

CLAYMOORE CANAL HOLIDAYS

Boating Breaks 2011



Welcome to Claymoore

Welcome to our Boating Breaks 2011 brochure. There's never been a better time to experience a holiday on the UK's waterways. With no rush, no pressure and no deadlines to meet. There's just mile after mile of a hidden world to explore.

You will always find a warm welcome at Claymoore. As a family owned company with over 30 years' experience, we pride ourselves on providing a friendly, efficient service that allows us to focus on the individual attention you deserve.

Whatever you look for in your holiday, you'll find it along Britain's canals. There's always something new to look at and a new place to discover. The kids will love it too (mine certainly do), with plenty to see and lots of hands wanting to help out at the locks.

Surrounded by beautiful countryside and wildlife your floating home will take you through a part of Britain many are unaware of, a world away from motorway jams, cancelled flights and the fast pace of modern life. A canal holiday is a great way to get back to enjoying the simpler things in life.

With **expert instruction for novices** that ensures you leave our base with the skills and confidence you need to enjoy your holiday to the fullest, and a **totally inclusive pricing structure** that means you won't find any "extras" such as fuel or parking added to your bill, you'll relax the moment you arrive at reception.

We hope you enjoy browsing through this brochure and we look forward to meeting you soon.

Paul Wells

Operations Director
Claymoore Canal Holidays





Take Time to Take it Easy

Step on-board your floating home, take off your watch and forget about time. On a canal holiday there's no rushing, no important decisions to be made and no need to spend on expensive entertainment. In fact the biggest decision of your day might be what to have for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Built for the industrial revolution and now enjoyed by people from all over the world, the UK canal network really is Britain's hidden gem. It's a place where passers-by say hello and where strangers chat at locks. A place where you can cruise through beautiful open countryside or through vibrant cities. On a canal holiday the choice is yours and the experience is unique. Your holiday takes place as much in the open air as it does on your narrowboat. Of course after a hard days relaxing you can recharge your batteries with a good meal and a

drink in one of the many family friendly pubs along the waterways.

With a fantastic choice of routes available from our base, you can explore the countryside from a new viewpoint and in comfort. You can head north towards Manchester and continue around the Cheshire Ring or south and visit Cheshire, Staffordshire, Shropshire and Wales. Explore the potteries, the historic city of Chester or the famous world heritage site at the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct on the Llangollen canal.

Your boat is equipped with everything you'll need to enjoy a relaxing holiday afloat and our friendly staff will ensure you are looked after during your stay with us.

We don't charge extra for fuel, insurance, parking or pets

Plenty of Routes for you to Choose



Preston Brook to Chester

The perfect route for beginners or those looking to take it easy. Head south along the Trent & Mersey Canal, through the Weaver Valley and past the magnificent Anderton Boat Lift to the roman town of Middlewich. After the seclusion of the Middlewich branch of the Shropshire Union Canal you head across the Cheshire plains towards Chester. You'll have time to explore the historic city, walk the Roman walls and view the cathedral. Not forgetting the shopping of course. Your journey to Chester and back takes approximately 37 hours cruising time.



The Cheshire Ring

Go north from Preston Brook through beautiful pastoral countryside along the wide Bridgewater Canal, for 20 miles of lock-free cruising to Castlefields Basin in the heart of Manchester. Spend time visiting all that Manchester has to offer including a trip to the Science Museum close to the canal. Then head down the Peak Forest Canal, crossing the 100ft high Marple Aqueduct, to the junction with the Macclesfield Canal. Wend your way past two National Trust properties of Little Moreton Hall and Mow Cop and then head along the Trent & Mersey canal to complete the ring. The trip around the Cheshire Ring takes approximately 50 hours cruising time.



