# Meet in Sussex A place of inspiration...

Flying experience at The Goodwood Estate, West Sussex

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Sussex's stunning coastline, Seven Sisters, East Sussex



#### GOLD WINNER 2022 Ethical, Responsible & Sustainable Tourism Award Chichester Festival Theatre, West Sussex

Awarded by: VisitEngland Awards for Excellence

#### BRIGHTON TOP 5 "Most popular UK Cities"

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Voted by lastminute.com



Welcome to Sussex

Sussex is a culturally rich region that offers business visitors an opportunity to enjoy it's historic towns, viticulture, landmarks, and beautiful countryside, coupled with the artistic vibrancy of it's largest city, Brighton.

The region has an internationally recognised offer of incredible events, unique experiences, historical sites and iconic landscapes as well as being a home for creative talent and technological innovation.

Easy to reach by air, car, train and sea, it's a compelling and sustainable region for UK and international conference planners to hold business events.



### Why Sussex?

The sheer volume of meeting and event venues as well as accommodation in Sussex is mind boggling; whatever your requirements we have a venue that will meet your expectations.

Providing an eclectic mix of venues from traditional through to contemporary and everything in between, we know our region has the venues, capacities and sustainability credentials to provide the perfect backdrop to your business event.



Brighton is home to the

LARGEST Residential & Non-Residential Conference Venues in the South East of England Sussex region venues can accommodate meetings & events for 1-4,500 delegates

iston House, a 16th-century Grade I listed building set in the South Downs National Pr

#### Where to stay?

There are thousands of bedrooms across the Sussex region to choose from. Whether you are looking for a countryside retreat , a vibrant city backdrop or an award winning property, the sheer amount of choice will amaze you.

We work with all the hotel chains as well as independent guest houses and larger hotels, so whatever your accommodation needs are. there will be something to suit your taste, requirements and budget.

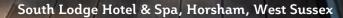


Ashdown Park Hotel & Spa

Tripadvisor Travellers' Choice Award Winner 2021



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#### Unique social venues

Ranging from the Duke of Richmond's 17<sup>th</sup> Century Goodwood Estate, King George IV's Royal Pavilion in Brighton all the way through to the ultra modern British Airways i360, hospitality and entertaining people is what our region does best!

From private dining venues for small & intimate groups through to parties & dinners for 1000+ delegates, Sussex truly has a range of extraordinary spaces and places available.

British Airways i360 "A triumph of innovation" Visit England Awards for Excellence

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Brighton's Royal Palace, The Royal Pavilion, Brighton, East Sussex

#### Food & Drink

With a long and yeasty beer-brewing heritage using the chalk-filtered waters of the South Downs, Sussex is now earning an international reputation for award-winning wines too. Vineyards stripe sunny chalk slopes and valleys (known as 'bottoms') and you can raise a pint in taprooms in well-known and unexpected rural and urban locations.

Enjoying a wealth of local produce from both the sea and the land, Sussex can offer a treasury of delightful local flavours. From gourmet meals to street food to foraged feasts there is so much to taste, learn and discover. Your delegates can visit local producers, learn how to cook seasonally or how to give local ingredients a flair of different cultural flavours.

> is proud to have won the first Gold Sustainable Food Places Award

**Brighton & Hove** 

Wine tasting and food experience at Ridgeview Wine Estate, East Sussex

2022 Decanter WORLD WINE AWARDS GOLD

Sussex Vineyards have won



medals at the Decanter World Wine Awards 2022

## Add 'sparkle' to your Sussex visit

Sussex is home to many of the leading wine estates in England and is regarded as the heartland of UK wine production. With the warmest and driest climate in the UK, diverse soils and stunning countryside, the region is not only ideal for growing grapes, but also for tasting and enjoying wine.

All of the regions wineries welcome visitors for tours, tasting and experiences. Whether still or sparkling, bespoke tours can be tailored for your groups to see how the wine is made.



If you are looking to organise a partner programme, group activity or a team building event when you come to Sussex, then look no further.

Whether it's a full day or just a few hours you need to fill, the region have a wealth of fun, imaginative, affordable, sustainable and unique itineraries and experiences that we can share with you.

From energetic sea based activities, sustainable forage feast expeditions through to a more relaxed vintage vineyard adventure in an award winning Estate, you'll be astounded at what you can get up to once you get here.

Sussex has more festivals and events than there are days in the year! FOO

#### We have a **GREEN** heart

Sustainability is one of the main considerations for our businesses, with many making this their brand signature.

Geographically, our region is an obvious choice. The region has a stunning coastline on its most southern point and scenic Sussex countryside on the other. The region truly offers the best of all worlds – city vibrancy, fresh sea air, green open spaces, making it easy to organise a successful event here while meeting the sustainable aims of preserving the natural environment, promoting a healthy, inclusive society and supporting a thriving economy.





UNESCO World Biosphere Region

Brighton & Lewes Downs UNESCO World Biosphere Region The first ever in south-east England and ou

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#### The South Downs National Park

The area covers 1,600km2 of breath taking views and hidden gems. It's all just 10 minutes away from the centre of Brighton!

## This is just the start

We hope this proposal meets your approval and has given you some convincing reasons why you should choose Sussex as the destination for your next event.

We're your resident experts and we're here to ensure your event is as successful as it can be. We can:

- Provide unbiased advice on venues for conference & social events
- Organise and co-ordinate site visits
- Put you in touch with local support services
- Source, negotiate and book accommodation via our free accommodation booking service
- Provide high-quality films, images, maps and Delegate Deals cards for your website, brochure and delegate packs.

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