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**BOURNEMOUTH STAG  
DO SURVIVAL GUIDE**



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# ATTENTION STAGS: BOURNEMOUTH IS CALLING!

**H**eading to Bournemouth? Great choice! This cosmopolitan town is the South's ultimate coastal party destination.

Renowned for its buzzing atmosphere and amazing nightlife, this party town has it all - whether you're looking for a bustling bar crawl or unique club. Set on over seven miles of golden sand, why would you want to go anywhere else?

This ultimate coastal party destination has everything you need to make your stag do one to go down in the history books.

There's plenty for your group to see and do in this epic city. To help you get the most out of your Bournemouth-based adventure, we've put together The Ultimate Bournemouth Stag Do Survival Guide to kick off the groom's last weekend as a bachelor in style.

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# THE NEED TO KNOWS

**K**nowing what to take on a stag do is tricky. No one likes packing. Minimal baggage and maximum fun is top of the list when it comes to stag dos, so here's a list of essentials for your Bournemouth backpack:



**SUN CREAM**

– A beach destination essential.



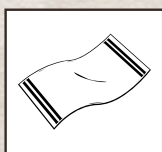
**CAP**

– It's likely you'll be in the sunshine for most of the day, and no one likes sunstroke. Don't miss out on the evening's activities because you've not protected yourself during the day.



**BOARD SHORTS**

– The awesome coastal stretch has to be enjoyed, and speedos or a Mankini are against the law!



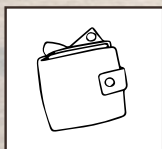
**BEACH TOWEL**

– It would be a pity not to enjoy the clear water or golden sands that the award-winning beaches have to offer. Pack a beach towel to avoid getting covered in sand in unwanted places!



**FLIP FLOPS**

– If you're planning on enjoying the coastal strip, flip flops are a must as well as your bucket and spade!



**WALLET**

– No one likes that guy who asks for drinks all night. Don't be a cheapskate and remember to pack your wallet!



**SMART SHOES**

– Bournemouth has it all, from bustling pubs and swanky cocktail bars to a stack of unique night clubs. The right footwear is essential if you're looking to sample the full mix of nightlife Bournemouth has to offer.





### ☑ JEANS

– A decent pair of jeans are a weekend-away essential. They are easy to pack, go with everything and double up for the evening so you don't have to pack too much.



### ☑ EXTRA UNDERWEAR

– Just because!



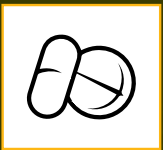
### ☑ TOILETRIES

– Miniatures are handy and don't take up too much room. A night on the town also means aftershave, especially if you're looking to get lucky!



### ☑ ID

– Yep, this can be irritating, but don't run the risk of being turned away from a club, even if you clearly look over 18. You could miss out on an epic night for the sake of not packing it. Don't spend the night in the kebab shop because you left your ID at home.



### ☑ PARACETAMOL

– If you're heading to Bournemouth and intend to sample the many bars and clubs, chances are you might have a slightly sore head the next day. Pack some painkillers just in case!

**AN AVERAGE OF 750,000 ICE CREAMS ARE PURCHASED ON BOURNEMOUTH'S SEAFRONT EACH YEAR.**

## GET YOUR BEARINGS

First visit to the south coast? Where have you been! To help you get your bearings and avoid checking Google Maps every 5 minutes, you are here:

**Destination:** Bournemouth

**Population:** 188,000

**Occasion:** STAG DO!





# THINGS TO DO - DAYTIME

## THE BEACH

Bournemouth's seven miles of coastal stretch make it the mother of places to enjoy wild water sports with your mates.

Adrenaline junkie? Why not try out jet skiing, surfing, powerboating, body boarding or even Zapcats!

Try out water sports or hire a sports court at the new Coastal Activity Park, 1km on either side of Boscombe Pier.

If sports aren't your thing, relax, soak up the rays and top up your tan before your night on the town. The choice is yours and the impressive beach is THE place to be.

If you want to take a pre-night out dip, you're in safe hands. The Bournemouth Lifeguard Corps was founded in 1965 and is home to 65 lifeguards who patrol the coastal strip.



**The beach is patrolled every weekend and bank holiday from May to September.**

Remember to take notice of where the flags are and only swim in the area between these.

