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MIDDLESBROUGH VS IPSWICH TOWN
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ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Information in this guide is as at 9 October and is correct to the best of our knowledge. Any updated information on this fixture will be published on the club website (www.itfc.co.uk), X (@IpswichTown and @itfchelp) and Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/officialitfc>).

INFORMATION FOR TOWN FANS

We visit Middlesbrough in the Championship on Friday 17 October 2025. The following guide has been produced for Town fans making the trip to the Riverside Stadium.

This is based on information from the Middlesbrough website plus additional information specific to this game.

For any further information, please contact Tom Grover, Supporter Liaison Lead on slo@itfc.co.uk or +44 (0)7701 219724 or on X at @itfchelp.

MIDDLESBROUGH FOOTBALL CLUB INFORMATION

Address: Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough, TS3 6RS.

Website: www.mfc.co.uk

Phone number: 01642 929420

General Enquiries: reception@mfc.co.uk

Supporter Liaison Officer: Craig McManus,
craig.mcmanus@mfc.co.uk

Disability Liaison Officer: Rosemary Berks,
rosemary.berks@mfc.co.uk

X: @boro

Facebook: www.facebook.com/MFCofficial

Accessibility: www.mfc.co.uk/supporters/disabled-supporters

Safeguarding: www.mfc.co.uk/club/safeguarding/

Supporters Charter: www.mfc.co.uk/club/policies/

The Middlesbrough website includes useful information which can be found at the following link:

www.mfc.co.uk/supporters/matchdays-at-the-riverside/

<https://s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/gc-media-assets.gc.middlesbroughfcservices.co.uk/bd81c30-f7b1-11ec-8966-c3ece0e4dc0c.pdf>

Football Ground Guide provides some further information here:

<https://footballgroundguide.com/leagues/england/championship/riverside-stadium-middlesbrough.html>

KEY INFORMATION

TICKET ALLOCATION

2,118

TRAIN TRAVEL TIME

4.5 – 5 HOURS

THE AWAY END

EAST UPPER STAND

RECOMMEND PUB

TOWN CENTRE PUBS

NEAREST TRAIN STATION

MIDDLESBROUGH STATION

STADIUM POSTCODE

TS3 6RS

OFFICIAL PARKING AT THE GROUND

TOWN CENTRE CAR PARKS

CAR TRAVEL TIME

5 HOURS +

ACCESSIBLE ENTRANCE

AT THE TURNSTILES

STADIUM MAP



TICKET INFORMATION

ALLOCATION

The fixture is all ticket for Town fans. Our final allocation is 2,500 including 12 pairs of wheelchair users and personal assistant.

PRICING

- Adult - £32
- Over 65 - £24
- Under 18 - £15

Supporters under 14 must be accompanied by an adult aged 18 or over.

RETURNS

Any returns are made available via <https://tickets.itfc.co.uk/>. If you can no longer attend a game the physical ticket must be returned via post or Planet Blue to the Ticket Office by Thursday 16 October by 5pm. Failure to return the ticket will lead to no refund being provided.

Tickets will remain on sale until Thursday 16 October at 5pm with any return tickets being listed online.

SAFE SEATING

There will be safe seating in the first row of each block where possible. All supporters in 'safe seating' areas should remain seated and be mindful of older fans, families, those unable to stand for long periods and ambulant disabled fans.

TOUTING

Supporters are reminded of the Club's Ticket Touting Policy which can be found here -

<https://www.itfc.co.uk/club/policies/>.

Any supporters seeing tickets for sale outside of official channels are asked to contact touting@itfc.co.uk in order for us to investigate further.



SUPPORTERS COACH

Coach travel is priced at £47 for adults, £44 for senior / U23 and £41 for U19. A £1.50 booking fee will be applied to each ticket.

Coaches will leave at 11am from behind the Sir Bobby Robson Stand. Please ensure you are at Portman Road at least 15 minutes before this.

There will be pick-ups at Stowmarket, Bury St Edmunds and Newmarket en route to this game. Please book this when purchasing your coach tickets.

Supporters coaches will park in car park D at the stadium. Parking is directly outside the visitors' turnstiles.

Please note we no longer issue physical tickets for coach travel. Your confirmation email will act as proof of purchase with a register taking place on board.

