

Swansea

The Essential City Guide for Students



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Welcome to Swansea

Whether you're looking for a great day out, a place to shop for the latest trends or looking for fun with your friends in one of many restaurants, bars or pubs look no further - Swansea's got it all.

Swansea City Centre is a great destination for all; whether you're here to study, visit or plan to stay for a little longer, you'll soon love the city by the sea! On your doorstep, you'll delight in the splendour of Swansea Marina, and the fabulous promenade, which boasts a fitness trail and is great for cyclists too!

In the heart of the city, you'll find some great attractions, with everything from cinemas, bowling and gyms, to Wales' first board rider and indoor tropical centre.

Throughout the year, the city centre is also host to a series of events, festivals and speciality markets, *the* venue to visit and experience a fun and lively city.

As you flick through the pages of this guide, you'll find everything that Swansea City Centre has to offer. With so much to see and do, it's sure not to disappoint!



Shop til you drop...7 days a week

Swansea is one of the best places to shop and offers a wide variety to even the savviest of shopper, along with good old fashioned customer service that's second to none.

The city centre is host to many big high street names, as well as independent boutiques, specialist shops and traditional arcades. You'll find a great mix of style, fashion and leisure, to suit everyone. What's more the shops are open 7 days a week and every Thursday is late night shopping until 8pm!

So whether you're looking to hit the shops, pick up your 5 a day at Swansea Market or want something special from the Independent Quarter, you've got it all in the city centre!



Relax and unwind...

Once you've indulged in a shopping spree, why not take time out and enjoy a coffee and watch the world go by?

Swansea City Centre is a foodie's dream with a fantastic choice of places to eat to suit all tastes and pockets. If your taste buds crave for something exotic, there's lots of places that offer anything from Mediterranean fare to flavours from around the globe, as well as many locally produced foods that'll be sure to fulfil your appetite.

Want something more upbeat?

Then there's a great choice of bars, pubs and nightclubs right in the city centre. Come sunset, the city buzzes with life as clubbers pack the many bars and clubs to dance the night away.

Popular spots include the café bars that can be found lining Wind Street and the numerous bars on The Kingsway area of the city.

In addition, you'll find a casino, live music venues, and a number of nightclubs, all of which host special events and offers during the year.

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Get active...

Looking for fun ways to stay active? Then why not visit the LC at Swansea's Waterfront. You can try the climbing wall, get on board with the revolutionary surf simulator, ride the water slides, try a class or relax in the spa.



But if that's not for you and you prefer a workout session, then why not visit The Gym on Princess Way, Swansea's only 24 hour gymnasium.

Don't forget that at Parc Tawe you'll find Tenpin, a great venue, with arcade games, pool tables, bowling lanes and a bar. Just a stone's throw away, you and your mates can enjoy a game of snooker at Riley's sports bar, just the place to perfect your skills!



Swansea

city centre

Key

Pedestrianised Streets
(at all times)

Pedestrianised Streets
(Permit Only Trade Loading)

