

Getting There

Closest major international airports are London Heathrow and London Gatwick.

From **London Heathrow**, *National Express* has hourly coaches that link Heathrow's Central Bus Station (within walking distance of Terminals 1-3) with the Southampton coach station. *National Express* ticket desks can be found in Terminals 1 and 3, as well as the Central Bus Station. The return fare is GBP 17, and journey time is about 1 hr 45 min. There is a taxi firm at the Southampton coach station to bring you to your hotel. The coach station is part of the West Quay Shopping Centre, close to the city centre (underneath the blue 'i' on the hotel map).

Schedules available at <http://www.nationalexpress.com/nxairport/home.cfm>

For late arrivals / early departures, a long-distance taxi can be booked (GBP 55 each way). For those being supported by OOPC, note that reimbursement is for a maximum terminal fee of US\$120, which will not cover this cost both ways. Please contact us with your exact itinerary to book.

From **London Gatwick** there are train links to Southampton. The best route is to take the train towards London (*South Central Trains*), and change at Clapham Junction for a direct service to Southampton (*South West Trains*). Total travel time is about 2 hrs, and there are services at least hourly during the day, at GBP 30-40 return (roundtrip). There are also direct trains from Gatwick to Southampton (*South Central*), though these are less comfortable with more stops, and take the same amount of time. The Southampton train station is near the city centre (red box near 'Civic Centre' on the hotel map).

Schedules available at <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/planmyjourney/>

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From **London**, direct trains link London Waterloo station with Southampton (*South West Trains*). Travel time is 1 hr 15 min, there are services at least once hourly during the day, at GBP 25-49 return.

Flights from Southampton airport are also available to some western European cities.