Bournemouth Lifeguard Corps' HQ is based at Durley Chine.



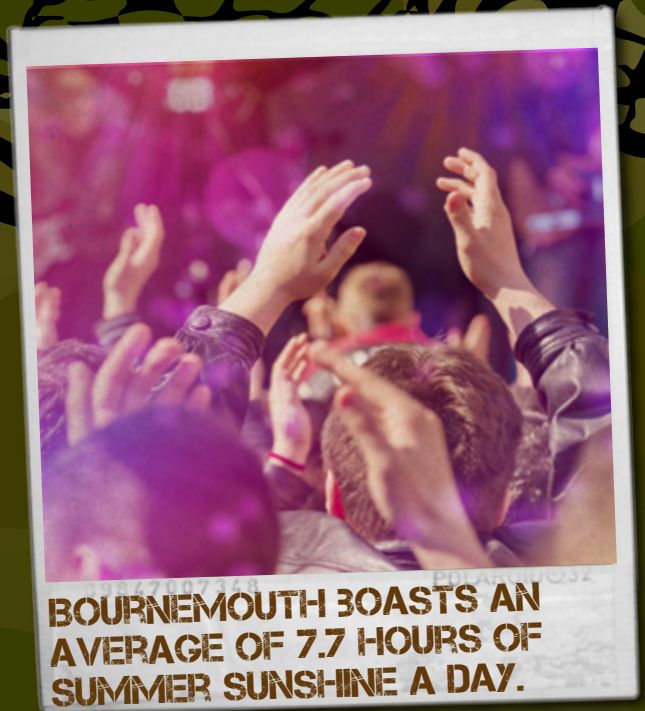


## FESTIVAL FRENZY

What better way to enjoy the party atmosphere than by planning the stag do around one of Bournemouth's many festivals?

There's a stack of annual festivals on offer to cater for your group's taste, including:

- [Bournemouth 7s Festival](#)  
– Late May
- [Bournemouth Wheels Festival](#)  
– Late May
- [Bournemouth Air Festival](#)  
– Late August
- [Bournemouth Food and Drink Festival](#)  
– Mid-June
- [Bournemouth Arts by the Sea Festival](#)



### **SURVIVAL GUIDE TIP:**

**Be sure to check with event organisers because dates may vary.**



### **LITTLE BITTA CULTURE!**

If your group fancies soaking up a little bitta culture during your weekend, why not check out the following:

#### **Russell-Cotes Art Gallery & Museum**

This historical cliff-top house is one to be explored, with its stunning views, gardens and collections of Victorian and Pre-Raphaelite artwork.

[www.russellcotes.com](http://www.russellcotes.com)

#### **Parks and gardens**

If you fancy a break from the beach, Bournemouth has over 2,000 acres of gardens and parks that can be enjoyed, so pack a Frisbee!





## RAGE BUGGIES

Calling adrenaline junkies! If you're looking for a daytime activity with a difference, Rage Buggies are immensely fun and guaranteed to thrill.

Race your mates in style in these race karts with 600cc v-twin Honda-powered engines, offering the ultimate mud buggy experience!

Rip along an off-road dirt track and get a thrill from this ultimate stag do activity.

[Find out more about Rage Buggies in Bournemouth.](#)

## BUBBLE FOOTBALL

Fancy yourself as a bit of a footy pro? How about playing while secured in a clear, plastic ball?!

Have a kick about with your mates and huge laughs bouncing off each other, rolling to scramble for the ball.

Enjoy footy with a total twist!

[Find out more about your Bubble Football in Bournemouth experience.](#)



## QUAD BIKING

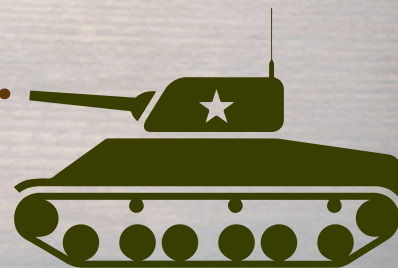
Race around wild terrain and enjoy the ride of your stag do life. Quad biking is fun, fast and guaranteed to get the adrenaline pumping!

Show off your off-road skills and take part in the ultimate quad biking experience.

## CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING

Everyone has a competitive edge and what better way to explore this in your group than by enjoying a few rounds of clay pigeon shooting?

