My trip to see a show at the Minack Theatre



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About the Minack: What is the Minack Theatre?



I am going to see a show at the Minack Theatre.

The Minack is an **open-air theatre** on the side of a cliff. You can see the sea.

There is a garden at the top of the theatre.

There are places to eat and toilets on the site.

About the Minack: Map of the Minack



About the Minack: What to expect



The Minack is **on a cliff by the sea**. Most of it is outdoors.

There is a lot of space at the Minack.



It may be sunny or windy or raining.

Sometimes the sea can be noisy.



There are people who will help me when I am at the Minack.
They wear **yellow tops** or **green coats**. They are part of the **Minack Team**.

If I have a question, I can talk to one of them. It is fine to talk to them.

Arriving at the Minack: Parking



The entrance to the Minack Theatre is on top of a hill. I will drive along a lane into a big grassy car park.

There are people in the car park in **hi-vis jackets**. They will show me and the person with me where to park and the way to the entrance.



There is accessible parking available at the Minack.

I may park in the big grassy car park or the tarmac car park and walk to the entrance.



If I need accessible parking, I can park near the entrance.

The ground here slopes. If this is a problem, I can tell the car park staff and they will find me a **level parking** space.

Arriving at the Minack: The entrance



The entrance to the Minack is through a gate near the car park.

This is the **ticket shed**.



There will be staff here dressed in **yellow and green**. They are part of the Minack Team.

They will look at my ticket and show me the way in.



I will walk through this gate into the theatre.

Arriving at the Minack: Step free access



If I need step free access, the Minack Team will show me which way to go.



I will enter the theatre through this building.

There may be a lot of people inside. It might be **noisy**.

I may have to **queue**. If I am uncomfortable queueing, the person with me can ask the Minack Team for help.



I will go out of the building into the theatre through these doors.

In the theatre: Keeping safe



The Minack has a lot of steps. Some of them are very steep. I need to be careful going up and down them.

I can ask the person with me or one of the Minack Team to show me the places with **no** steps.

Wear sensible shoes



There are some places that are **not safe** for me to go. There may be a steep drop nearby.

A **green sign** like this one will warn me not to go this way. I should not pass these signs.



There may be a lot of people at the performance. The theatre might be **crowded**.

If I am uncomfortable, I can tell the person with me, or one of the Minack Team. They will show me to a quiet part of the site.

In the theatre: Where will I sit?



Seating at the Minack is in long rows.

The Minack Team will show me where to sit.

Most of the seats are **on grass**.



Some seats are **concrete**, like this.

I may need to bring a cushion to sit on.

I will need to go up or down steps to get to my seat.



Another place I might sit **on the stage**, close to the actors. This area is only available for certain shows.

In the theatre: The performance



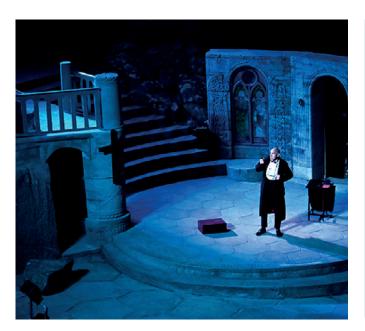
If I want to avoid the steps, I can ask the box office about booking seats on the accessible balcony.

I will need to speak to them about this when I book my seats.



There are **sound speakers** around the theatre. They are used for announcements, music and sound effects during the **show.**

If I don't like loud noises, I can check in advance if there will be any loud music or effects during the performance.

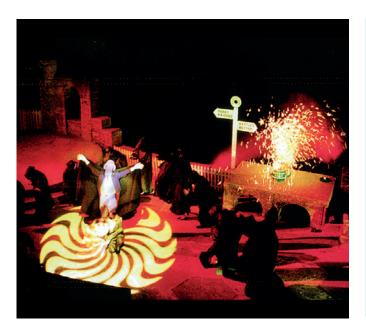


If I come to an **evening performance**, it will get dark
during the show. I will be sitting
in the dark while there will be
lights on the stage.

TOP TIP

It can get cold at night, so wear warm clothes.

In the theatre: The performance



Sometimes, a performance may include bright or flashing lighting effects.

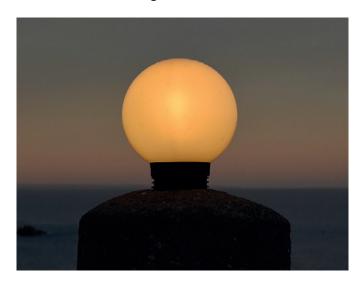
I can check in advance whether there will be any **lighting effects** such as **strobes**.



Occasionally, performances may include some **fireworks**.

If I don't like fireworks, I can check in advance whether there will be any used in the performance.

After the performance: Leaving the theatre



It may be dark when I leave after an **evening performance**.

The steps and exit route will be lit, but I will need to take care.

Places to eat and drink: Takeaway outlets



There are several places I can buy food at the Minack.

This is the **ice-cream hatch** next to the cafe. If I come to a daytime performance, I might have an ice-cream here.



This is the Terrace coffee shop in the middle of the theatre. I might have a **takeaway drink or a snack** here. There may be people queueing here for food.

TOP TIP

Bring a picnic to eat in the theatre.



This shack in the car park sells drinks and takeaway snacks. I can buy food here to takeaway.

Toilets



Toilets are available at the Minack. They are **inside the theatre**, on the top level near to the cafe.

There are male and female toilets and an accessible toilet.



If I need the toilet, I can ask the person with me or one of the Minack Team to show me where they are.

UNEXPECTED NOISES

There is an automatic audio message when you enter the accessible toilet and the hand-driers in the toilets are quite loud.