Note that all official coaches are non-smoking and the consumption of alcohol and hot food on board is strictly forbidden. Under 16s cannot travel without an accompanying parent/guardian. Please make sure you are aware of the Terms & Conditions prior to travelling (<https://www.itfc.co.uk/club/policies/>).



TRAVEL BY TRAIN



Please note with it being an evening fixture, there are no trains back to Ipswich after the game. If you are travelling cross-country on Saturday or Sunday to return, buses replace trains between Peterborough and Ely on Saturday.

Middlesbrough Station is located on Albert Road which is a 20-minute walk from the Riverside. From Ipswich there are two options: cross-country and via London.

The cross-country route to Middlesbrough is not direct, of course. Options include changing at Peterborough and Darlington (journey time of around 4 hours 25 minutes) or Peterborough and York (journey time of around 4 hours 40 minutes). Alternatives are available via Cambridge, Peterborough and York but these take much longer.

There are cross-country options back on Saturday, but as noted above these involve a rail replacement bus service between Peterborough and Ely, or one of various even slower options. Travelling via London is likely to be much quicker.

The second option is to travel via London Kings Cross with a journey time of around 5 hours to 5 hours 15 minutes. From Liverpool Street take the Metropolitan, Circle or Hammersmith & City line to London Kings Cross. Note that you will need to change at Darlington or York or Northallerton or Eaglescliffe for trains to Middlesbrough. There are many options back to Ipswich via London on Saturday.

Whatever your travel plans, you should check www.greateranglia.co.uk or your usual train operator website for updated times.

Getting to the ground from the station

The Riverside is about 20 minutes from the railway station if you are walking. As you come out of the main station entrance, turn left onto Zetland Road. Take a left onto Albert Street and go under the railway bridge. Turn immediately right into Bridge Street East passing the Bridge pub (note this pub is not away-friendly). Take the next right into Windward Way. Stay on Windward Way, eventually passing the Hudson Quay development on the left, and continue on under the bridge to the Riverside Stadium. You will see the Riverside Stadium along most of the route. If you come out of the rear entrance to the station, turn right onto Bridge Street East. Go past the Bridge pub as per the instructions above.

There is an alternative route which takes about the same time. Instead of turning right into Windward Way you continue straight along Dock Street. At the end of Dock Street turn right into Scott's Road. Continue along Scott's Road and you will see the stadium in front of you.



TRAVEL BY CAR



Please note that a road closure operates before and immediately after the game to allow pedestrians to arrive and leave the Riverside safely. Road closures are likely to be in place for up to an hour before kick-off and up to 30 minutes after the final whistle.

The Sat Nav postcode for the stadium is TS3 6RS. As per the note above, there are road closures around the stadium before and after the game so you should use the postcode for the car park you are using (see car parking below).

From Ipswich, the obvious driving route is via the A14 / A1 / A168 / A19. Leave the A1 (M) at junction 49 (signposted Teesside) and join the A168, which, after approximately 11 miles, becomes the A19. After around a further 19 miles, take the A66 eastbound towards Middlesbrough town centre. Stay on the A66 past the town centre (which will be on your right) and follow signs to the stadium (which will be on your left). The stadium is about a 20-25 minute walk from the town centre, so if you are early, you may decide to park up in town for the shops, cafes and bars.

The A1 is usually very busy on a Friday afternoon, so we would expect a journey time of at least five hours, but you should allow at least another hour and, ideally 90 minutes beyond the AA / Google / Sat Nav suggested journey time, to allow for likely delays.

PARKING



AT THE GROUND

Middlesbrough advise parking at the stadium is available to permit holders only. Away supporters can purchase a one match permit by calling the ticket office on 01642 929421.

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ACCESSIBLE PARKING

There are five spaces available for disabled supporters of visiting teams, which can be booked by telephone on 01642 929421. Parking costs £7 each plus a £1.50 booking fee.

AROUND THE GROUND

Middlesbrough advise those who do not have a permit at the stadium should make use of town centre parking with over 3,500 long stay spaces across the centre.

For further details on where to park on a matchday please visit:

www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-transport/parking-and-permits/car-parks-and-charges-in-middlesbrough/

A map of the town centre car parks can be found here:

www.middlesbrough.gov.uk/media/kvciipiy/middlesbrough_town_centre_parking_plan.pdf

We have previously parked in the Captain Cook Square car park (this offers both short and long stay parking). Note that some car parks, such as the Zetland car park close early so do check before parking.



