

## How to get here and where to stay

### Travelling to Bristol

For free download maps of the city centre see:

<http://visitbristol.co.uk/about-bristol/travel-and-maps/bristol-maps>

#### By train - the station is Bristol Temple Meads

<http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations/BRI/details.aspx>

#### By bus/coach – the station is Bristol Bus and Coach Station

All buses arrive / depart the station in Marlborough Street.

<https://www.nationalexpress.com/en/help/coach-stations/bristol>

<https://www.firstbus.co.uk/bristol-bath-and-west>

#### Megabus - pick up/drop off is on Bond Street, Bristol BS1 3LX

<https://uk.megabus.com/city-guides/bristol>

#### By plane – Bristol International Airport

For destinations to and from Bristol airport see:

<http://www.bristolairport.co.uk>

The Airport Flyer Express coach goes to the city centre from outside the Arrivals exit. You can book tickets online, from 8 GBP single, 12 GBP return. For full details with prices, of the airport coach see: <https://flyer.bristolairport.co.uk> The nearest stop is Bristol Temple Meads. <https://www.firstbus.co.uk/bristol-bath-and-west/routes-and-maps/bristol-airport-flyer>

A taxi from the airport to the city centre is around £38.00. There is a taxi company at the airport.

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### Travelling to Bower Ashton campus:

#### Bower Ashton City Campus, Kennel Lodge Road, Bristol BS3 2JT.

Bower Ashton is on the outskirts of the city, next door to Ashton Court Mansion.

**M5 - From the South and North** exit the M5 at junction 19 (Gordano Services). Take the A369 exit off the roundabout, towards Bristol, signposted Easton-in-Gordano and Clifton (Toll). Continue for c. five miles along the A369 until you go down a very steep windy hill, after that you will travel along a flat road past the cricket club on your left. Take the next turning on the right (just past the pedestrian crossing with lights) signposted for Ashton Court Mansion. Follow the signs for UWE car park / deliveries.

For driving routes to **Bower Ashton City Campus** from elsewhere see:

<https://www.uwe.ac.uk/life/campus-and-facilities/getting-to-and-from-uwe>

For bicycle routes to **Bower Ashton City Campus** see: <https://www.uwe.ac.uk/life/campus-and-facilities/getting-to-and-from-uwe>

#### From central Bristol by bus:

You can get buses from the Bus Station or 'the centre' (opposite The Hippodrome) or Anchor Road to Bower Ashton. C.10 minutes on the bus. **The X3 and X4 stop closest to campus.**

#### BUSES for Bower Ashton campus are:

X3/X3a	TO: Portishead - from Bristol Bus Station - via City Centre - <b>Bower Ashton</b>
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	<b>Stops by Clanage Road on main road around the corner from campus.</b>
<b>X4</b>	TO: Portishead - from Bristol Bus Station - via City Centre - <b>Bower Ashton</b> <b>Stops by Clanage Road on main road around the corner from campus.</b>
<b>X6/X7</b>	TO: Clevedon - from Bristol Bus Station - via City Centre - <b>Bower Ashton</b> <b>Stops just off of dual carriageway - c 3 mins walk to campus.</b>
<b>X8/X9</b>	TO: Nailsea - from Bristol Bus Station - via City Centre - <b>Bower Ashton</b> <b>Stops just off of dual carriageway - c 3 mins walk to campus.</b>
<b>X1</b>	TO: Weston-Super-Mare - from Bristol Bus Station - via City Centre - Bower Ashton <b>Stops just off of dual carriageway - c 3 mins walk to campus.</b>
<b>X2</b>	TO: Weston-Super-Mare - from Bristol Bus Station - via City Centre - Bower Ashton <b>Stops just off of dual carriageway - c 3 mins walk to campus.</b>

<https://www.firstbus.co.uk/bristol-bath-and-west/routes-and-maps/universities/uwe>

**X3 and X4 - Portishead** bus will go through the centre, out along Hotwells (along the river) up onto dual carriageway (past bonded warehouses and Greville Smyth park) then come off the dual carriageway and go underneath it. As the bus comes up to the little grass roundabout ring the bell. You will get off at the next stop. As you get off the bus, look left and follow the wall around the corner onto Clanage Road. Then along a bit on the left by the little gatehouse, turn into Kennel Lodge Road, walk through the little wooded area or alongside the railings, into UWE Bristol South Car Park (signs also say deliveries). This is about a 1-minute walk from the bus stop.

