



HOLD YOUR BUSINESS EVENT IN

Bristol

Bristol is the largest city in south west England and in 2017 was again voted the best city to live in the UK by the Sunday Times.

Synonymous with spectacular feats of aerospace and advanced engineering, both past and present, Bristol and the west of England has the largest aerospace and defence cluster in the UK. More than 20,000 people are employed in the creative and media sectors, and the city is a key centre for TV, film and animation, home to Aardman Animations, Bottleyard Studios and the BBC Natural History Unit. It is also a leading centre of digital innovation, leading the way in VR and with a thriving games development community.

Bristol is at the forefront of development of a sustainable and low carbon economy. It was the first UK European Green Capital in 2015, attracting international attention and events including the UK's first International Fair Trade Towns Conference.

From the quirky streets of the old city, the Georgian splendour of Clifton and the contemporary architecture of the city centre, Bristol offers a captivating blend of the modern and the historic, all surrounded by the beautiful countryside of the South West with some truly world class and unique event venues.

By air

Bristol Airport
(20mins from the city centre)

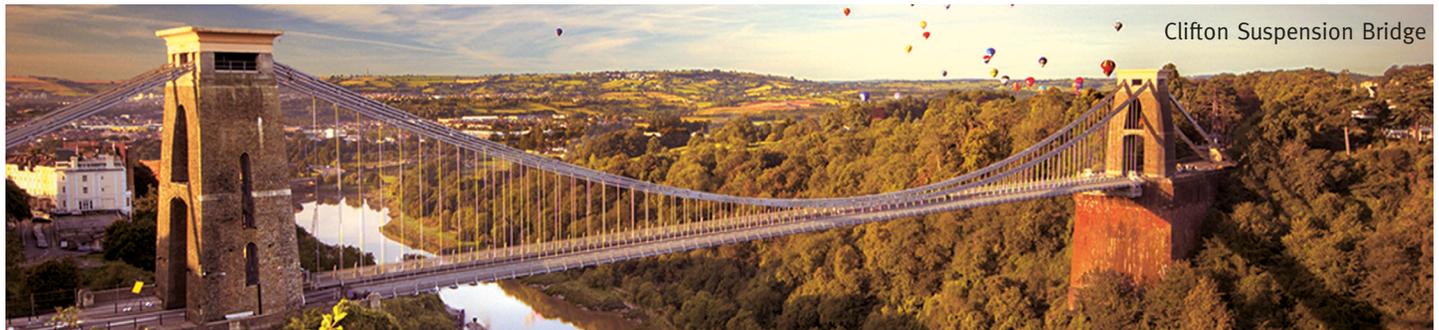
- 11 scheduled airlines
- Over 120 across 32 countries including multiple daily flights to European hubs.

Alternative air:

- London Heathrow Airport (1hr 45mins)

By train

- From London Paddington (90mins)
- From Birmingham (85mins)



Clifton Suspension Bridge

Economic/Academic strengths

- The Bristol region is home to the most productive digital tech cluster in the UK and a test bed for innovation including Bristol is Open, a ground-breaking open city-management scheme delivered by high-speed internet
- Bristol Robotics Laboratory is one of Europe's largest robotics laboratories and the leading and largest academic centre for multi-disciplinary robotics
- The region is home to the largest aerospace cluster in Europe with 14 international giants of aerospace having bases in the region
- Bristol has been named as one of the nine creative hotspots in the UK by NESTA, the UK's leading independent think tank on innovation and creativity

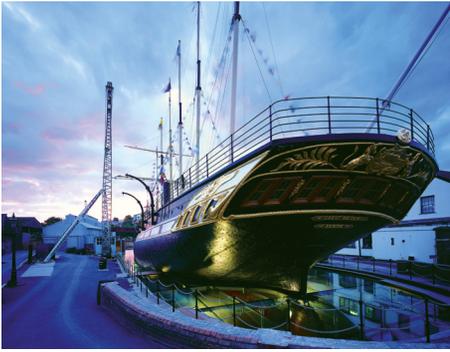
Social programme ideas

- Recognised as the UK's leading food and drink destination, Bristol offers a range of food experiences including tastings and tours covering everything from gin distilleries and craft beer to cookery schools plus a vast range of dining options from Michelin starred restaurants to pop up street food.
- The birthplace of Banksy, Bristol has a legendary street art culture which can be explored with guided tours and enhanced with 'learn to spray' activities
- The home of multi-award winning Aardman Animations, their model makers offer unique team building experiences enabling delegates to create their own models and short films
- B•The city and surrounding landscape mean that there are ample outdoor experiences including paddle-boarding on the harbour, climbing, cycling and a perfect setting for treasure hunts.

Where to stay

5★ Hotel rooms	-
4★ Hotel rooms	3108
3★ Hotel rooms	919
Budget hotel rooms (1★ 2★)	1998
B&B rooms	675
Self catering rooms	68
Serviced apartment rooms	228
University/college rooms	3000





Brunel's ss Great Britain



Aardman away day



At-Bristol science centre

Conference & Event venues

Residential Academic venue Non-residential

Venue	Bedrooms	Capacity (theatre)	Capacity (banquet)	Meeting rooms	Location	Distance from city (miles)
Bristol Zoo Gardens	-	Outdoor only	2000	-	City Centre	-
University of the West of England	1900	2800	800	15	Bristol North Fringe	6
Ashton Gate Stadium	-	1000	850	36	City Centre	-
Brunel's Old Station/Passenger Shed	-	800	600	1	City Centre	-
University of Bristol	600	800	300	200	City Centre	-
Bristol Marriott Hotel City Centre	300	600	450	19	City Centre	-
St George's Bristol	-	562	200	3	City Centre	-
Mercure Bristol Grand Hotel	182	500	430	11	City Centre	-
At-Bristol Science Centre	-	460	300	8	City Centre	-
Bristol Cathedral	300	450	350	2	City Centre	-
City Hall	-	450	200	12	City Centre	-
The Bristol	187	400	300	9	City Centre	-
De Vere Tortworth Estate	201	400	280	14	Countryside	-
Bristol Grammar School	-	380	380	66	City Centre	-
Bristol Harbour Hotel	42	600	450	19	City Centre	-
DoubleTree by Hilton Bristol	206	300	240	14	City Centre	-
Brunel's ss Great Britain	-	250	200	7	City Centre	-
Aerospace Bristol	-	202	500	5	Bristol North Fringe	-



Brunel's Old Station

Destination Bristol services

Free of charge services include:

- Arranging venue and destination familiarisation visits.
- Venue finding and accommodation booking service.
- Providing travel and transport advice and solutions.
- Sourcing conference partner organisations and suppliers.
- Suggesting social/partner programmes.
- Supplying imagery and maps for delegate material and websites.
- Giving impartial advice and assistance.

Further information

VisitEngland www.visitengland.com/business

Destination Bristol www.visitbristol.co.uk/conference

