## The city of Oxford

The city of Oxford is in the south of England. It is located about one hour from London on the train.

Approximately 150,000 people live in Oxford. Geographically, there are two rivers that run through the city, the River Cherwell and the River Thames.

Oxford is famous for its rich culture and is a very important city in English history, in particular because it has one of the most famous universities in the world, the University of Oxford. As well as being historic, Oxford is also a vibrant and diverse place where many people of different nationalities live.

Oxford is a city full of tourists, but it is also a wonderful place to live because it offers a great range of public facilities. There are many places to socialise including some lovely restaurants, cafes, bars, shops and markets. Also the architecture is magnificent, especially the colleges of the university. An important tradition which tourists love in Oxford is punting on the River. Punting is when you are in a long boat and you use a stick to push the boat along the river.

Oxford also offers many cinemas, theatres and museums, so there is always lots to see and do.

Staying in Oxford is nice but quite expensive. There are many grand hotels in the centre, but also lovely bed and breakfast hotels in the pretty villages that surround Oxford that are very popular.

Getting to the city is easy, there are good transport links to London by train or bus. This means it is simple to fly to London and catch the train to Oxford.

In my opinion, Oxford is a fantastic place to visit. Living in Oxfordshire, sometimes the thousands of tourists there can be a bit annoying! I really love where I live, because I live 15 minutes from the city, so I can enjoy the countryside aswell as the busy atmosphere of the city.

By Janica, 20. English student