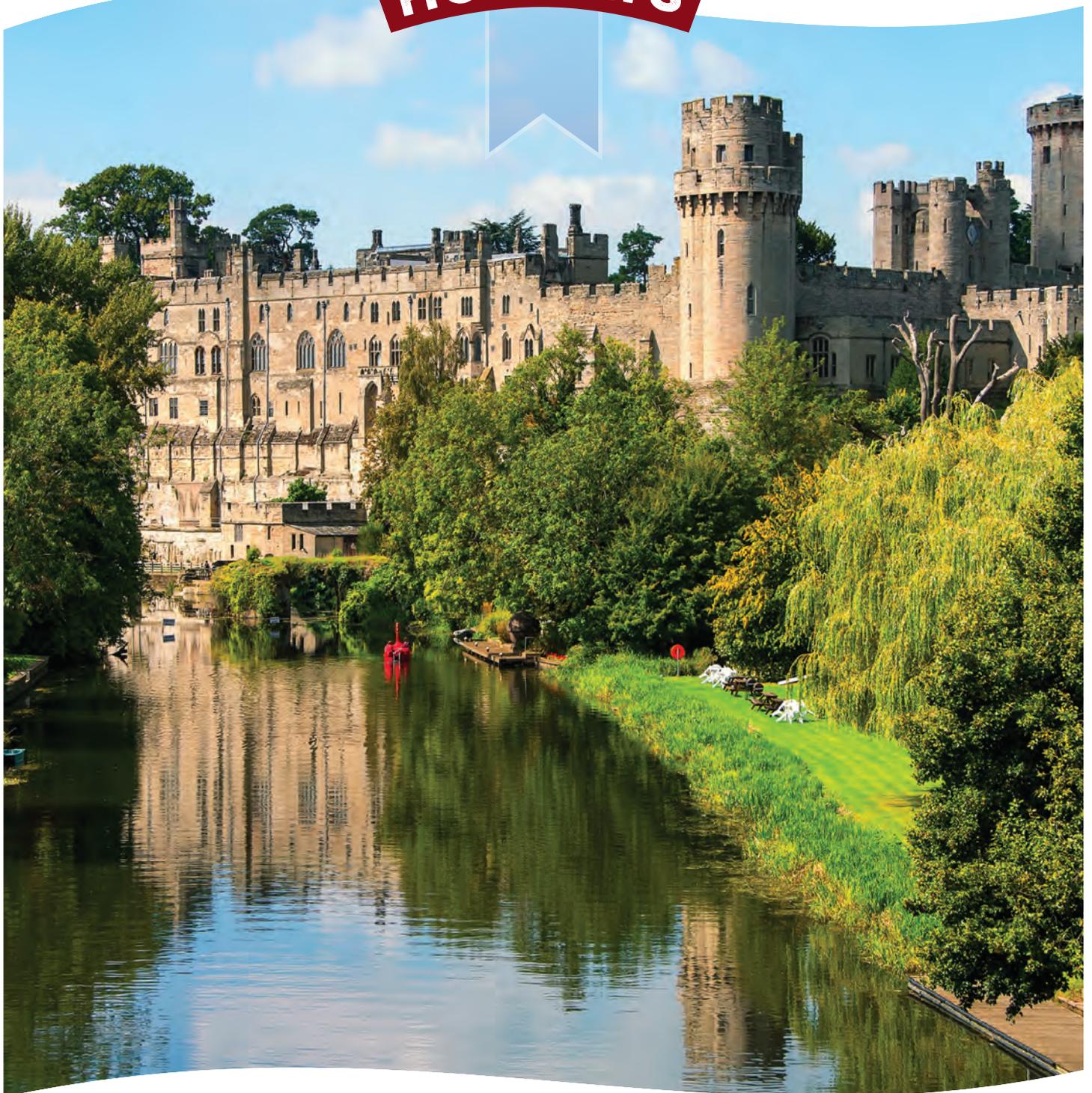




Explore Britain's waterways with Black Prince

NARROWBOAT HOLIDAYS





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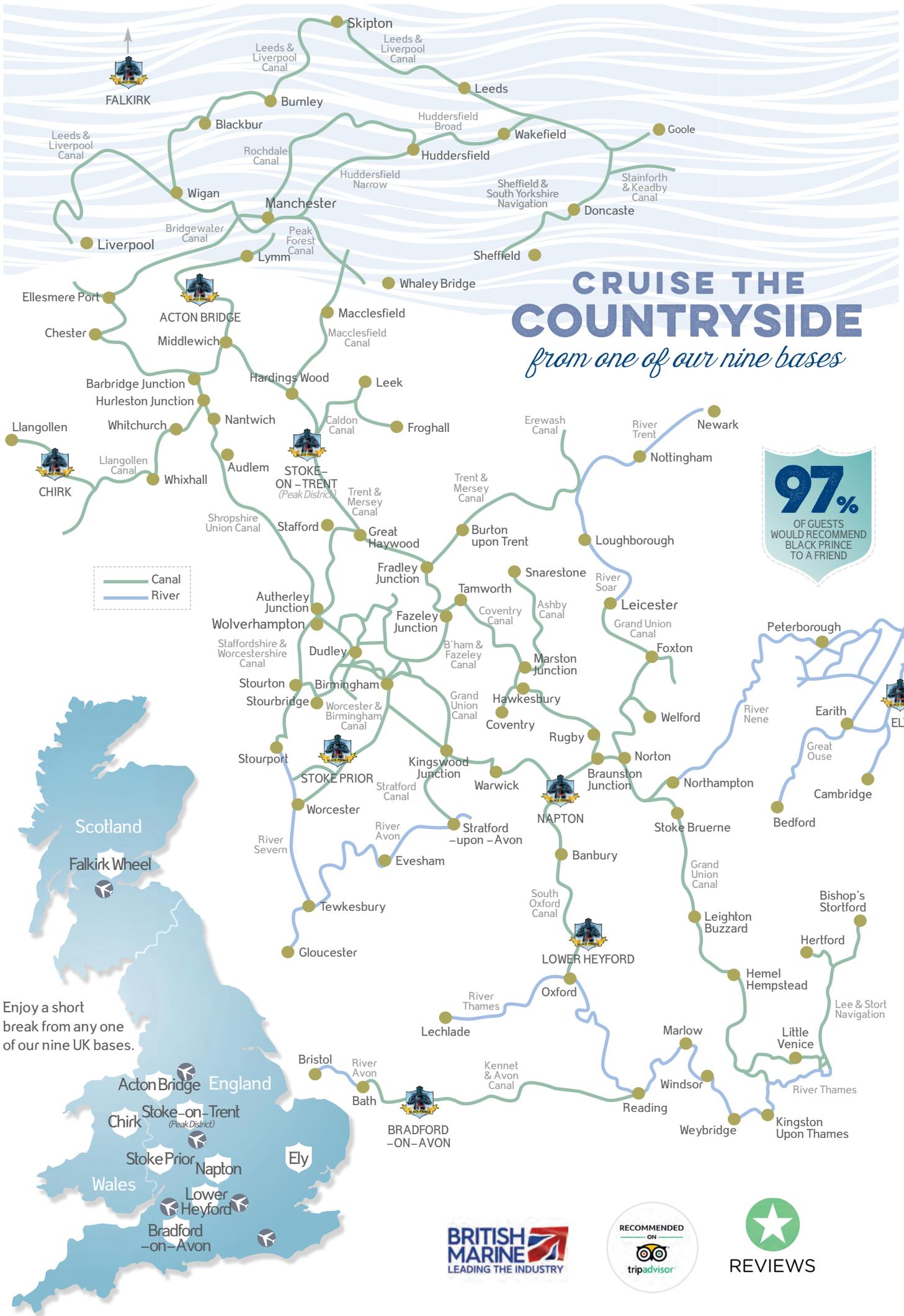
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AS SEEN ON TV - CELEBRITY 5 GO BARGING



CRUISE THE COUNTRYSIDE

from one of our nine bases

97%
OF GUESTS
WOULD RECOMMEND
BLACK PRINCE
TO A FRIEND

— Canal
— River

Enjoy a short break from any one of our nine UK bases.

- Scotland: Falkirk Wheel
- England: Acton Bridge, Stoke-on-Trent, Chirk, Stoke Prior, Napton, Lower Heyford, Bradford-on-Avon
- Wales: Ely



Planning your Black Prince NARROWBOAT ADVENTURE

SELECT A BASE

Choose where you'd like to begin your cruise from one of our nine UK locations.

CHOOSE HOLIDAY LENGTH

You can enjoy a long or short break from any of our nine bases, please check our departure days on page 47.

SELECT A ROUTE

Each base offers a variety of routes and we show selected routes on the base pages. However, most journeys are flexible, meaning you can travel at your own pace.

CHOOSE A BOAT

Select the type of boat you'd like to travel on – there are various configurations to suit your party. Individual boat specifications begin on page 42.

Try a SHORT BREAK

Short breaks are available from each of our nine UK bases, ideal if you've never taken a canal holiday before, or you simply like the idea of a relaxing weekend on the water.



ARE YOU NEW TO NARROWBOATING?

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RELAX WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

You can enjoy a narrowboat holiday
without having any previous boating experience.

On your arrival at the canal-side base, our expert team will go through everything you need to know, from operating the boat to recommendations on your route. Our handovers are industry accredited and for peace of mind there's round-the-clock assistance should you need help.



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NEW TO
NARROWBOATING



WHY NOT TRY A SHORT BREAK?



A short break makes a great introduction to narrowboating! You can enjoy a three or four night holiday from each of our nine canal-side bases and all the routes are flexible, meaning you can cruise at your own pace.

Check out each of the nine bases in this brochure and find more information online at www.black-prince.com/bases. The route maps show the cruises you can enjoy in each area. We've included additional details to give you an idea of how long each leg of the journey will take, how many locks there are and an average day's cruising time.

Occasionally, due to weather influences on the rivers and canals, we may advise you to take an alternative route, but there's always plenty to see and do no matter which direction you take!

If you are looking for an easy short break then there are selected routes which have no locks or a small number of locks to navigate.

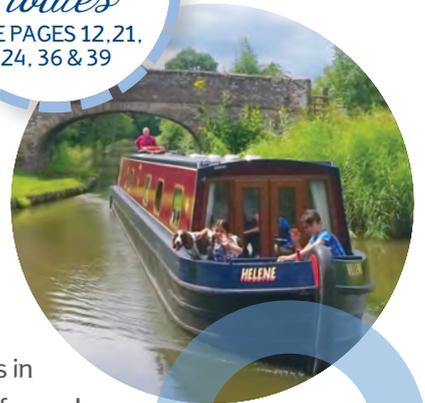
Acton Bridge to Manchester | Travel lock-free on the Bridgewater Canal to Manchester.

Chirk to Llangollen | Cruise along the Llangollen for an easy two / three day trip.

Bradford-on-Avon to Bath | Enjoy a leisurely cruise to Bath with just one lock to navigate en route.

Falkirk | If you're looking for an easy route then you should also consider our Scottish base at Falkirk. All the locks and swing bridges in Scotland are manned by Scottish Canals staff, so the hard work is done for you!

**EASY &
LOCK-FREE
routes**
SEE PAGES 12, 21,
24, 36 & 39



EXPLAINING OUR MAPS...

106 • 8 • 6
miles • locks • hrs/day

Each route shows the total number of miles, locks and suggested hours per day travelling for the complete holiday.

Each section of the map shows a set of 3 figures denoting the number of miles, locks and time for each leg of the route.



Relax on the water with all the comforts of home...

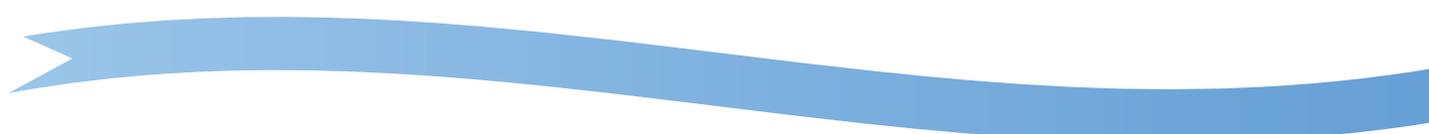
LIFE ONBOARD!

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HOME FROM HOME

If you've never holidayed on a narrowboat, be assured they are fitted with all the home comforts you could wish for.

Our boats are continually updated and include double beds, full sized shower, central heating, flatscreen tv with Freeview and DVD player as well as a fully-fitted kitchen.





Explore the wonderful waterways of...

CESHIRE

ACTON BRIDGE

**BASED NEAR NORTHWICH IN CHESHIRE,
ACTON BRIDGE IS A GREAT PLACE FOR
EXPLORING A NUMBER OF ROUTES.**

Travelling north, you meet the Bridgewater Canal which takes you lock-free to Manchester. From there you can travel to the Leeds-Liverpool Canal, or continue on the Cheshire Ring via the Peak Forest and Macclesfield. As well as the vibrant city of Manchester, this is a beautiful route with constantly changing scenery. From south of the base you can travel on the Four Counties Ring, or meander up to Chester and beyond to the Ellesmere Port Boat Museum.





1. Chester | 2. Salford Quays | 3. Anderton Lift



TRY A SHORT BREAK

Travel south from the base on the Trent & Mersey Canal, turning at Middlewich onto the Middlewich arm to Barbridge Junction. Cruise through the glorious Cheshire countryside taking in the town of Middlewich.

16 LOCKS / 20 HRS RETURN CRUISING TIME

Just got back from our first time on a narrow boat, cannot say how much we have enjoyed it! A different view round every bridge or corner going through locks tunnels beautiful scenery all the way.

