Travelling to Bristol from abroad

Most flights to England come to London. With standard airlines this is generally to London Heathrow, and most budget airlines fly to London Stansted. You can get a train from both of these airports which will take you to London and from there on to Nailsea & Backwell (where I live and the wedding will take place). Stansted is further outside of London than Heathrow and so the train journey will cost more. (N.B. trains in England are expensive and not totally reliable, although you usually end up at your desired destination eventually!!)

Alternatively, if there are flights from your departure point to Bristol airport, this is very close to where I live and there would be no cost for trainfares. However, the flight ticket may well cost more, or you might have to change somewhere.

If you need any advice then please feel free to email me at wedding@jollys.org or call me and I will do my best to help you.

Below are some sample train times from Heathrow and Stansted, and approximate fare costs.

If you go to http://www.thetrainline.com you can find out exact times and prices. You may also be able to book tickets on-line although I am not totally sure if you can do this with a non-british credit card, but you can have a go! If you are able to book a couple of weeks in advance, ticket prices are often cheaper.

Journey from Heathrow to Nailsea & Backwell:

Thursday 23 September 2004 Station HEATHROW EXP 4 LONDON PADDINGTON BRISTOL PARKWAY BRISTOL TEMPLE MEADS NAILSEA & BACKWELL	Arr 13:33 15:22 15:40 16:12	Dep 13:10 14:00 15:30 16:00	Travel by Train Train Train Train	Service Provider HEATHROW EXPRESS FIRST GREAT WESTERN VIRGIN TRAINS WESSEX TRAINS
Thursday 23 September 2004 Station HEATHROW EXP 4 LONDON PADDINGTON BATH SPA NAILSEA & BACKWELL	Arr 13:48 15:44 16:38	Dep 13:25 14:15 16:00	Travel by Train Train Train	Service Provider HEATHROW EXPRESS FIRST GREAT WESTERN WESSEX TRAINS

Return fares cost from about £40.

Journey from Stansted to Nailsea & Backwell

Friday 24 September 2004				
Station	Arr	Dep	Travel by	Service Provider
STANSTED AIRPORT		13:30	Train	LONDON EASTERN RAILWAY
LONDON LIVERPOOL STREET	14:18	14:18	Tube*	
LONDON PADDINGTON	15:15	15:15	Train	FIRST GREAT WESTERN
BRISTOL TEMPLE MEADS	17:00	17:15	Train	WESSEX TRAINS
NAILSEA & BACKWELL	17:28			

Return fares cost about from £50-60.