Preston Brook to Llangollen

A breath-taking route that takes you deep into Wales. Travelling south from Preston Brook to Barbridge Junction then up the locks at Hurlleston and onto the famous Llangollen Canal. There are many interesting sights to see including the 16th century buildings at Wrenbury and the enchanting village of Marbury. You continue through the fine market towns of Whitchurch and Ellesmere with it's surrounding lakes. Next, the Chirk Aqueduct takes you through magnificent countryside to the Vale of Llangollen which you cross on the World Heritage Site, Pontcysyllte Aqueduct at a height of 120ft over the River Dee. Once in Trevor you turn onto a narrow canal to the town of Llangollen, famous for its Eisteddfod. The route to Llangollen and back take approximately 60 hours cruising time.



The Four Counties Ring

This very popular route takes you south from Preston Brook, through the salt towns of Northwich and Middlewich on the Trent & Mersey Canal. Then onto Kidsgrove and through the famous Harecastle Tunnel to Stoke-on-Trent, home of the potteries. You continue your journey south to Great Haywood, onto the Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal and into the picturesque Tixall Wide. Then a change of character again onto the Shropshire Union Canal, through deep rock cuttings and impressive embankments.

Passing the white timbered building of Market Drayton, you make your way down the lock flight at Audlem and into the dairy lands of Cheshire. You continue along through the well kept town of Nantwich and slowly re-join the Trent & Mersey. The ring takes approximately 65 hours cruising time to complete with a detour along the pleasant Caldon Canal adding a further 17 hours to your journey.

Your Questions Answered

Do I have to pay for fuel?

As we don't charge extra for things like fuel, insurance and pets you can have peace of mind that you won't incur any more charges for your holiday.

Do you allow pets on-board?

Pets are welcome on our boats. We've had dogs, cats and even a parrot. All we ask is that pets are kept off the bedding and upholstery.

Do you have parking facilities?

Yes, we have a car park at our base for our guests. Our gate is locked at night but cars are left at the owners risk.

Can I have my groceries delivered to you?

Of course. Some guests like to have their online grocery shop delivered to us. We are happy to take delivery and will even pack your food onto your boat for you.

How can I book?

You can book with us online or over the telephone. Our online booking system shows you the live availability of your boat and is very easy to use. Our site is secure and fully PCI compliant so you can be sure your card details are safe.

Can I pay a deposit?

All we ask for is a 25% deposit to secure your holiday. The balance is due 6 weeks prior to your start date. Using our online system you can pay off your balance in smaller chunks if you wish.

Can I charge my phone/camera/laptop?

Yes. All of our boats have the facility to charge small electrical items.



Do you hire all year round?

Our main holiday season is from March until November but we do hire all year round. For out of season prices please check our website for up to date information.

How can I find you?

We are located close to junction 11 of the M56 motorway. Take the A56, signposted Preston Brook, from the junction and we are a third of a mile down the road on the right hand side.

What if I can't drive?

We are 4 miles from Runcorn station and 6 miles from Warrington Bank Quay. We are also close to Manchester International Airport. For rail and air arrivals we offer a free transit service to our base.

Will I get instruction in driving the boat?

Yes, if you haven't been before one of our friendly instructors will accompany you for a short distance on your holiday, taking you through the Preston Brook Tunnel and lock, building your confidence as you go.

