

Fifty Treasures Of The East Midlands Area – Publication by The Arts Society East Midlands Area

To shine a spotlight on our beautiful, historic and fascinating corner of England, this glossy book was produced by members of the various Arts Societies within the 6 counties of our region, and published in October 2024. This book was part of The Arts Society's "*Fifty Treasures*" series which has proven very popular with visitors and locals alike.

Aside from its food – Bakewell pudding, Stilton cheese, Melton Mowbray pork pies, Grantham gingerbread – the East Midlands area has also been linked to some of the most important events and developments in English history. Britain's earliest prehistoric cave art is to be found at Creswell Crags on the Derbyshire-Nottinghamshire border.

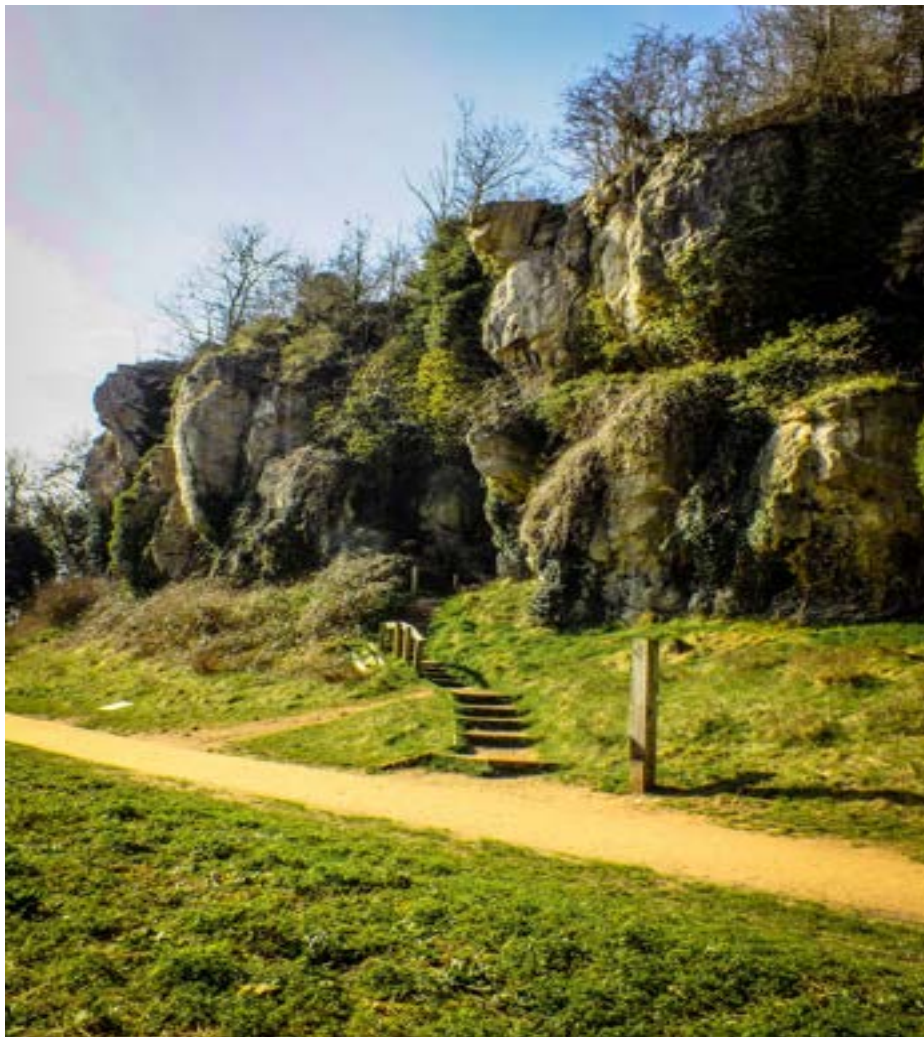


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Richard III, the Pilgrim Fathers and the Gunpowder Plot feature in several Treasures – and Lincolnshire's association with the RAF during

World War II is represented by the International Bomber Command Centre at Canwick. The Trigge Library in Grantham, established during the reign of Elizabeth I, was the first public library in Great Britain.

The industrial heritage of the region is well represented: Derby Silk Mill, the Canal Museum at Stoke Bruerne, Taylor's Bell Foundry in Loughborough - and the impressive Harringworth Viaduct which spans the River Welland Valley between Harringworth in Northamptonshire and Seaton in Rutland.



For those who enjoy a ride on a steam train, the book provides details of the Great Central Railway, which operates between Loughborough and Leicester. It is possible to enjoy a meal on these trains and special events are held throughout the year.

Art and architecture also feature: architect Watson Fothergill in Nottingham; the Sculpture Trail within the Loughborough University campus; and the house of Art Deco designer Charles Rennie Macintosh in Northampton. The area's varied religious heritage is well represented with a number of glorious buildings illustrated and described.

Fifty Treasures of the East Midlands (ISBN 978-1-3999-9276-3) is a 106- page glossy paperback lavishly illustrated in colour throughout. It is priced at only £10 and can be ordered direct from Glenda Rousseau, Publicity Officer at The Arts Society Grantham at glendarpq@gmail.com.



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FIFTY TREASURES OF THE EAST MIDLANDS AREA

A collection of lesser known
artistic objects and places
in the East Midlands.