
BLOGGER'S GUIDE

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“Hiya! I’m Laura; by day I work for a leadership development not-for-profit and by night I write an award-winning food and drinks blog, Full to the Brum, where I irreverently write about my dinner.”

BEST WAY TO TRAVEL AROUND THE CITY...

Well there’s a new tram in town, but if you’re heading round the city centre, it’s usually easier to walk.

BEST CHEAP EAT...

Cherry Reds is great value and covers a multitude of dietary requirements, from vegetarian and vegan through to gluten free. China Town also has some great places, try New Sum Ye in the Arcadian.

BEST PLACE TO HANG OUT...

Tilt - it’s got great coffee, beer and cake, plus a whole raft of pinball machines and a really friendly vibe. The Library of Birmingham is a great place to hang out with friends as well as an alternative place to do some work.



BEST PLACE TO HAVE A DRINK...

If it’s coffee then Yorks, 6/8 Kafe and Urban Coffee are all good choices. If you want something alcoholic then Island Bar, 40 St Pauls, Bureau, Craven Arms, The Wellington... there’s loads of great places!

BEST PLACE TO DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY...

Anywhere 'Takin Care of Business' are DJ'ing! They're usually at Island Bar, where all the DJs are pretty great.

BEST PLACE TO BREAK A SWEAT...

Cycling! It's going through a real renaissance in the city and the council are encouraging more people to take it up - plus it's a great way to get about and avoid being stuck in traffic.

BEST WAY TO UNWIND...

Either a film at the cinema - check out the Electric, or a walk round Cannon Hill Park and a wander round whatever exhibition is on at the mac.

BEST PLACE TO SHOP TILL YOU DROP...

The obvious answer is the city centre, but I'd say head to Kings Heath and visit the lovely People Shop, and check out some of the vintage shops on York Rd whilst you're there.

BEST TOURIST SPOT OR MUST SEE...

The Library of Birmingham - particularly the gardens, if it's not too rainy and windy! The Museum & Art Gallery, and the Edwardian Tearooms in them, are also worth checking out.

HIDDEN GEM...

The wonders of Birmingham's canal network. We've got more canals than Venice and whilst it's not quite as magical, it's a surprisingly nice place to go for a walk, particularly if city life gets a bit much.



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