#### **X1 and X2 Weston-Super-Mare**

#### **X6 and X7 Clevedon**

**X8 and X9 Nailsea** buses will all go through the centre, out along Hotwells (along the river) up onto dual carriageway (past bonded warehouses and Greville Smyth park) then come off the dual carriageway - ring the bell as soon it does this, as you want the stop just off the dual carriageway. When you get off, cross over the road using the pedestrian lights crossing go through the tunnel in front of you. At the end turn left and follow the path straight along to the little grass roundabout. The house with the flagpoles should be on your left. Keep going straight on the path towards Ashton Court Mansion. Cross over at the next set of pedestrian crossing lights around the corner and turn left then right onto Clanage Road. Then along a bit on the left by the little gatehouse, turn into Kennel Lodge Road, walk through the little wooded area or alongside the railings, into UWE Bristol South Car Park (signs also say deliveries). This is about a 3-minute walk from the bus stop.

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#### **Some places to stay**

You can stay in town or nearer to campus, see below for options. These places are ones we have used for guests previously and have been recommended by BABE participants. Do book early as Bristol gets popular in Spring and the prices will go up accordingly. We have free parking on campus for exhibitors and visitors over the weekend and plenty of cycle racks.

#### **Accommodation: Near Bower Ashton**

**Bower Ashton is on the outskirts of the city. If you want to stay nearby then Southville is the nearest place on foot or by car.** There are no buses between Southville and Bower Ashton, only buses into the centre. Southville has plenty of places to get food and drink along North Street and is about a 10-15 minute walk from Bower Ashton campus and about a 30-minute walk into the centre.

**airbnb: Southville (BS3 postcode)**

Has lots of apartments or rooms to rent. Most are about a 10-minute walk from Bower Ashton, or a short drive. Southville has a residents' parking scheme so check if you come by car that there is a parking space available.

**The Ashville Mews 1-3 Lower Sydney Street Ashton Gate, Bristol, BS3 1SN.**

About a 15-minute walk from Bower Ashton, or a short drive. Free parking Rooms from £60.  
<http://the-ashville-mews.hotelsbristoluk.com/en/>

**Southville Guest House**

58 Allington Road Southville, Bristol, BS3 1PT. About a 15-minute walk from Bower Ashton, or a short drive. Rooms from £70.

<https://www.southvilleguesthouse.co.uk/>

**Accommodation: Central Bristol****IBIS Bristol Centre**

(make sure it is **IBIS Bristol Centre Explore Lane**, there is more than one IBIS in Bristol)

Explore Lane, Bristol BS1 5TY

Around 80 per room, per night on weekends. Has a small bar/cafe. No car park but they offer a discount scheme for the car park next door. It is in the Centre, so plenty of places to eat and drink and close to bus stop for travel to Bower Ashton - Anchor Road bus stop. Make sure you ask for a quiet room away from the front (which overlooks Millennium Square full of bars and restaurants).

<http://www.ibis.com/gb/hotel-5547-ibis-bristol-centre/index.shtml>

**Radisson Blu Hotel, Bristol**

Broad Quay, Bristol, BS1 4BY

In the centre. 1-min walk to bus stop. It is in the Centre, so plenty of places to eat and drink. No parking. Rooms from £70. 2-mins walk to bus stop opposite the Hippodrome.

<https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-blu-bristol>

**Bristol Marriott Royal Hotel**

College Green, Bristol, BS1 5TA

<http://www.marriott.co.uk/hotels/travel/brsry-bristol-marriott-royal-hotel/>

Is expensive but sometimes does deals on rooms, and has a swimming pool. Often busy with weddings on weekends. On Park Street so handy for bars, cafes, shops. It isn't worth full price so only book it if you can get a good rate. 3-mins walk to Anchor Road bus stop or city centre bus stop opposite the Hippodrome.

