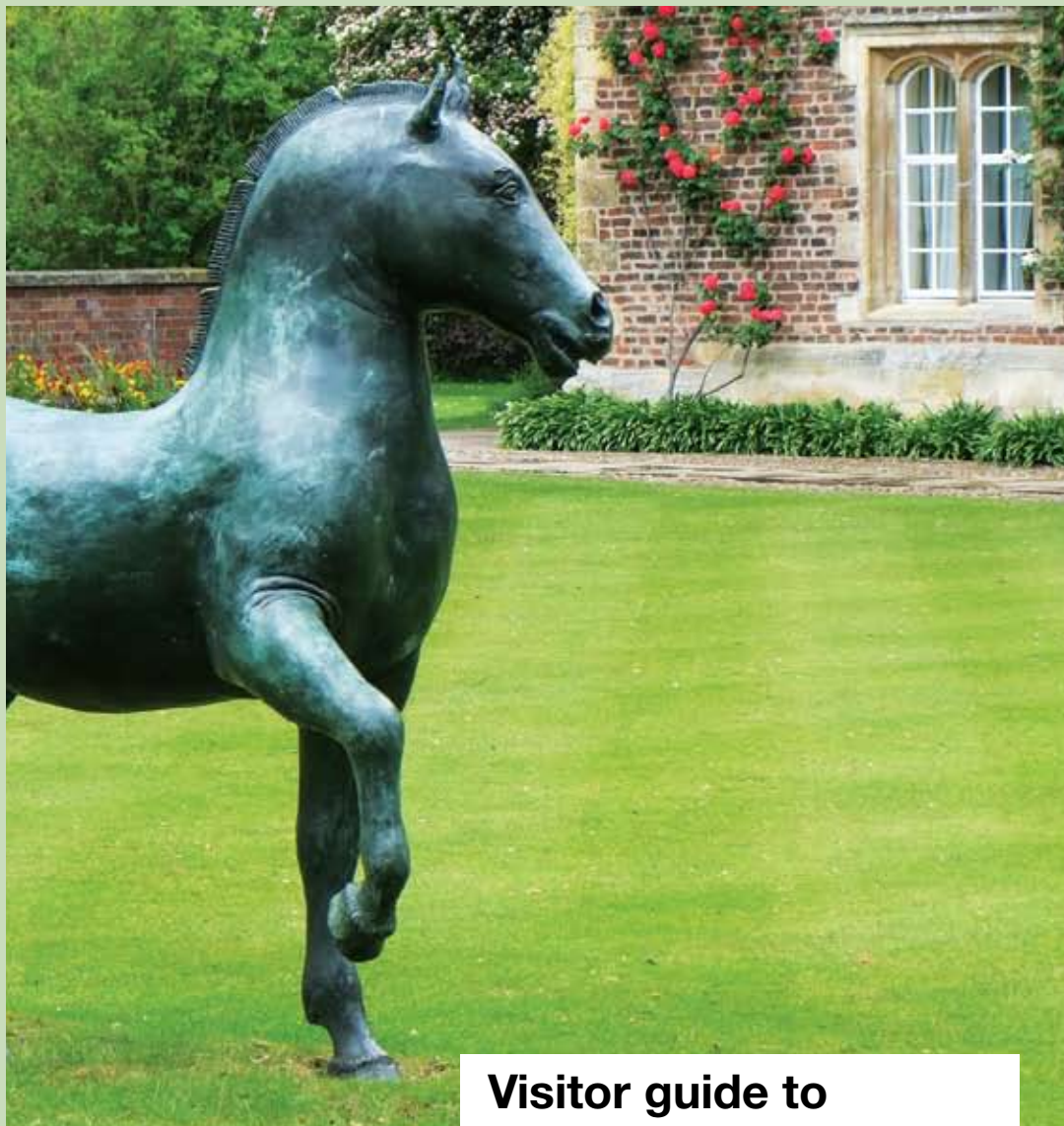




UNIVERSITY OF  
CAMBRIDGE



**Visitor guide to**

*Colleges, museums  
& events at the  
University of Cambridge*

# Welcome to the University of Cambridge, Colleges and museums

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*Cambridge is a beautiful city, recognised throughout the world as a place of learning and innovation. With spectacular architecture, inspiring culture and refreshing green spaces, you can learn about the heritage and contemporary life of the University, Colleges, museums and the city during your visit.*



