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DUXFORD

*An unforgettable
day out for all
the family!*

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IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM DUXFORD

Discover legendary Duxford

Set in the beautiful Cambridgeshire countryside and full of the quirks and intrigue befitting a former Royal Air Force base, Imperial War Museum Duxford takes you on an unforgettable journey through aviation from the earliest tentative flights to present-day jets.

With many original buildings, award-winning contemporary exhibitions and a fully operating airfield, Duxford is Europe's leading aviation museum.

There is simply nowhere else you can see such an extraordinary collection of aeroplanes – and much more – in such astonishing surroundings.



Something for everyone

Duxford is home to a rich and unique collection. There is something for everyone, whether it is the Blackbird – the highest-flying aircraft ever – or the legendary Spitfire, Monty's famous caravan or even a section of the historic Berlin Wall. Peeping through the windows, you'll find the fully furnished 1940s prefab home fascinating!

Investing in the past for the future

Duxford is a living, breathing aviation museum whilst still the best preserved Second World War Royal Air Force airfield in the world. We think aeroplanes are so important that we built the American Air Museum around one of the biggest, the B-52 Stratofortress, just so you could experience its amazing presence. All year round, world-class conservation experts, partners and volunteers work meticulously on rare aircraft to ensure they can be enjoyed for years to come. Why not pop into Hangars 2 and 5 to meet the team and have a look around?

It's more than aeroplanes you know!

Wherever you are in the museum, you will get a fascinating insight into the lives of the many men and women who transformed aviation and contributed to Duxford's history.

Just push open the doors of Hangar 4 to learn about air defence and the Battle of Britain – famously described by Churchill as the nation's 'finest hour'. In the restored Operations Room, still tucked behind its original blast-walls, come and listen to the recreation of an air raid on Duxford in 1940.

In Hangar 3 we have a superb maritime collection, and the Land Warfare Hall shows off a comprehensive collection of tanks, military vehicles and artillery.



Award winning AirSpace

Open in 2007, AirSpace is our most recent addition and we're really proud of it. It tells the story of British and Commonwealth aviation and is home to 30 iconic aircraft, including the fastest ever Concorde – why not come on board? Full of interactive exhibits, AirSpace is a fun place to learn about the people and science behind flight.



Let your imagination and your children run wild!

Duxford is HUGE, and with over 10 acres undercover, it delivers a wonderful day out for the whole family, even if the British weather doesn't!

And if the sun does shine, make the most of it and enjoy the picnic tables and play area. Just keep an eye on the sky as you may very well see some historic aircraft take flight!



Everyone's catered for at Duxford

With so much to see and do at Duxford it really is a full day out, which is why we've made sure you can stop to refuel on the way round. We have two wonderful cafés and a great restaurant serving all manner of hot and cold food.

For those who want to broaden their knowledge there are plenty of great books for sale in our shop, along with educational games and toys, plus exceptional gifts and souvenirs.

For all the latest on our events and activities, visit www.iwm.org.uk/duxford and sign up to **eflyer, Duxford's email newsletter.**



Explore Duxford and let your imagination take flight!



AirSpace

Packed full of interactive exhibits and over 30 iconic aircraft, including Concorde and the legendary Spitfire, Airspace tells the story of British and Commonwealth aviation. Get up close to the suspended aircraft on the Skybridge.

NEW Airborne Assault
The history of British airborne forces.



4 Land Warfare Hall

Walking through the recreated landscapes full of famous tanks and military vehicles, you really get a feel for twentieth century land warfare. Watch a film about the Normandy landings and the liberation of Europe, and visit the Royal Anglian Regimental Museum.

3 Classic Wings

Take to the skies in a beautifully restored genuine 1930s de Havilland Dragon Rapide or Tiger Moth. Flights cost as little as £39 and there's no need to pre-book. All you need is a head for heights! Vouchers available.
www.classic-wings.co.uk
0870 902 6146

2 Duxford Airfield

Overlooked by our fully operational Control Tower, our grass and tarmac runways see plenty of action, especially during air shows – why not come and see for yourself?



