

Icons of Essex

Voted for by the public in January 2025

Top 50 (ordered by total number of votes received)

- 1. Southend Pier & Railway
- 2. Topsail Charters, Maldon
- 3. Colchester Castle and Park
- 4. Lakeside Shopping Centre, Thurrock
- 5. Colchester Zoo
- 6. RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Chelmsford
- 7. Kelvedon Hatch Secret Nuclear Bunker
- 8. Layer Marney Tower, Colchester
- 9. Hedingham Castle, Halstead
- 10. The Gardens of Easton Lodge, Great Dunmow
- 11. Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome, Chelmsford
- 12. Hylands House & Estate, Chelmsford
- 13. Colchester Roman Circus
- 14. Electric Palace Cinema, Harwich
- 15. Mercury Theatre, Colchester
- 16. Redwings Horse Sanctuary Ada Cole, Roydon
- 17. Audley End House & Gardens, Saffron Walden
- 18. Jumbo, Colchester
- 19. Essex Fire Museum, Grays
- 20. Mersea Island
- 21. Maldon Promenade Park
- 22. The Basin Waterside Market at The Jolly Sailor, Heybridge Basin



- 23. Firstsite, Colchester
- 24. Adventure Island, Southend-on-Sea
- 25. Talliston House & Gardens, Great Dunmow
- 26. Parndon Mill, Harlow
- 27. Frinton-on-Sea
- 28. Epping Forest
- 29. Chapel of St Peter-on-the-Wall, Bradwell-on-Sea
- 30. Chelmsford Retail Market
- 31. The County Hotel Chelmsford
- 32. The Blue Boar, Maldon
- 33. Milsoms, Dedham
- 34. Clacton Pier
- 35. Finchingfield
- 36. Hadleigh Castle
- 37. Markshall, Colchester
- 38. Talbooth House & Spa, Dedham
- 39. Shire Hall, Chelmsford
- 40. Cliffs Pavilion, Southend-on-Sea
- 41. Dovercourt Bay Leading Lighthouses, Tendring
- 42. Naze Tower, Walton-on-the-Naze
- 43. Museum of Chelmsford
- 44. Dedham
- 45. Hanningfield Reservoir
- 46. Marconi Building, Chelmsford
- 47. Saffron Walden Tourist Information Centre
- 48. Abberton Nature Discovery Park, Colchester
- 49. Admirals Park, Chelmsford
- 50. Barleylands Farm Park, Basildon



Icons continued (in alphabetical order)...

- 1935 Rooftop Restaurant & Bar, Holiday Inn Southend
- Art Deco Houses, Tendring
- Basildon Sign
- Batemans Tower, Brightlingsea
- Battlesbridge
- Beach Huts, Walton-on-the-Naze
- Bedfords Park, Romford
- Beecroft Art Gallery, Southend-on-Sea
- Bell Tower at St. Martin's Church, Basildon
- BENCHspace Jewellery School, Brightlingsea
- Beth Chatto Gardens, Colchester
- Billericay Theatre
- Blackwater Sailing Club, Maldon
- Blue Therapy Active, Southend-on-Sea
- Booking Office Café, Rayne
- Boudicca
- Boydells Farm, Braintree
- Braintree Discovery Centre
- Brentwood High Street
- Bridge End Gardens, Saffron Walden
- Brightlingsea Lido
- Burnham-on-Crouch Quay
- Butt Road Church Remains, Colchester
- Byrhtnoth Statue, Maldon
- Call of the Wild Zoo, South Woodham Ferrers
- Camelia Hotel, Southend-on-Sea



- Canvey Island
- Castle Hedingham
- Central Museum and Planetarium, Southend-on-Sea
- Chain Home Tower, Great Baddow
- Chappel Viaduct
- Charli XCX
- Charter Hall, Colchester
- Chawkwell Promenade, Southend-on-Sea
- Chelmsford Cathedral
- Chelmsford City Racecourse
- Chelmsford High Street
- Coal House Fort, Tilbury
- Cockle Sheds, Leigh-on-Sea
- Coggeshall Grange Barn
- Colchester Arts Centre
- Copped Hall, Epping
- Cressing Temple Barn, Braintree
- Crocus Flower
- Dermot O'Leary
- Down Hall Hotel Spa & Estate, Bishops Stortford
- Epping Ongar Railway
- Essex Coastline & Estuaries
- Essex County Cricket Club
- Finchingfield Windmill
- Gemma Collins
- Grayson Perry
- Great Notley Country Park



