Route Map

1. Epsom Well

Location: 31 Well Way, Epsom KT18 7LP, United Kingdom

Clue 1: This landmark was built in 1989 to honor the town's history as a healing haven.

Clue 2: It marks the spot where, in 1618, an area cattle farmer noticed his cows wouldn't drink from a spring that once gurgled here.

Clue 3: The water this farmer's cows refused to drink also healed his scratches and rashes.

Clue 4: Since his discovery, the "bitter purging salt" named after the town where it was first discovered is used to treat numerous ailments, including ailments like muscle aches, arthritis, constipation, and fibromyalgia, to name a few.

Geo hint for the next stop: Head to The Market Place to find the next item.

2. The Assembly Rooms - JD Wetherspoon

Location: 147–153 High Street, Epsom, Surrey, KT19 8EH

Clue 1: Originally built in the 1690s, this artifact from Epsom's golden period as a fashionable spa town was among the first of its kind to be built in England and the oldest surviving.

Clue 2: As social life after the 1660 Restoration of Charles II allowed for the free intermingling of the sexes in social gatherings, the upper crust began erecting buildings like these to facilitate the process, complete with ballrooms, taverns, and gaming rooms. The one in Epsom featured pits in back for blood sports like cock fights and possibly bear-baiting matches.

Clue 3: Mrs Beeton, author of the famous Book of Household Management, lived in one of the residences added to the building in the 19th century.

Clue 4: Now a spacious High Street pub, this flagstone-floored brick building once housed a 17th-century draper's shop.

Geo hint for the next stop: Now, turn around.

3. Evocation of Speed, bronze sculpture by Judy Boyt

Location: In front of 147–153 High Street, Epsom, Surrey, KT19 8EH

Clue 1: Named after a Trojan War hero and a 17th-century Italian physicist, the subjects of this sculpture lived centuries apart, but their u-shaped shoes left prints along the same path.

Clue 2: Commissioned by Epsom and Ewell Borough Council to celebrate the millennium, this Market Place tribute to speed and competition depicts an imaginary race between two real winners.

Clue 3: If the race imagined here were real, it would involve 12 legs, but only two appear in this artist's rendition.

Clue 4: Look for the horse race in a horseshoe.

Geo hint for the next stop: Look for another nearby portrait of endurance and stamina.

4. Emily Wilding Davison Memorial Statue

Location: High St, Epsom KT19 8EF, United Kingdom

Clue 1: This rock-thrower was no stranger to Strangeways.

Clue 2: A repeat hunger striker, she was also no stranger to the strange ways of her male contemporaries.

Clue 3: She died not of starvation, but in a royal horse-racing accident sustained as she jockeyed for a spot in the political arena.

Clue 4: Find her immortalized in metal on the High Street.

Geo hint for the next stop: Follow the High street east until it changes names.

5. Epsom Cottage Hospital

Location: The Old Cottage Hospital/Alexandra Rd, Epsom KT17 4BL

Clue 1: First built in 1877, services offered here once included bloodletting, caustics, and gargles.

Clue 2: In 1889, it was rebuilt to celebrate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee.

Clue 3: The suffragist, Emily Davison, died here after a collision with King George V's horse at the 1913 Derby.

Clue 4: Notable staff of this hospital include Susie Dunham, who served as matron from 1861-1917 and trained under the pioneering "matron maker" Eva Luckes.

Geo hint for the next stop: Take Church Road for a quest that could get otherworldy.

6. St Martin of Tours church, Epsom

Location: Church Street, Epsom, Surrey, KT17 4PX

Clue 1: One incorporeal practice or another has occupied the site since the early Medieval period.

Clue 2: Its flint tower dates from the 15th century, but the rest of this spiritual sanctuary was rebuilt in 1824.

Clue 3: This place of worship is a Grade II listed building.

Clue 4: This Church Road church is a Church of England-affiliated congregation.

Geo hint for the next stop: Take Heathcote to another sacred spot in Epsom.

7. Rosebery Park - the tip of the horse head's ear

Location: Just south of Epsom Gateway (office building), 9 Ashley Road, Epsom, KT18 5AL

Clue 1: In 1913, the Earl of Rosebery gifted this 2019/20 Green Flag Award winner to the town of Epsom.

Clue 2: A fan of horseracing, the Earl's donation is shaped like the head of his favorite animal.

Clue 3: If the head had been real, it would "see" sounds; a bandstand once served as its eye.

Clue 4: To access the next clue, you must enter through the horse's ear!

Geo hint for the next stop: If you have time, head back to the Market Place.

8. Clock Tower

Location: Epsom KT19 8BA, UK

Clue 1: My lions have been replaced by globes.

Clue 2: I'm tall and talk with my hands.

Clue 3: Before I was built in 1847, the spot where I now stand housed a fire station and jail.

Clue 4: Look for me near the High Street. And be quick. Time is of the essence here.

Geo hint for the next stop: If the end of this hunt marks the end of your Epsom trip, the last stop may be especially convenient. It's not far from here.

9. Epsom Railway Station

Location: Waterloo Rd & Station Approach, Epsom

Clue 1: Opened in 1847, this busy building combines modern amenities with a nod to Victorian elegance.

Clue 2: Its recent updates include ample bicycle storage and accessibility features like lifts, ramps, and tactile paving.

Clue 3: Serving thousands daily, this transportation hub connects travelers to the bustling heart of London in under an hour.

Clue 4: Find the Station Approach station.