

En plein air painting days (July, August and first two weeks in September 2025)

SALT Cafe, Portchester, Wednesday 2nd July, meet at 10.00 am outside the cafe.

Royal Victoria Country Park, Wednesday 9th July, meet at 10.00 am outside the Royal Victoria Country Park's tea room.

Titchfield Village, Wednesday 16th July, meet at 10.00 am outside St Peter's Church.

Port Solent, Wednesday 23rd July, meet at 10.00 am outside The David Lloyd Club.

Crescent Gardens Alverstoke, Wednesday 30 July, meet at 10.00 am outside the Crescent Gardens by the Anglesey Hotel.

Wickham Square/Chesapeake Mill, Tuesday 5 August, meet at 10.00 am outside the Chesapeake Mill.

The Ship Langstone, Tuesday 12 August, meet at 10.00 am in the Ship's car park.

Second Chance Charity Fontley, Tuesday 19 August, meet at 9.45 am outside the Charity's Reception building. Don't be late, we go in as a group. Please bring £2.50 donation.

Portchester Castle, Tuesday 26 August, meet at 10.00 am outside the main gate.

Baffins Pond, Tuesday 2 September, meet at 10.00 am on the benches opposite the public house.

Cams Mill, Tuesday 9 September, meet at 10.00 am in the Cams Mill restaurant car park.

SUMMER PAINTING DAYS 2025

**Venue: Salt Café, Cranleigh Road,
Portchester PO16 9DR**

On: Wednesday 2nd July 2025, 10 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
(Meet outside the Salt Café).

Location:

Salt Cafe has its own car park on the right-hand side of the yacht marina. Parking is free.

Refreshments:

Coffee and food at the café is excellent, but you could bring a picnic if you wish and something to sit on.

Toilets:

Are available at the Salt Café.

Directions:

Take A27 to Seagull roundabout at Portchester. Take third turning off roundabout by Seagull Pub (Cornaway Lane). Take second turning on the right into Cranleigh Road. Follow Cranleigh Road round and head towards Wicor Recreation Ground. The Salt Café is almost at the end of the road on the Left. Signposted Yacht Marina and Salt Café.

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**Venue: Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley Abbey,
Southampton SO31 5GA**

On: Wednesday 9th July 2025 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
(Meet outside the tea room in the country park)



Location:

The Royal Victoria Country Park, Netley is by the shores of Southampton Water. It comprises 200 acres of mature woodland and grassy parkland, as well as a small shingle beach. From 1863 until 1966, the site was home to the Royal Victoria Hospital. Parking is **not** free.

Refreshments:

Bring a packed lunch and seat if required. The tea room is open for refreshments and toilets are available.

Directions:

Take M27 to Junction 8, turn left at bottom of motorway exit, then second exit at Windover roundabout, or A27 to Windover roundabout (first exit), into Hamble Lane. Follow this, then turn right into Hound Road (signpost to Country Park), continue straight to end of Station Road then turn left into Victoria Road and continue to Country Park. Small charge for parking.

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**Venue: Titchfield Village and/or St Peter's Church,
Titchfield PO14 4AG**

On: Wednesday 16th July 2025 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
(Meet outside St Peters Church)

Location:

Historic houses in Titchfield Village date from the 15th, 16th and 17th centuries, grouped around a large square and throughout the Village.

St Peters Church was built in 680AD. It has been a place of worship for over 1300 years. The lower portion of the tower and the southwest corner is Saxon. The original Saxon Church was extended in Norman times. The Southampton Chapel contains the magnificent monument to the Earls of Southampton. Parking can be found in Titchfield Community Centre and is free.

Refreshments:

There are two cafes in Titchfield – The Monk's Rest and a small café in Hallmark Jewellers, as well as public houses. Public toilets are to be found at 6 Barry's Meadow or in the two nearby cafes. Bring a packed lunch if required and seat to sit on.