The American Air Museum

Designed by world-famous architect Norman Foster, this building is breathtaking. As you walk in you come nose to nose with the gigantic B-52 Stratofortress. The American Air Museum is home to the largest collection of American combat aircraft outside of the United States.



Hangar 5 The Working Museum

Meet our dedicated conservation staff and volunteers actively preserving the nation's aviation heritage. Find out how our precious aircraft and exhibits are kept safe for future generations.

7 Operations Room



Step back in time into Duxford's Second World War nerve centre. Hear our faithfully reconstructed Luftwaffe air raid when men and women based in this room directed Duxford's fighters into battle.

8 Hangar 4 The Battle of Britain



Explore the story of Britain's 'finest hour'. See how the Battle of Britain was won, and find out about the air defence of the UK from the First World War to the Cold War.

9 Hangar 3 The Maritime Collection



Discover how submarines, torpedoes and aircraft changed the nature of conflict at sea.

10 Hangar 2 The Flying Museum



Part of the magic of Duxford is this working hangar where you can meet Duxford's flying partners as they restore, maintain and prepare their historic aircraft for flight.

Visitor Centre
The adventure starts here!

Event highlights 2009

MAY

3	Sunday	Spring Car Show
17	Sunday	Spring Air Show

JUNE

21	Sunday	Military Vehicle Show
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JULY

11-12	Sat/Sun	Flying Legends Air Show
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AUGUST

2	Sunday	The Duxford Classic Car Show
9	Sunday	Spitfire Day
21	Friday	American Air Day

SEPTEMBER

5-6	Sat/Sun	The Duxford Air Show
27	Sunday	ShowBus

OCTOBER

11	Sunday	Autumn Air Show
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Book early and save!



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If you visit us regularly why not join the **Friends of Duxford**?

Discover more – visit Imperial War Museum London, Churchill Museum and Cabinet War Rooms, HMS *Belfast*, and Imperial War Museum North.
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Inspiring, intriguing and incredible!

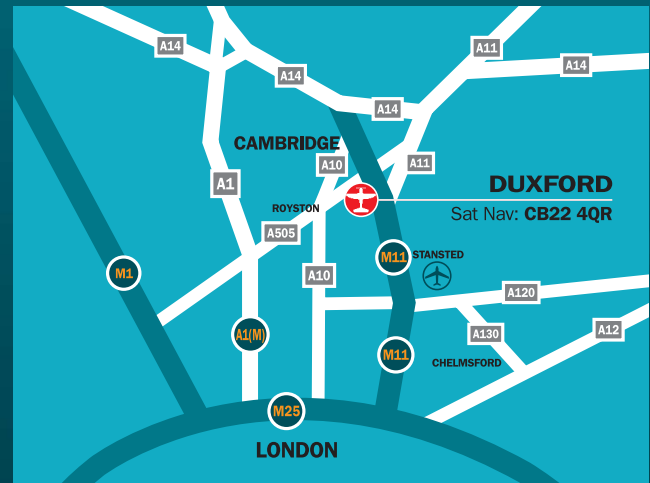
Duxford really is the 'must see' attraction in the East of England. There's nowhere else you can see such an extraordinary collection of aeroplanes. You will be talking about your visit for years to come!



AirSpace was voted Best Education Project at the 2008 National Lottery Awards.



Winner of the Large Visitor Attraction 2008.



Opening times

Summer 10:00-18:00
Winter 10:00-16:00
Closed 24, 25 and 26 December

Ticket prices

Children under 16 FREE
Adults (16+) £16
Seniors and Students £12.80
Other concessions and group rates available

Access

Sorry no dogs, except assistance dogs
Wheelchairs available. To book call 01223 499 314
More accessibility info on our website, select visitor information

Travel information

Junction 10 off the M11
15 mins from Cambridge
40 mins from the M25
Ample free parking

Public transport

National Rail Enquiries:
08457 48 49 50
Traveline: 0871 200 22 33
National Express Coaches:
08717 81 81 81

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