



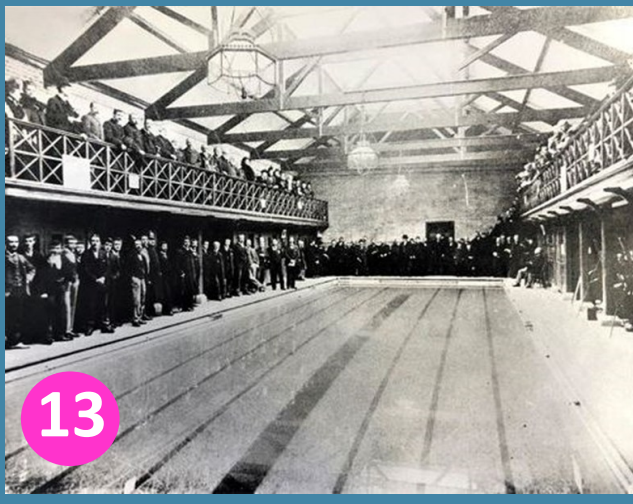
IPSWICH MARITIME TRUST
Explore a sailing barge or two. Talk to the crew. Take part in a maritime-themed workshop . Entry to all vessels and activities is free.



MUTUAL HOUSE
Suffolk Building Society. A chance to have a look behind the scenes at this Grade II listed building & see the old bank vault.



IPSWICH REGENT THEATRE
3 St. Helens Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 1HE



FORE STREET POOL
Fore Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 1JZ
An elegant Victorian design with a fully glazed roof.



Find out more on our website.
subsequently made Ipswich their home.
distinguished people who were born in the town or who
continues to be an important and relevant tribute to the
We started at the turn of the millennium, the scheme
Plaques scheme begun in the capital.
around the town, our version of the English Heritage Blue
The Ipswich Society has installed nearly thirty blue plaques
our buildings.
may be pleasantly surprised as you scan the upper floors of
Have a good look around the façades of our streets, you

Ipswich Society Blue Plaques



CURZON LODGE
47 St. Nicholas Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP11BW.
Talk and Mini Tour.



BETHESDA
9 St. Margarets Plain, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 2BB
Bethesda is an evangelical Baptist Church.



**IPSWICH ART TRAIL AT
UNITARIAN MEETING HOUSE**
13 Tower St, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 3BE
A grand selection of creative work by a variety
of Ipswich based artists.



**UNITARIAN MEETING HOUSE—
TALKS**
Life's Rich Tapestry & Architectural Oddities.



IPSWICH SCHOOL
25 Henley Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 3SG.
Ipswich School will be opening its doors for a
fascinating tour of the school's long history.



IPSWICH TRAIL MAKERS
ABP Ipswich, Old Custom House Common Quay,
Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 1BY. A digital Blue Plaque
Trail. Made by primary schools & the Heritage
Blue Plaques of Ipswich



AUDATOURS & GUIDED TOURS
Cornhill Ipswich, IP1 1HD.
'Hands that built the port'
'Unsung Heroes'



IPSWICH MASONIC HALL
8-10 Soane Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 2BG
Take a look around the temple and museum,
find out all about Freemasonry from some of
Suffolk's Freemasons.



**IPSWICH TOWN HALL &
CORN EXCHANGE**
Cornhill, Ipswich, IP1 1HD—Guided tours.



ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH
Soane Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 2BE.



**ST PETER'S BY THE WATER-
FRONT**
College Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 1BF
The Ipswich Charter Hangings.



GIPPESWYK HALL
Gippeswyk Avenue, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP2 9AF
Red Rose Chain invite you to explore Gippeswyk
Hall & The Avenue Theatre.



The Ipswich Society was founded in 1960 and is a communi-
ty of
people who care about the
appearance, character and
well-being of the town,



For more information about The Ipswich Society, please
visit the website: www.ipswichsociety.org or scan the QR
code below.



TOWN TOURS
Visit the Heritage Web Site for more
information. The Walks starts at
Admiral's House in Tower Street.



THE HOLD
Suffolk Archives 131 Fore Street, Ipswich, Suffolk,
IP4 1LR.