G L. Wild



1. The Lowry | 2. Old Trafford | 3. Trencherfield Mill | 4. Chester Roman Ruins



86 • 6 • 5

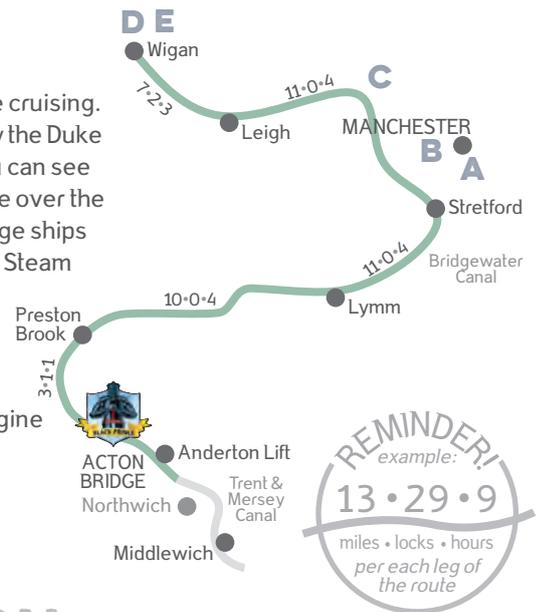
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EASY ROUTE

WIGAN & RETURN

A very pleasant and easy run with many miles of lock-free cruising. Leaving the base you travel on the first British canal built by the Duke of Bridgewater to transport coal to Manchester. On this you can see the mine entrances, together with the Barton Swing Bridge over the Manchester Ship Canal, where the canal is swung to let large ships through. At Wigan, the Pier Museum and Trencherfield Mill Steam Engine (the world's largest), are well worth a visit.

- A** Museum of Science and Industry | The Lowry | Old Trafford
- B** Barton Swing Aqueduct
- C** Worsley
- D** Wigan Pier and Museum
- E** Trencherfield Mill Steam Engine



84 • 44 • 5

miles • locks • hrs/day

CHESTER & RETURN

A slightly more active route, but still easily manageable at about five hours per day, this trip includes varying canals and countryside. Travelling southwards past the old salt mines to Middlewich, you turn onto the Middlewich arm to join up with the Shropshire Union Canal. The trip to the Medieval city of Chester is particularly pleasant with the canal built next to the old city walls. You should also have time to visit the boat museum at Ellesmere Port.

- A** Salt Mines
- B** Chester | Zoo and Gardens | 'The Rows' Shopping Area | Roman Ruins
- C** Boat Museum



1ST PET FREE!
DETAILS ON P46





5. Lyme Hall | 6. Mow Cop | 7. Chester | 8. Little Moreton Hall



98 • 92 • 8

miles • locks • hrs/day

THE CHESHIRE RING

An active route of around eight hours per day, the Cheshire Ring is one of contrasts. Travelling northwards over the Bridgewater Canal and lock-free to Manchester, where the city's canals are currently being improved. After this, into the Peak District on the Macclesfield Canal, with its pretty stone villages. Just north of Stoke on Trent, you meet the Trent & Mersey Canal travelling through the many locks to Middlewich and its history of salt, then home.

A Museum of Science and Industry | The Lowry | Old Trafford **B** Barton Swing Aqueduct
C Little Moreton Hall **D** Mow Cop **E** Harecastle Tunnel



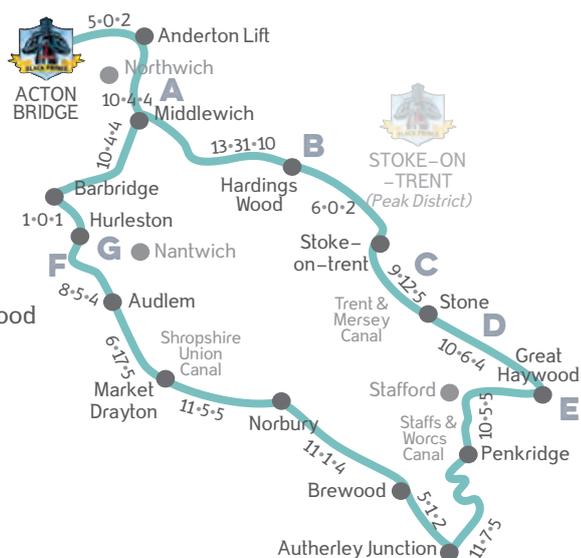
141 • 102 • 5

miles • locks • hrs/day

THE FOUR COUNTIES RING

A relaxing fortnight, travelling southwards to Stoke on Trent via Middlewich. Passing through the red-watered Harecastle Tunnel (the result of local iron workings) and continuing past the Wedgwood factory to Stone and Great Haywood, joining the Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal. Just north of Wolverhampton, you meet the Shropshire Union Canal with its extravagant cuttings and embankments, carrying you up to Barbridge and the Middlewich arm. If time permits, a diversion along the Caldon Canal is well worthwhile.

A Salt Mines **B** Harecastle Tunnel **C** Wedgwood
D Stone **E** Shugborough Hall
F Churches Mansion **G** Nantwich



Explore the wonderful waterways of...

WORCESTERSHIRE

★
STOKE PRIOR

**SITUATED IN A LOVELY SPOT,
STOKE PRIOR IN WORCESTERSHIRE IS A
BASE THAT OFFERS PLENTY OF OPTIONS.**

Enjoy a relaxing short break to Worcester and take in the Droitwich Ring, or choose from a variety of routes along the Stourport Ring, the Avon Ring and the Warwickshire Ring, where you can visit Birmingham and Stratford-Upon-Avon.

For those that enjoy a challenge, the Tardebigge locks are nearby – the longest flight of locks in the UK, totalling 35!

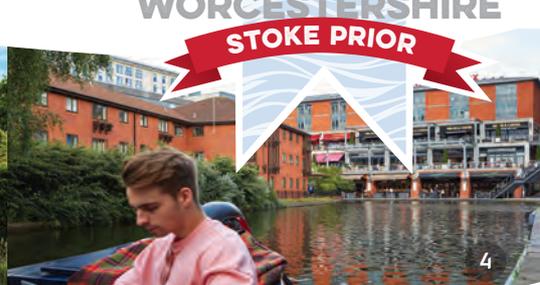




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1. Worcester Cathedral | 2. Gas St. Basin | 3. Shakespeare's Birthplace | 4. The Mailbox | 5. Warwick Castle



So friendly, took time to explain how everything worked on the barge, it was scrupulously clean, in excellent order, glass and porcelain on a boat! - it felt quite luxurious; plenty of room for 7 of us on a 52 footer. The staff also helped with a route to suit our novice status; awesome long weekend and definitely coming back next year!

Melanie E.
★REVIEWS

TRY A SHORT BREAK

Take the Droitwich Canal link from the Worcester & Birmingham Canal to Worcester via the River Severn. This pretty route in the Worcestershire countryside, is easily reached from our Stoke Prior base.

46 LOCKS / 8 HRS CRUISING TIME PER DAY



1. Birmingham Town Hall | 2. Severn Valley Railway | 3. Worcester Cathedral | 4. Library of Birmingham



76 • 105 • 6

miles • locks • hrs/day

THE STOURPORT RING

Leaving Stoke Prior, you encounter the UK's longest flight of locks at Tardebigge, after which there is lock-free cruising to Gas Street Basin and the International Convention Centre, via the very pleasant Birmingham University, Botanical Gardens and Cadbury World. Cutting through Netherton Tunnel to Merry Hill and the Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal, you encounter some beautiful countryside leading to the River Severn at Stourport. At Worcester you leave the Severn, and climb gently back to Stoke Prior through open countryside.

A Tardebigge Flight **B** Cadbury World **C** Gas Street Basin | International Convention Centre | Library of Birmingham | Bullring Shopping Centre | Symphony Hall | Mailbox | Sea Life Centre **D** Black Country Museum | Dudley Zoo & Castle **E** Netherton Tunnel **F** Merry Hill Shopping Centre **G** Kinver Edge **H** Severn Valley Railway **I** Worcester City Cathedral | Cricket Ground Racecourse | Royal Worcester China | Commandery



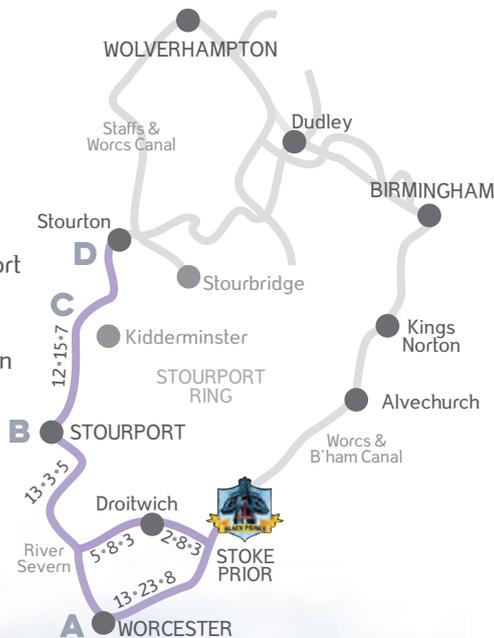
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miles • locks • hrs/day

STOURTON & RETURN

This is the most leisurely route from Stoke Prior travelling south to Worcester, turning upstream onto the River Severn, past Worcester Cathedral and cruising along the picturesque river for the next 13 miles. There are three manned river locks on the journey to Stourport on Severn, before changing to the Staffordshire & Worcester Canal. On the way to Stourton the Cookley and Kinver areas must be one of the most beautiful lengths of canal in the country – turn at Stourton and return on the same route to Stoke Prior.

A Worcester City | Cathedral | Cricket Ground | Racecourse | Royal Worcester China | Commandery **B** Stourport **C** Severn Valley Railway **D** Kinver | Kinver Edge and the Rock Houses





5. Stratford Upon Avon | 6. Black Country Museum | 7. Warwick Castle | 8. The Cube at The Mailbox



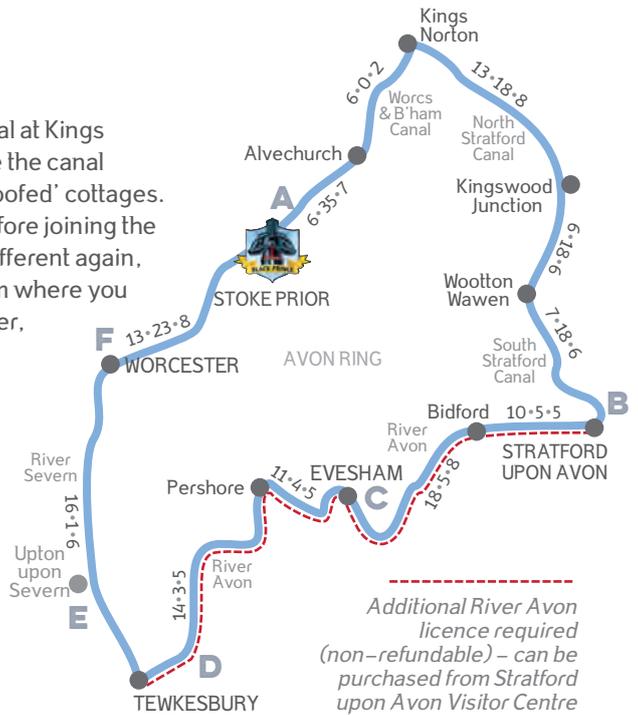
120 • 130 • 5

miles • locks • hrs/day

THE AVON RING

Up the Tardebigge flight to the North Stratford Canal at Kings Norton, and onto the South Stratford Canal, where the canal character changes with split bridges and 'barrel roofed' cottages. At Stratford you can moor opposite the theatre before joining the River Avon (Avon licence required). The Avon, different again, meanders down to Tewkesbury, through Evesham where you join the River Severn for a short trip up to Worcester, before returning home. An easy two week trip.

A Tardebigge Flight **B** Stratford upon Avon | Shakespeare Theatre | Butterfly Safari | Museum | Ann Hathaway's Cottage | Mary Arden's House (canalside) **C** Evesham Almonry **D** Tewkesbury Abbey **E** Upton upon Severn **F** Worcester City | Cathedral | Cricket Ground Racecourse | Royal Worcester China | Commandery



Additional River Avon licence required (non-refundable) – can be purchased from Stratford upon Avon Visitor Centre



130 • 190 • 6

miles • locks • hrs/day

THE WARWICKSHIRE RING

Up the Tardebigge flight to the North Stratford Canal at Kings Norton, you will then continue to the Grand Union Canal. Travelling south, you progress through the Hatton Flight, via Warwick and Leamington Spa to Napton and Braunston. From Braunston, you travel on the North Oxford & Coventry Canal to Fazeley (perhaps taking in the Ashby Canal or Coventry itself), and then head into the centre of Birmingham via Farmer's Bridge locks. Home down the Worcester & Birmingham Canal via Tardebigge. A more active fortnight.

A Tardebigge Flight **B** Hatton Locks **C** Warwick Castle **D** Coventry Cathedral **E** Drayton Manor Park & Zoo **F** Gas Street Basin | Bullring Shopping Centre | International Convention Centre **G** Cadbury World



Explore the wonderful waterways of...

STAFFORDSHIRE

(PEAK DISTRICT)

STOKE ON TRENT

SITUATED ON THE RE-DEVELOPED NATIONAL GARDEN FESTIVAL SITE IN STAFFORDSHIRE, THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR BLACK PRINCE STARTING POINTS.

On site, there is an exciting Water World, dry ski-slope, multi-screen cinema, ten pin bowling and shopping centre – and that's before you get on the water! The variety of routes is wide with the Cheshire Ring and Four Counties being favourites. You travel through some of the waterways' most beautiful scenery, along with the pure contrast of the Potteries, Royal Doulton, Cheddleton Mill and Wedgwood industries. For the more energetic there's Alton Towers near the end of the Caldon Canal.





1. Peak District | 2. Rudyard Lake | 3. The Potteries | 4. Go Ape | 5. Flip Out Trampoline Park



CHESHIRE RING



FOUR COUNTIES RING



WHALEY BRIDGE



CALDON & LEEK CANALS



TRY A SHORT BREAK

Take the Caldon Canal to Leek, through the Churnet Valley. A quiet canal through beautiful countryside with very good canal side pubs.

18 LOCKS / 14 HRS RETURN CRUISING TIME

The boat was beautifully presented - was a dream with comfortable beds, fresh linen, even tea towels. Well equipped kitchen and spacious bathroom. Had a fabulous holiday on the beautiful canals of the area. Would 100% recommend Black Prince and if we get a chance we will certainly return.



Bev S.