- Greyfriars, Colchester
- Hadleigh Park
- Hanningfield Reservoir
- Ha'penny Pier, Harwich
- Harlow Museum & Walled Gardens
- Harlow Pets' Corner
- Harlow Sculpture Park
- Harlow Town Park
- Harwich Seal Watching
- Harwich Time and Tide Bell
- Hatfield Forest
- Heybridge Basin
- Hipkins Beach, Walton-on-the-Naze
- Hockley Woods, Rochford
- Hollytrees, Colchester
- Hollywood Bowl at Lakeside Shopping Centre, Thurrock
- Hopefield Animal Sanctuary, Brentwood
- House for Essex, Wrabness
- Hullbridge River Walk, Hockley
- Hythe Quay, Maldon
- Ingatestone Hall
- Jaywick Martello Tower
- Judge Tindal, Tindal Square, Chelmsford
- Killicks Bar and Restaurant, Clacton-on-Sea
- Kursaal, Southend-on-Sea
- Lake Meadows Park, Billericay
- Lee Valley Farm, Waltham Abbey



- Legra Tap and Kitchen, Southend-on-Sea
- Little Easton Manor, Great Dunmow
- Maeldune Heritage Centre, Maldon
- Maldon Splash Park
- Manningtree Walls
- Marco Polo Indian Restaurant, Wickford
- Margaret Hide, Fingringhoe Wick Nature Park
- Marsh Farm Animal Adventure Park, South Woodham Ferrers
- Meadow Croft Garden Centre, Wickford
- Melbourne Athletics Centre, Chelmsford
- Mersea Beach Huts
- Mistley Towers
- Moot Hall, Maldon
- Mountfitchet Castle, Stansted Mountfitchet
- Mountnessing Windmill
- Mrs Peggy Dowie, Founder of the Pier Museum, Southend-on-Sea
- Native Colchester Oysters
- New Hall Vineyard, Chelmsford
- Nickelodeon Adventure, Lakeside Shopping Centre
- North Weald Airfield Control Tower
- Northey Island
- Old Knobbley, Mistley Woods
- Olly Murs
- Osea Island, Maldon
- Palace Theatre, Southend-on-Sea
- Paper Mill Lock, Chelmsford
- Paycockes House, Coggeshall



- Princes Theatre, Clacton-on-Sea
- Prittlewell Priory & Park, Southend-on-Sea
- Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge, Epping
- Rayleigh Mount & Rayleigh Windmill
- Remus Horse Sanctuary, Ingatestone
- River Colne
- River Stour through Dedham
- Riverside Ice & Leisure, Chelmsford
- Riverside Park, Burnham-on-Crouch
- Roman Walls, Colchester
- Roslin Hotel, Southend-on-Sea
- Rossi Ice Cream Parlour, Southend-on-Sea
- Saffron Walden Museum
- Sealife Adventure, Southend-on-Sea
- Sir Alan Sugar
- Southchurch Hall and Gardens
- Southend Cliff Lift
- St John's Abbey Gate, Colchester
- St Mary's Church, Maldon
- St Michael & All Angels' Church, Galleywood
- Stansted Airport
- Stock Windmill, Ingatestone
- Stoke by Nayland Resort
- SUPsect Paddleboard Group, Leigh-on-Sea
- Thaxted Windmill
- The Gardeners Pub, Springfield
- The P.T Barn, Stanford-le-Hope



- The Packing Shed, Mersea Island
- The Pier at Harwich
- The Pink Toothbrush Nightclub, Rayleigh
- The Toilets at Colchester Art Centre
- Thorndon Country Park & Gruffalo Trail
- Thorney Bay Beach, Canvey Island
- Tilbury Fort
- Tiptree Jam
- Tollesbury Wick Marshes & Lightship
- Towngate Theatre, Basildon
- Walton Pier
- Weald Country Park
- White Horse of Essex, also known as the Three Seaxes, on the Essex coat of arms
- Wivenhoe
- Wivenhoe House Hotel

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