

Gloucester Waterways Museum

Boat Hire 2010



THE WATERWAYS TRUST CRUISES

PRIVATE BOAT HIRE INFORMATION (2010)

Are you looking for a venue with a difference for a special occasion?

If so, Gloucester Leisure Cruises can provide you with a unique venue aboard the boat 'King Arthur' pleasure cruiser. We cater for all occasions from birthdays, anniversaries, and private party nights to wedding receptions and corporate events.

King Arthur offers a spacious covered deck area. The saloon has a seating capacity of 42 (around tables), with a maximum capacity of 100, so you can relax and enjoy our bar and saloon while cruising along the River Severn or Gloucester & Sharpness canal. (Please note that in winter we carry a maximum of 60 people)

Enhance your cruise with catering, choosing from our range of menus, which we are happy to discuss and tailor to individual taste. Final touches can be handled by yourselves, or you can let us prepare everything you need by choosing from our range of optional extras, including decoration and entertainment packages.

We want you to sit back with friends and family and enjoy your special day, while our staff take care of your every need. We are always happy to discuss any details or special arrangements you would like to make.

PRIVATE HIRE PACKAGES

Charter Rates

(Minimum of 2 hour cruise)

High Season (May-October and December)

Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holidays

Daytime - £175.00 per hour

Evening - £190.00 per hour

Monday-Thursday

Daytime - £150.00 per hour

Evening - £170.00 per hour

Low Season (November-April excluding December and New Years Day)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

Daytime - £140.00 per hour

Evening - £170.00 per hour

Suggested destinations & durations

Canal (daytime only)

Saul	2.5 hrs
Sandfield	3hrs
Cambridge	4hrs
Slimbridge	5hrs

River (day & night)

Ashleworth	2hrs
Wainlodes	3hrs
Hawbridge	4hrs
Tewkesbury	6hrs

Note: VAT is currently zero rated for boat hire

Quay Side Rates (Perfect for conferences/meetings with a difference.)

Full-day hires incorporating a one-hour lunchtime cruise. £200.00 (flat rate)
(Bar facilities available)

Static Hire - Monday - Friday £50.00

Equipment Hire

Flip Chart £10.00 + VAT
OHP and Screen Data Projector £25.00 + VAT
Slide Projector and Screen £15.00 + VAT

ADDITIONAL PACKAGES

GROUP BOOKINGS:

You can also book with the format of our scheduled ones as advertised (e.g. tea, Jazz, disco), and times can be adjusted to suit your groups needs. Minimum numbers are required if you would like to consider this option at a price per head:

- 30** – Lunch and Tea Cruises
- 45** – Saul Tea, Sunset Supper Cruises
- 60** – Disco Cruises

Catering

Buffet and catering packages are available. Please see sample menus.

The King Arthur has a well-stocked, fully licensed bar on board, which is opened on departure from Gloucester Docks. If you would like to provide your own wine or champagne for a toast (for a wedding or special occasion) this can be arranged. Corkage is charged at **£8.00** per bottle. Please note that the bottles have to be delivered prior to the function and corkage should be paid with the rest of the charges, two weeks before the cruise.

Entertainment

If you want to organise entertainment on board then bands/entertainers should arrive one hour before departure time. They are welcome to view the boats in advance with a view to setting up, by appointment, on **01452 318200**. A list of local entertainers is available upon request.

Decorations

Members of your party are welcome to decorate the boat at no charge, but please co-ordinate this with booking staff. Please allow plenty of time, and make sure you have all the materials you need. We can provide a decorating service as set out below.

Party package (unit price per person):

Balloons, streamers and party poppers. £3.00

Helium Balloons (unit price per balloon)

A variety of colours available £2.75

Ribbons and Bows (flat rate) £30.00

Something to remember!

Email: gloucester@thewaterwaystrust.org.uk

The Waterways Trust, Gloucester Waterways Museum, Llanthony Warehouse Gloucester
Docks, Gloucester GL1 2EH Tel: 01452 318200/318201 Fax 01452 318202

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How to Book Your Boat

Stage One - Making a Provisional Booking

Provisional bookings can be made by e-mail or telephone. If you wish to cancel a provisional booking it would be appreciated if you, as the hirer could do so by e-mail or telephone as soon as possible.

Stage Two - Confirming a Booking

Bookings should be confirmed in writing/e-mailed and must be accompanied by our booking form with a non-returnable deposit of the minimum 1 hour hire rate. Please state clearly all the event details on your booking form. Cheques should be made payable to "**The Waterways Trust**". On receipt of your letter and deposit we will issue you with written confirmation with all the details of your hire. It should be noted that we get very busy on popular dates from May to October and so confirmation as soon as possible is advised.