**SUFFOLK ENERGY-FROM-
WASTE FACILITY**
Lodge Lane, Great Blakenham, Suffolk, IP6 0JE



SPROUGHTON TITHE BARN
Lower street, Sproughton, Ipswich, Suffolk,
IP83AA



THE ANCIENT HOUSE
Buttermarket, Ipswich, IP1 1BT
A Grade 1 listed Building dating from the 15th
century.



CLAY 1A OPEN DAY
Waterfront House, 1A Wherry Quay, Ipswich,
Suffolk, IP4 1AS .



ST MARY AT THE ELMS CHURCH
Elm Street, IP1 2EF



**CHRIST CHURCH UNITED REFORMED
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Tacket Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP4 1AU

Welcome to Heritage Open Days 2026
The Ipswich Society is proud to coordinate the Heritage Open Days event
in our town on behalf of the town and all our great participants.
The buildings available to visit represent seven centuries of Ipswich
history. There are over 30 buildings open this year, along with free guided
walks around some of the town's best locations.
In several buildings you may find refreshments on offer and we would
recommend the town's independent cafés for any food and drink
requirements you might have - or pack a picnic and make a day of it in one
of our beautiful parks.
The annual Heritage Open Days have established the event as a great
opportunity to explore the town and discover Ipswich's hidden heritage,
but please check carefully the listing for each venue or event. Opening
times were correct at the time of going to press but sometimes last minute
changes are unavoidable. If you are travelling any distance and hoping to
see a specific building, we would recommend that you check details in
advance of your journey.

Please go to the Heritage Open Days Web Site for further
information, latest date, times & how to book (where required).
<https://www.heritageopendays.org.uk>
Or scan the QR code to go straight to Ipswich Events.



ST CLEMENT'S ART CENTRE
Fore Street, Ipswich, IP4 1JZ
Turning the Tide contemporary art installation.



**CONTROL TOWER MUSEUM
SHOWCASE EVENT**
Parkers Place, Eagle Way, Martlesham Heath,
Ipswich, Suffolk, IP5 3UZ



IPSWICH MINSTER
Tower Street, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 3BE



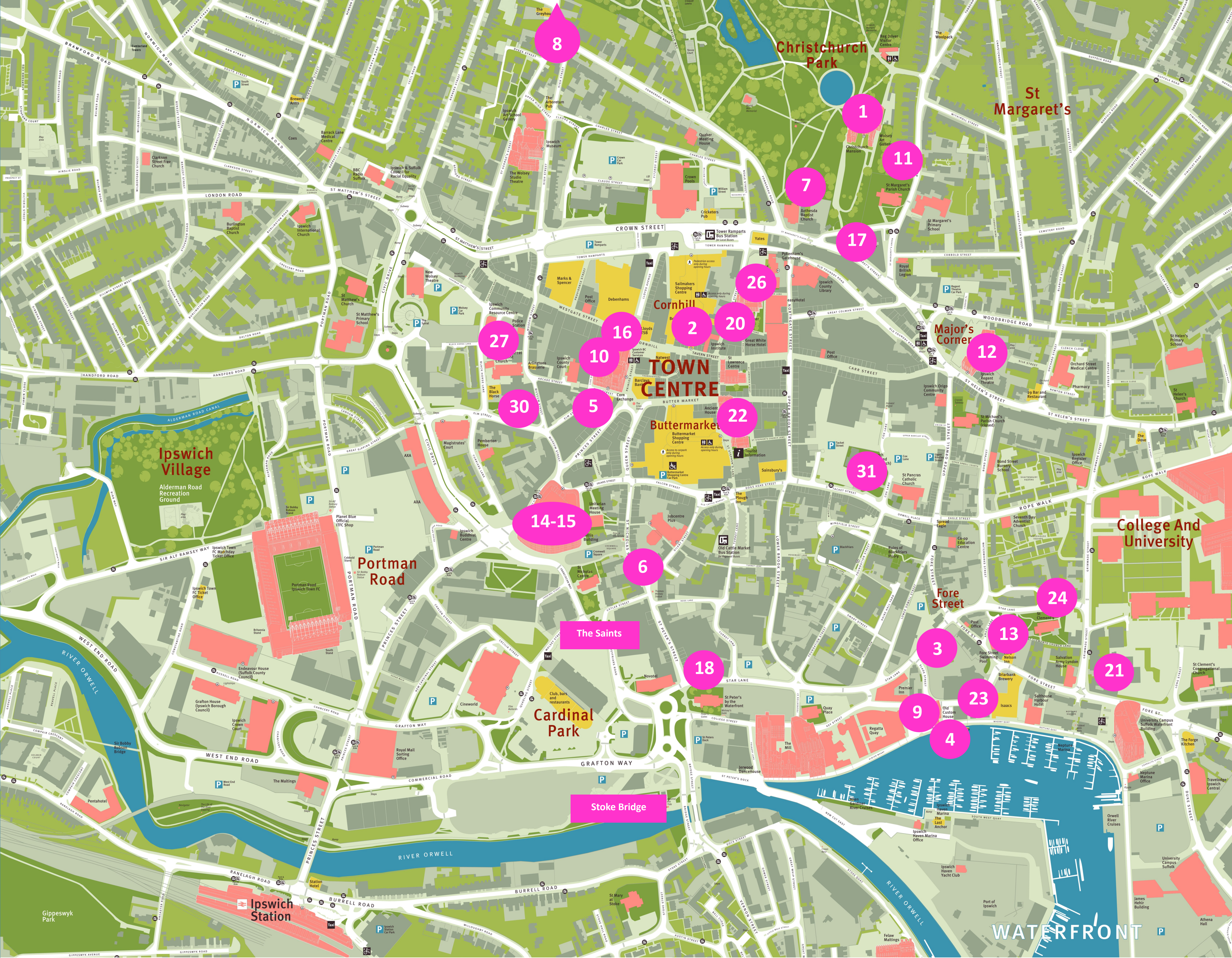
**IPSWICH SOCIETY TALK &
HERITAGE OPEN DAY FILM
SHOWING**
Museum Street Methodist Church, 17 Black Horse
Lane, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP12EF



