



## Discover Birmingham

It's said that Birmingham has more canals than Venice. Now regenerated with waterside bars, cafes, little bridges and new landscaped areas, the canals are a great place to escape the city centre.



**STAY SAFE:**  
Stay Away From the Edge

Map not to scale:  
approx 1 mile/1.6km



For more information and places to go, download our App - Canal & River Trust 'Places to Visit' - available in the App Store and Google Play [canalrivertrust.org.uk](http://canalrivertrust.org.uk)



# Be inspired

In Victorian times, Birmingham was the 'workshop of the world'. Raw materials were brought here from London and delivered to factories and industries in Birmingham. The return journey was made with finished goods and delivered all over the country, and to the wider world, by ship.




Best of all  
it's FREE!\*

## Five things to do at Birmingham City Centre Canals

- Check out** the waterside cafés and pubs in Brindley Place. There's a statue of James Brindley here, too. He was the genius who planned the first canals.
- Walk** to Gas Street Basin and spot the quirky canal bridges, and the brightly-painted narrowboats moored there.
- Explore** the canals on a Go Canoeing guided tour or trail.
- Use** the towpaths to reach one of many great attractions here including the National Sea Life Centre, Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery and the Ikon Gallery.
- Take** a boat trip and discover more about the canals in Birmingham.


## Information

Brindleyplace  
Birmingham  
B1 2JF


 Parking

 Toilets


 Café

 Pub

 Picnic

 Boat trip

 Path

 Allow 2-3 hours  
for this visit

### \* Don't forget:

Although the site is always open the facilities and boat trips may not be and some may be chargeable. Please check with local business before setting out.

## Share your adventure

**Post a picture** on our Facebook page [facebook.com/canalrivertrust](https://facebook.com/canalrivertrust) and tell us about your best discovery.



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### Explore further

Go to [canalriverexplorers.org.uk](https://canalriverexplorers.org.uk) to discover lots of fun things to do with the family.

“ The Canal is where I learnt that I was much better at steering a boat than my older brother. And it's where I tell tales to my grandchildren about what a great industrial nation we once were. If we don't look after them they'll be gone. Forever. What a waste. ”

Arthur, aged 74 (and still the best skipper in town).

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