

Norwich Independent Bookshops

A walking tour

2.9km / 1.8 miles

A gentle walking tour of Norwich's independent bookshops. It'll take you about 35 minutes - not including book browsing time!

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1 Millennium Library

The Forum, Millennium Plain

Begin your tour at the Forum, right in the city centre, before heading west along Bethel St.

2 The Greenhouse Trust

42-46 Bethel St

Look for the green facade of this heritage bookshop and cafe.

3 JR & JK Ellis Bookshop

53 St Giles St

Take a shortcut through Rigbys Ct to find JR & RK Ellis on the corner of St Giles.

4 Abstract Sprocket

29 St Benedicts St

Head down Willow Ln and Ten Bell Ln to St Benedicts St, then you'll find this comic book shop across the road to the right.



5 The River Walk

Descend St Lawrence Little Steps and go straight ahead to cross St Miles Bridge.

To the Playhouse

Turn right at Colegate, past the Oak and the Golden Star, then take a right at St Georges St to return to the river and find the Playhouse Theatre.

Fye Bridge St

Follow the river along Friars Quay until you reach the picturesque Fy Bridge, looking out over the iconic Norwich Quay Side.

6 Dormouse Bookshop

29 Elm Hill

Cross the river along Wensum St, then turn right into the historic Elm Hill. The Dormouse Bookshop is hidden halfway along the unique cobbled street.

7 Tombland Bookshop

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Detour back along Waggon and Horses Ln to find Tombland Bookshop, opposite the entrance to Norwich Cathedral.

8 The Book Hive

53 London St

Cut up Queen St and cross to London St, then look for the Book Hive by the large tree. Don't miss the independent cafes that surround the Book Hive.

9 Jarrold

1-11 London St

Turn right down Bedford St, at the end of which is an entrance to Jarrold's old fashioned department store. You'll find the books in the basement.

10 City Bookshop

10-10A Davey Pl

Venture along the bustling Gentleman's Walk and turn left up Davey Pl to find City Bookshop, with views up to the castle.

11 Books and Leather

Norwich Market, Row A, Stall 18

Dive into the covered market to find this stall at the top of Row A. Don't miss the market's international food stalls.

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