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Foreword

This is the 10th edition of *The Hidden Places of East Anglia* taking you on a relaxed but informative tour of **Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex and Cambridgeshire**. The guide has been fully updated and in this respect we would like to thank the Tourist Information Centres in East Anglia for helping us update the editorial content. The guide is packed with information on the many interesting places to visit in these predominantly rural counties. In addition, you will find details of places of interest and advertisers of places to stay, eat and drink included under each village, town or city, which are cross referenced to more detailed information contained in a separate, easy-to-use section to the rear of the book. This section is also available as a free supplement from the local Tourist Information Offices.

East Anglia offers plenty for the visitor to explore in real *Hidden Places* country. **Norfolk** is rightly famous for the Norfolk Broads, but also possesses gentle rolling hills, delightful pastoral scenes and a beautiful coastline rich in wildlife. **Suffolk** is blessed with incomparable rural beauty. Meandering tidal rivers and numerous streams, brooks and gullies intersect a land blended with low hills and vast open spaces. Suffolk was made famous by the brush of John Constable and his paintings reflect the sheer beauty and tranquility of this attractive county. **Essex** with its large estuaries and fishing communities, has a rich maritime tradition going back as far as Roman times. The county is equally well endowed with pretty stone-built villages and contains the oldest recorded town in England, namely Colchester. **Cambridgeshire** is most famous for its ancient university as well as being the birthplace of Oliver Cromwell and Samuel Pepys. The county offers a wealth of peaceful and attractive countryside with many towns and villages steeped in history and tradition.

The Hidden Places of East Anglia contains a wealth of interesting information on the history, the countryside, the towns and villages and the more established places of interest. But it also promotes the more secluded and little known visitor attractions and places to stay, eat and drink many of which are easy to miss unless you know exactly where you are going.

We include hotels, bed & breakfasts, restaurants, pubs, bars, teashops and cafes as well as historic houses, museums, gardens and many other attractions throughout the area, all of which are comprehensively indexed. Many places are accompanied by an attractive photograph and are easily located by using the map at the beginning of each chapter. We do not award merit marks or rankings but concentrate on describing the more interesting, unusual or unique features of each place with the aim of making the reader's stay in the local area an enjoyable and stimulating experience.

Whether you are travelling around East Anglia on business or for pleasure we do hope that you enjoy reading and using this book. We are always interested in what readers think of places covered (or not covered) in our guides so please do not hesitate to use the reader reaction form provided to give us your considered comments. We also welcome any general comments which will help us improve the guides themselves. Finally if you are planning to visit any other corner of the British Isles we would like to refer you to the list of other *Hidden Places* titles to be found to the rear of the book and to the Travel Publishing website.

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