Stage Three - Amendments and Outstanding Details

If you wish to make any amendments or give final details to us about a booking, regarding numbers, menu choice, bar arrangements etc. Please e-mail or telephone us first and follow up with written confirmation as soon as possible. All final details must be received by us at least 14 days prior to your cruise, to ensure we can accommodate your requests.

Stage Four - Final Payment

Final payment must be made at least 14 days prior to the date of the event. Any charges for incidentals after this payment has been made should be settled at the end of the function. A receipted invoice for this amount will then be forwarded to the hirer for their records.

Payment methods

Payment is accepted by cash, credit card or cheque.

Cheques should be made payable to "**The Waterways Trust**".

Please note: we are unable to accept credit card payments onboard the boats

Routes for private hires

Daytime cruises travel along the Gloucester & Sharpness Canal or the River Severn.

Evening cruises travel along the River Severn. Below is a list of suggested routes;

Gloucester and Sharpness Canal Day Cruises

The Pilot Pub -Hardwick

The Castle Restaurant

Frampton on Severn Village

The Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust - Slimbridge

The Boat Graveyard at Purton

Saul Junction

River Severn Cruises Available Day or Evening

The Boat Inn

The Haw Bridge Pub

Lower Lode

Tewkesbury

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BOAT HIRING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Private Hire Fee

Receipt by us of a completed Booking Form together with a non-refundable deposit will confirm the booking. If cancellation is made less than one month prior to the cruise date a sum shall be payable equal to the deposit. Any entertainment booked and then cancelled will be subject to a cancellation charge of 100%. We reserve the right to cancel if these terms are not adhered to.

Control of Vessel

The Captain is in sole command of the vessel at all times. Should it be necessary to vary the scheduled cruise due to adverse weather/navigation conditions or any other circumstances his decision will be final. Passengers must obey his instructions at all times.

Delay or Cancellation

Gloucester Leisure Cruises will make every effort to ensure that times of arrival and departure are met, but it will not be liable for any expenses incurred by the hirers due to delay or cancellation caused by circumstances beyond the control of Gloucester Leisure Cruises.

Damage and Loss

The hirers are liable for any loss or damage to the vessel or equipment caused by them or any member of their party. Gloucester Leisure Cruises will not be liable for any accident or injury to passengers caused by unacceptable behaviour nor for any loss or damage to their personal possessions.

Food and Drink

Drinks are available on board at competitive prices. Food and drink may be brought on board by passengers but this **must** be arranged prior to the cruise with the management. It is the responsibility of the hirer/group organiser to ensure that his/her party are made aware of this condition. The bar will open as soon as the vessel leaves Gloucester Docks. It will be shut upon re-entering the docks. A corkage charge of £8.00 per bottle will be charged to hirers bringing drink on board.

Entertainment

Entertainment booked by Gloucester Leisure Cruises on behalf of the hirer and subsequently cancelled by the hirer will be subject to a cancellation charge of 100%. Clients who organise their own entertainment should do so provided the acts adhere strictly to the management of Gloucester Leisure Cruises. Music should not commence until the vessel departs from its moorings and should stop on arrival back at the mooring.

Dress

For safety reasons, we ask that passengers do not wear stiletto heels.

Authorised Passengers

The hire period, times, dates etc must be agreed with Gloucester Leisure Cruises and stated on the booking form. Any extension of the cruise will be surcharged if the extension is at the request or fault of the hirer. Parties should be at the pick up point 15 minutes before the stated departure time.

Important

The Department of Transport has recently imposed higher safety standards on passengers and as a result of this we stress that passengers will not be admitted on board if their behaviour is seen as likely to cause a disturbance. Any person considered to be jeopardising the safety of other passengers will immediately be put ashore. The party organiser will be responsible for the behaviour of their party and it is the hirer's duty to acquaint each member of his/her party of the fact.

For your safety; obey all instructions given by the crew; do not board/disembark before the Captain gives his permission; do not run on board; wear sensible footwear (the boat has steps and wooden decks); bring extra clothing as temperatures are lower on the water.

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Booking Form 2010

Name of group _____	Date of cruise _____
No in party _____	Type of cruise _____
Hire start _____ am/pm	Hire end _____ am/pm

Contact Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____ Telephone numbers _____

E-mail _____

How did you hear about the Boat Hire? _____

Hourly rate of cruise: £ _____	£ _____	<u>Details:</u> Deposit included (minimum 1 hr): £ _____
Catering per head: £ _____ £ _____ £ _____ £ _____	£ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____
Other Requirements: £ _____ £ _____ £ _____ £ _____	£ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Total amount (inc VAT) £ _____

Please make cheques payable to 'The Waterways Trust'.

I have read, understand and agree to the booking conditions

Organiser's Signature _____ Date _____

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'King Arthur' interior