The Colleges of Cambridge have existed for more than 800 years and were founded between the 13th and 20th centuries. There are 31 Colleges. The oldest College – Peterhouse – was established as a community of scholars in 1284; the most recent foundation, Robinson College, was in 1979. The other 29 Colleges span the intervening centuries, and were founded by royalty, religious orders, guilds, business people, and the City of Cambridge. Over the years, each has acquired its own rich history of traditions and individual atmosphere.

The Colleges are autonomous, self-governing communities where students and academics live, work, learn and socialise. Three Colleges are for women students only and two admit only postgraduates. Four admit only mature undergraduates (over 21) and postgraduates. The remainder house and teach anyone enrolled in a course of study or research at the University. Once a student is a member of College, they remain so for life.

A student's College plays a central part in his or her experience here. It is in the College that the student receives supervisions – individual and small group teaching – which complement the lectures and practical classes organised by the University. Colleges accommodate and feed their students. Formerly, College life revolved around the three great communal areas – the Chapel, the Library and the dining Hall. Today Colleges also provide bars, sports facilities and extensive opportunities for music, theatre and cultural life.

The museums and collections include the Fitzwilliam Museum, Botanic Garden, Kettle's Yard, Sedgwick Museum of Earth Sciences, The Polar Museum, Whipple Museum of the History of Science, Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, Museum of Zoology, Museum of Classical Archaeology and the University Library visitor centre.

Did you know?

Cambridge has more museums, galleries and collections within a square mile than any other UK city outside London.

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## Tourist Information Centre

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Cambridge Tourist Information Centre is located in the heart of the old city on Peas Hill, just off Cambridge Market Square.

The Centre offers help and advice on making the most of your time in and around Cambridge, including official guided tours, accommodation reservations, public transport, maps and guidebooks, discounted chauffeured punt tour tickets and more.

### Opening times:

April–October

Monday–Saturday **10am–5pm**

Sunday & Bank holiday **11am–3pm**

November–March

Monday–Saturday **10am–5pm**

Sunday **Closed**

**Peas Hill, Cambridge CB2 3AD**

**General enquiries: 08712 268006**

**Guided walking tours: 01223 457574**

**Email: [info@visitcambridge.org](mailto:info@visitcambridge.org)**

**[www.visitcambridge.org](http://www.visitcambridge.org)**

## University of Cambridge Museums Shop

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Open: **10am–5pm** daily including Sundays and bank holidays.

Closed: Sundays only in January.

Unusual gifts and toys from all the museums, plus more information on collections and current exhibitions.

**18 King's Parade,  
Cambridge CB2 1SP  
01223 353252**

## What's On

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A great way to find out what's going on at the University of Cambridge during the time of your visit is to check out the What's On website, which lists all of the up-and-coming activities, from family events to adult lectures:

**[www.cam.ac.uk/whatson](http://www.cam.ac.uk/whatson)**

**The following are a number of major public annual events:**

### *Cambridge Science Festival*

(March)

The Cambridge Science Festival offers hundreds of free events for all ages, allowing visitors to explore science, technology, engineering, mathematics and medicine. **[www.cam.ac.uk/science-festival](http://www.cam.ac.uk/science-festival)**

### *Open Cambridge*

(September)

Open Cambridge is a weekend of tours, talks and open access for Cambridge residents and visitors. It includes the Bridge the Gap walk, a five-mile College route that raises funds for local charities. **[www.cam.ac.uk/open-cambridge](http://www.cam.ac.uk/open-cambridge)**

### *Cambridge Festival of Ideas*

(October–November)

The Cambridge Festival of Ideas celebrates the arts, humanities and social sciences by showcasing a diverse mix of talks, performances, films, exhibitions and other creative displays.

**[www.cam.ac.uk/festival-of-ideas](http://www.cam.ac.uk/festival-of-ideas)**

### *Museum events*

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The museums offer a programme of events throughout the year including Twilight at the Museums (February), Museums at Night (May) and Summer at the Museums (July/August).