See who has the shooting skills of 007 in this fun and challenging sport.





## CALLING ALL MOVIE BUFFS!

Film fans amongst your group? Why not have a break from the beach and head to the UK's first 6D cinematic experience?

Forget sitting in the crowd: become part of the movie with a simulator platform and stacks of special effects, plunging you into a virtual reality movie experience.

These short movies will make your group want to watch them again and again.

Opening times: Monday to Friday: 11:00 – 20:00  
Saturday: 10:00 – 22:00  
Sunday: 11:00 – 20:00

8 Post Office Road  
Bournemouth  
BH1 1BA  
Book tickets: 01202 280860



### **SURVIVAL GUIDE TIP:**

**Don't forget the films shown at the 6D are short films.**



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DO NEEDS  
YOU!**

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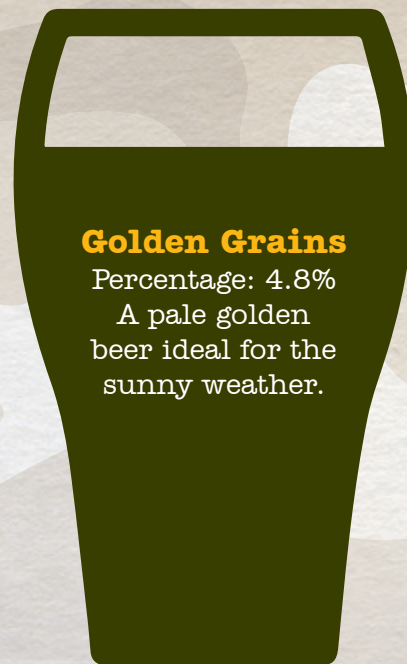




# THINGS TO DO - NIGHTLIFE

## LOCAL BREW

Thanks to Bournemouth Brewing Co, there's plenty of local Bournemouth ale to sample over the weekend.



## GET THE ROUND IN!

One thing Bournemouth does best is bars. To give you an idea of how much spending money you'll need, the average cost of a pint in Bournemouth is **£3.90**.

Whether you fancy starting the night by designing your own unique cocktails or getting the pints flowing in a bustling pub, Bournemouth's nightlife is second to none and there's something for every group.

Bournemouth has over 250 restaurants to choose from and a massive selection of pubs and nightclubs. Below is just a sample of some of the places that make Bournemouth's city centre an ultimate stag do destination.





## GREYHOUND RACING

Dog tracks are the ultimate destination for fun, thrills and laughs.

Why not enjoy a flutter or two with mates, eat, drink and be merry while enjoying this thrilling form of entertainment.

## PUBS

### The Goat & Tricycle

If ale is your tippable of choice, why not head down to The Goat & Tricycle? This bustling beer house is located in the heart of Bournemouth, in the area known as 'The Triangle'.

There are plenty of hand-pulled cask ales to enjoy, as well as 11 guest ales which change every 2-3 days. Start your evening by sipping a pint of the very best ale at this buzzing Bournemouth pub.

The Goat & Tricycle: 27-29 Westhill Road, Bournemouth, Dorset BH2 5PF

T: 01202 314220

W: [www.goatandtricycle.co.uk](http://www.goatandtricycle.co.uk)



4.7 MILLION TOURISTS VISIT THE TOWN EVERY YEAR.



THE LOCAL PAPER FOR THE AREA IS THE BOURNEMOUTH ECHO.

### The Brasshouse

One of the most popular pubs in Bournemouth's town centre, The Brasshouse serves up a great range of beers in cosy surroundings.

Live sport fans? Enjoy the latest fixtures on the screen, play table football or showcase your talent on karaoke nights!

8-9 Westover Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH1 2BY

T: 01202 589681

W: [www.thebrasshousebournemouth.co.uk](http://www.thebrasshousebournemouth.co.uk)





## BARS

### Smokin' Aces

If you're looking for a cocktail bar and whiskey lounge with a difference, Smokin' Aces is the place to go.

A range of signature cocktails in cool surroundings, Smokin' Aces offers a unique experience in the heart of Bournemouth.

