

Guide to Port Sunlight village - including two tours of the village

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PORT SUNLIGHT MUSEUM & GARDEN VILLAGE

Lever was not the first industrialist to build houses for his workers. The village is set in 130 acres of what can only be described as beautifully-maintained parkland with a mature treescape. I am assuming that Lever was displaying the taste typical of high Victorian industrialists, especially his gorgeous Alma Tadema, Watts and Leighton paintings.

Port Sunlight

The houses were beautiful from the front but less appealing at the back although each had a garden or a small tiled yard. I have such mixed feelings about such developments and they were such a small number of homes compared to the demand. After its use as the Institute this building served as the British Legion for many years.

Truely remarkable one mans vision

The site became Port Sunlight, where built his works and a to house his employees. But there is another reason for my interest.

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It was built as a dedication to his wife Elizabeth Ellen, who died in 1913. Undaunted, Lever turned the building into a free library and museum.

Beautiful & surprising Port Sunlight Tour

Opened in 1922 by , the art gallery shows Lever's collection and modern-day artwork.

A Guide to Port Sunlight Village: Including Two Tours of the Village

Christ Church is the final resting place of both Lever and his wife. The houses in these model villages were certainly better than the crowded slums of Victorian cities.

Liverpool Luxury

The model industrial village of Port Sunlight was founded by the soap manufacturer W. Port Sunlight was built by to accommodate workers in its soap factory now part of ; work commenced in 1888. There is also an amazing memorial to the workers who fell in WW1 and WW2, and a section of the garden dedicated to the Liverpool 96 who died at the Hillsborough football disaster.

Port Sunlight Village

The original hall in Salford was demolished in the mid-twentieth century and replaced by a housing estate so now only this reproduction remains.

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