Special offers and free entry to heritage attractions this spring

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Visitors at Florence Nightingale Museum, which is offering free entry as part of the week. National Lottery Open Week is running from Saturday 15 to Sunday 23 March 2025, with hundreds of heritage venues getting involved.

Delve into the past at historical houses, castles and museums or embrace nature in all its glory at lots of wonderful wildlife hotspots this March.

To say thank you for the £30million raised for good causes by players every week, National Lottery-funded venues are offering free entry, discounts and special deals.

With more than 700 offers available, all you need to start exploring is a National Lottery ticket or scratchcard!

Where will you visit?

Free entry

Hundreds of **National Trust sites and venues** are throwing their doors open for free including Sutton Hoo in Suffolk, Powis Castle and Garden in Wales, A La Ronde in Exmouth and Florence Court in Northern Ireland.

National Trust for Scotland is offering free access to places like The Hill House, Mackintosh at the Willow and Glencoe National Nature Reserve.

Take a trip to outstanding **English Heritage sites** for free including Belsay Hall, Castle and Gardens, Dover Castle and Pendennis Castle.

Head outside and explore RSPB nature reserves such as Titchwell Marsh, Conwy and Old Moor.

You can also get free entry to:

- Yorkshire Sculpture Park
- Robert Burns Birthplace Museum
- Florence Nightingale Museum
- The Eden Project
- Black Country Living Museum
- Ulster Transport Museum

Free guided tours



Ffestiniog & Welsh Highland Railways are providing behind the scenes tours.

Get dramatic at Bristol Old Vic, pop on a hard hat at The Winter Gardens in Great Yarmouth or hop on a tour at Ffestiniog & Welsh Highland Railways.

2-for-1 deals and 50% off

Step into history at the iconic Tower of London, discover stories at Hillsborough Castle, learn the heritage of motorsport at Silverstone or trace the tale of the beautiful game at The Scottish Football Museum, all with 50% off.

Sites like the Ragged School Museum and Tullie Museum and Art Gallery are offering 2-for-1 deals.



National Lottery players receive special access to a Time Detective Archaeology Experience at the Roman Baths. Credit: Petra Mirosevic-Sorgo.

Special offers

Visit Harewood House with £5 tickets, get half price merchandise at the historic lifeboat Sir Samuel Kelly, obtain a free star chat at Kielder Observatory or take part in an exciting archaeology experience at the Roman Baths.

Find an offer near you

Explore all the offers available during Open Week on The National Lottery website.

Sign up to our newsletter to hear about future opportunities like this.





Maps, photos and records from Rotherham's community archives. Credit: Rotherham Archives and Local Studies.



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Joanna Jarvis, Imogen Watmore, Ashlynn Hudson-Welburn and Harvey Barker holding Pride banner in front of HST loco in Great Hall, National Railway Museum, (NRM) York. © The Board of Trustees of the Science Museum.



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Sun rising on Jumbo in Colchester. Photo: Chris Gorman.

£27million awarded to save seven lesser-known UK heritage treasures