**[www.cam.ac.uk/museums](http://www.cam.ac.uk/museums)**

**A Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology** (1884)

Tue–Sat 10.30am–4.30pm, Sun 12noon–4.30pm  
*CLOSED: Mondays (including bank holidays).*  
Free

Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3DZ  
01223 333516  
[maa.cam.ac.uk](http://maa.cam.ac.uk)

**B Botanic Garden** (1846)

Apr–Sep 10am–6pm; Feb, Mar & Oct 10am–5pm; Jan, Nov & Dec 10am–4pm.  
Adult £4.50; concession £3.95; entrance is free for children 0–16 when accompanied by an adult.

1 Brookside, Cambridge CB2 1JE  
01223 336265  
[www.botanic.cam.ac.uk](http://www.botanic.cam.ac.uk)

**C Museum of Classical Archaeology** (1884)

Mon–Fri 10am–5pm; Sat (term time only) 10am–1pm.  
Free

Faculty of Classics, Sidgwick Avenue, Cambridge CB3 9DA  
01223 330402  
[www.classics.cam.ac.uk/museum](http://www.classics.cam.ac.uk/museum)

**D Fitzwilliam Museum** (1848)

Tue–Sat 10am–5pm; Sun & bank holiday Monday 12noon–5pm.

*CLOSED: Mondays (except for bank holidays).*  
Free

Trumpington Street, Cambridge CB2 1RB  
01223 332900  
[www.fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk](http://www.fitzmuseum.cam.ac.uk)

**E Kettle's Yard** (1966)

Tue–Sun & bank holiday Monday: House 12–5pm; Gallery 11.30am–5pm.

*CLOSED: Mondays (except for bank holidays)*  
Free

Castle Street, Cambridge CB3 0AQ  
01223 748100  
[www.kettlesyard.co.uk](http://www.kettlesyard.co.uk)

**F The Polar Museum** (1920)

Tue–Sat 10am–4pm  
*CLOSED: Sundays, Mondays and bank holiday Saturdays. Open on bank holiday Mondays. Groups (max 25) should book in advance.*  
Free

Lensfield Road  
Cambridge CB2 1ER  
01223 336540  
[www.spri.cam.ac.uk/museum](http://www.spri.cam.ac.uk/museum)

**G Sedgwick Museum of Earth Sciences** (1904)

Mon–Fri 10am–1pm & 2–5pm; Sat 10am–4pm.  
*Check website for bank holiday closures. Groups (max 30) need to be booked one week in advance.*  
Free

Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3EQ  
01223 333456  
[www.sedgwickmuseum.org](http://www.sedgwickmuseum.org)

**H Whipple Museum of the History of Science** (1944)

Mon–Fri 12.30–4.30pm.  
*CLOSED: Bank holidays*  
Free

Free School Lane, Cambridge CB2 3RH  
01223 330906  
[www.hps.cam.ac.uk/whipple](http://www.hps.cam.ac.uk/whipple)

**I Museum of Zoology** (1814)

*CLOSED: for major refurbishment until 2016.*  
Free

Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3EJ  
01223 336650  
[www.museum.zoo.cam.ac.uk](http://www.museum.zoo.cam.ac.uk)

**J Cambridge University Library Visitor Centre**

Mon–Fri 9am–6pm; Sat 9am–4.30pm  
Free

West Road, Cambridge CB3 9DR  
[exhibitions.lib.cam.ac.uk](http://exhibitions.lib.cam.ac.uk)

**Other Cambridge museums**

**K Cambridge Museum of Technology**

Easter–October every Sunday 2–5pm; November–Easter first Sunday of the month 2–5pm.  
Admission charges apply

The Old Pumping Station  
Cheddars Lane, Cambridge CB5 8LD  
01223 500652  
[www.museumoftechnology.com](http://www.museumoftechnology.com)

**L Cambridge Science Centre**

Tue–Fri 1–5pm (term time); weekends, half terms & holidays 10am–5pm.  
Admission charges apply

18 Jesus Lane, Cambridge CB5 8BQ  
01223 967965  
[www.cambridgesciencecentre.org](http://www.cambridgesciencecentre.org)

**M Centre for Computing History**

Wed–Sun 10am–5pm (last admission 4pm)  
Admission charges apply

Rene Court, Coldhams Road  
Cambridge CB1 3EW  
01223 214446  
[www.computinghistory.org.uk](http://www.computinghistory.org.uk)

**N Wysing Arts Centre**

Daily 12noon–5pm when there is an exhibition in the gallery.