IPSWICH HERITAGE OPEN DAYS

11-20 SEPTEMBER 2026

Heritage Open Days is England's largest community led
festival of history and culture, involving thousands of
local volunteers and organisations. Every year in
September it brings people together to celebrate their
heritage, community and history. Stories are told,
traditions explored, and histories brought to life. It's your
chance to see hidden places and try out new experiences
and it's all FREE.



	Location	What's On	When
1	Christchurch Mansion	Guided Tours : The Families of Christchurch Mansion (Pre-Booking Not Required)	12th & 13th of September 11:00 — 15:30
2	Ipswich Institute Reading Room and Library	Viewings (Pre-Booking Not Required)	12th of September 10:00 — 15:00
3	Old Jewish Cemetery, Total Car Parks, 3 Salthouse Lane, IP4 1GA	A Grade II listed burial site containing graves of the Jewish community in Suffolk (Pre-Booking Not Required)	11th & 18th of September 10:00 — 13:00
4	Ipswich Heritage Harbour	Ipswich Maritime Trust festivities in the Heritage Harbour. Explore a sailing barge or two. Talk to the crew. Take part in a maritime-themed workshop	12th & 13th of September 10:00 — 16:00
5	Mutual House, Suffolk Building Society	Tour this Grade II listed building, originally built as the Ipswich branch of Parr's bank in 1901.	12th of September 09:00 — 16:00, 13th of September 10:00 — 15:00
6	Curzon Lodge Cellar	See inside the cellar in our 14C building, a well known loved building in Ipswich	20th of September 11:00, 12:00 & 13:00
7	Bethesda Baptist Church	Viewings (Pre-Booking Not Required)	12th of September 10:00 — 16:00
8~	Ipswich School	Guided Tours (Pre-Booking Not Required)	19th of September 09:00, 10:00 & 11:00
9	Old Custom House (Start point)	Ipswich Trail Makers - Digital Blue Plaque Trail (Pre-Booking Not Required)	Available anytime
10	Ipswich Town Hall And Corn Exchange	Guided Tours (Pre Booking Required)	12th of September 10:00, 12:00, 14:00 & 16:00
11	St. Margaret's Church	Self Guide (Pre-Booking Not Required)	12th of September 09:00 — 17:00, 13th of September 13:00 — 16:00
12	Ipswich Regent	Back Stage tours (Pre-booking required)	13th September 10:00, 12:00, 14:00 & 16:00 (Fully booked)
13	Fore Street Pool	General Viewing And Exhibition	12th & 13th of September 10:00 — 15:00
14	Unitarian Meeting House - Ipswich Art Trail	A grand selection of creative work by a variety of Ipswich based artists . Also open for viewing this Grade I listed building built in 1699. (Pre-booking not required)	12th of September 10:00 — 17:00, 13th of September 10:00 — 16:00. General viewing—12th of September 09:00-17:00, 13th of September 12:00—16:00
15	Unitarian Meeting House - Talks	Life's Rich Tapestry—A talk exploring the language of the textile . (Pre-booking not required) Architectural Oddities—A talk about special architectural features in Suffolk (Pre-booking not required)	15th of September 19:00 17th of September 19:00
16	Cornhill Ipswich - AudaTours - Unsung Heroes	Ipswich Audio Tour. Hands that Built the Port. Ipswich Cornhill. Online & In person. (Book on the Day) A walk to celebrate Ipswich's Volunteer Army promoting the town's heritage and culture . (Pre-book)	Available anytime 19th of September. 14:00 at Cornhill.