**Hilton Garden Inn**

Temple Way, Bristol, BS1 6BF

Ask for a room away from the main road. Rooms from £60. Good breakfasts (at extra cost), and c. 8-minute walk to centre for buses - bus stop opposite the Hippodrome, 5-mins walk to Temple Meads train station. Has a (very) small car park.

<http://hiltongardeninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/united-kingdom/hilton-garden-inn-bristol-city-centre-BRSCCGI/index.html>

**The Mercure Bristol Holland House Hotel**

Redcliffe Hill, Bristol, BS1 6SQ

Slightly off the main drag. Rooms from around 67 GBP if you get a good deal. c. 4-minute walk to centre for bus stop opposite the Hippodrome, 5-mins walk to Temple Meads train station. Has a car park. <https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-6698-mercure-bristol-holland-house-hotel-spa/index.shtml>

**Travelodge Bristol Central Hotel**

Anchor Road, Bristol BS1 5TT

Has rooms from £51.00 a night. Near to the Millennium Square, c. 3 min walk to bus stop across the street on Anchor Road. It isn't an inspiring place to stay, ask for a room at the back as it is on the main road. Make sure you book the **Central Travelodge**.  
<https://www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels/78/Bristol-Central-hotel>

### **IBIS Bristol Temple Meads**

Avon Street, Bristol, BS2 0PS

Not the handiest of hotels but it is a lot cheaper than the central ones. It is behind Temple Meads in a bit of a cultural desert between office blocks, but only a 10-minute walk into the centre for the bus stop opposite the Hippodrome. Ask for a room not facing the railway line. No parking on site. Rooms from £40.

<http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-6593-ibis-bristol-temple-meads-quay/index.shtml>

### **Premier Inns – there are a few in the centre:**

**Bristol City Centre (Finzels Reach)** - Finzels Reach, Counterslip, Bristol BS1 6BX (no on-site parking). £19.88 for 24 hours in nearest car park. From £56.50 a night. A 5-minute walk into the centre for the bus stop opposite the Hippodrome. Plenty of places to eat and drink a short walk away. <https://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/england/bristol/bristol/bristol-city-centre-finzels-reach.html>

Finzels Reach is probably the quietest option, followed by **Bristol City Centre (Lewins Mead)** or Bristol City Centre (Haymarket) both by the Bus Station in a busy part of town. Plenty of places to eat and drink a short walk away towards the centre.

<http://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/england/bristol.html>

Do not book the King Street Premier Inn unless you plan to party until 5am in the morning – it is very noisy.

### **YHA Bristol (Youth Hostel)**

Hayman House, 14 Narrow Quay, Bristol BS1 4QA

<http://www.yha.org.uk/find-accommodation/south-west-england/hostels/Bristol/index.aspx>

Prices from: £22 per person. Walking distance (c. 10-15 mins from Temple Meads train station or the bus station). Very central. Cheap but very noisy so don't stay here if you are a light sleeper! Nearest car park is Wapping Wharf. 3-mins walk to Anchor Road bus stop or city centre bus stop opposite the Hippodrome.

**There are smaller hotels in Clifton** - the posher end of town, up the hill. Plenty of options to eat and drink around Clifton Village / Whiteladies Road. It is a 40-minute walk from Bower Ashton uphill on the way back. If you come by car you can drive to Bower Ashton via the Suspension Bridge (£1 fee) or via Hotwells.

### **Where NOT to stay:**

Any of the B&Bs on Coronation Road, not very nice at all.

Premier Inn on King Street – it is really noisy.

The Bristol Hotel next door to Arnolfini has had mixed reviews so we haven't put it on the list.

For an idea of the city, see <http://visitbristol.co.uk> for general tourist info.

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Any questions, please just ask! Email: [Sarah.Bodman@uwe.ac.uk](mailto:Sarah.Bodman@uwe.ac.uk)

We will also email you info on setting up and where to eat/drink nearer the time.