

## Shopping

The county plays host to the largest retail outlet in Europe (Bluewater) and offers a wealth of local markets and shopping districts, while the shops, fashion boutiques and markets of northern France are only an hour away.

### Ashford Designer Outlet

A visually striking designer retail outlet designed by Lord Rogers, who designed the Millennium Dome, can be reached by shuttle bus from Ashford International station or by following the signs to International Station and designer outlet off Junction 10 of the M20.

**Tel: 020 7535 2300**

**[www.ashforddesigneroutlet.com](http://www.ashforddesigneroutlet.com)**

### Bluewater

Europe's largest retail and leisure complex has over 300 shops, numerous restaurants and excellent facilities catering for disabled visitors and qualified child care services for those with children.

The triangular shape of the centre makes shopping easy, with a department store at each corner. Bluewater is a mile from the M25 and the A2/M2 Junction, there is free parking for 13,000 cars and a walk-on shuttle bus service from Bluewater-Greenhithe station for those travelling by rail.

**Tel: 0870 777 0252**

**[www.bluewater.co.uk](http://www.bluewater.co.uk)**

### Canterbury

Meander Canterbury's medieval streets to specialist emporia and art galleries as well as the 100-plus famous name stores in Whitefriars quarter.

**[www.visitcanterbury.co.uk](http://www.visitcanterbury.co.uk)**

### De Bradelei Wharf

Situated in Dover's historic Wellington Dock, De Bradelei Wharf offers cut-price designer goods to shoppers every day of the week. There are also homeware shops and restaurants on-site.

**Tel: 01773 882442**

**[www.debradelei.com](http://www.debradelei.com)**

### Fremlin Walk

Built on the site of an old Kentish brewery, this new shopping development is ideal for seeking out for the latest trends and luxury brands. Located in Maidstone, just off the M20, it boasts over 50 shops and 800 parking spaces.

**Tel: 01622 356580**

**[www.fremlinwalk.co.uk](http://www.fremlinwalk.co.uk)**

### Hempstead Valley

Hempstead Valley offers a wide and varied selection of shops to the Medway towns. It is just off Junction 4 of the M2 and Gillingham and Rochester stations are only a ten minute drive away.

**Tel: 01634 387 076**

**[www.hempsteadvalley.co.uk](http://www.hempsteadvalley.co.uk)**

### The Pantiles

This famous colonnaded walkway in Tunbridge Wells is home to antique shops and specialist small boutiques, as well as the Pantiles Shopping Arcade found in the old Corn Exchange building.

**[www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk](http://www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk)**



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Designer shopping in Ashford

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