103 Commercial Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH2 5RT

T: 07886 953733

W: [www.smokin-aces.co.uk](http://www.smokin-aces.co.uk)



### Aruba

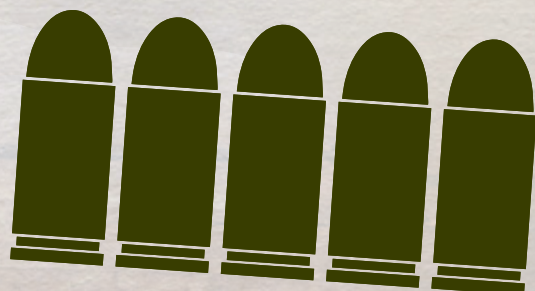
Aruba is the perfect location to enjoy panoramic coastal views whilst sipping your favourite bevvy. The popular bar transforms into the ultimate beach club by night.

If you're after the largest rum selection outside of London, stacks of cocktails and a bar complete with sun terrace, Aruba is the ultimate party destination on Bournemouth Pier.

Pier Approach, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH2 5AA

T: 01202 554211

W: [www.aruba-bournemouth.co.uk](http://www.aruba-bournemouth.co.uk)



### Walkabout

Enjoy a top-class Aussie experience at Walkabout Bournemouth. With live sports, a dance floor and plenty of amber nectar, your group are sure to love the Oz treatment and not want the night to end!

156-164 Old Christchurch Road Bournemouth, BH1 1NL

T: 01202 295072

W: [www.walkaboutbars.co.uk/venues/bournemouth](http://www.walkaboutbars.co.uk/venues/bournemouth)







THE BUZZING TOWN IS HOME TO  
17,000 STUDENTS WHO ATTEND  
BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY,  
MAKING FOR A PARTY  
ATMOSPHERE IN THIS STUDENT-  
FRIENDLY PARTY TOWN.

## NIGHTCLUBS

### Le Chic

Le Chic nightclub offers a real taste of luxury and glamour, with colour-changing furniture, 3D wallpaper and individually designed areas for your group to feast their eyes on.

Whether you're into House, Soul, Disco or Funk, the house DJs are sure to deliver an awesome night of music you'll never forget.

224-226 Old Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, BH1 1PE

T: 01202 295050

W: [www.lechicbournemouth.co.uk](http://www.lechicbournemouth.co.uk)

### Cameo

A multi-award-winning nightclub for the ultimate clubbing experience.

Treat the stag to a VIP booth or suite and enjoy queue jump to give him the A-list treatment he deserves on his big night.

Firvale Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH1 2JA

T: 01202 610301

W: [www.cameonightclub.co.uk/bournemouth](http://www.cameonightclub.co.uk/bournemouth)





## LIVE MUSIC

### O'Neill's

A welcoming pub serving up Irish hospitality, food, drink and live gigs, O'Neill's Bournemouth is the place to be.

With plenty of drinks deals and regular live music performances, if your group is looking for a good pub with a friendly face, O'Neill's offers just that.

231 Old Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH1 1JZ

T: 01202 312174

W: [www.oneills.co.uk/bournemouth](http://www.oneills.co.uk/bournemouth)



### Bournemouth International Centre (BIC)

Whether you're looking for a live gig or perhaps some comedy stand up to get the night off to a great start, the BIC will make your visit to Bournemouth one to remember.

Check out their calendar to see what's on. There's plenty to choose from throughout the year, so you're guaranteed to find a gig that ties in perfectly with your stag do plans.

Exeter Road, Bournemouth, Dorset BH2 5BH

T: 0844 576 3000

W: [www.bic.co.uk](http://www.bic.co.uk)



### Sixty Million Postcards

Sixty Million Postcards is a cool venue offering a great atmosphere and regular appearances from some of the best bands and DJs from across the country.

Head on down to Sixty Million Postcards for a great night out.

19-21 Exeter Road, Bournemouth, BH2 5AF

T: 01202 292697

W: [www.sixtymillionpostcards.com](http://www.sixtymillionpostcards.com)





## LOLS

A good laugh always goes down well on a stag do, and Bournemouth has a number of comedy clubs to choose from, all perfect to kick-start your night out.

### Jaggers Comedy Club

With great acts, three massive party rooms and a capacity of over 2,000, Jaggers Comedy Club offers a buzzing atmosphere guaranteed to get your group in the party mood.

