



Access and Practical Information for Gauge Museum

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How to get here

Location: Gauge Museum, West Somerset Railway, Bishops Lydeard Station, Station Road, TA4 3RU

By Rail

The nearest mainline railway is Taunton. For more information on rail services go to National Rail Enquiries <https://www.nationalrail.co.uk>

By Bus

The bus link between Taunton train station and WSR is service 28 (Buses of Somerset). Stops include Bishops Lydeard, Williton, Watchet

<https://www.firstbus.co.uk/somerset/>

From Porlock/Porlock Weir

- ATWEST 10 SERVICE <https://www.atwest.org.uk/10-bus/>
- Ridlers 10 Service <http://www.ridlers.co.uk/bus-timetables/>

From Exford/Wheddon Cross

- ATWEST 198 Service <https://www.atwest.org.uk/198-bus/>
- Exmoor Coaster <https://www.firstbus.co.uk/adventures-bus/services/exmoor-coaster>

By Coach

National Express operates from the bus stop outside County Hall, which is in close

proximately to Castle Way and has connections in London with Eurolines
<https://www.nationalexpress.com/en>

By Car

The M5 Motorway passes by Taunton: exit at Junction 25 (Taunton) and follow signs for Minehead (there are also brown tourist signs for the Railway).

When approaching Bishops Lydeard DO NOT GO INTO THE VILLAGE. Remain on the by-pass until you see signs directing you to the West Somerset Railway (WSR) and also the village of Halse. Turn left here and Bishops Lydeard station is directly in front of you behind the Broad Gauge Industrial Park.

Parking for the station is through the industrial estate. follow the brown signs. There is a large free car park at Bishops Lydeard Station. For Satnav: TA4 3RU

Disabled parking spaces

Parking is free at Bishops Lydeard and there is no need to book. Disabled parking is limited, but if required, we can arrange a drop-off at the performance site. Please contact: info@wsrht.co.uk to arrange this.

Exploring our venue

Access from parking area to the performance site

From the car park, make your way to the Station and move to the end of Platform 2 where you will be able to cross the railway near the bridge. Continue past the station building on Platform 1 to the entry of the Gauge Museum, which is clearly signposted.

Access to the performance and the family activities is through the museum.

Access from the car park is mainly tarmac. There are several quite steep slopes which, while accessible, can be challenging for wheelchair users. There are a few steps around the site. Handrails are provided.

Accessible toilet facilities

Accessible toilets are provided, but these are a considerable distance from the museum (approx 5 mins), across the railway near Platform 2.

Public toilet facilities

Regular toilets are situated with the accessible toilets as above.

Refreshments

There is a Cafe on Platform 2 and refreshments may also be provided at the museum.

Bring your own picnic

Visitors may bring their own picnics.

Enjoying the show

Performance area

Performances will take place in the open air, to the rear of the Gauge Museum on Platform 1 of Bishops Lydeard Station. Bring a cushion or lightweight folding chair for comfort.

This will be a British Sign Language interpreted show, space for those needing to see the interpreter will be set aside, please ask when you arrive.

Dedicated space is also available for wheelchair users.

Good to know

The site is a working railway station, so please take care around the station buildings and in particular near, or when crossing, the tracks (railway lines).

More information can be found here:

<https://www.wsrht.co.uk/gauge-museum-bishops-lydeard/>