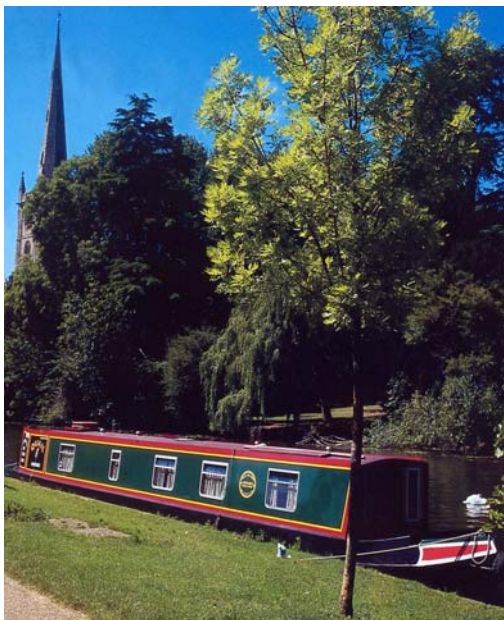
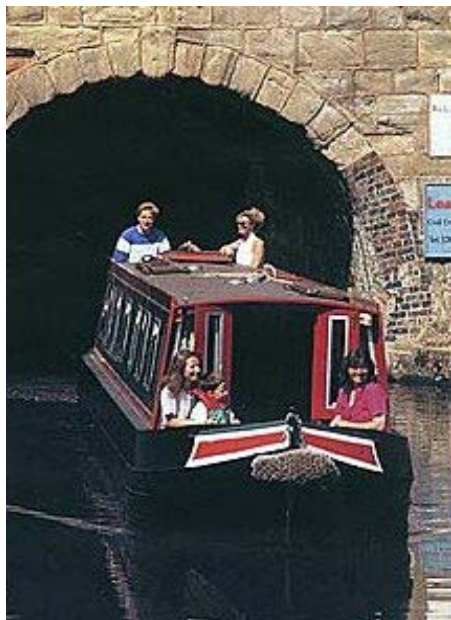


## UK CANAL BOATS AND WATERWAY HOLIDAYS

Stratford-upon-Avon and the Midlands, Llangollen Canal in Wales, Bath and most major canal rings



Our traditional narrowboat canal and waterway holidays offer you the very best boating holiday experiences with a host of award winning fleet operators with nearly 30-years of boating holiday experience. With carefully selected bases, a range of cruising routes and a substantial fleet of fully equipped, carefully crafted high quality narrowboats - that are independently inspected each year by the English Tourism Council - we believe you are guaranteed quality, fun, safety and the most relaxing holiday you can imagine.

Gliding along the calm canals, you can sit back and enjoy the quintessentially English countryside. Notice the towpaths where horses and men once pulled the canal boats. Visit picturesque villages where you can find atmospheric country pubs and good eating-places. If you are feeling energetic stop and take a stroll along quiet country walking paths.

For those with a taste for history explore Victorian England's industrial heritage from the unique perspective of the canals that were built as part of the industrial revolution. See the Anderton boatlift a stunning feat of 19<sup>th</sup> century engineering, carrying two boats at a time. Discover the urban environments of London, Manchester and Birmingham or the small mill towns of Lancashire from the comfort of a traditional narrowboat.

See medieval or Middle Age England in comfort travelling at your own pace. Visit historic Tewkesbury dominated by timber-framed buildings with traditional overhanging eaves and a fascinating maze of small alleyways behind the main streets. Be awed by the beauty of Worcester Cathedral the vision of Bishop Wulfstan at the end of the 11<sup>th</sup> century. Or stroll through the streets of Stratford-upon-Avon; the birthplace of William Shakespeare with its spectacular gardens, lively shopping and Royal Shakespeare Theatre Company.

Outdoor Travel can help you plan a unique Canal Boat holiday that you will remember for a lifetime. Whilst the canal are narrow, the locks exact and the bridges low the operation of these boats is simple and we have a wide range of boats for you to choose with various cabin layouts - with different bed (double, twin, bunk) and bathroom configurations – from a variety of bases across England, Wales and Scotland.

