

VISITING CHESAPEAKE MILL

OPENING TIMES

Tues – Sat 10.00 – 5.00 Sun & Bank Holidays 11.00 – 4.00

THE MILL

The Mill is an extraordinary Grade II* listed building that has both a fascinating and unique history.

THE HERITAGE ROOM

The Heritage Room houses a small museum dedicated to the history of Chesapeake Mill. Here, the full account of the famous battle between USS Chesapeake and HMS Shannon, that took place in 1813, can be seen, along with other interesting information regarding the history of Wickham.



The room is quite small, so you may have to wait to view the exhibits. In the mean time, you can enjoy some refreshment in the café near at hand.

Some of the **MILL MACHINERY** is open to view and a great deal more can be viewed by appointment with the Management. All around you are the timbers of the early 19th century ship that lends the mill its name and with which it was largely built.

OUTSIDE THE MILL

There is a small car park outside the mill which is almost invariably full. Car parking is available either in Wickham Square or in the old railway Station Car Park, both of which are a short walk away. There is an information board in the Mill car park that says a little about Wickham's history.



The **DIP HOLE** consists of a set of steps built in 1820 by public subscription to allow the villagers to collect water from a channelled section of the River Meon safely and cleanly at a time before Wickham had piped water. The Dip Hole was restored by the current villagers in 1994-5. A plaque records the event.

THE SHOPS IN THE MILL

There is an eclectic mix of shops offering antiques, home furnishings, jewellery, gifts and cards.

THE CAFÉ MEON - OPENING TIMES

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The café offers Vegetarian, Vegan and Gluten Free Light Bites and Lunches. It specialises in Gluten Free and Dairy Free Cakes. Seating is inside the Mill and also on a narrow terrace outside, overlooking the mill race and River Meon.