All the Comforts of Home

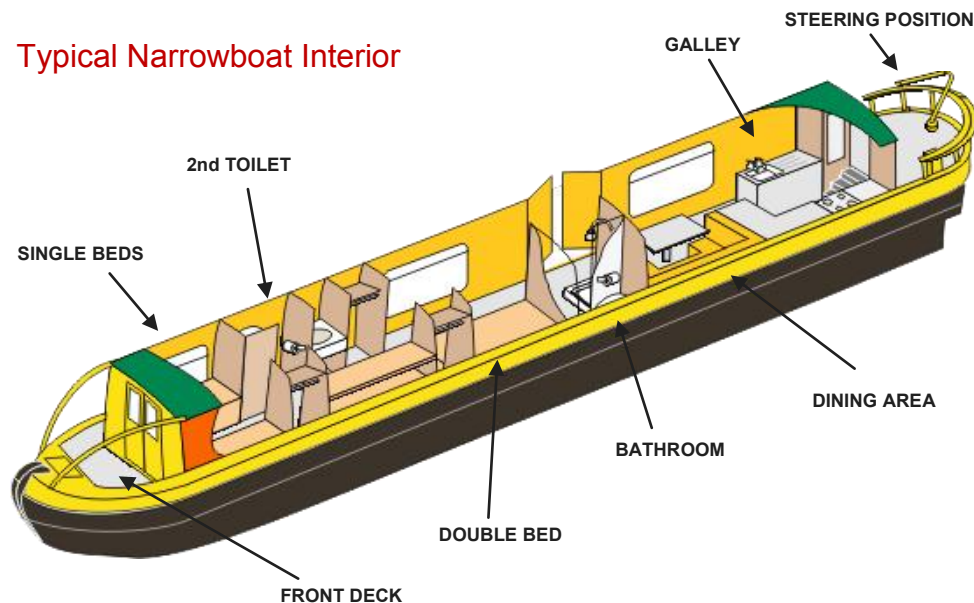
All of our boats have a well stocked galley featuring a full size gas cooker with oven, grill and four burner hob, a fridge and enough cooking equipment and utensils to allow you to prepare a tasty meal.

Our boats are fitted with gas central heating and many feature fitted carpets. Your boat has a radio and CD player and many have the ability to play MP3 music files from an iPod, SD or USB card. Our boats all feature LCD TV's with built-in Freeview.

Pets are welcome on our boats and we provide life jackets free of charge if you would like them.



Typical Narrowboat Interior



Typical Inventory

Dinner Plates	Table Forks	Pillows
Side Plates	Tea Spoons	Fresh Pillow Cases
Bowls	Desert Spoons	Fresh Sheets
Mugs	Soup Spoons	Fire Extinguishers
Glass Tumblers	Wooden Spoon	Fire Blanket
Wine Glasses	Bread Knife	First Aid Kit
Water Jug	Carving Knife	Torch
Egg Cups	Paring Knife	Waterproofs
Sugar Bowl	Egg Whisk	Hammer
Tea Pot	Fish Slice	3 Mooring Pins
Tea Tray	Can Opener	Water Hose
Bread Board	Corkscrew	Windlasses
Bread Bin	Scissors	Ropes
Butter Dish	Cutlery Tray	Long Pole
Salt & Pepper Pots	Sink Tidy	Boat Hook
Casserole Dish	Tea Towels	Boarding Plank
Frying Pan	Pan Cleaner	Lifebuoy
Roasting Pan	Oven Gloves	Gas Bottles
Saucepans & Lids	Ash Trays	Boat Keys
Kettle	Dustpan & Brush	BW Keys
Ice Cube Tray	Bucket	Boat Manual
Colander	Mop	LCD TV
Mixing Bowl	Broom	Toilet Rolls
Grater	Coat Hangers	Washing Up Liquid
Sieve	Door Mats	
1 Pint Jug	Duvets	
Table Knives	Blankets	

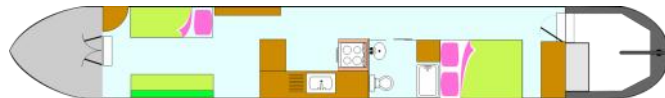
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2 - 4 Berth Narrowboats

Moore Hall

2+2 Berth

Fri/Mon Start



**SHORT BREAKS
AVAILABLE**

Moore Hall is perfect for two people and can accommodate two more when needed.

- ♦ 50ft length.
- ♦ Cruiser stern.
- ♦ Gas central heating.
- ♦ Fixed double bed.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ CD/Radio + MP3 playback.

Cheshire Cat

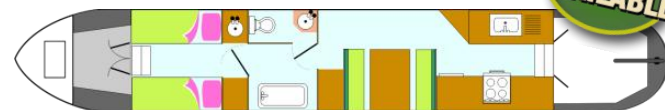
2/4 Berth

Sat Start

Quarry Bank Mill

2/4 Berth

Mon/Fri Start



**SHORT BREAKS
AVAILABLE**

Cheshire Cat and Quarry Bank Mill are our most popular boats in the fleet sleeping up to 4 people in two cabins.

