

KINGS ORCHARD

Holiday Information



ABC BOAT HIRE

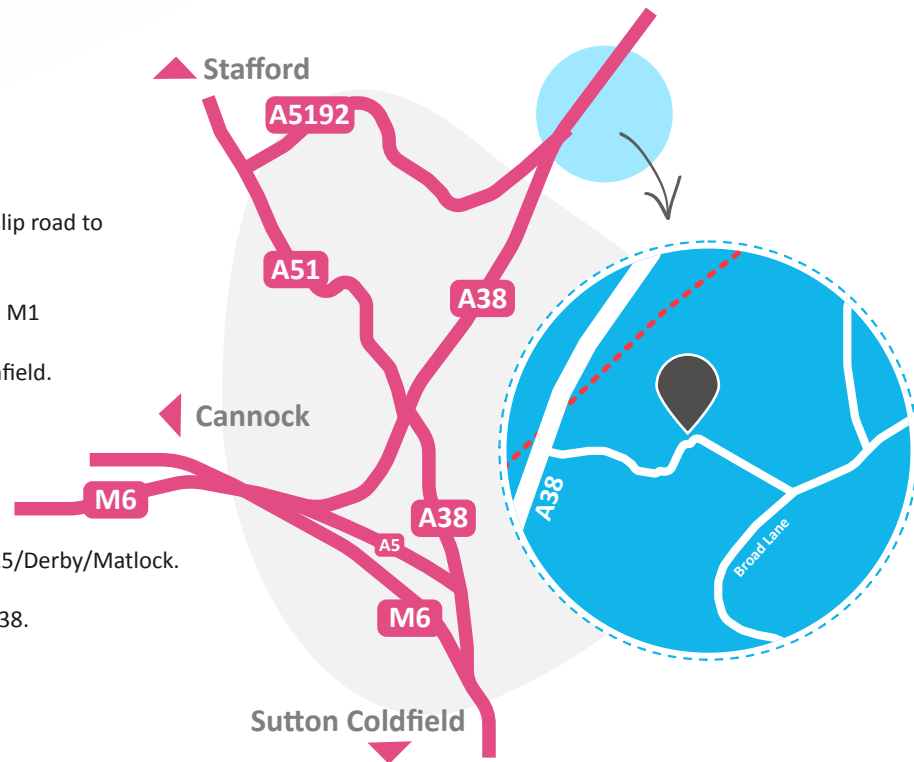
Directions To The Marina

By Road *From South*

- Leave the M6 Tolls at Junction T4.
- Take the A38/A5 exit to Burton/Lichfield/Tamworth
- At Weeford interchange, take the 2nd exit onto the A38 slip road to Burton/Lichfield.
- Keep right and merge onto A38/London Road.
- At the roundabout take the 3rd exit onto A38 slip road to M1 North/Derby/Burton.
- Continue onto A38 then take the A5192 exit towards Lichfield.
- Turn right onto Cappers Lane/A5192
- Turn left onto Park Lane, then left onto Broad Lane.

By Road *From North*

- Leave the M1 at Junction 28 and take the A38 exit to A615/Derby/Matlock.
- At Pinxton Interchange, take the 3rd exit onto A38.
- At Little Eaton Island, take the 2nd exit onto Abbey Hill/A38.
- At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto A38.
- Keep right to stay on A38.
- Take Brookhay Lane to Broad Lane in Whittington.
- Slight left then continue onto Brookhay Lane.
- Turn right onto Broad Lane.



Airports

The closest airport to the marina is Birmingham International Airport which is a ~30 minute drive away.

From London Airports: Make your way via the London Underground, bus or taxi to London Euston train station. From there take a train to Lichfield Trent Valley which is very close to the marina.

By Train

The nearest rail station is Lichfield Trent Valley where we are just a short distance away.

Lichfield Trent Valley rail station can be reached from all the major train stations.



You can buy rail tickets online at thetrainline.com or gwr.com

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TRAVEL & PLANNING

LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

Please check www.airbnb.co.uk or www.laterooms.com for local availability.

LOCAL TAXI COMPANIES

Local Taxis Lichfield: 01543 732 088
City Cars: 01543 252 444

NEAREST GROCERY STORES

There are several grocery stores within a 5 minute drive of the marina including Aldi, Morrisons and Tesco Extra.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHATS NEARBY...

