

# Steph's Quick Budget Fact Sheet

# united Kingdom - Brighton

#### Quick Facts

✓ Capital: London

✓ Language: English

✓ Population: ± 229,700

✓ **Sq. km:** ± 82,79

✓ Currency: Pounds (GBP - £)

✓ Country code: +44 (01273)

✓ Visa: Yes, not part of EU. Info here.

✓ Emergency phone: 999

√ Vaccinations: None



## History Recap Over 1 Drink

1801: UK formed. '15: Role in defeating Napoleon: Britain imperial power. 40s: Industrial Revolution, peak in 2<sup>nd</sup> half 19th Century. 80s: Irish separist movement. 1906: Liberal government, welfare state. '14-'18: WWI, against Germany. '21: Foundation Irish Free State after 3 years war of independence – North still UK. '29: World stock market crash. '31: Economic crisis. '39: Germany invades Poland, UK declares war. '40: Churchill. Battle of Britain. German bombings. '44: Allied invade France on D-Day (6/6). '45: Germany surrenders. UK: UN Security Council. '47: Colony India independent. '48: National Health Service. '49: Founder member Nato. '56: Intervenes in Suez Canal Zone, US makes them withdraw. '61: UK application EEC vetoed by French president Charles de Gaulle > '73: joins. '79: Thatcher prime minister, free market policies, privatization state-run industries. '82: Falkland war Argentina. '93: Downstreet Declaration N-Ireland. '97: Blair - Labour Party. Diana dies. '99: UK takes part in war against Yugoslavia. 2000: Intervene in Sierra Leone. 01: UK supports US. '05: London bombings. IRA (Ireland) ends armed campaign. '07: Scottish independence parties. Blair. '08: Financial crisis. '10: Cameron. '11: Intervention Libya. '13: Anti-EU ideas start. '17: "Islamist" attacks. '20: Brexit.

### Travel Seasons

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Spring												
Summer												
Autumn												
Winter												
Budget												

Climate: Oceanic Climate (Cfb).

#### **Bucket List For Free**

- © Sights: Royal Pavillion (from the outside entry costs money), The Lanes, North Laine, West Pier, Patcham Pylon, Madeira Lift, Brighton Beach Flint Grotto, Chattri monument, Daddy Long Legs Seashore Railway (low tide), Brighton Marina, St. Bartholomews & Saint Paul's Church, Clock Tower, Peace Statue, Kipling Gardens, The Doughnut, Golden Spiral.
- © Museums: <u>Booth Museum of Natural History</u>, <u>Old</u> Police Cells Museum, Hove Museum & Art Gallery.
- © Beach: Brighton Beach, Naturist Beach.
- © Hiking & Nature: <u>Undercliff Walk</u>, <u>Devils Dyke</u>, Stanmer Park, Queens Park, Ditchling Beacon.

## Worth The Extra \$€¥

- Museums & sights: Anna's Museum, Mechanical
  Memories Museum, Toy and Model Museum, Brighton
  Museum and Art Gallery.
- Other: Sewer Tours, British Airways i360, Brighton Palace Pier, Volk's Electric Railway, Saltdean Lido.

# Sleep Cheap

- Hostels and alternative accommodation are very expensive in the UK. Check <u>Booking.com</u> for deals.
- Go <u>Couchsurfing</u> or Housesitting (<u>20% discount</u> <u>for Trusted Housesitters via this link</u>!). Also check

## **Budget Bites**

- **Big supermarkets:** Aldi, Sainsbury's, Morrisons, Co-operative Food, Iceland Foods, Waitrose.
- **Markets:** Open Market (*Ditchling Road / London Road*), Florence Road Market (*Sat*), Brighton Farmers Market (*Mon*), Upper Gardner Street Market (*Sat*).
- # Local food: Fish and Chips (deep-fried), Bangers and Mash (sausages and mashed potatoes), Black Pudding (blood and pork fat pudding), Shepherd's / Cottage Pie (lamb / beef pie), Steak and Kidney Pie Beef Wellington (pasty steak), Cornish Pasty (meat and vegetable pastry), Full English Breakfast (incl. baconbeans-sausages), Sunday Roast, Toad in the Hole (sausages in gravy), Scotch Egg (boiled eggs wrapped in sausage meat, then deep-fried), Haggis (minced sheep's heart, liver and lungs), Scones, Eton Mess (meringue and cream), Eccles Cake (pastry).
- **Go vegan:** Being vegan is ridiculously easy in Europe. <u>Local vegan dishes:</u> Laverbread (boiled and pureed seaweed), Bubble and Squeak (fried mashed potato with cabbage), Pease Pudding (with split peas), Water-based Porridge. Check vegan-friendly restaurants here: <u>Happy Cow − Brighton</u>. Also check out the by-now-basically-local Indian restaurants.

#### Mama Said

- Europe in general, and also Brighton, is very safe... but use your common sense like everywhere. The highest crime rates are reported in Recency, St. Peter's & North Laine and Queens Park.
- Tap water is drinkable.
- If you consider yourself an animal lover, avoid companies such as Sea Life Brighton, where animals are imprisoned out of their natural habitat.

#### Next?

- → In the UK: Worthing, Eastbourne, Hastings, London, Portsmouth, Isle of Wight, Southampton.
- → International destinations close by: (Wales, Ireland, Scotland), France, Belgium, The Netherlands.

#### **Festivals**

☼ Great Escape Festival: May.

Drighton Fringe: May.

Drighton Pride: Jul-Aug.

More festivals <u>here</u>.

# Nights Best Spent

♦ Nightlife areas: Downtown, Pier.

♦ Theatres: Brighton Dome, Theatre Royal Brighton, Brighton Centre, Brighton Little Theatre, Ropetackle Art Centre, Lantern Theatre.

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## Free-Riding?

- Walking is an excellent option to see the more subtle details of downtown Brighton.
- Biking is another fun way to explore. Bike rental is widely available. Take into account: they drive on the left!
- Brighton and are Hove are connected with a reliable and smooth <u>bus system</u>. You can pay the driver or by the <u>Key Card</u>, but it's much cheaper buying it on the <u>mobile-ticket app</u>. The longer you stay, the cheaper it gets. If you are already planning to have more than 1 ride in a day, the 24-hours ticket is already cheaper. To get out of town, use <u>National Express</u>, or cheaper companies such as <u>Flixbus</u>. The earlier you book, the cheaper the ticket.
- You can leave town by train. Brighton's train station is located at Queens Road. The prices vary widely, and the earlier you book, the cheaper the ticket (although trains are generally expensive in the UK). The Volks Railway is the oldest electric railway operating between the Brighton Pier and Marina.
- Airports: London Gatwick (LGW), London Heathrow (LHR).

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