- ♦ 45ft length.
- ♦ Large rear deck.
- ♦ Gas central heating.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ CD/Radio (Cheshire Cat).
- ♦ CD/Radio/MP3 (QBM).
- ♦ Short breaks on QBM.

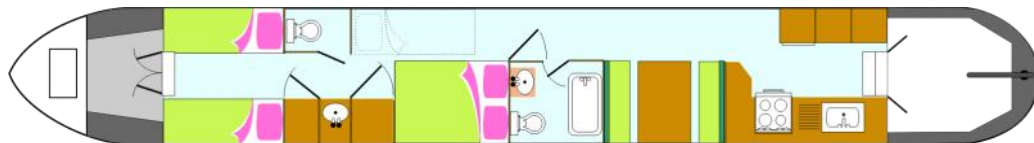
4 - 6 Berth Narrowboats

Chirk Castle	4/6 Berth	Mon/Fri Start
Halton Castle	4/6 Berth	Sat Start
Chester Castle	4/6 Berth	Sat/Tue Start



Our 'Castle Class' narrowboats sleep up to 6 people and feature a large rear deck. Your boat features three internal cabins and can be set out in a combination of single or double beds depending on your needs. These boats are popular with families when a little more space is preferred.

- ♦ 54ft length.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ Large rear deck.
- ♦ Gas central heating.
- ♦ CD/Radio with MP3.
- ♦ Short breaks available.



Weekend and midweek breaks are available on Chirk Castle and Chester Castle

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4 - 6 Berth Narrowboats

Beeston Castle

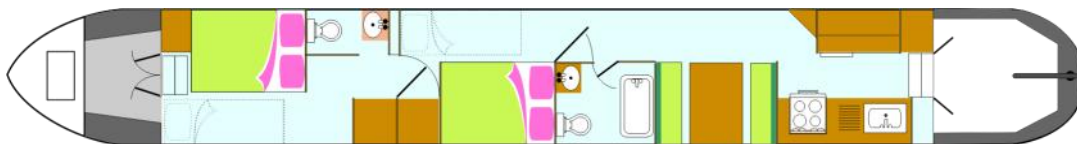
4/6 Berth

Saturday Start



Beeston Castle sleeps up to 6 people in comfort. Featuring three cabins, your beds can be arranged in a combination of single and double beds. Beeston Castle also features 220v electricity and a microwave cooker.

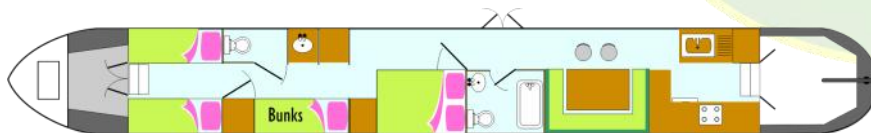
- ♦ 56ft length.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ Large rear deck.
- ♦ Gas central heating.
- ♦ CD/Radio.
- ♦ 3 internal cabins.
- ♦ 220v electricity.



BEESTON CASTLE INTERIOR LAYOUT

6 - 8 Berth Narrowboats

Valle Crucis Abbey 6/8 Berth Mon/Fri Start



With short breaks available, Valle Crucis Abbey is an economical way to get afloat for a few days. A popular boat for larger groups at weekends.

- ♦ 58ft length.
- ♦ Gas central heating.
- ♦ Large rear deck.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ CD/Radio.
- ♦ Fixed double bed.
- ♦ 4 internal cabins.
- ♦ Short breaks available.

Norton Priory 6/8 Berth Saturday Start



A lovely boat for larger families or those wanting extra space and very popular throughout the season, Norton Priory features a flexible layout and 220v electrics.