Directions:

From Fareham, take A27 and follow the signs to Titchfield. Parking can be found at the Titchfield Community Centre (free).

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Venue: Port Solent, The Boardwalk, Portsmouth, PO6 4TP

On Wednesday 23rd July 2025 – 10.00 – 4.00pm
(Meet on the steps outside the David Lloyd Club)

Location:

Set in the shelter of Portsmouth Harbour, Port Solent Marina offers artists plenty of places to paint. It was built in the 1980s on reclaimed land. It is a lively place with plenty of boats, or you can go down to the shore and paint. There is free parking at Port Solent.

Refreshments:

Bring a packed lunch or there are bars and restaurants aplenty, all with toilet facilities. There are benches to sit on, or take your own chair. There are also public toilets at Port Solent.

Directions:

From Fareham take the A27 towards Portsmouth. You will go through Portchester, and just past Portchester Lake (large expanse of water to your right) you will come to traffic lights and signposting directing you to turn right into Port Solent. Follow the road around to the large free car park.

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**Venue: Crescent Gardens, Crescent Road,
Alverstoke, PO12 2BB.**

On: Wednesday 30th July 2025 10.00 – 4.00 pm
(Meet outside Crescent Gardens opposite the Anglesey Hotel)

Location:

Situated in Crescent Road, Crescent Gardens was originally designed in the 19th century. It houses a small fountain in a circular pool. Specimen trees include a fine Cedar, Tulip tree, young Monkey Puzzle and Black Mulberry tree. The gardens are planted in the Regency design to reflect the architectural period. The nearby houses also reflect the Regency style at its best. The Anglesey Hotel is also a building of interest, a refined Georgian structure built in 1830 overlooking Crescent Gardens.

Refreshments:

Bring packed lunch and drink and also a seat to sit on, although there are seats in the gardens. Toilets can be found in The Anglesey Hotel (opposite the Gardens) where refreshments can be bought. Parking is free outside the Gardens.

Directions:

From Stubbington head south east on Stubbington Green. At the roundabout, take the third exit onto Stubbington Lane. Turn right onto Browdown Road. At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto Stokes Bay Road. Exit the roundabout onto Stokes Bay Road. At the next roundabout, take 1st exit onto Anglesey Road. Turn right onto Crescent Road. Anglesey Hotel is on your left opposite Crescent Gardens.

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**Venue: Wickham Square and/or Chesapeake Mill
Wickham PO17 5JH**

On Tuesday 5th August 2025, 10.00 – 4.00pm
(Meet outside the Chesapeake Mill)

Location:

Wickham Square is a fine example of 13th Century Town planning. It is one of the largest Village Market squares surviving today in England.

Chesapeake Mill is a watermill. Constructed in 1820 using the timbers of HMS Chesapeake which had previously been in the United States Navy frigate USS Chesapeake. Parking can be found in the Square. It is **not** free.

Refreshments:

There are cafes in Wickham Square and toilets nearby. Bring a seat and packed lunch if required.

Directions

Take the A32 direct from Fareham to Wickham. At the roundabout at the bottom of Hoad's Hill, take the first exit into Bridge Street. The mill is on your right. Continue past the mill, turning left into the square where there is parking and facilities.

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Venue: The Ship Inn, Langstone Road, Langstone PO9 1RD

On: Tuesday 12th August 2025, 10.00 – 4.00 pm.
(Meet in The Ship's car park)



Location:

The Ship Inn overlooks Sweare Deep and Emsworth Harbour in Langstone, with stunning views over the harbour. Parking is free.

Refreshments:

Bring a packed lunch and seat to sit on, or visit The Ship Inn. Toilets are available in The Ship Inn, open at 10.00 am.

Directions:

From Fareham take M27, continue on A27 to Havant Bypass [Do not turn up the A3(M)]. Exit at signpost to Havant B2149 and Hayling Is A3023. At the roundabout traffic lights turn **right** and take the **third** exit into Langstone Road. The Ship is a short distance on the left.

