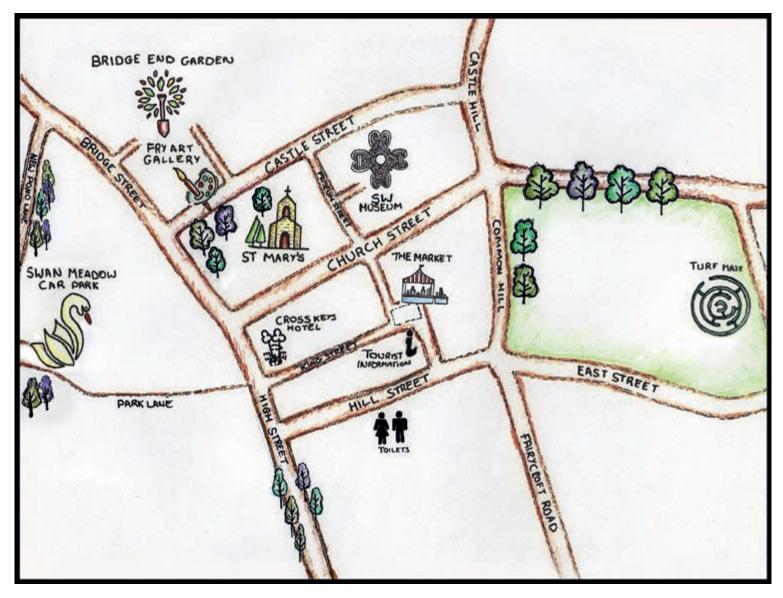
YOUR SAFFRON WALDEN DAY VISIT 1





Morning: park in **Swan Meadow** car park (CB10 1DH) and explore the pretty market town of Saffron Walden, home to the largest turf maze in the world! Don't miss the spectacular church of **St Mary the Virgin**, the largest parish church in Essex; Lord 'Rab' Butler, of the famous 1945 Education Act, is buried in the churchyard. There are plenty of independent cafes and restaurants to choose from for a spot of lunch. The town's **award-winning market** is held on Tuesdays and Saturdays.



Afternoon; after lunch, discover beautiful Bridge Garden. Tucked away down a narrow path between ancient cottages in Castle Street, the garden was created in 1840. Designed by Francis Gibson, it is laid out in a series of interlocking 'rooms', each with its own unique character. You can then visit the Fry Art Gallery which is close to the garden and enjoy some delightful works of art by local artists. Then, for a small entrance fee, vou can visit Saffron Walden Museum and its fascinating collections spanning everything from local history to Egyptology. Be sure to check the opening times of these attractions with the **Tourist Information Centre** before you visit (01799 524002).

Pop into the **Cross Keys Hotel** at 32 High Street for a drink or a bit of supper and enjoy some great hospitality in stylish surroundings www.theoldcrosskeys.co.uk. The hotel has 10 bedrooms; each captures the essence and charm of the Elizabethan building with the added twist of luxurious and contemporary design.