- ♦ 65ft length.
- ♦ Gas central heating.
- ♦ Large rear deck.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ CD/Radio.
- ♦ Flexible layout.
- ♦ 4 internal cabins.
- ♦ Great for families.

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8 - 10 Berth Narrowboats

Consall Forge

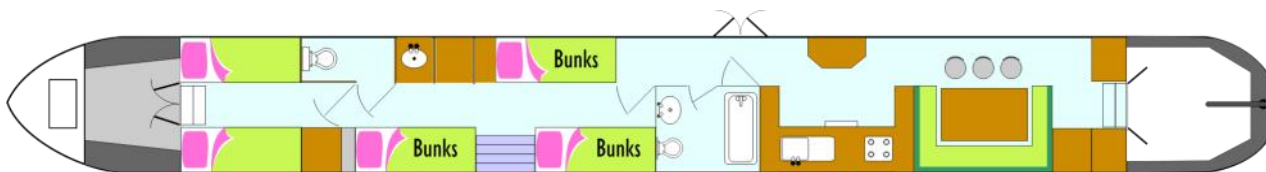
8/10 Berth

Friday & Monday Start



Consall Forge is the largest boat in our fleet, sleeping up to 10 people in 4 cabins. Popular with friends and larger families, Consall Forge is a great way to share your holiday memories along the canals.

- ◆ 66ft length.
- ◆ 4 internal cabins.
- ◆ Large rear deck.
- ◆ 3 sets of bunks.
- ◆ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ◆ CD/Radio.
- ◆ Gas central heating.
- ◆ Short breaks available.



The Private Boat Experience

Ruby Tuesday

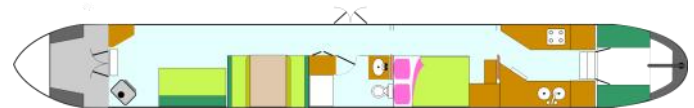
2/4 Berth

Sunday Start



With no visible markings to identify it as a hire boat, Ruby Tuesday is an excellent choice when you are looking for that little something different in your boating holiday. Fitted with a permanent double bed and comfortable sofa, which also converts, you can relax in the evenings in the spacious saloon area and even light the wood burning stove on those chilly nights.

- ♦ 57ft length
- ♦ Comfortable sofa bed.
- ♦ Semi-trad stern
- ♦ 220v electrics.
- ♦ Wood burning stove.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ Fixed double bed.
- ♦ CD.Radio



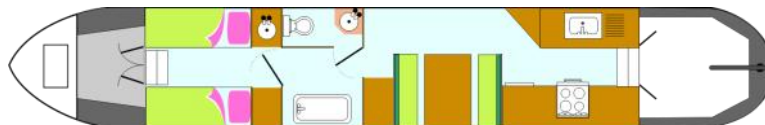
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Our Overnight Boat Gives You Flexibility or Try a Day Boat

Cheddleton Mill

2/4 Berth

Flexible Start



Our overnight boat offers you the ability to get afloat without committing to a short break or longer. Cheddleton Mill has flexible starting days and can be booked for as little as one night or longer.

- ♦ 40ft length.
- ♦ Gas central heating.
- ♦ Can sleep up to 4.
- ♦ LCD TV with Freeview.
- ♦ CD/Radio + MP3 playback.

Gryphon & Mock Turtle Day Boat Hire

Our day boats allow up to 12 people the experience of a great day out. Starting at 9:30am and finishing at 5:00pm (or dusk), you can enjoy a full day travelling along the Bridgewater Canal. The boats are equipped with a galley including a fridge and full gas cooker.

Beginners will receive tuition from our instructors before you set off North towards the village of Lymm. There's plenty of places to stop along the way and some great little pubs to enjoy.

We always recommend booking early for our two day boats as they are extremely popular during the spring and summer months.



Why Not Try Before You Hire?

At Claymoore we give you the chance to experience time on a canal boat before deciding to hire. Our 'Try Before You Hire' experience is designed to boost your confidence in the safe operation of your holiday narrowboat.