17	Ipswich Masonic Hall	Guided Tours (No Booking Required)	12th & 13th of September 10:00 — 16:00
18	St Peter's Church	View the building, heritage displays and the Ipswich Charter Hangings. (Craft fair on the 12th only.)	12th (craft fair), 13th, 15th & 17th of September 10:00 — 16:00. 16th of September 12:00—14:00.
19~	Gippeswyk Hall (Red Rose Chain)	Guided Tours (No Booking Required)	19th of September 10:00 — 16:00 (Doors open). Tours from 11:00. Last entry 15:30.
20	Guided Tour (Begins at Admiral's House)	Town Tour (Pre-Booking Required) (The Story of Ipswich 10 Buildings)	12th of September 10:30 (Lasts approximately 90mins)
21	The Hold 131 Fore Street	Suffolk Archives - Everyday Histories through Suffolk Diaries (Pre-Booking Required) Visit behind-the-scenes and see how we conserve and preserve over 900 years of Suffolk's history	12th of September 10:15-11:15, 12:00-13:00, 14:00-15:30 13th of September 10:15-11:15, 12:00-13:00, 14:00-15:30
22	The Ancient House	Guided Tours & general viewing of this Grade 1 listed building dating from the 15th century. Walking Tour starting at the Ancient House — Ipswich Life through the Ages (Pre-booking required)	12th & 13th of September 10:00-16:00 13th of September 10:30
23	Waterfront House, 1A Wherry Quay	CLAY 1A Open Day - Have a peek inside the stripped back building and to participate in some test exhibits	12th of September 10:30-14:00
24	St Clement's Art Centre	Come and look around St Clement's church and find out about some of the people who lived in the parish	12th of September 09:00-17:00 & 13th of September 10:00-16:00
25~	Martlesham Control Tower	Showcase - Songs, stalls and special events. Food & drink and Grand Prize Draw. (Pre-booking not required)	13th of September 11:00 & 16:30
26	The Ipswich Minster	Guided tours of the church; opportunities for beginners to sample bell-ringing	12th of September 10:00—16:00
27	Museum Street Methodist Church	Film showing—Ipswich Heritage Open Days 2003 Ipswich Society Talk. 'Everyday History Heroes', Nigel Ball and Rob Ramsden - Cowell's Printing.	12th of September 12:00 & 13:15 16th of September 19:30—21:00
28~	Suffolk Energy-From-Waste Facility	Find out about the Suffolk energy-from-waste facility and waste in Suffolk. (Pre-Booking Required)	19th of September 10:00 & 1300
29~	Sproughton Tithe Barn	The historic Tithe Barn is in the village of Sproughton on the Lower Street. Access via the 8b bus or car.	20th of September 13:00—16:00
30	St Mary at the Elms Church	First mentioned in 1204 as a possession of the Augustinian Priory of Holy Trinity the present church building was probably from the early 12th century, the date of south door. Displays, photographs & Quiz.	12th of September 9:00—17:00 (Said Mass at 9:00) 13th of September from 10:30—16:30 (Sung Mass at 10:45)
31	Christ Church United Reformed Baptist Ch.	Open for viewing. See inside this church which was built in the grand Gothic Revival style.	12th of September 9:00—1700
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