Bucket List #2

PLANNING YOUR PERFECT SUFFOLK BREAK



SUTTON HOO & WOODBRIDGE



DEDHAM VALE & FLATFORD MILL



EYE, THORNHAM WALKS & HELMINGHAM HALL

Day One:

SUTTON HOO & WOODBRIDGE

Sutton Hoo

Explore Sutton Hoo, a significant Anglo-Saxon burial site with fascinating guided tours and interactive exhibits. Climb the observation tower for views of the countryside, and let kids enjoy trails with scavenger hunts. ///education.statement.mornings

Woodbridge Tide Mill Museum

Visit the historic Tide Mill Museum in Woodbridge, one of the UK's last working tide mills. Check tide times to see the water wheel in action, then stroll along the scenic River Deben, perfect for photos of boats and wildlife. ///yachting.slippery.mailer

Lunch at The Crown, Woodbridge

Stop at The Crown for locally sourced seasonal dishes. From fresh seafood to light bites with local ale, it's a welcoming spot for all. ///torched.napkins.toads

Woodbridge Shopping and Exploring

Discover Woodbridge's charming shops, galleries, and St. Mary's Church, known for its stained glass and atmospheric graveyard.

Dinner at The Unruly Pig

Dine at The Unruly Pig in Bromeswell, one of the UK's top gastropubs. Try their signature pork dishes or vegetarian options from the seasonal, Italianinspired menu. ///socket.prelude.scorpions

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Day Two:

DEDHAM VALE & FLATFORD MILL

Dedham Vale

Begin in Dedham Vale, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty that inspired John Constable's art. Walk or row along the serene River Stour, watching for wildlife and soaking in the peaceful surroundings. Dedham village, with its charming streets, is a perfect spot for a coffee break.

///striving.sometimes.bets

Flatford Mill

Next, visit Flatford Mill, a National Trust site central to Constable Country. Explore the landscapes featured in his paintings, visit Willy Lott's Cottage, and enjoy interactive exhibits at the museum. Scenic walking trails connect key spots, making it a delightful place to explore. ///searching.terminal.portfolio

Lunch at The Sun Inn, Dedham

Enjoy lunch at The Sun Inn, a cosy 15th-century inn with a menu of hearty, locally sourced dishes. It's a welcoming spot to recharge. ///weeds.seriously.cheerily

Dedham Art and Craft Centre

Finish with a visit to the Dedham Art and Craft Centre, housed in a converted church. Browse handmade gifts, pottery, and artwork, supporting local artists and picking up unique finds. ///homing.rationed.changing

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Day Three:

EYE, THORNHAM WALKS & HELMINGHAM HALL

Eye

Begin in the historic town of Eye, wandering its charming streets before heading up to Eye Castle. Though small, the hilltop offers stunning views of the Suffolk countryside, perfect for photos and a moment of peace. ///dice.inventors.premises

Thornham Walks

Then, explore Thornham Walks, a scenic network of trails through woodlands and fields, ideal for dog walkers and families. Spot wildlife along the way and enjoy the walled garden and play area. Stop at the Forge Café for excellent coffee and cakes – a delightful treat after your walk. ///shielding.sailors.stick

The Four Horseshoes, Thornham Magna

Lunch at The Four Horseshoes, a 12th-century thatched pub full of character. With hearty Suffolk dishes and a dog-friendly atmosphere, it's the perfect spot to relax and refuel. ///sideboard.demoted.muddle

Helmingham Hall Gardens

End your day at Helmingham Hall Gardens, a stunning mix of flowerbeds, landscaped parkland, and tranquil pathways. Don't miss the chance to see the resident deer, adding a magical touch to this serene escape. ///tries.directors.kindness

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