1. Little Moreton Hall | 2. Mow Cop | 3. Trentham Gardens | 4. Alton Towers



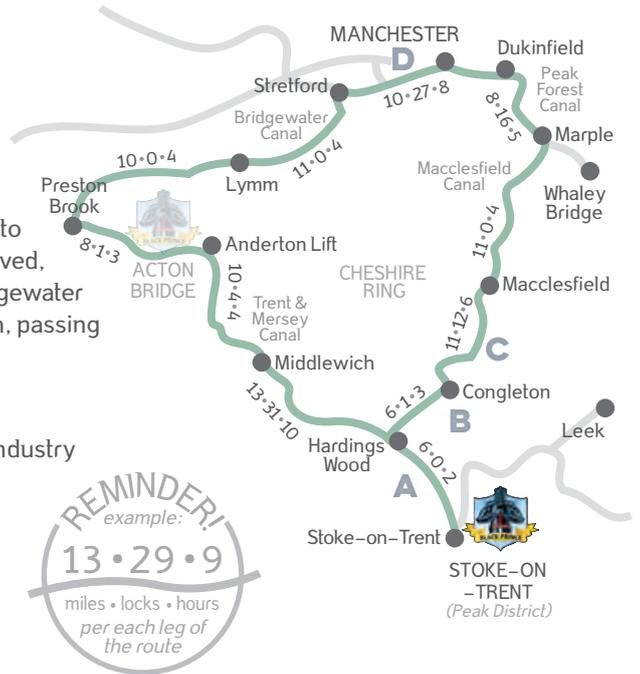
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miles • locks • hrs/day

THE CHESHIRE RING

A more active route; you travel northwards through the Harecastle Tunnel and join the Macclesfield Canal via a fly-over. This is a lovely canal through Congleton, Macclesfield and Marple to Manchester. The canal here is currently being improved, but has some way to go. A lock-free section of the Bridgewater Canal (where it all started) follows until Middlewich, passing the Anderton Lift. A section with plenty

- A** Harecastle Tunnel
- B** Mow Cop
- C** Little Moreton Hall
- D** Museum of Science and Industry
- E** Biddulph Grange Garden



111 • 94 • 9

miles • locks • hrs/day

THE FOUR COUNTIES RING

Another more active route, you travel southwards from the marina past the Wedgwood factory and through the canal town of Stone to Great Haywood, where you meet the Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal. Travelling westwards, you join the Shropshire Union Canal at Atherley. The 'Shroppie' with its impressive architecture, banks and cuttings, carries you northwards to the Middlewich Arm. At Middlewich you rejoin the Trent & Mersey Canal which carries you back to Stoke through a number of locks and the Harecastle Tunnel.

- A** Wedgwood
- B** Stone Market Town
- C** Shugborough Hall
- D** Churches Mansion
- E** Nantwich
- F** Harecastle Tunnel



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5. Salford Quays | 6. Emma Bridgewater Factory | 7. Biddulph Grange Garden | 8. Hack Green Nuclear Bunker | 9. Snugbury's Ice Cream | 10. Monkey Forest



42 • 34 • 4
miles • locks • hrs/day

CALDON LEEK CANALS

An easy week down one of the most beautiful and quiet canals of them all. From the junction near the marina, you progress up the locks to the outskirts of Stoke via factories and parks. Here you encounter progressively more picturesque countryside as you enter the Churnet Valley. The Leek branch contains no locks from the junction, whereas the Froghall branch descends to the River Churnet. If time permits, a trip down the Trent & Mersey Canal to Stone is well worthwhile.

A Churnet Valley **B** Flint Mill **C** Alton Towers **D** Wedgwood



82 • 26 • 6
miles • locks • hrs/day

EASY ROUTE

WHALEY BRIDGE & RETURN

An easy week, travelling into the Peak District to the end of the Peak Forest Canal at Whaley Bridge. Travelling north through the Harecastle Tunnel, you join the Macclesfield Canal at Hardings Wood. The Macclesfield Canal skirts the edge of the Peak District through the small towns of Congleton, Macclesfield and Marple, before turning onto the Peak Forest Canal to Whaley Bridge.

A Harecastle Tunnel **B** Mow Cop **C** Bosley Locks **D** Clarence Mill



Explore the wonderful waterways of...

WARWICKSHIRE

NAPTON

IDEALLY SITUATED IN THE HEART OF THE WARWICKSHIRE COUNTRYSIDE, OUR BASE AT NAPTON OFFERS A NUMBER OF INTERESTING ROUTES FOR BEGINNERS TO THE MOST EXPERIENCED NARROWBOATERS.

The top attraction is the Warwickshire Ring, designed to suit the more energetic boater with its 101 miles of contrasting sights of countryside mixed with city life. Visit the home of Shakespeare at Stratford Upon Avon, the spires of Oxford and historic Coventry, or simply cruise through the picturesque countryside of the East Midlands and enjoy the beautiful quiet villages and many excellent pubs.



**1ST PET
FREE!**
DETAILS ON P46



1. Bodelian Library, Oxford | 2. Symphony Court | 3. Gas Street Basin | 4. Coventry Cathedral



TRY A SHORT BREAK

Through Braunston on the Grand Union Canal, taking the Leicester arm and branching off to Welford. Lovely countryside with a few villages, encountering a tunnel and a mix of broad and narrow locks.

26 LOCKS / 22 HRS RETURN CRUISING TIME

We had a lovely 5 days from Napton Marina. Our first time on a canal boat, the boat was very comfortable and well equipped. The help from the staff was excellent and they were all very friendly. Would definitely go again!!

G L. Holmes





5. Christ Church College, Oxford | 6. Warwick Castle | 7. Oxford | 8. Merton College, Oxford



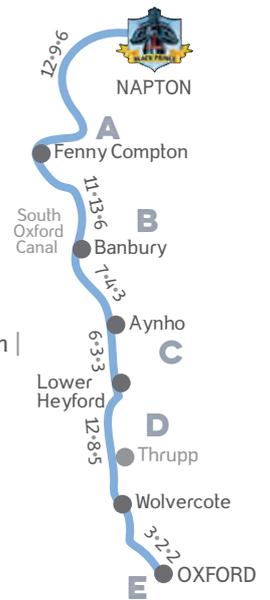
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miles • locks • hrs/day

OXFORD & RETURN

A busier week down the meandering Oxford Canal, which is one of the oldest in the country and follows the contours of the land. The only town on the way is Banbury and there are some lovely villages such as Thrupp, Lower Heyford and Shipton-on-Cherwell, with stone built houses, cosy pubs, ancient churches and village greens.

A Claydon 'Bygones' Museum **B** Banbury | Castle Quay Shopping Centre | Tooley's Historic Boatyard & Chandlery | Floating Restaurant **C** Blenheim Palace **D** Thrupp **E** Oxford | University of Oxford | Bodleian Library | Ashmolean Museum | Botanic Gardens | Covered Markets



94 • 82 • 7

miles • locks • hrs/day

GRAND UNION SOUTH & RETURN

A real countryside cruise taking you south through pretty scenery to Stoke Bruerne, a picture postcard village where the main street is the canal; home of the Waterways Museum. Further south over the River Ouse Aqueduct to Leighton Buzzard before retracing your steps.

A Braunston Tunnel **B** Blisworth Tunnel **C** Stoke Bruerne Waterways Museum **D** Leighton Buzzard Market Town



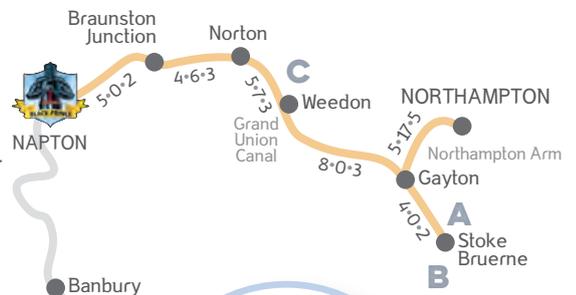
62 • 60 • 6

miles • locks • hrs/day

STOKE BRUERNE & RETURN

Another pleasant and easy route cruising on the broad Grand Union Canal where the locks are 14 feet wide, allowing you to share the work with another boat. The start of this trip is lock-free until you get to Braunston Junction; a hive of activity. Cruising onwards you encounter more locks and the turning to Northampton before entering the 3,056 yards Blisworth Tunnel which opens out into the canal village of Stoke Bruerne with its Waterways Museum.

A Blisworth Tunnel **B** Stoke Bruerne Waterways Museum **C** Weedon Antiques Centre



Explore the wonderful waterways of...

OXFORDSHIRE

LOWER HEYFORD

**A FANTASTIC STARTING LOCATION,
LOWER HEYFORD IS PERFECT FOR TAKING A
STEP BACK IN TIME AND EXPLORING BEAUTIFUL
HISTORIC SITES IN THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.**

Oxford, the 'City of Dreaming Spires' is only a 7–8 hour cruise from the base making it a perfect short break. And further afield are the historic towns of Windsor, Marlow and Hampton Court, all situated on the River Thames.





1. Windsor Castle | 2. Richmond upon Thames | 3. Blenheim Palace | 4. Changing of the Guard, Windsor Castle | 5. Hampton Court Palace


**1ST PET
FREE!**
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OXFORD,
LECHLADE
& RETURN

Lechlade

Kelmscott

Abingdon

Shillingford

Wallingford

Henley

Sonning

READING

Marlow

Windsor

Chertsey

Weybridge

HAMPTON
COURT PALACE
& RETURN

Hampton
Court



CROPREDY
& RETURN

Cropredy

Banbury

Aynho

South
Oxford
Canal

LOWER HEYFORD

Thrupp

Wolvercote

OXFORD



OXFORD,
CROPREDY
& RETURN



OXFORD
& RETURN



HAMPTON
COURT PALACE
& RETURN

Hampton
Court



TRY A SHORT BREAK

There are a selection of short breaks from this base, including return journeys to Banbury, Oxford and Cropredy. Take 3 or 4 days to enjoy a leisurely weekend or midweek break.

*It was a perfect escape from normality!
Cosy and snug as we boated into November.
We meandered through and over beautiful countryside,
meeting friendly people everywhere. Would highly
recommend this kind of holiday,*

LuBen W.
 REVIEWS





76 • 36 • 5

miles • locks • hrs/day

OXFORD, LECHLADE & RETURN

Heading south on the South Oxford Canal from Lower Heyford, you will cruise through farmland to the pretty village of Thrupp, with a selection of pubs and an award winning tea room nearby. Take in the world famous Blenheim Palace – just a short taxi ride away. Continue cruising south to the moorings close to Isis lock for an easy walk into Oxford – the City of Dreaming Spires. Join the River Thames (*a licence will be required and can be purchased from the lock, roughly £80 for one week*). Head north on the River Thames passing the outskirts of Wytham Great Wood, onwards through scenic open countryside and under the oldest bridge on the River Thames – an impressive triple-arched 13th Century stone bridge. Continue through beautiful countryside to the pristine village of Kelmscott, meandering on to the market town of Lechlade. Take a stroll around this idyllic Cotswold town with its excellent antique shops, or sample one of the many pubs and cafés before making the return journey.

A Thrupp **B** Blenheim Palace **C** Oxford | University of Oxford | Bodleian Library | Ashmolean Museum | Botanic Gardens | Covered Market **D** Cotswold Wildlife Park | Buscot Park



204 • 84 • 5

miles • locks • hrs/day

HAMPTON COURT PALACE & RETURN

From the base at Lower Heyford, cruise through farmland to the pretty village of Thrupp with its nearby pubs. Continue south to the beautiful city of Oxford – the City of Dreaming Spires. Famous for being the home of one of the most prestigious universities in the world, Oxford also has many museums, shops, pubs and restaurants to explore. Leaving Oxford, join the River Thames (*a licence will be required and can be purchased from the lock, roughly £80 for one week*). Travel through the historic market towns of Abingdon and Wallingford, stopping at riverside pubs along the way and onwards to Basildon, where there are moorings for the Beale Park wildlife park. Continue on to the pretty village of Sonning and the attractive market town of Henley-on-Thames and visit the fantastic array of independent shops, the River & Rowing Museum or some of the many pubs, bars and eateries. Moving on, you will pass through Marlow and Cookham cruising on to the town of Windsor to visit attractions such as Windsor Castle and Legoland. Cruise on towards Runnymede and Staines-upon-Thames and moor at Penton Hook marina to visit one of the UK's biggest theme parks – Thorpe Park. Travel on past the towns of Chertsey and Weybridge to reach Hampton Court where you can explore the home of Henry VIII, visit the grand gardens and famous maze and spend time walking the corridors steeped in Tudor history before returning to base.

A Blenheim Palace **B** Oxford | University of Oxford | Bodleian Library | Ashmolean Museum | Botanic Gardens | Covered Market **C** Reading **D** Windsor Castle | Legoland **E** Hampton Court Palace





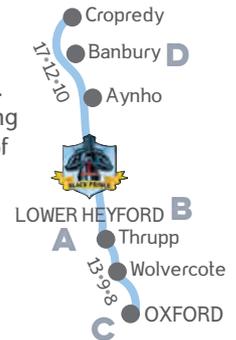
1. Lechlade | 2. Hampton Court Palace | 3. Oxford | 4. Marlow | 5. Bodleian Library | 6. Windsor Castle | 7. Henley on Thames



60 • 42 • 5
miles • locks • hrs/day

OXFORD, CROPREDY & RETURN

Head south on the South Oxford Canal from Lower Heyford and cruise to the pretty village of Thrupp, with a selection of pubs and an award winning tea room nearby. Take in the world famous Blenheim Palace – just a short taxi ride away. Continue cruising south to the moorings close to Isis lock for an easy walk into Oxford– the City of Dreaming Spires, enjoying all of the history the city has to offer. Head back north through Wovercote and Lower Heyford, continuing on to the old town of Banbury with its Market Place, Castle Quay shopping centre, cinema, 10 pin bowling and famous Tooleys Boatyard. Enjoy the beautiful countryside as you head for the picturesque village of Cropredy where you can relax before returning to base.



