



OCTOBER '26 TO APRIL '27

Brighten the dark days of winter by joining one of our afternoon tea tours.

Wrap up warm and enjoy a specially themed guided walk followed by a cup of tea and a cake in one of Ipswich's great cafés.

Most walks start from Admiral's House, Tower Street, Ipswich IP1 3BE at 1.30pm and will keep 'on the move' as much as possible to keep warm!

£12 per person per walk (including refreshments). Places should be booked in advance.

MID WINTER WANDER

THE STORY OF IPSWICH PAST & PRESENT

Wednesday 30th December 2026

Fun and informative entertainment and exercise for visitors and locals between the Christmas revels and New Year celebrations.

Starts 11am at Cornhill and ends on the Waterfront. Cost £6. Places are limited. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Booking closes: Thursday 24th Dec at 12 noon.

BOOKINGS

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Afternoon Tea WALKS



MONDAY 5/10/26 IPSWICH AUTHORS

Let's take a critical look at the poets, pamphleteers, novelists, short story and travel writers who lived and worked in our town.

TUESDAY 20/10/26 STROLL WITH A HUNDRED YEAR OLD GUIDE

We compare today's Ipswich Visitors experience, with that described in a brochure from the early 1900's.

WEDNESDAY 4/11/26 TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS IN 17TH CENTURY IPSWICH

Tales of life in Civil War times – emigration to the 'New World', a preacher's imprisonment and arrival of the 'Merry Monarch'.

FRIDAY 13/11/26 BLUE PLAQUES

Join us to hear the stories behind the plaques awarded to the many distinguished people in Ipswich.

THURSDAY 3/12/26 MEDIEVAL IPSWICH

Ipswich's medieval past is long and exciting. Explore it through the town's defences, religious houses, secular buildings and fascinating stories.

WEDNESDAY 13/1/27 IPSWICH MEDICS

Discover the many buildings in Ipswich with medical stories behind them. From local nurses to Queen Victoria's favourite doctor, and a Nobel Laureate.

TUESDAY 26/1/27 SELIG OR SILLY SUFFOLK?

Selig means 'blessed'. Explore why Ipswich was blessed by 12 medieval churches, a chapel of pilgrimage and rare ancient sacred carvings. Note: Walk ends at Waterfront café.

TUESDAY 2/2/27 AS GILES SAW IT

Explore Ipswich, through the eyes and works of renowned cartoonist and 'local boy' Carl Giles.

WEDNESDAY 10/2/27 THE VICTORIAN DOCKS

Hear how the building of the dock brought industry, growth and trade to Ipswich. Note: Walk Starts at 'The Question Mark', Ipswich Waterfront.

WEDNESDAY 24/2/27 A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT

Throughout history Ipswich and the Orwell have gone together like fish and chips. Take a look at how Ipswich grew.

FRIDAY 5/3/27 CARDINAL CONNECTIONS

Join us in the footsteps of Cardinal Thomas Wolsey and explore the sites linked to Ipswich's most famous Tudor son.

THURSDAY 18/3/27 WARTIME IPSWICH

Explore Ipswich's WWI and WWII sites, memorials and the town's resilience whilst honouring local service and recalling stories.

THURSDAY 8/4/27 SCIENTIFIC IPSWICH

The innovations and inventions in astronomy, geology, aviation, medicine, A.I. and biology that put Ipswich in the forefront of scientific discoveries. Note: Walk starts at The Hold.

FRIDAY 23/4/27 A DRAGON HUNT FOR ST. GEORGES DAY

Come and discover fabulous beasts and dangerous dragons hiding in plain sight. Can you find them before they spot you?

