

Reading Eliminator

Getting there and parking

St Laurence Reading, Friar Street RG1 1DA (Next to the Town Hall)

By road Reading is easily reached via the M4 J11 for the town centre is straightforward, J10 or 12 also work, Sat Navs will give suitable directions.

Below are some parking options (in no particular order)

Q Park Chatham place RG1 7DS £13 for up to 8 hours £8 for up to 5 hours, (11mins walk)

Garrard Street RG1 1NR 314 for 6 hours, £19 up to 12 (5 mins walk)

Station Car park, Vastern road RG1 8BT £11 for up to 4 hours, £18 for up to 9 hours (9 mins walk)

Queens road Car Park, RG1 4AR £10 for up to 5 hours, £12 for up to 6 hours £14 for up to 7 hours (6 mins walk)

Hills meadow car park £4.50 up to 4 hours £6.50 12 hours RG4 8DH (14 mins walk)

There are other car parks in central Reading charging similar amounts, all walking times according to Google

Alternatively the train is a viable option with frequent regular services from London and the south west, and connections to all parts of the country. Reading station is a 7 minute walk from St Laurence.

Catering

Bacon rolls and tea and coffee will be available from about 10:00am in the Church, and tea and cakes will be served there all day. There are many options for refreshments in Reading town centre to suit all tastes and budgets. Further details available on the day.

Toilets

There are toilets in the church.

Queries

Before the event contact Gill Carlill (gill.carlill@btinternet.com) or June Wells (wellsej@waitrose.com). On the day stewards will be available to answer questions.

The Draw

Will be at 11:00 in the church.

Results

Also in the church.

Pubs

There are many pubs in Reading town centre, we are suggesting the Monk's Retreat, which is very close to St Laurence in the first instance, The have been told about the competition and will get extra beer in!

Staying

There are a number of hotel chains represented in Reading, with the Novotel and the Ibis (both in Friar street) being the closest to St Laurence (only a couple of minutes walk). The Reading Central Premier Inn is a 10 minute walk, and other options are available.

Other things to do

Reading can provide all town centre amenities including a wide variety of shopping opportunities, a selection of coffee shops, a cinema, and the Kennet and Avon Canal for a stroll. Reading Museum is in the Town Hall next to St Laurence (open 10 - 4pm) housing a life-size facsimile copy of the Bayeux tapestry. Also on display currently are a selection of twentieth century landscape paintings alongside crafts and poetry inspired by them.