**Starts: WEEKLY (Saturdays), MID-WEEK (Monday to Friday) or LONG-WEEKEND (Friday to Monday)**

**For a FREE QUOTE on your UK boating holiday or to check availability:** call or email us now with your proposed start date and cruise duration (ie full week, mid-week or long-weekend), your budget, total number of passengers and preferred number of beds/cabins and the region you wish to cruise.

**Call OUTDOOR TRAVEL on 1800 331 582 for details or reservations**

**Hire period:** A week is 7 nights, extra nights can be booked. Hire times: 3.00pm pick-up, drop-off by 9.30am  
Holidays start Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday. The price is as per the nearest Saturday.

**2012 Boat Hire (per week):** All prices shown in UK Pounds (£) – please contact us for the Australian dollar rate:

BOAT CLASS (no of berths)	10 Mar - 24 Mar	31 Mar - 7 Apr	14 Apr - 28 Apr	5 May - 26 May	2-Jun	9 Jun - 16 Jun	23 Jun - 14 Jul	21 Jul - 18 Aug	25 Aug - 1 Sep	8-Sep	15-Sep	22-Sep	29 Sep - 20 Oct	27-Oct
Nene (2+2), Tyle Mill (2)	570	860	800	920	1195	1035	1095	1195	1040	915	860	695	685	795
Tyne (2+2), Morgaine(2+2)	625	940	880	1005	1305	1130	1195	1305	1135	1000	940	760	755	870
Kintbury (4+2), Soar (2+2)	700	1060	985	1130	1470	1270	1345	1470	1280	1125	1060	855	845	980
Grebe (2+2), Weaver (2+2), Medway (4+2), Finch (2+3), Bunting (2+3)	730	1105	1030	1180	1535	1330	1405	1535	1335	1175	1105	890	885	1020
Derwent (4+2)	760	1150	1070	1230	1600	1385	1465	1600	1390	1225	1150	930	920	1065
Ufton (4+2)	795	1200	1120	1285	1670	1445	1530	1670	1455	1280	1200	970	960	1110
Heron (4+1), Empress (4+2)	825	1255	1165	1340	1740	1505	1590	1740	1515	1330	1255	1010	1000	1155
Accolon (4+2), Swallow (4+4), Woodpecker (4+4), Dove (4+2)	855	1295	1205	1385	1800	1555	1645	1800	1565	1375	1295	1045	1035	1195
Thrush (4+2), Gull (4+2), Eagle (4+3), Caen Hill (4+5) Wye (6+2)	905	1370	1275	1465	1905	1650	1745	1905	1655	1455	1370	1105	1095	1265
Gosling (6+2)	950	1435	1335	1535	1995	1725	1825	1995	1735	1525	1435	1155	1145	1325
Owl (6+4)	985	1490	1385	1595	2070	1790	1895	2070	1800	1585	1490	1200	1190	1375
Goose (6+2)	1025	1555	1445	1665	2160	1870	1975	2160	1880	1650	1555	1255	1240	1435
Swan (8+4)	1050	1595	1485	1705	2215	1915	2025	2215	1925	1695	1595	1285	1275	1475

**In addition to the hire charge you will be required to pay:**

- A Cancellation Protection Plan Fee CPP\* = 4% of the total hire cost
- A non-refundable Damage Waiver of £50
- For optional high level berths a fee of £50 per week
- Fuel deposit of £90 per week. The boat is ready fuelled for your arrival, but there is a fuel deposit payable with your holiday booking. The cost of fuel is not included in the hire cost. When you return the boat the balance is refundable after deducting fuel used. If you have used fuel in excess of the deposit you will be asked to pay the difference.

\* The CPP may be waived if you have travel & cancellation insurance with cover that is comparable to or exceeds the CPP scheme, and can provide documentary evidence when booking your holiday. Please check the Booking Conditions carefully for details of this.

