



Charles Dickens' Birthplace Museum

# Portsmouth's Literary Greats

## Half Day Tour

### Charles Dickens' Birthplace Museum

⌚ 60 mins

Visit the home where Charles Dickens was born on 7 February 1812 and discover what life would have been like for this literary great.

The furniture, ceramics, glass, household objects and decorations faithfully re-create the Regency style. View furnished rooms plus a small collection of memorabilia: the couch on which he died at his house in Kent, together with his snuff box, inkwell and paper knife, poignant reminders of an author celebrated for his prodigious talents and creative output.

[www.charlesdickensbirthplace.co.uk](http://www.charlesdickensbirthplace.co.uk)

### Dickens' guided tour

⌚ 90 mins

Tour other sites in the city with Dickensian connections and find out more about the author and his family's time in Portsmouth.

[www.visitportsmouth.co.uk](http://www.visitportsmouth.co.uk)



Dickens' guided tour

### Portsmouth Museum and Art Gallery

⌚ 60 mins

The literary theme continues with a visit to Portsmouth Museum and Art Gallery, home to 'A Study in Sherlock' exhibition about Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and the creation in Portsmouth of his great detective Sherlock Holmes. Discover more about this iconic literary character and enjoy the rest of the museum.

[www.portsmouthmuseum.co.uk](http://www.portsmouthmuseum.co.uk)



Portsmouth Museum and Art Gallery

## More things to do

### The D-Day Story



Discover the story of D-Day through personal accounts, authentic objects and immersive audio-visals. Visits start on board the massive landing craft LCT 7074 and The Overlord Embroidery provides an epic finale.

[www.theddaystory.com](http://www.theddaystory.com)

### Mary Rose



See stunning panoramic views of Henry VIII's favourite warship, raised from the sea bed in 1982. Take an unrivalled look into Tudor life as the personal stories of the crew are told through thousands of artefacts.

[www.maryrose.org](http://www.maryrose.org)

### HMS Victory



Walk the decks and see where Vice-Admiral Lord Nelson fell during the Battle of Trafalgar. Discover where sailors and officers ate and slept and feel the drama and impact of the day HMS Victory went into battle.

[www.historicdockyard.co.uk](http://www.historicdockyard.co.uk)

### Portsmouth Cathedral



The 'Cathedral of the Sea', dates back to 1185 and has close connections with the seafaring community. It includes the grave of a member of the Mary Rose crew and the famed D-Day stained glass window.

[www.portsmouthcathedral.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthcathedral.org.uk)

## Great food and drink to suit all tastes

### Gunwharf Quays



Over 30 restaurants, bars and coffee shops offering a range of menu options, many with waterside views.

### Southsea



Great range of independent restaurants and bars offering food from across the globe - including seafront eateries and fish and chip restaurants.

### Old Portsmouth



Traditional English pubs, restaurants and tea rooms in the historic cobbled streets of Old Portsmouth.

## Destination Information

The Visitor Information Service in Portsmouth is on hand to answer any enquiries you may have about your visit including details of coach and taxi hire.

The team also manage the Portsmouth Tourism Guiding Service and can help with bookings of our knowledgeable and experienced Tourist Guides.

Full information about Portsmouth is available at [visitportsmouth.co.uk](http://visitportsmouth.co.uk)

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