Retail

Pubs / Clubs / Restaurants

Place of Interest

Hotels

Police Station

Public Transport

The Metro

Cycle Path

Taxi Rank



Car Parks



Public Toilets



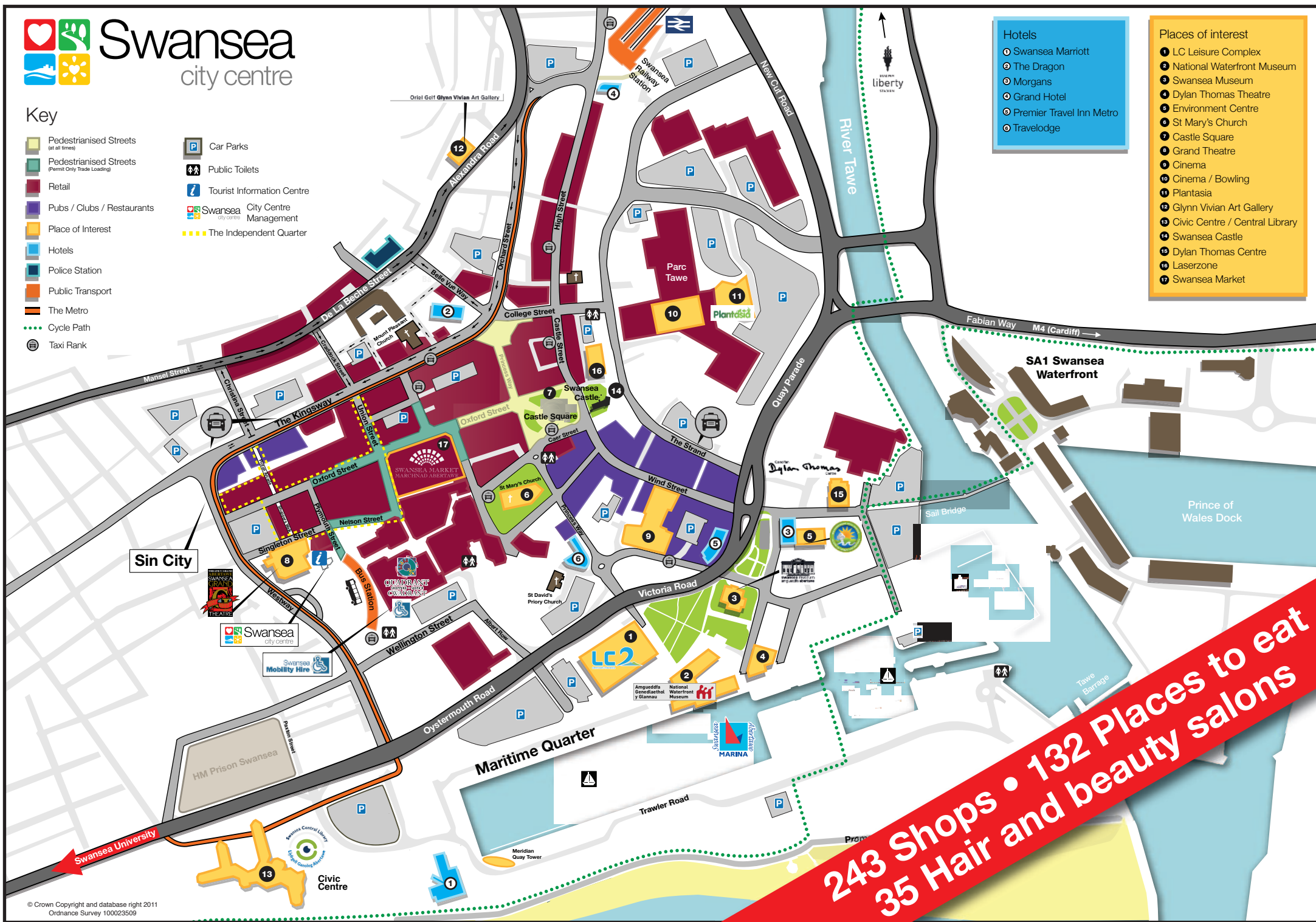
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The Independent Quarter



Hotels

- 1 Swansea Marriott
- 2 The Dragon
- 3 Morgans
- 4 Grand Hotel
- 5 Premier Travel Inn Metro
- 6 Travelodge

Places of interest

- 1 LC Leisure Complex
- 2 National Waterfront Museum
- 3 Swansea Museum
- 4 Dylan Thomas Theatre
- 5 Environment Centre
- 6 St Mary's Church
- 7 Castle Square
- 8 Grand Theatre
- 9 Cinema
- 10 Cinema / Bowling
- 11 Plantasia
- 12 Glynn Vivian Art Gallery
- 13 Civic Centre / Central Library
- 14 Swansea Castle
- 15 Dylan Thomas Centre
- 16 Laserzone
- 17 Swansea Market

Be entertained

Swansea's Grand Theatre is home to some of the best line up of acts from comedy, music, entertainment. It's situated in the heart of the City Centre on Singleton Street and includes a café bar and arts wing; a contemporary space that hosts exhibitions, and smaller scale performances (including the comedy club).

Sarah Millican
(comedienne)



If the theatre is not for you, there are plenty of other venues that offer a cultural experience or live music and entertainment. You'll find a variety of art galleries dotted across the city, as well as some great places to catch a gig, such as the Monkey Café & Bar (Castle Street), the Vault (Salubrious Place), and Sin City (Dillwyn St), amongst others.



Catch a movie

Film buffs will love watching the latest blockbuster movie in the cinema. There's the Odeon multiplex in Parc Tawe, which is well equipped with 10 screens all with disabled access.

There's also the Vue cinema on York Street (just off Wind Street). This huge cinema consists of 12 screens showing all the latest films at a variety of times that will suit everyone. Together, these venues offer student discounts and an excellent choice of films to watch in Swansea City Centre.

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Spoil yourself...

The selection of hair and beauty salons that the city centre has to offer are top notch, helping you look your best at all times. Whether the girls want to glam it up ready for a big night out or the guys just want general grooming, then look no further...

From barbers and hairdressers to relaxation and specialist services, you'll find the best of the best dotted around the city centre.



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Get festive...

There's no better time to enjoy Swansea than at Christmas. With speciality markets, ice skating at the waterfront and seasonal entertainment, Swansea City Centre is the place to be this Christmas!



Be in for the chance to win £50 in shopping vouchers!

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