**The prices above include:**

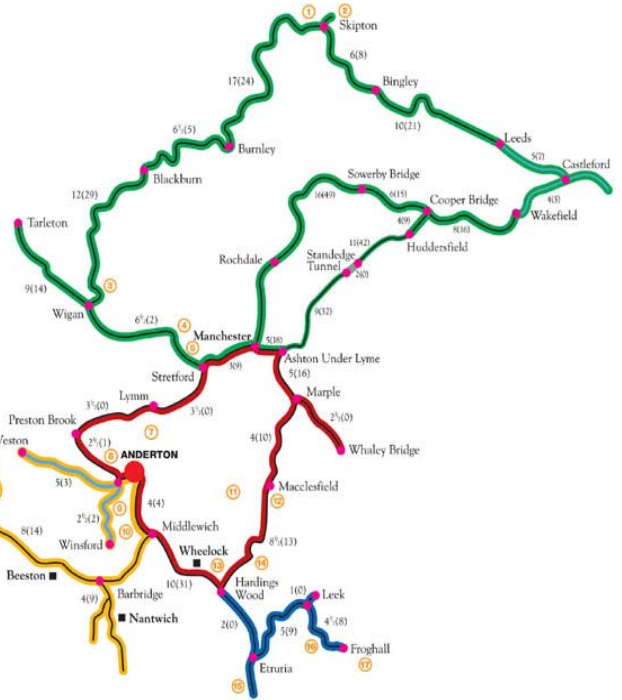
Hire of the boat for 7 nights, bed linen, towels (for non-UK clients), Boaters Handbook & initial tuition on arrival, Boat licence for all BW controlled navigations, Buoyancy aids, Welcome pack: including dish washing liquid, toilet roll, sponge & tea towel, car parking if necessary.

**Short Breaks and Extended hires are also available.** Short breaks for a 3 night weekend are Friday – Monday and for a 4 night midweek are Monday - Friday. Please ask for a quote on the cost of short breaks. For extended 10/11 night hires add the cost of the first week to half the weekly charge for the second week.

# OUR NARROWBOAT BASES IN ENGLAND, WALES AND SCOTLAND



**Alvechurch**



**Anderton**

## Alvechurch in the Midlands (including Warwick and Stratford on Avon)

The marina is situated on the Birmingham Level of the Worcester / Birmingham Canal with approximately 25 miles of lock free cruising available. Alvechurch is a village in rural Worcestershire just off junction 2 of the M42. It also has a railway station adjacent to the Marina with electric trains every 30 minutes during the day to Birmingham and Redditch.

Places of interest that can be visited from Alvechurch include: Black Country Museum, Stuart Crystal Glassworks, Merry Hill Shopping Centre, Tamworth Snowdome, Drayton Manor Park and Zoo, Kingsbury Water Park, Birmingham (Brindley Place, National Sealife Centre, Symphony Hall, National Indoor Arena, Jewellery Quarter Discover Centre, Packwood House (National Trust), Coventry Cathedral, Warwick Castle, Severn Valley Railway, Avoncroft Museum of Buildings, Bromsgrove, Hanbury Hall, Worcester Cathedral, Mary Arden's House (Shakespeare's Mother), Edstone Aqueduct, Pershore Abbey.

There is a canal side "Free house" English pub on Alvechurch Marina serving drinks and reasonably priced home cooked bar food. This cosy canalside pub was once the old Weighbridge office for offloading coal barges to horse and cart for local deliveries. It is now transformed into a friendly hostelry, which is an ideal place to start and finish your holiday.

## Anderton for northern England

The marina is adjacent to the famous Anderton Boat-lift and situated just outside the Cheshire town of Northwich on the Trent and Mersey canal. It has lock free cruising to Middlewich and only one lock with a six-inch level difference, connecting to the Bridgewater canal with its lock free run to Manchester.

Places of interest that can be visited from Anderton include: Bancroft Mill, Barnoldswick, Skipton Castle, Wigan Pier and Museum, Dunham Massey Hall and Park, Barton Swing Aqueduct, Chester (Roman City), Tatton Park, Anderton Boat-lift, Salt Museum, Northwich, Weaver Flashes, Jodrell Bank Radio Telescope, Macclesfield Silk Museum, Heartbreak Hill, Little Moreton Hall, Etruria Industrial Museum, Consall Nature Park, Alton Towers.