60 Fir Vale Road, Bournemouth, BH1 2JA

Tickets are not available on the door.  
[Find out more about Jaggers here.](#)

### Twisters Comedy Club

Twisters Comedy Club offers stand-up comedy nights on Fridays, and a different style of comedy every night, so your group is sure to find an act to suit your humour.

16 Albert Road, Bournemouth, BH1 1BZ

Book tickets: 01202 554397  
W: [www.twisterscomedyclub.co.uk](http://www.twisterscomedyclub.co.uk)

### Funnybone Comedy Club

If you're looking for a great atmosphere combined with hilarious acts, Funnybone Comedy Club is the place to be.

14 Queens Road, Westbourne, Bournemouth, BH2 6BE

Book tickets: 01202 740046  
W: [www.funnybone.co.uk](http://www.funnybone.co.uk)





## STRIP CLUBS

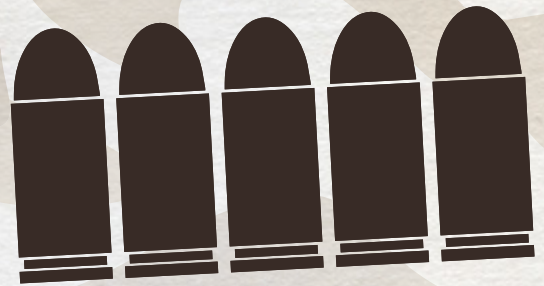
Now a stag do wouldn't be a stag do without a good strip club thrown into the evening's activities.



Treat the stag to an evening he'll never forget at one of Bournemouth's many gentlemen's clubs.

[For more information on top strip clubs in Bournemouth contact DesignaVenture.](#)

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## CASINOS

No stag do is complete without a trip down to the local casino to try out your luck, and in Bournemouth, your group will be spoilt for choice.

### Genting Casino Bournemouth

Looking for live casino games, or perhaps you fancy a pint in the late bar?

Membership is not required so head to Genting Casino and enjoy all it has to offer.

9 Yelverton Road, Bournemouth, BH1 1DA

T: 01202 293188

W: [www.gentingcasinos.co.uk/casino/bournemouth/](http://www.gentingcasinos.co.uk/casino/bournemouth/)



### Grosvenor Casino Bournemouth

Situated close to Bournemouth's coastal stretch, Grosvenor Casino offers a unique and exciting experience complete with superb casino games, including blackjack and roulette. You can even try your hand at cash and tournament poker and enjoy a pint at the casino bar.

48 Westover Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH1 2BZ

T: 01202 553790

W: [www.grosvenorcasinos.com/local-casinos/bournemouth/](http://www.grosvenorcasinos.com/local-casinos/bournemouth/)

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CHRISTCHURCH AND  
POOLE, BOURNEMOUTH  
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AND IS THE LARGEST  
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# SURVIVAL KIT

**N**ow no survival guide would be complete without the go-to places for tricky situations!

So, we've taken the time to locate some survival kit essential locations. Hopefully you won't need them, but they're here just in case.



## NEAREST POLICE STATION

Dorset Police  
599 Wimborne Road  
Bournemouth  
Dorset  
BH9 2AS



## NEAREST HOSPITAL WITH A&E DEPARTMENT

Royal Bournemouth General Hospital  
Castle Lane East  
Bournemouth  
BH7 7DW



## SAFE BUS

Throughout the summer months, the Safe Bus is parked on Horseshoe Common in the town centre from 9 pm – 3 am on Friday and Saturday nights in case anyone needs assistance.



## GETTING AROUND

### Taxis

There are plenty of taxi ranks located around the town centre, including:

- Westover Road
- The Triangle
- The BIC
- Lansdowne
- Gervis Place
- Pier Approach
- Richmond Hill
- Bournemouth Train/Bus Station



If your group would rather pre-book, there are plenty of taxi companies you can call:

United Taxis: 01202 556677

Streamline Warrens Taxis: 01202 555511

Mobile Radio Cars: 01202 518000



### Buses

If your group wants to jump on a bus back to your hotel or B&B, More Bus operate a night bus service.

Look out for the N1 and N2 bus services which run on Friday and Saturday nights.



## BUZZING TO BE BOURNEMOUTH BOUND?

Bring out the adventurer in you and kick off your ultimate Bournemouth stag do adventure.

FIND OUT MORE

