Family Friendly Reopening the Regional Picture
What are families looking for?

Fantastic family day out

Wonderful day out for everyone—we took our 13 year and 8 year old sons. The motor museum is FABULOUS for anyone, even if you aren’t that interested in cars. There are motorbikes as well. The range of cars is fantastic, the displays are really interesting. The iconic Bluebird is in here too which is a must see. Literally gorgeous cars in fabulous condition. This is good if it’s raining.

The Abbey is amazing, beautiful and has a history video with a story. The gardens are lovely—this was my favourite part but my children just impersonated monks! 

There is a secret war exhibition highlighting Beaulieu’s role as a spy training camp in WW2—WOW! Fascinating, even my impatient children enjoyed it. There is a new playground which when allowed to open will be brilliant. The monorail is also a great ride and you go in your own (cleaned) cabin which has no windows so the Covid risk is lower.

Top Gear—go and see this, very funny, all the old vehicles they souped up and a little film. Babs Oabs from League of Gentlemen made my day.

SAFETY: the staff here are so so well trained. Everyone is friendly, knowledgeable and clued up. The enforcement of the rules and explanation is clear and I felt 100% safe. Please just follow the arrows and the rules.

Went for a cuppa at the end of the day (takeway) and it was lovely—they are using top quality tea bags. I read the history of the family who own it, fascinating.

The SHOP is really well stocked and you cannot come out empty handed.

The best day out I had all week—11 out of 10
‘Sanitising the Museum, not the experience’
Alternatives to interactives
Clear messages and reassurance

We may need to adjust our operating days or timetable during the remainder of the season. Please check our website for the latest information before you travel.
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- Reopening support & resources
  https://southeastmuseums.org/resource-library/advice-on-reopening-museums-reopening-museums-toolkit/

- Recovery Grants
  https://southeastmuseums.org/grants/recovery-grant/

- Family Friendly training and Audit programme

Coffee Chats – fortnightly on Wednesdays, 2.30pm