## Hilperton near Bath and Bristol (ask for route maps)

Bath and return, Bristol and return, Bradford On Avon / Bottom of Caen and return, Devizes and return, Hungerford and return, Newbury and return, Reading and return

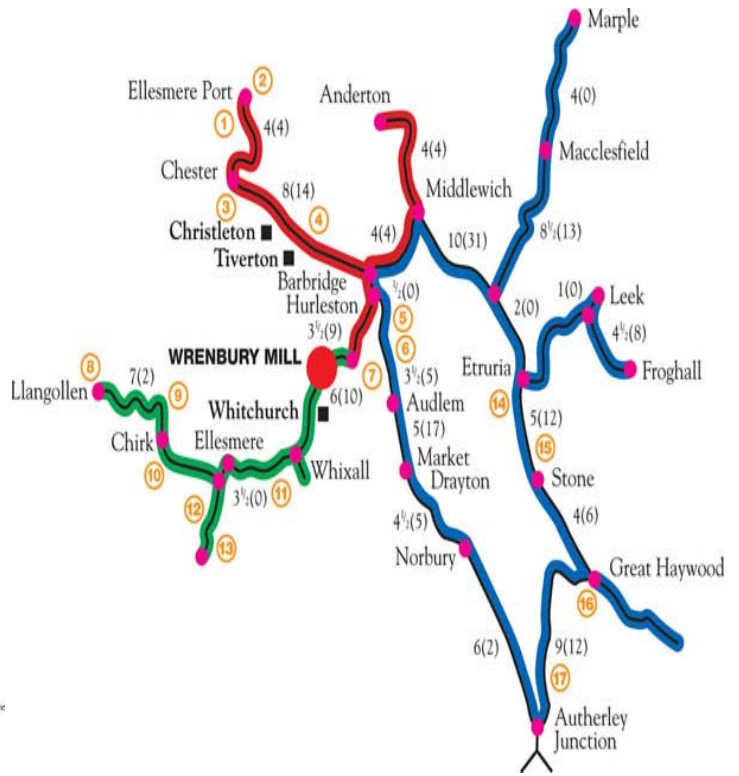
Hilperton Marina is superbly situated on the Kennet & Avon canal on the outskirts of Trowbridge in Wiltshire. The marina provides excellent cruising in one direction through the quaint town of Bradford on Avon to the world heritage site of Bath (around 8 hours cruising to the West) and on to the City of Bristol mooring in its floating harbour. In the other direction you can go up the magnificent Caen Hill lock flight to the county town of Devizes, on through the ancient Savernake Forest to eventually reach the Thames at Reading.

## Falkirk in Scotland

Glasgow and return, Bowling and return, Edinburgh and return, Edinburgh and Glasgow



**Gayton**



**Wrenbury Mill**

### Gayton in the East Midlands for

Market Harborough and return, Aylesbury and return, The Grand Ring, To Coventry and return, To Snarestone and return, The Warwick-shire Ring, East Midlands Ring

### Wrenbury Mill for North Wales

Chester and Ellesmere Boat Museum, Llangollen Canal, Four Counties Ring

Wrenbury Mill is located by the Llangollen Canal on the outskirts of the village of Wrenbury in Cheshire, which sits between the towns of Whitchurch and Nantwich. For pretty scenery and stunning views, little compares to the Llangollen canal with features including the 1007ft Pontcysyllte Aqueduct. With the proximity of the charming city of Chester as well, visitors starting from Wrenbury Mill are spoilt for choice. The nearby junction at Hurlleston is gateway to a rich selection of routes

### Goytre Wharf in South Wales for

Brecon National Park, Cwmbran, Brecon, Talybont-on-Usk, Crickhowell (ask for route maps)

## TYPES OF NARROWBOATS AVAILABLE:

The first impression when you step on board our Canal Boats is of space and light. For people who have not been on a boat before the interior comes as a surprise. When you unpack you'll find we have anticipated your storage needs, with plenty of wardrobes and drawer space, but it's when you start to live on board that our boats come into their own.

Central heating. Running hot and cold water to the shower, basin and sink (there are two showers and basins on the larger boats). Flushing toilets. Full cooking facilities and fridges, TV, radio and an inventory of equipment that seems never ending.

The controls are as simple as can be - start/stop, forward/reverse, left / right. A child could drive one of our boats - in fact, under supervision, they often do. All our boats are Tourist Board inspected and given an English Tourism Council star rating each year so you can be assured that the highest standards are maintained. We have a range of Canal Boats from 2-4-berth up to 10-12-berth. We are happy to provide you with advice and information about meeting your holiday needs. Below is a selection of photos from our Canal Boats.

