



Leicestershire Family Attractions:

The National Space Centre: Take a journey through the six hands-on galleries, stopping at over interactive experiences, then travel in the glass lift through three floors in the 42m high Rocket Tower. Sit back in awe in the UK's largest planetarium, the Space Theatre, as we take you on a voyage of discovery in this 360 degree full-dome experience. The National Space Centre is an all-weather attraction for all the family. Situated in the heart of the Midlands, the centre is located just two miles from Leicester city centre with over 400 parking spaces, restaurant, shop and all the facilities you would expect from a world class attraction. The National Space Centre is hours of interactive fun and breathtaking discovery for more information please visit www.spacecentre.co.uk or telephone 0870 607 7223

Twycross Zoo: Set in 50 acres of parkland, Twycross Zoo, the World Primate Centre, is alive and rare animals of all shapes and sizes. Twycross Zoo is dedicated to preserving threatened species whilst providing education, study and wonder for our visitors. Through our successful breeding programmes, we provide a safe haven for wildlife in an increasingly crowded planet. You will find everything from elephants to sea lions, leopards to giraffes and camels to exotic birds, please visit www.twycrosszoo.org or telephone 01827 880 250

Conkers: The award-winning attraction at The Heart of the National Forest, offers a unique mix of indoor and outdoor experiences to keep the family engaged for hours. The Discovery & Waterside Centres has over 100 interactive exhibits – including the new Enchanted Forest, simulated tree top canopy walk, licensed cafes & shops. Explore 120 acres of maturing woodland, the Conkers train, woodland & lakeside trails, adventure play, assault course, picnic areas, ranger activities and a covered amphitheatre with live theatre shows for more information please visit www.visitconkers.com or telephone 01282 216 633

National Forest: The National Forest is a new forest for the heart of England. It covers a large part of North West Leicestershire, as well as areas within Staffordshire and Derbyshire. Newly planted trees blend with existing woodland to create stunning landscapes and wildlife habitats. Over 7 million trees have already been planted towards the 30 million target. Visitors to the National Forest are encouraged to plant a tree to contribute to the forest's growth. With over 700 miles of trails to enjoy, the National Forest offers acres of opportunity for walking, cycling and horse riding. At the heart of the forest lies the award-winning **Conkers**, a family visitor attraction dedicated to the natural world. Situated near **Ashby de la Zouch**, Conkers is the place to find out more about the forest itself, and life in British woodland. Interactive exhibits plus lots of outdoor activities will keep the kids entertained for hours! Feel a leaf breathe, touch a toad, and travel in a woodland time machine! Conkers is just one of around 60 places to visit in the forest, which also includes attractions like Calke Abbey, **Ashby Castle**, **Snibston Discovery Park** and **Donington-le-Heath Manor House**. Rain or shine, there's heaps to do in the area, providing fun for all ages.

Twinlakes Park: An exciting variety of family rides and attractions fill dozens of action-packed Play Zones, with 125 000sqft indoors, keeping the whole family entertained whatever the weather: attractions such as monkey house, dungeon quest, haunted maze or simply sail away your day on the lazy river and the pony attractions. With action, animals and acres of beauty, there's all-weather fun at Twinlakes Park. For more information please visit www.twinlakespark.co.uk, Melton Spinney Road, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, LE14 5SB or telephone 01664 567 777.

Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre and Country Park: Re-live the drama and excitement of battle at Bosworth Battlefield's award-winning, interactive museum where history is brought to life. Re-live the battle of 1485 that was the turning point in British history – the death of King Richard III and the birth of all the powerful Tudor Dynasty. For more information please telephone 01455 290 429.

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Snibston: Visit Snibston, the award-winning hands on museum for the whole family. Over 90 indoor and outdoor interactive exhibits including 'Wild Water' and 'Science Play' take a tour of the historic colliery building with a real life miner. Ride on a diesel hauled locomotive along the restored colliery track. Visit the amazing Fashion Gallery, housing over 1 000 items from 1750's to the present day, the largest such collection outside London. Discover wildlife in a bug hut, pond dipping or a nature trail in The Grange Nature Reserve which includes a fishing lake and picnic areas. For more information please visit www.snibston.com or telephone 01530 278 444, Ashby Road, Coalville, Leicestershire, LE67 3LN.



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