A Thrupp **B** Blenheim Palace **C** Oxford | University of Oxford | Bodleian Library | Ashmolean Museum | Botanic Gardens | Covered Market **D** Banbury



28 • 18 • 5
miles • locks • hrs/day

OXFORD & RETURN

A great weekend city break or a more relaxed midweek break, allowing extra time to explore the City of Oxford. Head south on the South Oxford Canal cruising through pretty farmland heading into a deeply wooded stretch, meandering through pretty villages, stopping off at canalside pubs. A short taxi ride from Thrupp is the world famous Blenheim Palace, well worth a visit. Continue cruising down the South Oxford Canal to the moorings close to Isis lock for an easy walk into Oxford– the City of Dreaming Spires. Famous for being the home of one of the most prestigious universities in the world, Oxford hosts many museums, shops, pubs and restaurants to explore. Turn at the moorings for the return journey back to the base at Lower Heyford.



34 • 24 • 6
miles • locks • hrs/day

CROPREDY & RETURN

More suited to a midweek break, but can be done over a weekend with longer cruising hours per day. Your journey heading north will pass through pretty farmland past Upper Heyford. Continue through the Cherwell Valley to Somerton Deep Lock and on to the wharf at Aynho with its canalside pub. Cruise through several lift bridges (*many of which will be left open for boaters to pass straight through*) and on to the town of Banbury where you can walk through the Old Town, visit the Market Place and Banbury Cross, the Castle Quay shopping centre or entertain yourselves at the cinema, 10 pin bowling or the famous Tooleys Boatyard / Banbury Museum. Continue cruising through the peaceful countryside to the quiet, picturesque village of Cropredy– home to the annual Fairport Convention. Moor along the towpath before the winding hole and take a short walk into the village for a pub meal, before turning your boat for the journey back.



Explore the wonderful waterways of...

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

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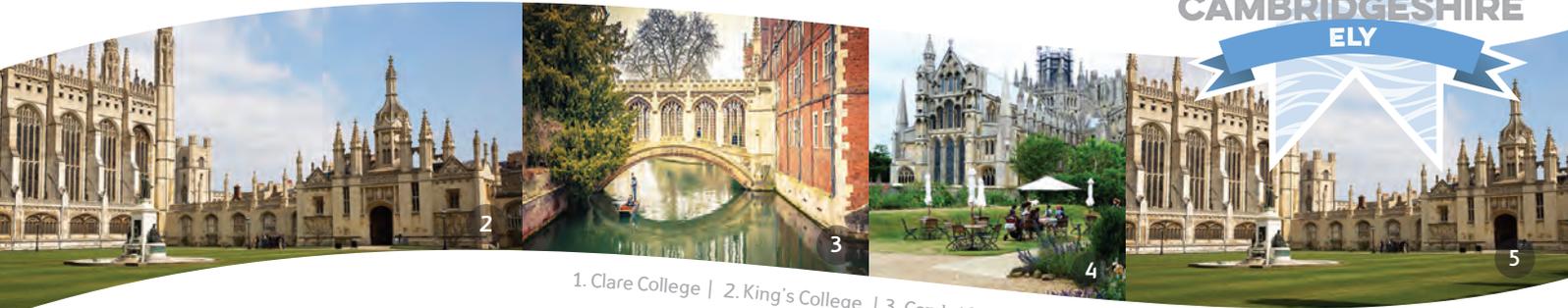
**BEGIN YOUR RELAXING HOLIDAY FROM
OUR BASE IN ELY, OVERLOOKED BY
ITS MAGNIFICENT CATHEDRAL.**

From the picturesque heart of the Fenland waterways of Cambridgeshire there is a selection of routes that will see you cruising through cities, towns and villages along the beautiful waterways, making Ely the ideal base to begin exploring.

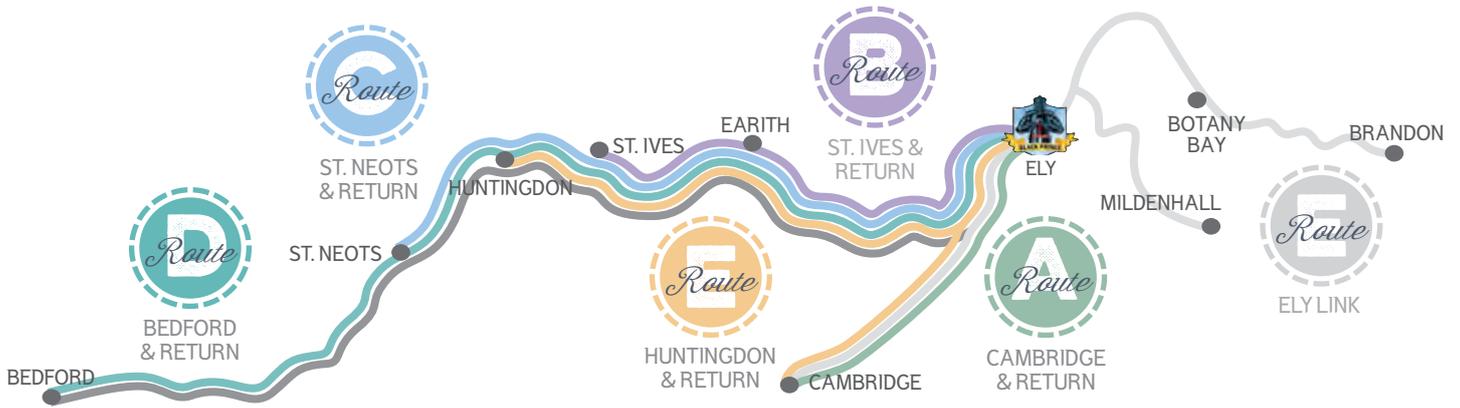


TRY A SHORT BREAK

There are a selection of short breaks from this base, including return journeys to Cambridge, St. Ives and St. Neots. Take a 3 night weekend or midweek break and enjoy the slow pace of life on the water!



1. Clare College | 2. King's College | 3. Cambridge | 4. Cambridge Cathedral | 5. King's College Chapel



CAMBRIDGE & RETURN

38 · 3 · 4
miles · locks · hrs/day

From our base in the city of Ely with its beautiful cathedral, you will cruise the unspoilt waters of the River Ouse to Wicken Fen, a stunning wetland nature reserve. Continuing on the River Cam to Cambridge, visit the world famous University and discover many cultural highlights, including King's College Chapel and enjoy a stroll through the backstreets.



ST. IVES & RETURN

45 · 3 · 4
miles · locks · hrs/day

Cruise from Ely on the Old West River to Earith village where you can enjoy some wonderful birdwatching. Move on then to the historic market town of St. Ives, with its 15th century Chapel Bridge and Norris Museum and Library.



ST. NEOTS & RETURN

77 · 9 · 8
miles · locks · hrs/day

From our base in Ely, take the Old West River and on to the historic market town of St. Ives, with its 15th century Chapel Bridge, Norris Museum and Library and moving on to the Oliver Cromwell Museum in Huntingdon. From there, cruise on to Buckden with its famous Great Tower (where Catherine of Aragon was once imprisoned), ending at the market town of St. Neots.



BEDFORD & RETURN

107 · 16 · 5
miles · locks · hrs/day

Taking the Old West River from our base in Ely, make your way to the historic market town of St. Ives, with its 15th century Chapel Bridge, Norris Museum and Library and moving on to the Oliver Cromwell Museum in Huntingdon. From there, cruise on to Buckden with its famous Great Tower (where Catherine of Aragon was once imprisoned), ending at the market town of St. Neots. Continue on to Bedford where you'll find a bustling town with great facilities for all the family, including ten-pin bowling, cinemas and a swimming pool.



HUNTINGDON & RETURN

89 · 8 · 4
miles · locks · hrs/day

Cruising from our base in the city of Ely with its beautiful cathedral, travel the unspoilt waters of the River Ouse to Wicken Fen, a stunning wetland nature reserve. Continuing on the River Cam to Cambridge, visit its world famous University and discover its cultural highlights, including King's College and enjoy a stroll through the backstreets. Return to Popes Corner and cruise south to the historic market town of St. Ives, with its 15th century Chapel Bridge and Norris Museum and Library. Moving on through the pretty villages of Houghton, Wyton and Hemingford Grey to reach Huntingdon, home to the Oliver Cromwell Museum.



ELY LINK

191 · 20 · 4
miles · locks · hrs/day

From the charming city of Ely, with its huge cathedral, you can cruise the unspoilt waters of the Little Ouse, Great Ouse, Old West, Cam and Lark rivers stopping off along the way in Cambridge, with its famous University. Be sure not to miss King's College. Other highlights include historic St. Ives, the Oliver Cromwell Museum in Huntingdon and the Medieval town of Mildenhall. Continuing on to Bedford, you'll find something for the whole family, including ten-pin bowling, cinemas and a swimming pool.



Explore the wonderful waterways of...

WILTSHIRE

★
BRADFORD-ON-AVON

A PICTURESQUE START TO YOUR JOURNEY FROM THE WILTSHIRE TOWN OF BRADFORD-ON-AVON.

This base offers cruises to suit all levels of experience. Heading west will take you over aqueducts, under bridges and through locks to the World Heritage City of Bath, a gentle day's cruise from the base. For the more experienced cruisers a week will provide adequate time to cruise through Bath and onto



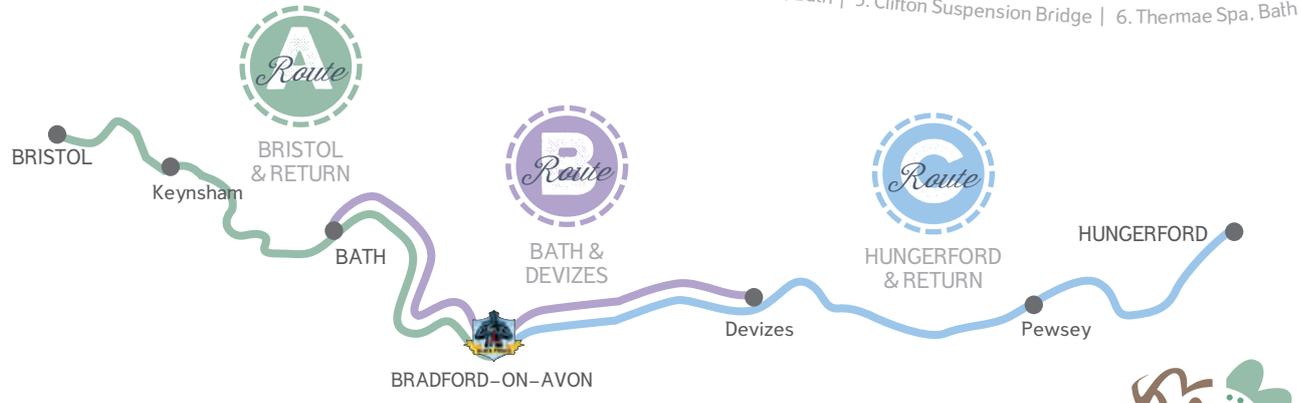
TRY A SHORT BREAK

*A short break to both Bath and
Devizes is available for those who
love an energetic canal holiday.*





1. Roman Baths, Bath | 2. Pulteney Bridge, Bath | 3. Bristol Harbour | 4. The Crescent, Bath | 5. Clifton Suspension Bridge | 6. Thermae Spa, Bath



BRISTOL & RETURN

52 • 28 • 4
miles • locks • hrs/day

A leisurely one week cruise through Bath and Keynsham to Bristol and return. The beautiful city of Bath plays host to the meeting of the Avon Navigation and the Kennet and Avon Canal. Arguably only York and Chester on the inland waterways can muster such an appealing backdrop. The Avon is actually navigable for a short distance upstream of the canal's junction with the river at the exit of Bath Bottom Lock. It's a detour well worth making. Spring tides occasionally lick their salty tongues up as far as Keynsham. Bristol is the hometown of such disparate characters as John Cabot, Isambard Kingdom Brunel and Cary Grant. It is a terrific city full of atmospheric passages and corners, alleyways and stairways as befits a former sea-trading port.



BATH & DEVIZES

44 • 86 • 12
miles • locks • hrs/day

*12 hours cruising time per day includes the Caen Hill flight (8 hours/day if avoiding this section).

Head west for a leisurely cruise to Bath and return. Heading east you will encounter several wide locks as you approach Devizes. You can choose to climb the Caen Hill flight but many prefer to moor up and walk or cycle to Devizes. It is possible to combine all of this into one short break – a canaloholics 'ideal short break'.



HUNGERFORD & RETURN

72 • 120 • 8
miles • locks • hrs/day

Head west for a leisurely cruise to Bath and return. Heading east you will encounter several wide locks as you approach Devizes. You can choose to climb the Caen Hill flight but many prefer to moor up and walk or cycle to Devizes. It is possible to combine all of this into one short break – a canaloholics 'ideal short break'.



We had a super holiday in an almost new and very comfortable boat. Very professional and helpful people, good advice regarding where and what to do. The children loved it!

G Pål



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Explore the wonderful waterways of...

NORTH WALES

★
CHIRK

BASED ON THE BREATHTAKING LLANGOLLEN CANAL IN NORTH WALES, CHIRK'S LOVELY MARINA IS SITUATED AT THE HEART OF THE UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE.

With much to offer, the Llangollen Canal meanders gracefully through the beautiful countryside where the World Heritage Site – the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct – spans across the Dee Valley. Such a feat of engineering is sure to take your breath away. Cruise the Montgomery Canal where a four mile length of the canal has been restored giving you the chance to cruise this once dormant, sleepy waterway.



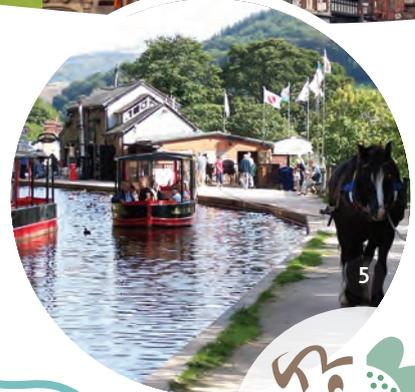


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1. Pontcysyllte Aqueduct | 2. Chirk Castle | 3. Chirk Aqueduct | 4. Chester | 5. Llangollen Canal



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TRY A SHORT BREAK

See the best part of the Llangollen Canal, crossing the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and travelling along the Dee Valley to the marina. Then back past Chirk to Ellesmere through 2 locks and over the Chirk Aqueduct.