Fox Road, Bourn, Cambridge CB23 2TX  
01954 718881  
[www.wysingartscentre.org](http://www.wysingartscentre.org)

**O The Museum of Cambridge**

Tue–Sat 10.30am–5pm; Sun & bank holiday Mondays 2–5pm  
Tea room open: Sat 10.30am–4.30pm  
*CLOSED: Mondays*  
Admission charges apply

2/3 Castle Street, Cambridge CB3 0AQ  
01223 355159  
[www.museumofcambridge.org.uk](http://www.museumofcambridge.org.uk)

**Museums may be closed for Christmas or public holidays. Check website for details.**

The information contained within this leaflet is for guidance only. The Colleges are private institutions and opening times may vary due to functions, conferences, holidays, etc. During the examination period (late April–mid June) the Colleges will be shut. Charges are also subject to change. Please check with the College you wish to visit in advance.

Groups should book in advance and the Visit Cambridge website offers official walking tours visiting several Colleges. All visitors should first report to the porters' lodge at the entrance to the College on arrival.

Please remember that the Colleges are places where people study, work and live and we ask that you do not enter any areas marked 'private'. Members of the University will be asked for their University card to visit Colleges.

Alumni should request a CamCard for College access ([www.alumni.cam.ac.uk/benefits/camcard/college-access](http://www.alumni.cam.ac.uk/benefits/camcard/college-access)).

**April–June is quiet exam period, during which most of the Colleges are closed**

### Information about disability access

An access guide and map is available at: [www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/disability](http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/disability)

You may also contact the individual Colleges and Museums you wish to visit to check access information.

Disabled parking is available throughout the city's car parks and streets. A list of these is available by contacting the Tourist Information Centre (Tel: 08712 268006) or from their following webpage:

[www.visitcambridge.org/visitor-information/accessibility](http://www.visitcambridge.org/visitor-information/accessibility)



## College information for the public

● (Colleges): See the map on the back page for individual locations

### 1 Christ's College (1505)

9am–4pm. *The Fellows' Garden is open Mon–Fri only.*  
Free

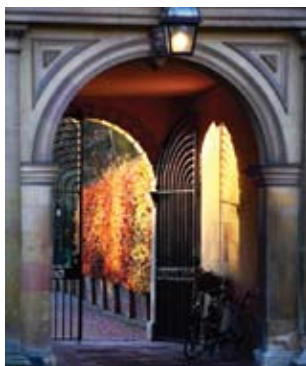
St Andrew's Street,  
Cambridge CB2 3BU  
01223 334900  
[www.christs.cam.ac.uk](http://www.christs.cam.ac.uk)



### 2 Churchill College (1960)

College grounds are open all year round. *The Churchill Archives Centre is open to researchers by appointment.*  
Free

Storey's Way  
Cambridge CB3 0DS  
01223 336000  
[www.chu.cam.ac.uk](http://www.chu.cam.ac.uk)



### 3 Clare College (1326)

Opening times vary. When open, the Fellows' and Scholars' gardens, Chapel and Hall can be visited Mon–Sun 10.45am–4.15pm.

*During term time, visits to the gardens are by special arrangement only.*  
Easter weekend and Jul–Sep  
£3 (discounted rate of £2 for groups 10+)

Trinity Lane  
Cambridge CB2 1TL  
01223 333200  
[www.clare.cam.ac.uk](http://www.clare.cam.ac.uk)

### 4 Clare Hall (1965)

9am–5pm. *The College is open all year round.*  
Free

Herschel Road  
Cambridge CB3 9AL  
01223 332360  
[www.clarehall.cam.ac.uk](http://www.clarehall.cam.ac.uk)