AROUND THE AREA



CITY CENTRE PUBS

There are no official away pubs, and the pubs nearest the ground are strictly home only. In previous visits, Town fans have enjoyed many pubs in the town centre, including, two Wetherspoons, the Isaac Wilson and the Swatters Carr, the latter of which is open to 1am Friday nights.

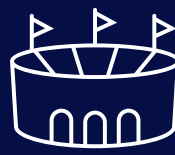
There are a few micropubs in the town centre, which beer hunters are likely to discover and enjoy, but are not suitable for larger groups.

Football Ground Guide recommends the following pub for away supporters however you may be required to cover club colours.

Six Medals , a Marstons estate-style pub – TS3 6AT



OUTSIDE THE STADIUM



TICKET COLLECTIONS

Supporters collecting tickets on the day will be able to do so via the Visitors Ticket Office located in the Southeast Corner. Supporters should use turnstiles 53-61.



MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Contact Middlesbrough if you wish to bring a drum or some sort of instrument.



PROGRAMMES

Programmes are available to purchase around the stadium or in the club shop for £4. These can also be purchased online at:

<https://www.ignitionsportsmedia.com/>



FANZONE

Supporters can enjoy the FanZone located in front of the stadium's West Stand before and after the match. There's live music and entertainment by local artists as well as a range of food and drink offers.



SECURITY CHECKS

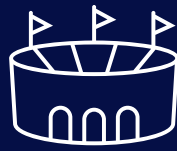
You will be subject to a search as you enter the stadium. Please have your ticket out ready to be checked. Turnstiles open 90 minutes before kick-off.



FLAGS AND BANNERS

Flags and banners are allowed at The Riverside Stadium. Please bring a certificate to show they are fire retardant.

INSIDE THE STADIUM



AWAY END



Away supporters are housed in the Upper East Stand.

FOOD & DRINK FACILITIES



There are concessions stalls throughout inside the Riverside Stadium supplying hot and cold drinks including alcohol as well as an extensive food range including burgers, pies, pizzas and hot dogs.

NO SMOKING



Smoking and the use of electronic cigarettes (and/or similar products) is not allowed inside the Riverside Stadium.



ACCESSIBILITY



ACCESSIBLE ENTRANCE

Supporters needing use of an accessible entrance can do so via exit 41.

ACCESSIBLE TOILETS

These are situated in each stand and will require a radar key to access them.

WHEELCHAIR BAYS & AMBULANT SEATING

Middlesbrough offer 12 wheelchair bays with the accompanying personal assistant seat. These are elevated. Additional spaces pitch side can be provided if needed.

ASSISTANCE DOGS

Middlesbrough can accommodate assistant dogs in the front row seats of the stadium. Do get in contact with our Disability Liaison Officer lee.smith@itfc.co.uk if you wish to bring one.

MATCHDAY COMMENTARY

The club currently has an audio descriptive commentary service available. If interested, please email rosemary.berks@mfc.co.uk or call Rosemary Berks on 01642 757661.

REFRESHMENTS

Each kiosk has lowered counters to make access easier. All raised platforms will have a waiting staff service in operation to save you from navigating a busy concourse.

CHANGING PLACES

The Riverside Stadium currently has one changing place facility located on site. This is situated in the West Lower North concourse. Please speak to the nearest steward.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PYROTECHNICS

When attending The Riverside or any away ground to support the team please remember to behave responsibly and adhere to the following points:

- Do not throw any object onto the playing surface
- Do not use offensive language or behave in an inappropriate manner
- Do not encroach on to the playing surface
- Do not enter the stadium with any flare, firework or similar device

SAFEGUARDING

All u14's must be accompanied by an adult, or they will be refused entry at the turnstile.

ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Contact the MFC Equality, Diversity and Inclusion text line by texting RSBS to 60777, giving full details of the incident and which stand, row and seat it took place if possible. The text will be sent to the matchday safety team who will investigate via steward intervention as well as direct or remote observation.

Alternatively speak to a club steward or other member of staff.

KICK IT OUT

You can also report any discrimination or anti-social behaviour to Kick it Out using the Kick It Out app which is available to download from the App Store or Google Play, or via: Facebook /kickitoutofficial; Twitter @kickitout; email info@kickitout.org ; phone 0800 169 9414.

