



THE FIVE VALLEYS & SEVERN VALE...

Stay a night or two in the Five Valleys around Stroud. Spend 48 hours exploring the Cotswold towns of Stroud and Nailsworth, and around Berkeley in the Severn Vale. But don't feel limited to just 48 hours; we'd love you to stay longer.



DAY 1

Spend the day exploring the Five Valleys. Start with the bohemian canal-side town, **Stroud**, where cafés and independent shops are a plenty. Don't miss the fabulous **Farmers' Market**, filling the streets every Saturday morning. Take a stroll along the canal towpath or up to the beautiful commons. Head on to the hilltop town of **Painswick** to wander the pretty streets or visit its spectacular churchyard – a photographer's dream. The neighbouring village of **Slad** is the setting of famous novel, *Cider with Rosie*. Alternatively, visit artistic **Nailsworth**, renowned for its award-winning eateries, lovely shops and celebrated bakery.



WHERE TO STAY

Choose from a selection of accommodation around the Stroud valleys including the boutique-style Bear of Rodborough on Rodborough Common, luxurious The Painswick (in the town of the same name), a range of bed & breakfasts or country inns.

HIDDEN GEMS

Explore the woollen mills that brought so much wealth to the Five Valleys (open to visitors on select days by the **Stroudwater Textiles Trust**). Pack a picnic from **Stroud Farmers' Market** and head up to beautiful **Rodborough** or **Selsley Commons**. Explore the unique **Rococo Garden** in Painswick (famous for its winter snowdrops). Pop in for a pint at Laurie Lee's favourite pub, **The Woolpack** in Slad.

TOP TIP

Walk along the restored **Stroudwater Canal**, an ideal place to spot wildlife. Find out more about the ongoing restoration project by popping into the **Cotswold Canals Visitor Centre** at Wallbridge in Stroud.



Stroud is located in the south Cotswolds, encircled by five beautiful valleys: The Frome (known as Golden Valley), Nailsworth, Painswick, Slad and Toadsmoor Valleys. Stroud is known as a centre for contemporary arts and has a wide range of festivals and events throughout the year. The market towns of **Dursley** and **Wotton-under-Edge** sit on the edge of the Cotswolds escarpment, which drops off towards the Severn Vale. This beautiful river vale includes **Berkeley** and **Slimbridge**.