### 5 Corpus Christi College (1352)

Jan–Apr 2–4pm; Jul–Sep  
10.30am–4.30pm; Oct–Dec 2–4pm  
£2.50

Trumpington Street  
Cambridge CB2 1RH  
01223 338000  
[www.corpus.cam.ac.uk](http://www.corpus.cam.ac.uk)

### 6 Darwin College (1964)

*Access to the College and grounds for external groups and individuals is by prior appointment only.*

*Please contact:*  
[bursars.sec@darwin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:bursars.sec@darwin.cam.ac.uk)

Silver Street  
Cambridge CB3 9EU  
01223 335660  
[www.darwin.cam.ac.uk](http://www.darwin.cam.ac.uk)

# College information for the public

## 7 Downing College (1800)

9am–5pm  
Free

Regent Street  
Cambridge CB2 1DQ  
01223 334800  
[www.dow.cam.ac.uk](http://www.dow.cam.ac.uk)

## 8 Emmanuel College (1584)

9am–6pm  
Free

St Andrew's Street  
Cambridge CB2 3AP  
01223 334200  
[www.emma.cam.ac.uk](http://www.emma.cam.ac.uk)

## 9 Fitzwilliam College (1869)

9.30am–5pm  
Free

Storey's Way  
Cambridge CB3 0DG  
01223 332000  
[www.fitz.cam.ac.uk](http://www.fitz.cam.ac.uk)

## 10 Girton College (1869)

9am–5pm  
Free

Huntingdon Road  
Cambridge CB3 0JG  
01223 338999  
[www.girton.cam.ac.uk](http://www.girton.cam.ac.uk)

## 11 Gonville and Caius College (1348)

9am–2pm. *Closed for two weeks in August.*  
Free

Trinity Street  
Cambridge CB2 1TA  
01223 332400  
[www.cai.cam.ac.uk](http://www.cai.cam.ac.uk)

## 12 Homerton College (1730 in London–1894 in Cambridge)

10am–4pm. *Groups of 8+ by prior arrangement only.*  
Free

Hills Road  
Cambridge CB2 8PH  
01223 747111  
[www.homerton.cam.ac.uk](http://www.homerton.cam.ac.uk)

## 13 Hughes Hall (1885)

9am–5pm  
Free

Mortimer Road  
Cambridge CB1 2EW  
01223 334898  
[www.hughes.cam.ac.uk](http://www.hughes.cam.ac.uk)

## 14 Jesus College (1496)

9am–6pm  
Free

Jesus Lane  
Cambridge CB5 8BL  
01223 339339  
[www.jesus.cam.ac.uk](http://www.jesus.cam.ac.uk)



## 15 King's College (1441)

During term time: Mon 9.45am–3.30pm; Tues–Fri 9.30am–3.30pm; Sat 9.30am–3.15pm; Sun 1.15–2.30pm. Out of term: Mon 9.45am–4.30pm; Tues–Sun 9.30am–4.30pm

Adult £7.50; concessions £5; group rate (10+ people, advanced booking, Mon–Fri only) £6.50 or concessions £4.50; free for children under 12 when visiting with their family, or for school groups whose school is in Cambridgeshire and under the LEA or holds Academy status and receives no private funding.

*The King's College Chapel is occasionally closed because of recordings, concerts and private ceremonies. For a list of closure dates please see [www.kings.cam.ac.uk/visit](http://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/visit). During the Easter Term (April–June), the grounds are closed due to exams, but you can still visit the Chapel.*

King's Parade  
Cambridge CB2 1ST  
01223 331100  
[www.kings.cam.ac.uk](http://www.kings.cam.ac.uk)

## 16 Lucy Cavendish College (1965)

*The College is not generally open for visitors. The public are welcome to visit the College during special events, which are promoted widely.*

Lady Margaret Road  
Cambridge CB3 0BU  
01223 332190  
[www.lucy-cav.cam.ac.uk](http://www.lucy-cav.cam.ac.uk)

## 17 Magdalene College (1428)

6am–6pm. *The Pepys Library is open to visitors for limited hours during term and the summer.*  
Free

Magdalene Street  
Cambridge CB3 0AG  
01223 332100  
[www.magd.cam.ac.uk](http://www.magd.cam.ac.uk)

