

GIVE A PRESENTATION ON A CITY ATTRACTION

In this content about Tourism, you will learn about common places to visit, verbs and idioms related to travel, and adjectives to describe different types of places. Check the pictures below and read the definitions and sentence examples to enhance your tourism-related vocabulary.

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FOOD MARKET	NATURE RESERVE	CRAFTS FAIR

1. **Tourist attractions** are places such as monuments, famous buildings, and museums that are popular among visiting tourists. Tourist attractions are often crowded because many people want to see them.

- *There are many **tourist attractions** in my city.*

2. A **seafront** is a coastal part of a town or city that faces the sea. People often walk along the seafront so they can look out to sea. Many seafronts have cafes facing them where one can sit and admire the view.

- *We walked along the **seafront**, looking out at the rough sea.*

3. **Backstreets** are narrow streets behind the busy main streets, often in a poorer area of town. They are usually quieter than main streets as they don't contain many shops and are therefore not usually used by tourists.

- *It was quiet in the **backstreets** as there wasn't much to see.*

4. **Amusement parks** are outdoor areas where people can enjoy rides, games, and other forms of entertainment. Many are only open at certain times of the year, as they are not usually equipped to deal with bad weather.

- *We had a great day at the **amusement park**, playing games and going on rides.*

5. **Ruins** are the remains of buildings, cities, or monuments that are in a state of disrepair.

- *We visited the **ruins** of a medieval castle.*

6. **Hiking trails** are paths through mountains or forest areas that are marked out for walkers. Hiking trails can vary in length, with some stretching hundreds of kilometers.

- *We followed a **hiking trail** through the forest.*

7. **Food markets** are covered outdoor areas with many different vendors selling various types of food. People enjoy visiting food markets and sampling the different types of food.

- *We tasted some great cheeses when we visited the **food market**.*

8. **Nature reserves** are parks, forests, or other outdoor areas that are managed to protect their plants and wildlife. Many people visit nature reserves to enjoy the flowers, trees, and views.

- *We spent the afternoon wandering around the **nature reserve**.*

9. A **crafts fair** is an event where people gather to showcase and sell handmade items, often including artwork, jewelry, pottery, and other unique crafts.

- We bought some beautiful handmade gifts at a *crafts fair*.

TOURISM - VERBS & IDIOMS

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TO GO OFF TRACK



TO MAKE A RESERVATION



TO CHILL OUT / TO UNWIND



TO STROLL



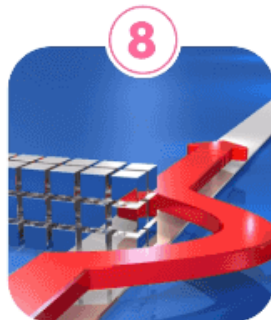
TO HIT THE SHOPS



TO SAMPLE THE LOCAL CUISINE



TO PACK YOUR BAGS



TO TAKE A DETOUR



TO GO ON (A TRIP A SAFARI/ETC.)

Verbs and idioms

1. If you **go off track**, you go away from the popular tourist routes. Many tourists often go off track to get a more authentic taste of a place.

- *I prefer **going off track** to following the normal tourist routes.*

2. To **make a reservation** means to book something ahead of time. People often make reservations at restaurants to ensure that they get a table.

- *I **made a reservation** at a popular local restaurant.*

3. To **chill out** means to relax and take it easy. You can chill out at home by relaxing on the sofa, but you can also chill out on holiday sitting on a beach or in a bar. **Unwind** is like chilling out. When you **unwind**, you relax and forget about work and the stresses of daily life.

- *We spent the afternoon **chilling out** by the pool.*
- *It took me a few days before I was able to **unwind** and enjoy the holiday.*

4. To **stroll** means to walk at a leisurely pace, with no particular aim. You can stroll through the streets of a town, taking in the buildings and sights, or you can stroll down a country lane and enjoy the natural surroundings.

- *After dinner, we like to **stroll** along the beach and enjoy the sunset.*

5. If you **hit the shops**, you go shopping, usually for clothes, presents, or souvenirs. People often hit the shops when on holiday to buy things that they can't get at home.

- *I plan to **hit the shops** and buy some new sandals.*

6. To **sample the local cuisine** means to taste the food of the area that you're visiting. Many tourists enjoy sampling the local cuisine in markets or local restaurants.

- *I love **sampling the local cuisine** and tasting new flavors when I travel.*

7. If you **pack your bags**, you put your clothes and belongings in a suitcase or rucksack. People pack their bags when preparing to go on or return from a trip or holiday.

- *It didn't take me long to **pack my bags**.*

8. To **take a detour** means to take a different route to a place in order to avoid something or save time. People often take detours because of traffic, road closures, or building work.

- *There was a lot of traffic on the main road, so we **took a detour**.*

9. We use the verb form **go on** before nouns related to travel, trips or similar, such as holiday, trip, journey, excursion, tour, cruise, safari, etc.

- He **went on a cruise** with his family.
- Let's **go on an excursion** to explore the area.

Adjectives to describe places

TOURISM - ADJECTIVES

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<p>1</p>  <p>UNSPOILT (UK) UNSPOILED (US)</p>	<p>2</p>  <p>REMOTE</p>	<p>3</p>  <p>OFF THE BEATEN TRACK</p>
<p>4</p>  <p>TOURISTY</p>	<p>5</p>  <p>PICTURESQUE</p>	<p>6</p>  <p>BREATHTAKING</p>
<p>7</p>  <p>OVERRATED</p>	<p>8</p>  <p>VIBRANT / LIVELY</p>	<p>9</p>  <p>EXOTIC</p>

1. **Unspoilt** or **unspoiled** means in its natural state, not ruined or changed by humans. We are more likely to describe the countryside as unspoilt than we are a city or town.

- *The scenery near our hotel was delightfully **unspoilt**.*

2. **Remote** is a word we use to describe a place that is isolated and far from transport links. Remote areas are usually unspoilt because very few people visit them.

- *The cottage was in a **remote** area with few amenities nearby.*

3. **Off the beaten track** means away from areas and attractions that are usually visited by tourists. Many people like to find somewhere off the beaten track because they are seeking peace and relaxation.

- *I enjoy venturing **off the beaten track** and visiting less touristy destinations.*

4. If a place is **touristy**, it's not very nice because it's full of tourists and things for tourists to buy or do. Areas with monuments, galleries, and famous buildings are usually very touristy.

- *We stayed in a **touristy** area, full of hotels, restaurants and attractions.*

5. **Picturesque** it's a word to describe a place or view that is very attractive. Picturesque means beautiful, like a scene from a picture or postcard.

- *The **picturesque** scenery near our cabin is something I will never forget.*

6. **Breathtaking** it's a word that we use to describe a place or view that is very attractive. Breathtaking means so beautiful that it takes your breath away.

- *When I reached the top, I was greeted by **breathtaking** views of the entire valley below.*

7. Something or somewhere that is **overrated** is said to be better than it actually is. Restaurants are often described as overrated when the food is not as good as you expected it to be.

- *That bar is **overrated**; it was expensive and disappointing.*

8. **Vibrant** or **lively** means full of life, so a city or place that is vibrant or lively usually has many things going on and lots of things to do.

- *It's such a **vibrant** town, with many things to see and do.*
- *We stayed in a **lively** part of town with an awesome nightlife scene.*

9. **Exotic** means exciting or unusual because it comes from or is characteristic of a different place. We can describe a place as exotic, but we can also use the word to describe food, music, or people too.

- *There were plenty of **exotic** spices wafting for sale at the food market.*

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