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**Venue: Second Chance Charity, Solent Nurseries,
Fontley Road, Fareham PO15 6QZ**

**On: Tuesday 19th August 2025, 9.45 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.
PLEASE BE ON TIME (we go in as a group)**

(Meet outside the Second Chance building).

REMEMBER: £2.50 DONATION

Location:

This is a lovely location for painting a local landscape. There are plenty of sitting areas and toilets are available. Parking is free.

Refreshments:

Do bring your lunch and a drink along with you.

About Second Chance: Second Chance gives children from deprived backgrounds a chance to camp and fish.

Cost £2.50 (Donation to the charity for use of their facilities – collected on the day)

Directions:

Turn right off The Avenue A27 at the Titchfield Mill. Go along Mill Lane which goes into Fontley Road. Continue along some way, go past Garsons Garden Centre on the left. Much further along you will see a sign for **Solent Nurseries and Second Chance Charity** on the right by the **three yellow bollards**. Free parking is through the gates along the left and right hand side of the track. Second Chance Charity building immediately on your right.

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**Venue: Portchester Castle, Church Lane,
Portchester PO16 9QW**

On: Tuesday 26th August 2025, 10.00 – 4.00pm.
(Meet in the small car park on the right nearest the Castle)

Location:

Portchester Castle is a medieval castle built within a former Roman Fort at Portchester. It occupies a commanding position at the head of Portsmouth Harbour. St Mary's Parish Church is within the grounds. Parking is **not** free.

Refreshments:

Bring packed lunch and drink. St Mary's Tea Room offers homemade cakes, Bakewell tart and sandwiches plus coffee/tea and cold drinks.

Toilets are available in the large car park and in St Mary's Tea Room.

Note: There are benches to sit on, or bring your own seat.

Directions:

Head to Portchester along the A27. At the Castle Street roundabout, take third exit into Castle Street. Portchester Castle is signposted. Note: There is a parking fee if parking in the little car park on the right hand before the Castle, and also in the large car park on the left hand side too.

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Venue: Baffins Pond, 104 Tangier Road, PO3 6PG

On Tuesday 2nd September 2025, 10.00 – 4.00pm

(Meet on the benches surrounding Baffins Pond opposite
The Baffins public house).

Location:

Baffins Pond is home to a host of wild fowl, as well as established reed beds. Carp (medium and small), Roach and some Gudgeon reside there. The varied landscape combines natural wildlife features with a more formal city park.

A **FREE** public car park is located on Tangiers Road on the left hand side with direct access to Baffins Pond.

Refreshments:

Bring a packed lunch or visit The Baffins public house (open 11.30 am).

Public toilets are available at Tangiers Road/Neville Road corner of the pond, or visit The Baffins.

Directions:

From Fareham take the M27 motorway, exit towards Portsmouth (E)Southsea A2030 (N). At the roundabout, take the 4th exit onto Eastern Road. Continue along Eastern Road, look out for Tangier Road on the right hand side. Turn into Tangier Road. Baffins Pond is on the left hand side with the car park just before the venue.

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Venue: Cams Mill, Cams Hall Estate, Fareham PO16 8AA

On Tuesday 9th September 2025, 10.00 – 4.00pm
(Meet in the car park outside Cams Mill Restaurant)

Location:

The land at Cams Mill was mentioned in the Domesday Book of 1086 and a manor house was recorded as far back as the 13th century. The current building was constructed of Portland stone around 1770. Fabulous place to paint with views over the water and viaduct.

Refreshments:

Bring a packed lunch and drink. Bring a seat to sit on if you are painting by the water. Sandwiches/drinks available at Cams Mill Restaurant.

Directions:

Take the A27 towards Portchester from Fareham, but turn right at the first set of traffic lights and then right again into the Cams Mill car park. Parking is free.

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