## 18 Murray Edwards College (1954)

The College and the New Hall Art Collection are open daily 10am–6pm. *Details of the New Hall Art Collection can be found at [www.art.newhall.cam.ac.uk](http://www.art.newhall.cam.ac.uk).*  
Free

Huntingdon Road  
Cambridge CB3 0DF  
01223 762100  
[www.murrayedwards.cam.ac.uk](http://www.murrayedwards.cam.ac.uk)



## 19 Newnham College (1871)

Open all day  
Free

Sidgwick Avenue  
Cambridge CB3 9DF  
01223 335700  
[www.newn.cam.ac.uk](http://www.newn.cam.ac.uk)



**20 Pembroke College** (1347)

Open all year round. Tourist groups above the size of a family can visit the College's courts and gardens 2–5pm. The Wren Chapel is open 9am–6pm.

Free

Trumpington Street  
Cambridge CB2 1RF  
01223 338100  
[www.pem.cam.ac.uk](http://www.pem.cam.ac.uk)

**21 Peterhouse** (1284)

9am–5pm

Free

Trumpington Street  
Cambridge CB2 1RD  
01223 338200  
[www.pet.cam.ac.uk](http://www.pet.cam.ac.uk)

**22 Queens' College** (1448)

Mar–Sep 10am–4.30pm; Sep–Nov Mon–Fri 2–4pm, Sat–Sun 10am–4.30pm; Nov–Mar 2–4pm. *The President's Lodge, the Old Library, the War Memorial Library, Cripps Dining Hall, staircases and the Fellow's Garden are not open to visitors.*

£3

Silver Street  
Cambridge CB3 9ET  
01223 335511  
[www.queens.cam.ac.uk](http://www.queens.cam.ac.uk)

**23 Robinson College** (1979)

Mon–Sat 10am–6pm; Sun 2–6pm. Closed for two weeks in August.

Free

Grange Road  
Cambridge CB3 9AN  
01223 339100  
[www.robinson.cam.ac.uk](http://www.robinson.cam.ac.uk)



**24 Selwyn College** (1882)

9.30am–5pm

Free

The College is open all year round. *Groups should be limited to 10 and visit outside the exam period.*

Grange Road, Cambridge CB3 9DQ  
01223 335846  
[www.sel.cam.ac.uk](http://www.sel.cam.ac.uk)

**25 Sidney Sussex College** (1596)

Open all day

Free

Sidney Street  
Cambridge CB2 3HU  
01223 338800  
[www.sid.cam.ac.uk](http://www.sid.cam.ac.uk)



**26 St Catharine's College** (1473)

Open all day

Free

Trumpington Street  
Cambridge CB2 1RL  
01223 338300  
[www.caths.cam.ac.uk/home](http://www.caths.cam.ac.uk/home)

**27 St Edmund's College** (1896)

*Mass at the Chapel every day (except Saturday) throughout the year*

Free

Mount Pleasant  
Cambridge CB3 0BN  
01223 336250  
[www.st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk](http://www.st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk)

**28 St John's College** (1511)

Mar–Oct 10am–5pm;

Nov–Feb 10am–3.30pm

Adult £5; concessions £3.50; children under 12 free

St John's Street  
Cambridge CB2 1TP  
01223 338671  
[www.joh.cam.ac.uk](http://www.joh.cam.ac.uk)



**29 Trinity College** (1546)

Winter time 10am–4pm (last entry 3.30pm), Summer time 10am–5pm (last entry 4.30pm)

Adult £1; children £0.50 (children under 12 free)

Trinity Street  
Cambridge CB2 1TQ  
01223 338400  
[www.trin.cam.ac.uk](http://www.trin.cam.ac.uk)

**30 Trinity Hall** (1350)

9.15am–12noon and 2pm–5.30pm. *Visits during exam time by prior arrangement only.*

Free

Trinity Lane  
Cambridge CB2 1TJ  
01223 332500  
[www.trinhall.cam.ac.uk](http://www.trinhall.cam.ac.uk)

**31 Wolfson College** (1965)

10am–4pm. *Maximum 12 people in a group.*

Free

Barton Road, Cambridge CB3 9BB  
01223 335900  
[www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk](http://www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk)