Visit our website - kingsorchardmarina.com/nearby

Using a Sat Nav? Use the postcode **WS13 8PY**

This will take you to The Plough Pub close to the marina

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FEATURED ROUTES 7 Nights or more

Market Drayton & Return, 7 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 7.5Hrs • **Total:** 45 Hrs • **Locks:** 38

Through Fradley Junction, Great Haywood, Tixall Wide, Penkridge, Atherley Junction, Tyrley Locks and back.

In a parallel world reflecting the evolution of transport, with unforgettable days full of tranquil drama and whimsy, your route will lead you under bridges, over aqueducts and through unusual canal cuttings.

It will take you on a richly green tour that skims the distant outskirts of the urban Midlands before bursting into the tranquil haven of Shropshire countryside.

MAPS - P1 P4 N3 N4 L12 L10

Coventry & Return, 7 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 5Hrs • **Total:** 32 Hrs • **Locks:** 26

This cruise treads a rural route through nature reserves and pools left behind by industry. The canal winds gently through beautiful countryside, skirting the edges of nearby conurbations. You'll hear stories of hard work and art work, mining and weaving, and a certain medieval legend.

MAPS - N3 P6 L13

The East Midlands Ring, 10-14 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 6-8Hrs • **Total:** 78 Hrs • **Locks:** 101

A varied route taking in the Coventry Canal, parts of the Oxford Canal, Grand Union Leicester Line, the River Soar, a short section of the River Trent and part of the Trent & Mersey Canal. This route includes five tunnels, several aqueducts, and 101 locks - can be done in 10 to 14 days depending on experience.

MAPS - N1 N3 P6 P10 L14

The Birmingham Ring, 7 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 7 Hrs • **Total:** 45 Hrs • **Locks:** 79

A route with a mix of rural and urban, taking in parts of the Coventry Canal, Trent & Mersey Canal, Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal, Birmingham Canal Navigations and Birmingham & Fazeley Canal.

This ring, which includes three tunnels, several aqueducts and 79 locks - can be done in 7 nights or a more relaxing 14 nights.

Your route swings from lock-free relaxation to energetic lock flights, from rural to urban, and contrasts the winding and straight routes by two of the greatest canal engineers.

MAPS - P6 N3 L12

Warwick & Return, 7 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 7.5Hrs • **Total:** 48 Hrs • **Locks:** 102

A cruise that sneaks past the surroundings of Birmingham, the capital of the canals, with the junctions of Fazeley, Salford, Bordesley offering a glimpse of the Industrial Revolution and 'canal mania'. Energetic lock flights contrast with the peace and quiet of sweeping countryside and stunning views. This is a journey of trade, heritage and railways, with medieval tales and the resilience of nature.

MAPS - N3 P6 L13

Four Counties & Black Country Ring, 14 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 6Hrs • **Total:** 82 Hrs • **Locks:** 142

A mix of two popular cruising rings taking you through rural and urban surroundings, along parts of the Coventry Canal, Trent & Mersey Canal, Middlewich Branch and Shropshire Union Canal, Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal, Birmingham Canal Navigations and Birmingham & Fazeley Canal. This combination of two Rings includes five tunnels, numerous aqueducts, and 148 locks - can be done in 14 nights.

MAPS - N3 N4 P4 L10 L12

SHORT BREAKS 3 or 4 night breaks

Sawley & Return, 3/4 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 7 Hrs • **Total:** 20 Hrs • **Locks:** 34

Through Fradley, Burton-on-Trent, Shardlow and back. This journey is rural and even remote at times, yet trips in and out of colourful hubs that tell gripping stories of canal-life to the passing boater.

There are tales of medieval times and the English language, special water which changed a town's fortunes, and a vital inland port with links to pottery, the Industrial Revolution and 'canal mania'.

MAPS - P6 N3

Tixall Wide & Return, 3 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 7 Hrs • **Total:** 18 Hrs • **Locks:** 10

Through Fradley Junction, Rugeley, Great Haywood and back. This route skips through sheep-filled countryside with idyllic locks and striking red-brick bridges.

Secret stories lie in this landscape of outstanding beauty, where you'll learn new tiller skills, meet wildlife and discover the story of a posh rebel who insisted a canal be shaped for his pleasure.

MAPS - P6 N3 L12



ROUTE MAP



To purchase maps and guides, go to www.abcboathire.com/maps-and-guides



COLOUR KEY

- THE BIRMINGHAM RING
- LEICESTER/EAST MIDS RING
- MARKET DRAYTON & RTN
- TIXALL WIDE & RTN
- SAWLEY & RTN
- COVENTRY & RTN
- WARWICK & RTN
- THE FOUR COUNTIES RING