4 LOCKS / 16 HRS RETURN CRUISING TIME



We had a wonderful break with Black Prince. The boat was very well equipped and altogether it was a delightful, relaxing holiday. We started at Chirk, and I'm sure it's the most beautiful stretch of canal in the country, taking into account Llangollen, aqueducts, tunnels, locks and lifting bridges. The fact I could take my dog with me was a great bonus too. Thank you!

Rachel
★REVIEWS





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1. Cholmondeley Gardens | 2. Cholmondeley Castle | 3. Ellesmere | 4. Chirk Aqueduct



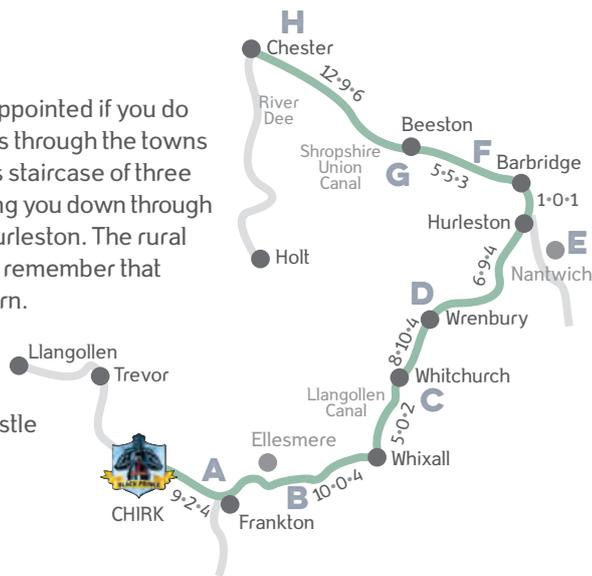
112 • 70 • 9

miles • locks • hrs/day

CHESTER & RETURN

A more challenging route, and you should not be disappointed if you do not reach Chester. Travelling down the canal, you pass through the towns of Ellesmere and Whitchurch to Grindley Brook with its staircase of three locks. From here the locks become more frequent, taking you down through lovely countryside to the Shropshire Union Canal at Hurleston. The rural atmosphere continues through to Chester. You should remember that the Llangollen Canal flows so it will take longer to return. A visit to Llangollen itself is also well worthwhile.

A Chirk Aqueduct **B** Ellesmere **C** Whitchurch
D Wrenbury **E** Nantwich **F** Bunbury **G** Beeston Castle and Market **H** Chester—Medieval Town
 | Zoo and Gardens | The Rows Shopping Area



60 • 4 • 4

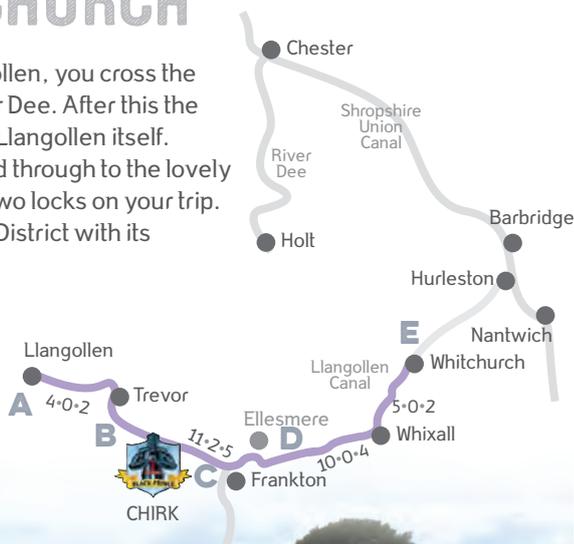
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EASY ROUTE

LLANGOLLEN & WHITCHURCH

A very pleasant and easy route. Travelling first to Llangollen, you cross the famous Pontcysyllte Aqueduct 120 feet above the River Dee. After this the canal perches on the side of the lovely Dee Valley up to Llangollen itself. Retracing your steps you encounter Chirk Aqueduct and through to the lovely small town of Ellesmere after passing through the only two locks on your trip. After Ellesmere you travel through the Shropshire Lake District with its meres to the market town of Whitchurch.

A Llangollen **B** Pontcysyllte Aqueduct
C Chirk Aqueduct **D** Ellesmere **E** Whitchurch



1st PET
FREE!
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5. Pontcysyllte Aqueduct | 6. Roman Guards, Chester | 7. Chester | 8. Quarry Bank Mill



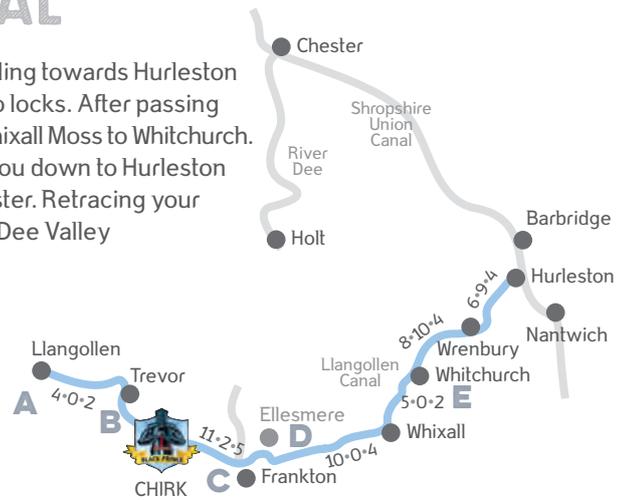
88 • 42 • 7
miles • locks • hrs/day

THE LLANGOLLEN CANAL

A trip along the full length of this lovely canal. Travelling towards Hurleston you cross the Chirk Aqueduct and down the first two locks. After passing Ellesmere and its meres, you come to the less hilly Whixall Moss to Whitchurch. Undulating countryside sprinkled with locks takes you down to Hurleston with its reservoir, which provides the water for Chester. Retracing your steps cross the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct, and up the Dee Valley to Llangollen. A delightful week.



- A** Llangollen
- B** Pontcysyllte Aqueduct
- C** Chirk Aqueduct
- D** Ellesmere
- E** Whitchurch



REMINDER!
example:
13 • 29 • 9
miles • locks • hours
per each leg of the route



187 • 136 • 7
miles • locks • hrs/day

FOUR COUNTIES RING

For the more experienced crew. Travel down the Llangollen to Hurleston where you join the Shropshire Union Canal then travelling southwards through small towns and villages to join the Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal. This canal meanders through pretty countryside up to Great Haywood. Here you join the Trent & Mersey Canal and travel towards the more built-up area of Stoke on Trent. Continuing up to Middlewich through a series of locks, you take the Middlewich arm to Barbridge, and back via the Llangollen Canal.

- A** Chirk Aqueduct
- B** Ellesmere
- C** Harecastle Tunnel
- D** Wedgwood
- E** Stone
- F** Shugborough Hall
- G** Nantwich
- H** Cholmondeley Castle



Explore the wonderful waterways of...

SCOTLAND

FALKIRK

OUR BASE, LOCATED AT THE FALKIRK WHEEL, BOASTS ONE OF THE MOST STUNNING BACKDROPS ANYWHERE ON THE CANALS.

Our Scottish base is ideally situated half way between Edinburgh and Glasgow. Go up through the wheel and three locks and then travel into Edinburgh on the long lock-free Union Canal. You will pass over the magnificent Almond Aqueduct and travel through villages such as Linlithgow and Ratho, home of the Edinburgh Canal Centre. For those going to Glasgow, the Forth and Clyde has more locks and swing bridges and meanders through splendid scenery and villages such as Auchinstarry and Kirkintilloch to Cadder Village and on to Glasgow.





1. Edinburgh | 2. Falkirk Wheel | 3. The Kelpies | 4. University of Glasgow | 5. Edinburgh | 6. Linlithgow Palace



GLASGOW & EDINBURGH

136 • 14 • 6

miles • locks • hrs/day



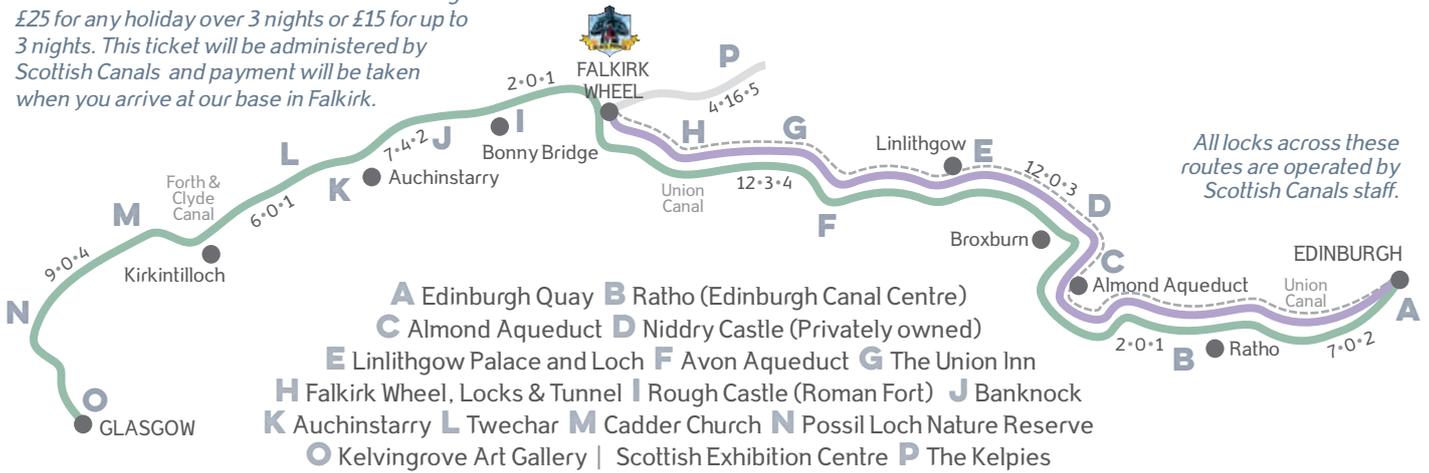
EDINBURGH & RETURN

66 • 6 • 3

miles • locks • hrs/day

EASY ROUTE

A Rover Ticket will be charged by Scottish Canals for the use of the canals. This will be a flat charge of £25 for any holiday over 3 nights or £15 for up to 3 nights. This ticket will be administered by Scottish Canals and payment will be taken when you arrive at our base in Falkirk.



I would highly recommend this as a holiday if you're thinking about booking it. Black Prince holidays are the perfect company to book through.

G L. Wild

1ST PET FREE!
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TRY A SHORT BREAK

Start at the Falkirk Wheel and travel through the three locks (the locks will be managed for you) to the pretty canal village of Linlithgow, where you can turn around and return.

6 LOCKS / 8 HRS RETURN CRUISING TIME

Relax and enjoy all the home comforts...

WELCOME ABOARD

★
CHOOSE YOUR BOAT

WE ARE CONTINUALLY INVESTING IN OUR FLEET TO ENSURE THE VERY HIGHEST STANDARDS FOR OUR GUESTS.

Our specialist Black Prince team hand-build the boats for our holiday fleet, constantly innovating the design and technology. All boats offer water-cooled engines, full central heating, airing cupboards, showers, superior macerator toilets, cookers, fridges (with small freezer unit), flat screen televisions with Freeview, radios, CD and DVD players and USB sockets.





WHAT YOU'LL FIND ONBOARD...

IN THE GALLEY

4 ring cooker, oven & grill
Stainless steel sink
Washing up bowl
Dish draining rack
Refrigerator (4 cubic ft with small freezer unit)
1 Kettle
1 Frying pan
3 Saucepans & lids
1 Pudding basin
1 Colander
1 Casserole
1 Mixing bowl
1 One pint jug
1 Water jug
1 Bread board
1 Bread knife
1 Grater
1 Mixing bowl
1 Carving knife
1 Carving fork
2 Cooks knives
1 Wooden spoon
1 Sugar bowl
1 Cruet set
1 Teapot
1 Fruit bowl
1 Pair scissors

4 Serving spoons
1 Fish slice
1 Tea strainer
1 Tin opener
1 Bottle opener
1 Corkscrew
1 Grillpan
1 Enamel plate
1 Pedal bin
1 Potato masher
1 Pair oven gloves
1 Toast rack
2 Tea towels
1 Dishcloth
Washing-up liquid
Sponge scourer
Soap
Toilet paper

ON THE TABLE

One of each per berth:
Dessert knife
Table knife
Dessert fork
Table fork
Teaspoon
Dessert spoon
Soup spoon
Tea plate
Dinner plate
Cereal bowl

Cup & saucer
Mug
Egg cup
Beer glass
Wine glass

BEDDING & TOWELS

Duvets and covers
1 Pillow per berth
1 Interior sprung Mattress/cover per bed
1 Set of linen
1 Pillowcase / bed
1 Bath towel / person
1 Hand towel / bathroom
1 Shower mat / shower

FOR CLEANING

1 Toilet brush & stand
1 Dustpan & brush
1 Bucket
1 First aid kit

NAVIGATING

1 Boarding plank
1 Boat pole
1 Boat hook
1 Water hose
1 Life ring
2 Mooring spikes

1 Club hammer
2 Double windlasses
1 Umbrella

EXTRAS AT OUR BASES

Roasting tin
Butter dish
Cafetière
Extra pillows
Extra windlasses
(£5 returnable deposit)
Cot Sides

WATER & WASHING

110 gallon freshwater tank
Running hot & cold water by automatic pump to wash basin, shower & sink
Flush pump-out toilet & shower with full height bi-fold door

HEATING

Central heating boiler & hot tank with airing cupboard

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

240v shaver point (for shaver only)
Hair dryer
12v/USB charger
LED lighting throughout
Flatscreen TV + Freeview/DVD player
Radio/CD player
All boats have a 240v socket
1kW capacity max

All of our boats have a security safe

HEADROOM

Over 6' 3"

ENGINE

Water cooled with single lever control

NB: Boats in the same class are similar in all essential respects although details may vary from boat to boat

All our boats benefit from: • Double glazed front windows • Double beds 6'3" x 4' and Single beds 6'3" x 2' all with interior sprung mattresses • Full central heating with radiators and airing cupboard • Flat screen TV with Freeview/DVD player • Radio/CD player • Full size shower with bi-fold door • 240v Hairdryer • 110 gallon hygienic stainless steel water tank • 4 ring cooker /oven/grill • Electric fridge with freezer compartment • 12v/USB point for phone / camcorder / iPod / iPad charging • Security safe • Macerator toilets to discrete tanks • Cruiser stern • 2 auto-inflating lifejackets Interior finishes may vary from those shown in the photographs.

