

Mercure SOUTHAMPTON CENTRE DOLPHIN HOTEL



Jane Austen's 18th Birthday Party Venue

The Mercure Southampton Dolphin Hotel is in the Old Town area of Southampton City Centre where it has stood for over 600 years, serving throughout this period as a welcome place to rest for weary travellers. Today the building is classed as a grade two 'star' building.

The Biggest Bay Windows in England

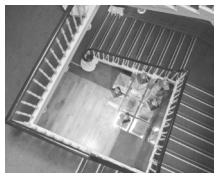
The hotel was first established in 1550 and has a fascinating history. Shakespeare and company performed plays in the inn yard, Thomas Hardy refers to it in Trumpet Major and Jane Austen danced here at Assembly Balls during two stages of her life (arranged by Florence Nightingale's mother).



The hotel was rebuilt in 1775 to accommodate spa visitors and it supposedly has the biggest bay windows in England; Thackeray sat in one of them to write Penderennis.

Come and enjoy something to eat and drink at the Dolphin hotel where Jane Austen held her eighteenth birthday party.

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