Our training courses are run for either a morning or afternoon and last between 2-3 hours. The course offers you individual tuition with one of our experienced instructors and we limit participants to a maximum of two people.

During the session you'll learn how to operate your boat safely, how to navigate tunnels and locks, how to turn at junctions and many more skills whilst enjoying your time on the water.

Your Course Covers:

- ♦ Engine checks and the weed hatch.
- ♦ The rules of the road.
- ♦ Casting off and mooring up.
- ♦ Use of ropes, poles and hooks.
- ♦ Steering and manoeuvring.
- ♦ Going ahead and reversing.
- ♦ Navigating through tunnels.
- ♦ Turning around.
- ♦ Dealing with junctions and sharp turns.
- ♦ Navigating a lock.
- ♦ Going aground.

Your course costs £50 (with a maximum of 2 people attending) which can be redeemed against your hire fees when you book a holiday for a week or more.

To book a try before you hire experience just telephone us on 01928 717273.



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2011 Canal Holiday Prices

Moore Hall

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	559	589	699	606	652	727	768	866	768	785	814	866	734	665	573	519	652	519
SHORT	336	353	419	363	391	436	461	520	461	471	489	520	440	399	344	311	391	311

Cheshire Cat

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	737	775	837	797	856	954	1012	1137	1012	1039	1071	1137	969	872	754	684	856	684

Quarry Bank Mill

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	737	775	837	797	856	954	1012	1137	1012	1039	1071	1137	969	872	754	684	856	684
SHORT	442	465	502	478	514	572	607	682	607	624	643	682	582	523	452	410	514	410

Halton Castle

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	837	872	1045	904	968	1079	1146	1287	1146	1175	1210	1287	1094	993	812	777	968	777

Chirk Castle, Chester Castle

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	837	872	1045	904	968	1079	1146	1287	1146	1175	1210	1287	1094	993	812	777	968	777
SHORT	518	540	647	559	599	668	709	797	709	727	749	797	677	615	503	481	599	481

Prices are per boat. Discounts are available as follows: 15% discount on 2nd weeks booking, 10% discount for 2nd booking in same year, 10% booking for 2nd boat in your party (discount taken on the lower priced boat). To calculate a 10 or 11 night holiday add the weekly price to the short break price. Price band starts on date shown in table.

2011 Canal Holiday Prices

Beeston Castle

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	921	965	1152	996	1066	1195	1265	1420	1265	1296	1339	1420	1205	1098	938	857	1066	857

Valle Crucis Abbey

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	939	987	1172	1014	1088	1215	1290	1448	1290	1321	1358	1448	1231	1114	955	866	1088	866
SHORT	564	592	703	608	653	729	774	869	774	793	815	869	738	668	573	519	653	519

Norton Priory

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	1056	1098	1312	1136	1213	1360	1439	1618	1439	1476	1523	1618	1376	1249	1019	972	1213	972

Consall Forge

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	1162	1217	1446	1253	1345	1501	1591	1789	1591	1625	1681	1789	1521	1377	1124	1076	1345	1076
SHORT	697	730	868	752	807	900	954	1073	954	975	1009	1073	913	826	675	646	807	646

Ruby Tuesday

	11/3	1/4	22/4	29/4	6/5	13/5	20/5	27/5	3/6	10/6	24/6	15/7	26/8	2/9	16/9	30/9	21/10	28/10
WEEK	840	874	1046	899	969	1088	1146	1291	1146	1174	1210	1291	1097	991	814	776	969	776

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We don't charge extra for fuel, insurance, parking or pets

Terms & Conditions

Within these booking terms and conditions, 'The Hirer' means the leading person in your party. 'The Company' means Claymoore Narrowboats Ltd.

1. Booking

A booking is confirmed when the Deposit of 25% of the Hire Charge has been received and a receipt issued by the Company. The balance of the Hire Charge is payable 6 weeks before the holiday departure date.