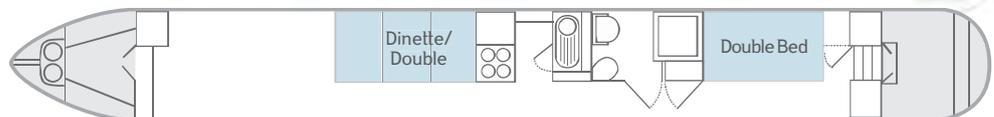




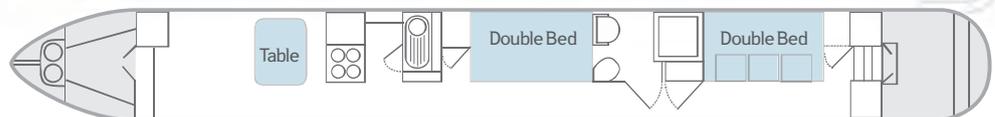
WELCOME ABOARD

All Black Prince boats offer the same high quality fixtures and fittings, with a similar bow (front) and stern (back). The names reference the different sized boats that we offer, from a 2 berth to a 10 berth, and the varying layouts. Please note that all boat types are not available at all bases, see page 47 for details.

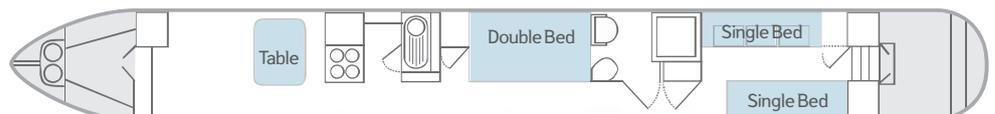
With the exception of the Duchess 2 and Princess 2, all boats have the option of either single or double berth configurations – see the outline drawings below. Some boats can also sleep extra people by using the lounge area at night. Walkway doors can be used for privacy between each of the bedroom areas on most boats.



DUCHESS 2 Length: 52ft | Sleeps: 2/5 | Double beds: 1* | Single beds: 0*
A disc bed can be added and used in the lounge area at night, enabling 1 extra person to be accommodated.



DUCHESS 4:2 Length: 58ft | Sleeps: 4/5 | Double beds: 2

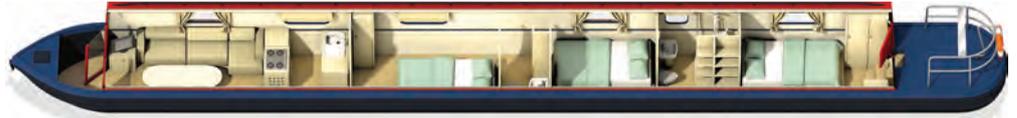


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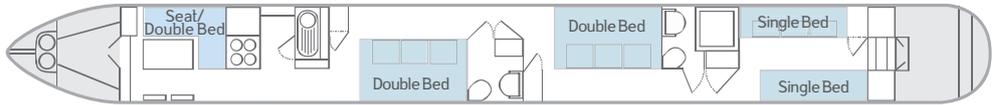




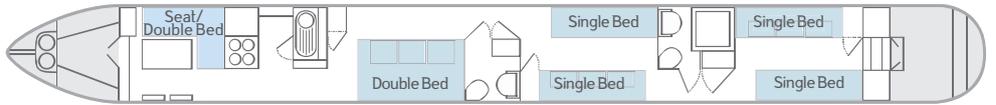
DUCHESS 6



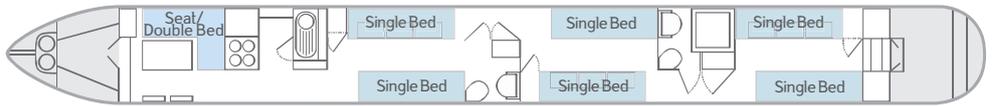
DUCHESS 6:3 Length: 69ft | Sleeps: 6/8 | Double beds: 3* | Single beds: 0*
*Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge



DUCHESS 6:4 Length: 69ft | Sleeps: 6/8 | Double beds: 2* | Single beds: 2
*Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge

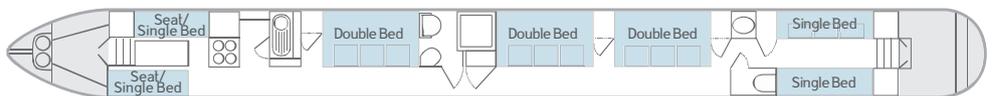


DUCHESS 6:5 Length: 69ft | Sleeps: 6/8 | Double beds: 1* | Single beds: 4
*Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge

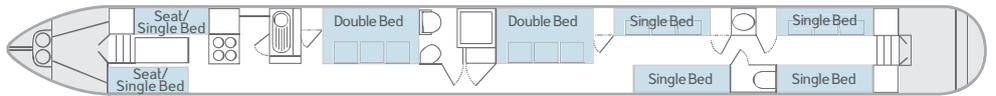


DUCHESS 6:6 Length: 69ft | Sleeps: 6/8 | Double beds: 0* | Single beds: 6
*Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge

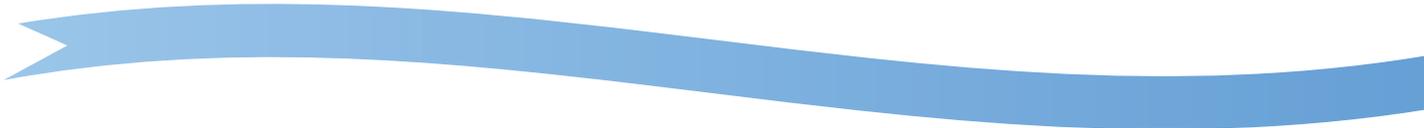
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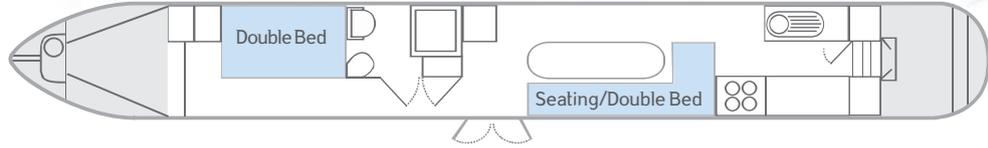


DUCHESS 8:5 Length: 70ft | Sleeps: 8/10 | Double beds: 3 | Single beds: 2*
*Plus 2 optional beds in the lounge

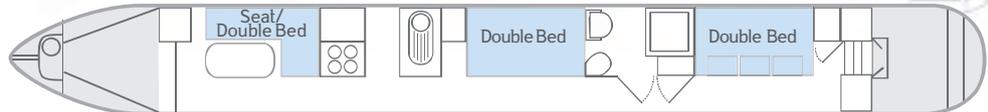
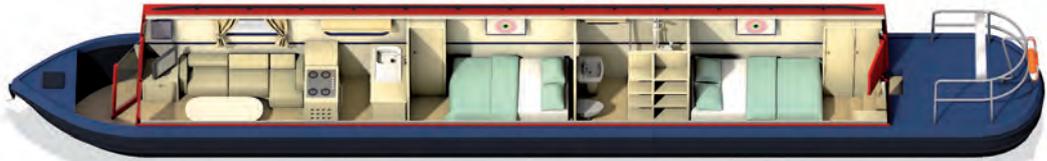


DUCHESS 8:6 Length: 70ft | Sleeps: 8/10 | Double beds: 2 | Single beds: 4*
*Plus 2 optional beds in the lounge

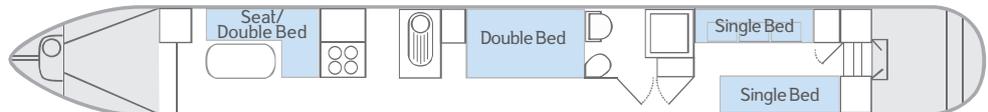




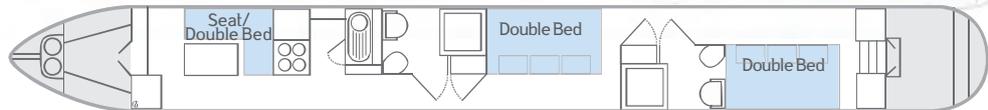
PRINCESS 2:1 Length: 47ft | Sleeps: 2/4 | Double beds: 1*
 *Fold down double in the lounge



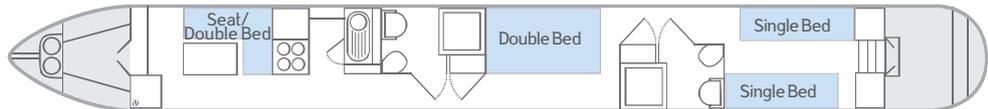
PRINCESS 4:2 Length: 52ft | Sleeps: 4/6 | Double beds: 2*
 *Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge



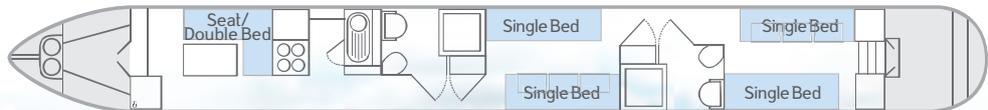
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 *Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge



PRINCESS 6:2 Length: 62ft | Sleeps: 6 | Double beds: 2*
 *Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge

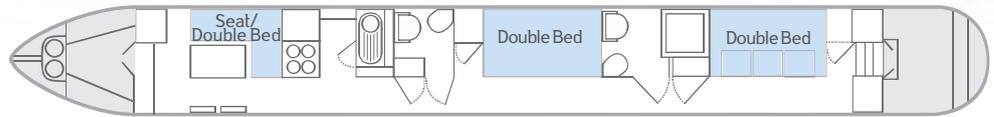


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 *Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge

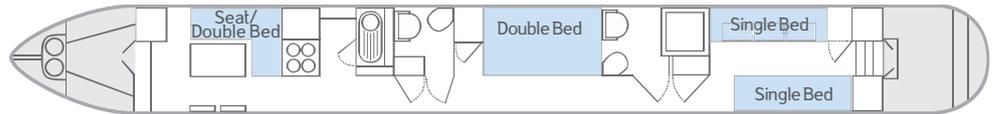


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 Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge

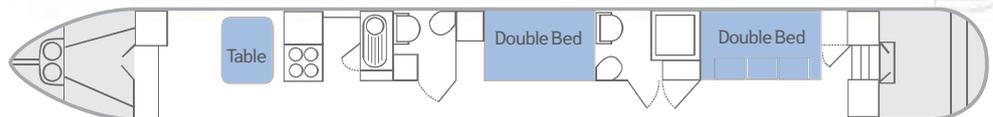




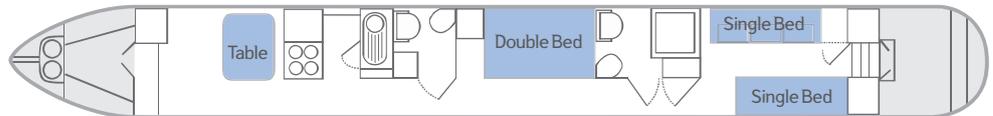
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* Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge



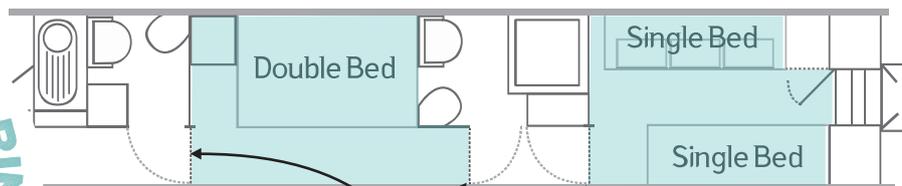
SHAKESPEARE 4:3 Length: 58ft | Sleeps: 4/6 | Double beds: 1* | Single beds: 2
* Plus 1 optional bed in the lounge



LAUTREC 4:2 Length: 62ft | Sleeps: 4/5 | Double beds: 2



LAUTREC 4:3 Length: 62ft | Sleeps: 4/5 | Double beds: 1 | Single beds: 2
A disc bed can be added and used in the lounge area at night, enabling 1 extra person to be accommodated.



PRIVACY DOORS

On all boats, bathroom and cupboard doors can be opened out across the passageway to create private bedroom areas along the cabin.





Signature RANGE

2023 sees the launch of the Black Prince Signature range. Hand built with a contemporary bespoke design, this new class firmly puts our stamp on the future of modern narrowboating.

As well as the fresh decor, we've enhanced the practicalities: there's a larger kitchen area with more worktop space making room for a microwave. We've included all the modern necessities such as multiple USB sockets for phone charging, wireless charging pads and a flat-screen TV.

Plus our new black-out blinds and bespoke mattresses will ensure a good night's sleep after a busy day.

The Signature range from selected bases:
Princess 2, 4 & 6 : Duchess 6 & 8
Shakespeare 4



*take to the water
for your next
adventure*



YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Do I need previous experience / a licence?

No previous experience of narrowboating is necessary. Our boats are easy to operate and our Black Prince team will provide a full induction on your arrival at the base. You do not need a driving licence for a narrowboat and the boat itself is licenced by us for CRT waterways. However, there are certain stretches of river that you do need a river licence to navigate – these are the River Avon, River Nene and River Thames (you can purchase these on the day).

What's the minimum crew required?

A minimum of two people will be needed to crew a Black Prince boat. This is so you can easily control the boat through locks and swing bridges. We regret we cannot hire to single-handed boaters, however experienced.

Which route should I choose?

