

# English Sports Museums with the Spirit

Inspired by the anniversary of the impressive London Olympics Games, below are the top museums located in England and dedicated to various sporting pursuits and activities.

## **Manchester United Old Trafford Museum and Tour, Manchester**

You can tour the deified turf located at Old Trafford of one of the most successful and biggest football teams on the globe. The museum has a rich history from the time the club was first started more than 130 years ago. This gives you an exciting opportunity to peek inside the players changing room and be in awe of a wide array of silverware and trophies. You can look at the National Football Museum if you want to add more football. The museum focuses on the rise of football from the humble beginnings to the most famous sport. You can explore the FIFA collection of 140, 000 items that are free to check out.



## **Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum and Tours, London**

Andy Murray's incredible win at the Wimbledon is still fresh in the mind on the people from UK as he became the 1st British Men's Singles Champion since way back in 1936. It is possible for you to take in the champion atmosphere at the LTA Museum in London that has a wide array of interactive films and displays. Here you can view trophies, balls, racquets and outfits. You can also benefit from guided tours behind the scene areas and on the ground.

## **National Badminton Museum, Milton Keynes**

This is an interesting museum for everyone who loves the sport. On display are famous badminton rackets, original winners' cup and a shoe signed by the 2011 World Champion winner.



## **The National Horseracing Museum, Newmarket**

Discover the exciting world of horse racing with exciting galleries, tours and exhibitions allowing you to explore behind the scenes. Exhibits feature various topics such as origin of the races, thoroughbreds, trainers, owners and famous jockeys. Here you can also learn how betting has shaped the sport.

### **World Rugby Museum, Twickenham**

This is home of the famous England rugby team. The charts that are found in the museum chart the successes and heritage of the rugby national team. Visitors here are treated to the buzz around the entire grounds as preparations are going on before the much awaited Rugby World Cup in 2015. While you are here, take advantage and get closer into the rugby world by touring the trophy room, tunnels and changing rooms.



### **Brooklands Museum, Weybridge, Surrey**

The museum celebrates motorsports and aviation. It showcases history from 1907 to present day with sections on motor racing and motor industry. Section that focuses on aviation covers pioneers of flying, flying schools and First and Second World War.

### **MCC Cricket Museum, Lords Cricket Ground London**

This is one of the oldest museums that are dedicated to sports being in existence for 60 years. Displays here are collected from 1864 with original Ashes urn being the highlight. Others include real cricket kits, paintings and footage of amazing cricketing performances.

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