

A Coal Miner's Story Snibston Colliery Tours

April - December 2026

Snibston Colliery Park, Ashby Road, Coalville. LE67 3LN

Colliery Tours and 40th Anniversary events commemorating the closure of Snibston, Whitwick and South Leicester Collieries.



Dates

April | Sunday 12 | Saturday 25 🚗

May | Sunday 10 | Saturday 23

June | Sunday 7 | Saturday 20

July | Sunday 5 | Saturday 18

August | Sunday 2 | Saturday 22 🚗

September | Sunday 6 🚗 | Sunday 20 🚗

October | Sunday 4 | Saturday 17 |

Friday 30 🚗 | Saturday 31 🚗

November | Sunday 15 | Saturday 28

December | Saturday 13 🚗

Dates marked with a 🚗 are special events. Note colliery tour times on 25 April and 30 October are different. See over for details.

Snibston Colliery Park is a FREE attraction for all the family. Car parking fees apply.

Tour times

11am and 1.30pm.

Each tour is about 1½ hours.

All tours start and finish at the Colliery Café.

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Tickets

Adult £8, children under 14 free. Tickets via Eventbrite: A Coal Miner's Story Eventbrite (pre-booking is advised) or on the day subject to availability.

- Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Steps are part of the tour.
- Comfortable shoes are recommended.
- Special events, displays and exhibitions are free and do not require booking.

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WHAT'S NEW FOR 2026

Snibston Colliery Closure 40th Anniversary Special Events

In 1986 Snibston, Whitwick and South Leicester Collieries, which were linked underground, closed ending over 150 years of coalmining in Coalville. To commemorate these closures there will be a series of special events and activities.

Saturday 25 April | Miners' "Dirty Bus" Specials

Event: 10.30am – 4.30pm. | Colliery Tours: 11.00am and 2.00pm.

Display of classic buses used to transport miners from home to the mine. In collaboration with Leicester Transport Heritage Trust who will display three preserved buses. At 12.00 noon there will be a free classic bus tour from Snibston to Desford and back.



Saturday 22 August | Miners' Snap

Event: 10.00am – 4.00pm. | Colliery Tours: 11.00am and 1.30pm.

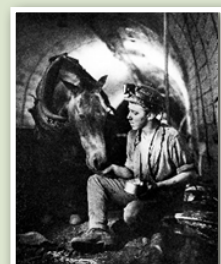
What did miners have for their 'snap'? Learn about traditional miners' food and history with food to sample and a display of recipes. In collaboration with Grounds Colliery Café.

Sunday 6 September | Snibston Historic Bus Festival

Event: 10.00am – 4.30pm. | Colliery Tours: 11.00am and 1.30pm.

In collaboration with the Leicester Transport Heritage Trust and following the successful '100 Years of Midland Red in Coalville' Bus Festival in 2025, this year's event will showcase other preserved buses and cars. Free classic bus trips during the day.

Hello Heritage Event. For further details of other events and activities go to www.nwleics.gov.uk/helloheritage



Sunday 20th September | Snibston Colliery Open Day

Event: 10.00am – 4.30pm. | Colliery Tours: 11.00am and 1.30pm.

A special day to celebrate the story of Snibston, Whitwick and South Leicester collieries with exhibitions and displays.

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Friday 30 October | Ghostly Goings on in the Pit - Halloween Colliery Tours

Colliery Tours: 5.30pm and 7.00pm.

A chance to tour the colliery by lantern light and experience its spooky atmosphere. Stories of ghostly goings on in the mines will be told by the guides.



Saturday 31 October | Haunting Tales from the Pit - Halloween Colliery Tours

Colliery Tours: 11.00am and 1.30pm.

Join the colliery guides as they tell their haunting tales of ghostly goings on at the pit.



Sunday 13 December | A Miners' Christmas

Event: 10.30am – 4.00pm.

Colliery Tours: 11.00am and 1.30pm.

The colliery guides will tell their stories of Christmas at the pit and in Grounds Colliery Café there will be toys to play with from the 1950s to 1970s.

Snibston Heritage Trust works in collaboration with Leicestershire County Council to preserve and interpret the historic Snibston Colliery and the heritage of the Leicestershire coal industry for the benefit of the community and education.

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