There are plenty of routes to choose from that would suit beginners through to the more active boater. If you want to potter along then choose a route where you don't have to travel a lot of hours in one day and don't have many locks to tackle. Alternatively, if you want something more adventurous and to cover a greater distance then go for the longer routes such as one of the Rings. You can plan your route using the guides on the base pages plus our teams can provide advice on arrival. Maps are also available to purchase from the bases. *Occasionally, due to weather influences on the rivers and canals, we may advise you to take an alternative route, but there's always plenty to see and do no matter which direction you take!*

What's included in the hire charge?

All the necessary boating equipment will be provided, plus everything for a self-catering holiday – a full list is provided on page 41.

Will I have to fill up with diesel and water?

The boat has a 110 gallon water tank which should be refilled daily from water points along the canal. Your boat will have a full tank of diesel which is adequate for 2 weeks. The diesel fuel you have used will be charged upon return of the boat and the cost per litre will be slightly lower than supermarket prices. (2020 – average cost £12–15 per day). The boats will typically use between 1.2–1.7 litres per hour depending on driving style. The central heating systems are oil fired, which will also use diesel during colder periods.

Can I bring my pet?

Yes, you can bring your pet (a maximum of 2). Your first pet travels free, with an additional pet costing £30, payable at the base upon arrival. Please keep them off the furniture and bedding. The intention to bring pets must be clearly stated at time of booking as some boats are pet-free.

Can I charge my laptop and mobile?

Yes there is a 12v/USB charger point on each boat and 1700w inverters are also on board that powers the built-in hairdryer. Unfortunately, hair straighteners will not work so please do not bring them with you.

Where can I stop at night?

You can stop for the night almost anywhere along the canal bank, much of the canal network is managed by the Canal & River Trust. Watch out for prohibited signs, such as by the water taps, or where it is unsafe, such as on a bend or close to a lock. Riverbanks, however, are private property, so mooring, except in designated spots provided by the navigation authority or a boating association, is at the discretion of the landowner.

Do we have to pay for mooring?

Mooring on the towpath is free in the majority of situations, however, you may encounter a charge if you choose to moor up at a privately owned marina, wharf or basin.

What time is the boat available from?

Boats are available between 2.30pm and 3.30pm Saturdays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays or from 9.30am on Wednesday departures. They should be returned and vacated by 9.30am or 2.30pm on return days as specified on your confirmation. If a boat is returned late or unclean, it will cause a delay for the next hirer. In this event, we reserve the right to charge additional costs.

Where can I park my car?

All our bases have free car parking, but we are unable to accept responsibility for loss or damage to customers' vehicles.



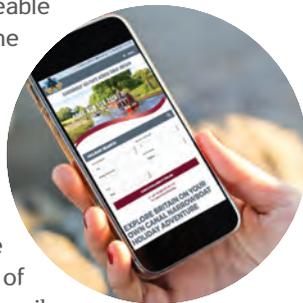


How can I make a booking?

You can book safely and securely online or call one of our experienced team members for knowledgeable advice. We require 25% deposit to confirm the booking, with the balance due 3 weeks before your departure date. Please see page 48 for details of our Cancellation Protection Scheme to cover any costs of cancellation.

Do I need insurance?

The price of your holiday includes a Damage Waiver, which covers you in the event of damage, loss or accident to your boat or its inventory during your holiday (See page 48). Black Prince has its own Cancellation Protection Scheme in the event you need to cancel your holiday after you have paid in full, please ask for details at time of booking. It is advisable to have your own personal holiday insurance to cover personal possessions and health.



I have a disability, can I take a canal boat holiday?

The lead boaters need to have a reasonable level of fitness to operate the boat and the open / close the locks when required. However we have welcomed guests of varying levels of ability on our cruises, we would just ask that you call our reservations team so that we can answer any specific enquiries you may have, including levels of accessibility and power sources required.

Can I fish?

Fishing is allowed on canals at any time but an Environment Agency rod licence is required. You can purchase this from any Post Office or online at www.gov.uk. You may also need a permit depending on which stretch of water you wish to fish.

Please do not keep live bait on the boat.

BOAT AVAILABILITY

ACTON BRIDGE

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 9.30am | Tues 2.30pm – Sat 9.30am
Princess 2 | Princess 4 | Shakespeare 4 | Duchess 4
Princess 6 | Duchess 6 | Duchess 8
Fri 2.30pm – Mon 9.30am | Mon 2.30pm – Fri 9.30am
Duchess 4 | Duchess 6

STOKE PRIOR

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 9.30am | Tues 2.30pm – Sat 9.30am
Princess 2 | Princess 4 | Duchess 2 | Shakespeare 4 | Duchess 4
Lautrec 4 | Princess 6 | Duchess 6 | Duchess 8
Fri 2.30pm – Mon 9.30am | Mon 2.30pm – Fri 9.30am
Princess 4 | Duchess 4 | Lautrec 4 | Duchess 6

STOKE-ON-TRENT (PEAK DISTRICT)

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 9.30am | Tues 2.30pm – Sat 9.30am
Princess 4 | Duchess 2 | Shakespeare 4 | Duchess 4
Lautrec 4 | Princess 6 | Duchess 6 | Duchess 8
Fri 2.30pm – Mon 9.30am | Mon 2.30pm – Fri 9.30am
Princess 4 | Duchess 6

NAPTON

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 9.30am | Tues 2.30pm – Sat 9.30am
Princess 2 | Princess 4 | Shakespeare 4 | Duchess 4
Princess 6 | Duchess 6 | Duchess 8
Fri 2.30pm – Mon 9.30am | Mon 2.30pm – Fri 9.30am
Princess 4 | Duchess 4 | Lautrec 4

LOWER HEYFORD

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 9.30am | Tues 2.30pm – Sat 9.30am
Princess 2 | Duchess 4 | Duchess 6

ELY

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 9.30am | Tues 2.30pm – Sat 9.30am
Princess 4
Fri 2.30pm – Mon 9.30am | Mon 2.30pm – Fri 9.30am
Princess 2 | Princess 4 | Duchess 4

BRADFORD-ON-AVON

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 9.30am | Tues 2.30pm – Sat 9.30am
Princess 2 | Princess 4 | Princess 6 | Duchess 6

CHIRK

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 2.30pm | Wed 9.30am – Sat 9.30am
Duchess 2 | Princess 2 | Princess 4 | Shakespeare 4 | Duchess 4
Lautrec 4 | Princess 6 | Duchess 6 | Duchess 8
Fri 2.30pm – Mon 9.30am | Mon 2.30pm – Fri 9.30am
Princess 4 | Duchess 4 | Lautrec 4 | Duchess 8

FALKIRK

Sat 2.30pm – Tues 2.30pm | Wed 9.30am – Sat 9.30am
Princess 2 | Princess 4 | Duchess 4 | Princess 6
Fri 2.30pm – Mon 9.30am | Mon 2.30pm – Fri 9.30am
Princess 2 | Shakespeare 4 | Lautrec 4

BLACK PRINCE BOAT HIRE CONDITIONS

These Conditions, together with Your Booking Confirmation, form the hire agreement between You and the Company (the "Agreement") and describe the rights and duties of both You and the Company.

1. Definitions

1.1 In the Agreement, the following words have the following meanings:

"**Booking Confirmation**" means the written confirmation issued by the Company to You confirming the hire period, price, place of delivery and other key details of the booking.

"**Company**" means Black Prince Holidays LTD of Stoke Prior, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, B60 4LA.

"**Conditions**" means these inland boat hire conditions.

"**Deposit**" means the deposit referred to in the Booking Confirmation.

"**End Date**" means the end date referred to in the Booking Confirmation.

"**Force Majeure Event**" has the meaning given to it in Condition 21.

"**Hire Period**" means the hire period set out in the Booking Confirmation.

"**Price**" means the price of the boat hire set out in the Booking Confirmation.

"**Start Date**" means the start date referred to in the Booking Confirmation.

"**You**" and "**Your**" means the person or persons named as the hirer or hirers in the Booking Confirmation and includes anyone added to the Booking Confirmation as a hirer at a later date, but excludes other members of Your party. If there is more than one of You, each of You will be jointly and severally liable under the Agreement.

2. Agreement to Hire

2.1 When You request a booking, You are making an offer to hire a boat on these Conditions. Booking requests will only be accepted on the Company booking form or over the telephone or, if applicable, via the Company website.

2.2 The Agreement will be effective once the Company accepts Your booking and sends You a Booking Confirmation. You may cancel a booking at any time before You receive the Booking Confirmation from the Company. Similarly, the Company may hire the boat to another party at any time before it sends You a Booking Confirmation or if You fail to pay the Deposit.

2.3 You are responsible for the accuracy of the personal details and any other information supplied in respect of You and Your party. When You receive the Booking Confirmation please check the details carefully and inform the Company immediately if anything is incorrect.

3. Prices and Payment

3.1 The Company's advertised prices are in pounds sterling (£) and include value added tax (VAT) at the rates applicable on the date of the Booking Confirmation. If after the date of the Booking Confirmation the rate of VAT and/or IPT applicable to Your hire changes and/or any other tax, levy or local authority charge becomes applicable to Your hire, the Company reserves the right to amend the Price accordingly.

3.2 The Company reserves the right to correct errors in advertised or quoted prices before or at the time of booking and will confirm the correct Price in the Booking Confirmation.

3.3 Subject to Condition 3.1, the Booking Confirmation sets out the total Price that You must pay to the Company under the Agreement.

3.4 You are responsible for making all payments due to the Company under the Agreement. Payment is deemed to have been made by You when cleared funds are received in such bank account as the Company nominates in the hire invoice.

3.5 You shall pay the Deposit to the Company at the time of the booking request by debit or credit card (excluding American Express) or via a bank transfer.

3.6 You shall pay the balance of the Price, not less than on the date shown in the Booking Confirmation. Time of payment is of the essence. Failure to pay the Price by the due date may result in the booking being cancelled and Your liability for payment continuing.

3.7 For bookings made less than 8 weeks before the Start Date, You must pay the total Price immediately following receipt of the Booking Confirmation and hire invoice.

3.8 The Company may, at its sole discretion, charge interest at 4% per annum over the base rate set by the Bank of England on any amount outstanding under the Agreement from the due date for such amount until the date of its payment in full. Without prejudice to any other term of these Conditions, the Company may cancel Your booking if any amount due under the Agreement is not paid in full by its due date.

4. Your Party

4.1 **Personal agreement and obligations:** the Agreement is a personal one between You and the Company, and Your identity(ies) and the identity of members of Your party are a material factor in the Company's decision to enter into the Agreement. You must be at least 18 years of age at the time of booking and possess the legal capacity to make the booking. You must be authorised by all other members of Your party to enter into the Agreement and accept these Conditions on their behalf. The full names, ages and permanent addresses of all members of Your party must be provided to the Company at the time of booking. All changes in Your party (the addition, substitution or removal of any member of the party) which take place at any time after the Booking Confirmation has been issued (including during the Hire Period) must be communicated in writing and approved by the Company (such approval is subject to these Conditions, but otherwise may not be unreasonably withheld). You are responsible for making all members of Your party aware of the terms of the Agreement.

4.2 **School parties, youth groups, hen or stag parties, commercial purposes:** unless expressly agreed in the Booking Confirmation, the boat may not be used for school parties, youth groups, hen or stag parties or for any commercial purpose.

4.3 **Disability and Reduced Mobility:** if You or any member of Your party has a disability and/or reduced mobility that may affect Your booking, it is Your responsibility to notify the Company when making the booking or, if such disability and/or reduced mobility becomes apparent after the booking, no later than 48 hours prior to the Start Date. Subject to the foregoing, although the Company has no expertise in this subject matter, the Company will try and advise you as to the suitability of the boat you have chosen to hire and possible alternatives but You acknowledge that certain space restrictions and practical safety considerations apply on board boats which may prevent a person with a disability or reduced mobility from accessing the boat and/or complying with all safety requirements. Where You have made a booking and You or a member of Your party subsequently becomes disabled or otherwise a person with reduced mobility the Company may not always be able to accommodate their needs. If in the Company's reasonable opinion it is unable to properly accommodate the needs of the person(s) concerned or You do not accept such alternative arrangements as the Company may offer, the Company may, without liability, treat this as a request to terminate Your booking and Condition 7.1 shall apply. The Company may require the person(s) concerned to produce a medical certificate certifying that they are fit to participate in the hire of the boat. The Company shall not be liable for any loss or damage caused as a result of a disability and/or reduced mobility, save where such loss or damage is caused by the negligence of the Company and results in death or personal injury.

4.4 **The use of alcohol and illegal drugs; Company's right of immediate cancellation:** You must not navigate the boat while You or anyone on board is, or appears to be, under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs.

5. Changes Requested By You

5.1 Bookings may only be changed with the written agreement of both parties and in accordance with these Conditions.

5.2 If You wish to change Your booking, the Company will use reasonable endeavours to accommodate such changes, provided that notification is received in writing from You. The Company reserves the right to charge an administration fee of £50* in addition to any increase in the cost of the booking due to such changes. No refund will be given where any agreed changes would otherwise have resulted in a lower Price for Your booking.

6. Cancellation by You

6.1 The Agreement is a legally binding contract and may only be cancelled in accordance with these Conditions. You have no statutory right of cancellation under The Consumer Contracts (Information, Cancellation and Additional Charges) Regulations 2013.

6.2 If You want to cancel the Agreement You must give the Company written notice (by email or such other means as directed by the Company) (the "**Cancellation Notice**"). The date of receipt of the Cancellation Notice shall be the effective cancellation date.

6.3 In the event of Your cancellation of the Agreement, the Deposit, any insurances and credit card charges are non-refundable and in addition you shall be liable for the following charges dependent on the proximity of your cancellation to the Start Date:

More than 56 days before the Start Date 40% of the hire price. 43-56 days 50% of the hire price. 29-42 days 70% of the hire price. 8-28 days 85% of the hire price and 7 days or less 100% of the hire price. If any changes or amendments are required to the Booking Confirmation after it has been issued the Company reserves the right to charge an additional £50 administration fee.

7. Cancellation By the Company

7.1 The Company may at any time by written notice to You terminate the Agreement with immediate effect:

7.1.1 in accordance with Condition 4.3.

