

## Sir Richard Arkwright's Cromford Mills are easy to find

Cromford stands on the A6 16 miles north of Derby. It is within easy reach of the M1, (about 20 minutes) and on a fast route to Buxton and so to the M6 and to Stockport and Manchester. There are numerous bus services to Cromford and a regular train service from Derby.

For train information call 08457 48 49 50

For bus information call 0870 608 2 608



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## Willersley Castle Hotel

Willersley Castle was commissioned by Sir Richard Arkwright in 1790, and has operated as a Christian hotel since 1927.

Just round the corner from the Cromford Mills, Willersley Castle is open for morning refreshments, light lunches and afternoon teas.

Why not call in and see the magnificent Adams designed fireplaces and archways, and the spectacular Well Gallery?

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THE CROMFORD MILLS

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Our staff believe in personal service and are highly trained to make your visit a real pleasure. And there are extensive fitting rooms for you to try on at your leisure.

### how to find us

We are situated around 1/3rd of a mile from Alfreton town centre off Nottingham Road and only a few minutes from junction 28 of the M1 via the A38.



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## Sir Richard Arkwright's CROMFORD MILLS



- Open 9am-5pm throughout the year (Closed Christmas Day)
- Free admission to the site and parking
- Guided Tours

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The Arkwright Society is a registered charity no. 515526  
Sir Richard Arkwright's Cromford Mills have been designated an Anchor Point for the European Route of Industrial Heritage  
The Cromford Mills are part of the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site

DERWENT VALLEY MILLS  
World Heritage Site



### Cromford in World History

In August 1771 Richard Arkwright began building a mill in Cromford. What he created became the world's first successful water powered cotton spinning mill: a vital step towards full scale factory production: his mills, workforce and factory village becoming models for others across the world.

Two hundred years later, after nearly sixty years as a colourworks, the site was heavily contaminated and almost derelict when in 1979 the Arkwright Society, a small local charity, purchased it as an act of rescue. More than £6 million has been spent conserving the site and bringing it site back into economic use.



The conservation of the site continues and it is now recognised as having international significance. In 2001 UNESCO (the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation) inscribed the Derwent Valley Mills, with Cromford at its heart, as a World Heritage Site.

The Cromford Mills are now home to many small businesses and the workplace for over 100 people. The mills are an exemplar of heritage led regeneration.

### For the general visitor

Visitors come to Sir Richard Arkwright's Cromford Mills in groups or as individuals; as serious students of the Arkwright story or as escapees from the hurly burly of Matlock Bath; as shoppers or as patrons of our mill restaurants. Whatever your reason for visiting the mills you will be made welcome.

### Refreshments

The Mill Restaurant and Wheatcroft's Wharf each serve delicious homemade lunches, cakes, speciality teas and coffees.

### Shops

There are a number of shops on site offering a diverse range of books, stationery, cards, souvenirs, and gifts. Quiltessential, Patchwork & Quilting Magazine's Retailer of the Month (Dec 2006) stocks a wide range of textile craft supplies including fabrics, wadding, threads and beads. Seymour Interiors specialise in bespoke paint finishes, a complete interior design service in addition to Farrow and Ball paints and wallpapers.

### The Gallery

The Cromford Mills' Gallery exhibits throughout the year the work of Derbyshire and Peak District artists including landscapes, still life, sculpture and photography.

### Conference Facilities

Rooms are available for hire for meetings, parties and other functions in the Gothic Warehouse beside the Cromford Canal and in the University of Derby Suite.

### The Cromford Venture Centre

A residential centre housed in a former maltings and kiln, the Cromford Venture Centre is an ideal base for parties of young people for a weekend or weekday study visit, holidays or self development courses. The centre offers self-catering accommodation for parties of up to 24 people.



Cafés



Shops



The Gallery

### Guided Tours & Educational Group Visits

Tours for visitors are available throughout the day. Many young people visit Cromford Mill each year in organised parties. From primary school to degree level, a visit to the mill can be tailored to suit individual group needs and particular areas of interest.

#### The Mill Tour (Duration approx. 1 hour)

This includes an introduction, a tour of the main mill complex and exhibition.

#### The Village Tour (Duration approx. 1 hour)

Cromford Village, the factory community built by Sir Richard and his son Richard Arkwright Junior; including the Market Place, workers housing, the Lock Up and the mill water courses.

#### The Combined Tour (Duration 2 hours)

Both of the above.

### Individual Tour Charges (per person per tour)

#### Mill and Village Tours

Adults: £3.00

Children and Concessions: £2.50

#### Combined Tour

Adults: £5.00

Concessions: £4.00

### Pre-booked Group & School Tour Charges

£2.50 per person per tour plus a Guide fee of:

**Mill Tour** £10.00; **Village Tour** £15.00; **Combined Tour** £20.00

Teachers and group leaders go free.

