



THE ROMANTIC ROAD...

Base yourselves in cosmopolitan Cheltenham – Cultural Capital of the Cotswolds and spend 48 hours discovering the romance of the Cotswolds. But don't feel limited to just 48 hours; we'd love you to stay longer.

DAY 1 – A ROAD FOR TODAY

The Romantic Road takes you north over **Cleeve Hill** and down into historic **Winchcombe** which dates back to Saxon times. From here you visit **Stanway** and **Stanton**, both iconic villages, before calling at picturesque **Broadway** at the foot of Fish Hill. Chipping Campden makes a great stop before venturing onto **Blockley**, a filming location for *Father Brown*, and onto **Moreton-in-Marsh** a busy market town on the Fosse Way. Continue to **Stow-on-the-Wold**, the highest town in the Cotswolds, and then to the quaint villages of **the Slaughters** – a highlight of this tour before returning to Cheltenham.



WHERE TO STAY

Choose from a selection of accommodation in Cheltenham including the iconic Queen's Hotel or boutique-style 131 The Promenade, a range of bed & breakfasts, small hotels or serviced apartments. For luxury and romance why not stay at Ellenborough Park Hotel or The Greenway Hotel located on the outskirts of the town.

HIDDEN GEMS

Allow time to explore **Court Barn Museum** in Chipping Campden which celebrates the talented designers and craftspeople who worked in the north Cotswolds. Go back in time to see **Harts Silversmiths** in their workshop which has been operating since 1888 when CR Ashbee established the Guild of Handicraft.

TOP TIP

Visit **The Wilson**, Cheltenham's art gallery and museum, with its world renowned collection of objects associated with the Arts & Crafts movement. The famous spa waters can still be sampled in the elegant **Pittville Pump Room**, overlooking the beautiful lake and gardens of Pittville Park.

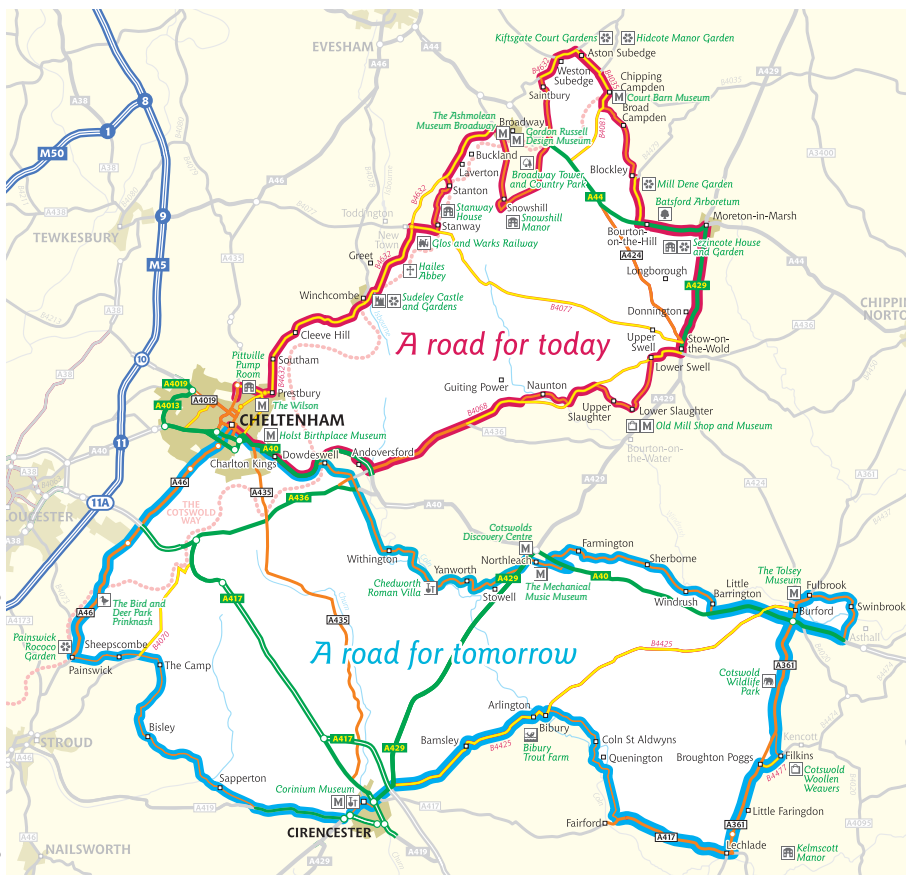


Cheltenham – Refined elegance and Regency terraces provide the backdrop for a year-round event programme, enviable foodie scene and buzzing nightlife. Known for its horse racing, Cheltenham also has stylish shopping, colourful parks and a cosmopolitan vibe.



DAY 2 – A ROAD FOR TOMORROW

From the edge of Cheltenham, a country road takes you to **Northleach** – a delightful example of an unspoilt Cotswold wool town – and onwards to elegant **Burford**, following the **Windrush Valley**. Continue to **Lechlade**, located on the River Thames, and onto **Fairford**, an old coaching town whose church contains fine examples of medieval stained glass. Next stop is the village of **Bibury** with Arlington Row one of the most photographed scenes in the Cotswolds. Allow time to explore **Cirencester**, the capital of the Cotswolds. This thriving town mixes a vibrant, independent shopping scene with its Roman past. Your route winds back to Cheltenham calling into **Painswick**, a gem of a town famed for its 99 Yew trees in the churchyard of St Mary's.



HIDDEN GEMS

The Old Prison & Café, in Northleach, takes you back in time. A walking trail ensures you explore many of the historic buildings, including the church of **St Peter and St Paul** – known as the Cathedral of the Cotswolds – and the exquisite **market place**, often used for filming.



TOP TIP

Make a visit to **Corinium Museum** to unearth Cirencester's amazing history and Roman mosaics. The vibrant **New Brewery Arts Centre** has many artisan craft makers from glass makers to book binders, potters to painters all for you to see up close and personal.

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