7.1.2 in accordance with Condition 8.4; or

7.1.3 if there is a Force Majeure Event which for whatever reason prevents the Company from performing the Agreement.

7.2 Where the Company terminates the Agreement in accordance with Conditions 7.1.1 to 7.1.3 inclusive, the Company shall, save where otherwise agreed in writing with You, refund the Deposit and all other amounts paid by you and shall have no further liability thereafter.

7.3 The Company may refuse to hand the boat over to You and/or repossess the boat at any time after the Start Date and in either case terminate the Agreement if:

7.3.1 You fail to pay any amount due under the Agreement;

7.3.2 You or any member of Your party cause damage or loss to the boat, its services or facilities; or

7.3.3 the Company considers that You are, without the Company's prior written approval, using or intend to use the boat for a school party, youth group, hen or stag party or commercial purpose;

7.3.4 the Company considers that You or anyone on board is, or appears to be, under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs;

7.3.5 You are unsuitable to take charge of the boat for any reason that may adversely affect the safety of any person or property;

7.3.6 the Company considers that Your behaviour or the behaviour of anyone in Your party is likely to harm the environment or otherwise spoil the enjoyment and use of the waterways or otherwise harm the comfort or health of or cause offence to other guests, members of staff or waterway users;

7.3.7 You or any member of Your party (or anyone invited on to the boat by You) has breached or is likely to breach the rules set out under Condition 10.1 or any of Your obligations under the Agreement, any applicable laws and regulations, or any other terms and conditions applicable to the boat which You have been told about.

In the event of termination in accordance with this Condition 7.3, You shall comply with the Company's request to make the boat safe and secure and thereafter leave it immediately the Company shall be entitled to retain all amounts paid by you and You will remain liable to pay all other amounts due under the Agreement. Further, in the event that such amounts are insufficient to cover the Company's losses arising out of such terminations, the Company shall be entitled to claim from You any loss or damage which it suffers.

8. Hire Period, Collection and Return of the Boat

8.1 Subject to Condition 8.7 and save as it may otherwise notify you of in writing, the Company will use reasonable endeavours to make the boat available to You between 2.30 p.m. and 5.00 p.m. on the Start Date at the place of handover set out in the Booking Confirmation. These times vary by base and will be confirmed to you in your booking confirmation email.

8.2 You must notify the Company of Your estimated arrival time no later 5 days prior to Your Start Date, and thereafter notify the Company as soon as reasonably possible of any changes to Your estimated arrival time as this may lead to difficulties and delays in making the boat available to You. There will neither be any rebate of the Price for late arrival nor will the Company accept responsibility for any costs which You may incur if You fail to reach the boat between the times specified in Condition 8.7.

8.3 Before You take over the boat, the Company will give You such instructions, demonstrations and trials as are appropriate.

8.4 If the boat is not available on the Start Date for any reason outside the Company's control (including but not limited to any Force Majeure Event, adverse weather or navigation conditions, damage, mechanical breakdown, late return by previous hirer), the Company may substitute the boat with another boat with similar accommodation by giving You written notice. If no such other boat is available or cannot be provided, the Company may terminate the Agreement.

8.5 The boat must be returned to the location specified on the Booking Confirmation or otherwise notified under Condition 8.7 and vacated by You 9.30a.m. on the End Date, unless otherwise specified. It is Your responsibility to allow sufficient time to ensure timely return.

8.6 If You return the boat late or to the wrong place, unless as a result of the Company's breach of the Agreement, You will be liable to pay:

8.6.1 £50 for every hour or part hour of delay in returning the boat to the agreed return point;

8.6.2 any cost incurred by the Company in recovering the boat to agreed return point; and

8.6.3 any other expenses and losses which the Company may incur as a result of the delay including, but not limited to, the loss or cancellation of a subsequent booking.

8.7 The Company reserves the right to change the places of handover and return for operational reasons. The Company will give You written notice of the change as soon as practical and will use reasonable endeavours to do so in sufficient time to allow any necessary replanning of Your itinerary.

9. Insurance and Security Deposit

9.1 The Company insures the boat and its equipment against physical loss and damage and against public liability risks. You are entitled to any protection that may be afforded by the Company's insurance policy, but You and members of Your party may become legally liable to the Company or to third parties for loss or damage caused or contributed to by Your acts, omissions or negligence.



9.2 The Company's insurance policy does not cover personal accidents or Your personal belongings and excludes Speeding (travelling over 4mph), Negligent, Malicious or Intentional damage to the boat, its Inventory, Third Party Property, the Canal or River or its Structures, Damage to the Rudder, Skeg or Transmission due to Cill Damage in a Lock, Return of the Boat Late or in an Unclean Condition.

9.3 The Accidental Damage Waiver Scheme is included in the cost of your holiday and covers You in the event of damage, loss or accident to your boat or its inventory during your holiday. You must ensure all passenger names provided when you book online or over the phone, to ensure You are covered.

10. Safety and other Rules

10.1 You agree to comply with the following rules at all times during the Hire Period:

10.1.1 To ensure that at all times while the boat is being navigated or is transiting locks the minimum age of the operator onboard and in charge is 18 years.

10.1.2 Not to tow or be towed other than in exceptional circumstances.

10.1.3 To moor the boat securely.

10.1.4 To lock and secure the boat when away from it.

10.1.5 Not to navigate after sunset or before sunrise.

10.1.6 To observe all speed limits, and not to navigate at a speed which creates a breaking wash or disturbs or inconveniences other waterway users.

10.1.7 Not to race the boat.

10.1.8 Not to bring onto the boat any pets, dinghies, canoes, portable heaters, bicycles, vehicles, lighting equipment, TV sets, electric tools or cooking appliances, inflammable liquids or substances, gas cylinders, car batteries, fire arms, live bait or any other items which might create dangers or hazards without the Company's prior written permission.

10.1.9 To allow the boat to be occupied only by the persons named in the Booking Confirmation.

10.1.10 Not to allow on the boat at any time more persons than the maximum number of berths plus two.

10.1.11 To give way to laden or unladen cargo boats, sailing craft, rowing boats and other human propelled craft.

10.1.12 Not to take the boat on to sea or tidal waters. To cruise only on canals and rivers approved by the Company.

10.1.13 Not to have or carry any live bait on the boat.

10.1.14 At all times to observe and abide by all regulations, bye-laws and navigational limits and abide by the instructions and advice of the relevant Navigational Authorities and the Company and their respective officers and employees.

10.2 In addition to such restrictions on navigation as may from time to time be put in place by the competent authorities, for which the Company shall not be liable, the Company reserves the right, without liability, to restrict cruising areas or routes in the light of prevailing weather and navigation conditions.

11. Responsibility for the boat

11.1 You are responsible for the boat, its equipment and contents at all times during the Hire Period. Such responsibility includes the safe and lawful navigation of the boat.

11.2 You must keep the boat, its equipment and contents clean and tidy during the Hire Period.

11.3 You must notify and provide full details to the Company of any breakdown, damage, theft or loss involving the boat as soon as practically possible. You must not undertake or commission any repairs, adjustment or service without the Company's prior written approval.

11.4 In the event of any accident or damage involving the boat or anyone on the boat, You must:

11.4.1 obtain and record the name(s) of any other boat(s) and the names and addresses of any other people involved on the form provided by the Company (when available);

11.4.2 notify the Company as soon as practically possible and provide full details of the accident and any damage sustained; and

11.4.3 proceed in accordance with such instructions as the Company may reasonably give.

11.5 Although the boat and its equipment are insured against some risks, You remain responsible to the Company for any damage or loss arising from Your breach of the Agreement, Your deliberate acts or omissions, or from Your negligence.

11.6 In the event that the boat is run aground or is otherwise involved in a collision or allision you will be responsible for arranging its refloating or otherwise freeing it from any entanglement, including removing all weed, rope or other matter from the boat's propellers and steering gear and you shall notify the Company of any such incident and keep it informed of developments related to such incident.

12. Rights of Access

The Company reserves the right at any time to board the boat and access its accommodation to inspect it (including but not limited to where You have complained about the boat). If this happens, the Company will try to give You reasonable notice first, notwithstanding which you agree to allow the Company or its representative(s) or contractor(s) immediate access to the boat at any time.

13. Hirer's Property

13.1 Vehicles may be left entirely at their owner's risk in the Company's car park. The Company will be under no liability for any loss or damage to vehicles or their contents or for Your property on the boat unless caused by the Company's negligence.

13.2 The Company may take such reasonable action as it considers necessary to silence Your car alarm if Your car is left on or adjacent to the Company's premises and to recover the any associated costs from You. This is inclusive of any requirements and obligations under the Noise and Statutory Nuisance Act 1993 and/or under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 and/or any other relevant legislation.

13.3 The Company will use reasonable endeavours to return to You any of Your property which it finds on the boat or otherwise on the Company's premises, provided that You notify the Company of such lost property promptly and that You either arrange for its collection or agree to pre-pay for any postage and packing. Property not claimed within 2 months from the End Date may be disposed of by the Company.

14. Fuel

14.1 The boat will be handed over with a full fuel tank on the Start Date. The Price is exclusive of the cost of fuel and you will pay a fuel on the End Date of your period of hire. You will pay for the fuel you have used.

14.2 Refuelling may only take place at the premises of suppliers designated by the Company.

15. Pets

15.1 No pets are allowed on the boat except those (i) identified in the Booking Confirmation or (ii) to which the Company subsequently gives written permission.

15.2 The Company's charges for pets are set out in the brochure.

15.3 All pets must be properly house trained or caged as appropriate, must never be left unattended, and shall not be allowed on bedding or chairs. You must provide any pet baskets or blankets.

15.4 Pets and pet damage are not covered under the Company's insurance policy and You will be liable for any damage or loss caused by them.

16. Inventory

You will be required to sign the inventory on taking the boat over. Any shortcomings discovered during the Hire Period must be notified to the Company as soon as practically possible so as to afford the Company the opportunity to rectify that shortcoming. You will be responsible for the cost of replacing or repairing any items on the inventory which are missing or damaged at the end of the Hire Period.

17. Exclusion and Limitation of Liability

17.1 The Company shall not be liable for any loss, cost or expense whatsoever suffered by You or any member of Your party (including but not limited to loss or damage to any person's property and consequential or indirect loss) and howsoever arising, including without limitation caused by:

17.1.1 non-fulfilment, interruption or delay to the booking;

17.1.2 breakdowns, mechanical problems, latent defects, damage to the boat or other property;

17.1.3 restrictions on cruising, obstructions, repairs, damage or closure of waterways, non availability of routes, navigational works, storms, floods, droughts, ice, shortage of water or other weather or climactic conditions; or

17.1.4 rationing, shortage or non availability of fuel.

17.2 Other than in respect of claims which cannot be excluded or limited at law (such as claims for death or personal injury), the Company's total liability to You and any person claiming through You in respect of all claims which may arise under or in connection with the Agreement will be limited in aggregate to one hundred per cent of the Holiday Price actually paid by You to the Company in respect of the Agreement in question.

17.3 Nothing in these Conditions affects Your statutory rights. In the event of a conflict between the Agreement and any consumer protection legislation conferred upon you, such consumer protection legislation shall prevail. In the event of a conflict between these Conditions and the Booking Confirmation, the Booking Confirmation shall prevail.

18. Brochure

The specifications of boats, their accommodation, facilities and equipment in the brochure are intended as a general guide and the Company shall not be liable in the event of any insubstantial differences in the boats supplied. Boats within classes may differ, colours may vary, layout plans are for guidance only and are not to scale and boats may have steps which are not shown.

19. Complaints

19.1 If You wish to make a complaint to the Company regarding Your booking, You may do so by post or email within 30 days of the End Date. The Company has a procedure to handle complaints promptly. If You fail to make Your complaint within 30 days of the End Date, this may affect Your entitlement to claim compensation (if any).

19.2 The Company is a member of British Marine and signs up to the Quality Accredited Boatyard and Boat Grading Scheme. A copy of the Code can be obtained upon written request to the Company. Should Your Complaint remain unresolved after following the procedure under Condition 19.1, You may raise the complaint with British Marine.

20. Third Parties

A person who is not a party to the Agreement will have no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of the Agreement.

21. Acts beyond the parties' control

21.1 The Company will neither be in breach of the Agreement nor liable for delay in performing, or failure to perform, any of its obligations under the Agreement if such delay or failure result from events, circumstances or causes beyond its reasonable control, including, without limitation, acts of God, flood, drought or other natural disaster; epidemic or pandemic; civil commotion or riots; any law or any action taken by a government or public authority (including without limitation failing to grant a necessary licence or consent); collapse of buildings, fire, explosion or accident; any labour or trade dispute, strikes, industrial action or lockouts; interruption or failure of utility service; limitations, restrictions or prohibitions by relevant authorities on the use of relevant waterways or boats ("Force Majeure Event").

21.2 If You are unable to take up Your booking because of UK government legislation, regulation or guidance or, You may:

21.2.1 subject always to availability, transfer Your booking to a later date, free of any administration charges. You will have to pay any difference in price if the cost of the new booking is higher or be reimbursed the difference if the cost of the new booking is lower; or

21.2.2 if the Company is required by law to provide it, obtain a refund of any amount already paid by You for the booking and cancel Your booking.

21.3 If You have to cut short Your booking because of UK government legislation, regulation or guidance, You will be entitled to a pro-rata refund of the Price (to the extent it has been paid), but any insurance premiums, booking fees or administration charges paid will not be refundable. You will have to contact the Company in order to access these options.

22 Data Protection

The Company will only use Your personal information in accordance with its privacy policy. You can find the Company's privacy policy at www.black-prince.com/privacy-policy

23. Law and Jurisdiction

23.1 The Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of, or in connection with, the Agreement are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.

23.2 Subject to Condition 24 below, You and the Company irrevocably agree that any and every dispute arising out of or in connection with the Agreement (or with any non-contractual obligations) will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

24. **Dispute Resolution** Disputes arising out of or in connection with the Agreement, when they cannot be resolved by negotiation, may, with the written agreement of the Parties, first be submitted to mediation under British Marine's Dispute Resolution Scheme. Details of the Scheme are available to current British Marine members or on request from British Marine and/or on British Marine's member website.