## 2 - 5 BERTH CANAL BOATS

We have a selection of 15 different classes of 2 - 5 Berth Canal Boats ranging in size for 40 to 63 feet with a range of facilities and cost. Here are some photos from inside a typical 2 – 4-Berth narrowboat:



### Typical sleeping arrangements & boat layouts:

Two Cabins: Choice of a fixed double or 2 low level singles (1 with pipe bed over) in rear cabin, 1 dinette double.

### General Facilities:

Radio Cassette, Colour TV, radiator heating, 250-gallon water tank, 12v mobile phone charging point, cruiser stern, towels and Welcome pack.

### Kitchen Facilities:

Fully equipped kitchen / galley with a 4-burner gas cooker - complete with grill and oven, refrigerator, sink and drainer, work surfaces and plenty of storage space.

### Bathroom Facilities:

Shower, hand basin, shaver socket and a flush toilet.

## 4 - 5 BERTH NARROWBOATS



Typically a 49ft Bunting Class narrowboat – with a quiet water-cooled diesel engine and simple drive controls. Full radiator central heating. Hot and cold running water supplied from a 200-gallon water tank. Double filtered drinking water system. A 2kw inverter supplying 240-volt electricity to appliances / sockets on the boat. Carpeting in saloon and bedroom. Security box. Operational instruction and buoyancy aids.

Fitted with radio CD player, colour television and DVD player, hairdryer, vacuum cleaner, 12v Mobile phone charging point, 1 medium size towel per person plus 1 hand towel per bathroom. Welcome pack including a bottle of washing up liquid, dishcloth, tea towel, floor cloth, toilet roll and bin liner. Waterproof clothing and an umbrella is provided for the helmsman.

### Typical sleeping arrangements:

Sleeps up to 5. Choice of fixed double or two single berths in the forward cabin with interior sprung mattresses, and optional dinette double in saloon. Freshly laundered bedding provided for each person.

**General Facilities:**

Fully equipped galley with 4-burner gas cooker complete with grill and oven, refrigerator, sink and drainer, work surfaces and storage space, microwave oven, toaster and filter coffee machine. All the necessary saucepans, cooking utensils, crockery and cutlery are provided.

**Bathroom Facilities:**

Bathroom with hand basin, electrically operated flush toilet and hipbath/shower. 240v shaver socket.

**6 - 8 BERTH NARROWBOATS**

We have a selection of 15 different classes of 6 – 8-berth Canal Boats ranging in size for 56 to 69 feet with a range of facilities and cost:

**Typical sleeping arrangements:**

One fixed double, 1 dinette double, choice of double or two singles in each of the rear cabins.

**General Facilities:**

Radio / CD, colour TV and DVD, carpet, vacuum cleaner, 250 gallon water tank, 12v mobile phone charging point, 240 volt Sockets, hairdryer, security box, semi-traditional stern, towels and Welcome Pack.

**Kitchen Facilities:**

Fully equipped galley with 4-burner gas cooker complete with grill and oven, refrigerator, microwave oven, toaster, filter coffee machine sink and drainer, work surfaces and storage space.

**Bathroom Facilities:**

Two Bathrooms with Hand basin, Shaver Socket, Electric Flush Toilets, Hip Bath/Shower or Shower.

Outdoor Travel have a wide range of narrowboats for you to choose with various cabin layouts - with different bed (double, twin, bunk) and bathroom configurations – available from a variety of fleets from a wide range of bases across England, Wales and Scotland. We need to know your proposed start date and cruise duration (ie full week or long-weekend), your budget, and total number of passengers and preferred sleeping arrangements and number of bathrooms and of course your preferred cruise region. We can usually respond to a quote request within 2-hours.

**Outdoor Travel** also offers a wide variety of cruising or boating holidays - including hotel barges; self-skippered motor cruisers and Bike & Barge crises - in most regions of the UK and Europe especially destinations such as France, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Germany and Ireland.

To see availability or for a quote on our UK boating holidays **call or email Outdoor Travel or your travel agent** with your proposed start date and cruise duration (ie full week, mid-week or long-weekend), your budget, total number of passengers and preferred number of beds/cabins and the region you wish to cruise:

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