2. Under the age of 20

The Company cannot accept a booking from a person under 20 years of age.

3. Cancellation

In the event of the Hirer having to cancel a booking every effort will be made to re-let the whole or part of the period booked at the best possible price. If we are successful in re-letting the boat at the booked rate the Hirer is then only charged 10% of the booked rate. If we are unsuccessful in re-letting the booking, or only obtain part of the booked rate, the Hirer remains responsible for the balance of the booked Hire Charge.

4. Cancellation & Holiday Insurance

We do not provide personal holiday insurance covering cancellation, injury or loss or damage of personal effects. We strongly recommend that our customers obtain their own personal holiday and cancellation insurance.

5. Commencement of Holiday

Boats may be collected at 15.00 hours on the start day. Full instructions on the boat and its equipment will be given to each party. For beginners and others on request, comprehensive tuition on boat handling is provided with accompaniment through Preston Brook Tunnel and Dutton stop lock.

6. Return of Boats

Boats must be returned by 09.00 hours and vacated not later than 09.30 hours in a clean condition. If boats are returned in a dirty condition the Company reserves the right to charge for any extra cleaning that is necessary. The Hirer is responsible for allowing sufficient time to return to the boat yard at the stated time, paying particular note to the navigation times of the Preston Brook Tunnel. If boats are not returned on time a charge of £10.00 per hour will be made.

7. Company Insurance

Whilst the Company provide insurance cover against loss of or damage to the boat and equipment and against public liability claims, the Company reserves the right to charge the Hirer for malicious, negligent or intentional damage.

8. Inventory and Equipment

It is the Hirer's responsibility to check the Inventory List and report any missing or damaged items. The Hirer is responsible for returning the Inventory and Equipment in the same condition.

9. Delays

The Company cannot be held responsible for any delays or non-fulfilment of programmes caused by breakdown, unforeseen defects, obstructions, repairs or damage, to either our boats or the Inland Waterways system. We also reserve the right to restrict the cruising area without notice if unusual conditions arise and make no financial adjustment.

10. Waterways Restrictions

In the event of Canal Closure, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Company reserves the right to operate from alternative bases as circumstances allow without making any financial adjustment.

11. Wastage of Water

The Hirer is responsible for any wastage of water or damage caused by negligent use of lock paddles or other property resulting in a claim by the Water Authorities.

12. Accidents

The Hirer is responsible for the safe navigation of the boat and is in complete charge. In the event of an accident the Hirer must notify the Company as quickly as possible with full details and names and addresses of witnesses. **DO NOT PREJUDGE THE CASE BY ADMITTING LIABILITY.**

13. Navigation Limitations

The Hirer must not navigate in the hours of darkness or in fog. The Hirer shall not tow other boats or enter river or tidal waters without consent of the Company.

14. Car Parking

The Company provide outdoor parking free of charge. Although we make every effort to ensure that no damage or loss occurs, the Company cannot accept liability.

15. Company Reservations

The Company reserves the right to refuse to hand over a boat to any person who in the Company's opinion, is not suitable to take charge. In such circumstances the sum paid by the Hirer will be refunded in full and no further claim shall be made against The Company. If the Company is unable to provide the boat booked or a suitable alternative, owing to circumstances beyond our control, the Company will refund the sum paid by the Hirer and no further claim shall be made against the Company.

16. Brochure

The descriptions of the boats in this brochure are generally accurate but the Company will not be liable for any minor inaccuracy that may exist. Maps and plans are not to scale.

17. VAT

VAT is included in the prices at the prevailing rate. If this rate changes prior to payment of deposit and/or final balance the Company reserves the right to apply the revised rate at the respective times of payment.

18. Website Bookings

All bookings made through our website are provisional until confirmed in writing or email by the company.

19. Boat Operation

The Hirer agrees to operate the boat in a safe manner following the instruction given to them by the company. The hirer agrees that they will not operate or move the boat whilst under the influence of alcohol or drugs.



Saltersford Tunnel, Trent & Mersey Canal



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