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Prince Bishop River Cruiser

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The Boatstore, Elvet Bridge,
Durham DH1 3AF

www.princebishoprc.co.uk

Contact Telephone: 0191 386 9525

Charges:

River Cruiser: £12 - Adults, £10 - Senior Citizens, £6 - Child.

Rowing Boats: £10 - Adults, £5 - Child, Free - Under 5s.

Family Ticket: (2 Adults, 2 Children) £25

Opening times: Sailing daily from mid March until end October.

Email: princebishoprc@aol.com

The Prince Bishop River Cruiser is based in Durham City Centre and offers a one hour sight-seeing cruise taking in fantastic views of the cathedral, castle, and bridges. The cruise includes guide commentary, bar facilities, and wheelchair access.

Also available for private charter, disco, bbq evenings.



Adventure Valley

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Brasside, Durham, DH1 5SG

www.adventurevalley.co.uk

Contact telephone: 0191 386 8291

Entrance charge: See website for further details. Babies and 1 year old's free.

Opening times: Mon - Sun 10am - 5pm.

Email: info@adventurevalley.co.uk

Whatever the weather, theres something for everyone, with over 40 attractions, activities, shows, and three indoor play and animal zones. With animals, rides, indoor and outdoor play, and catering outlets, we strive to offer every family an experience they'll remember.

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of animal food
with this voucher



Fowlers Yard

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Fowlers Yard,
Back Silver Street,
Durham, DH1 3RA

www.fowlersyarddurham.co.uk

Contact Telephone: 0191 384 0647

Opening times: Studios and City Theatre vary. Leonard's Coffee House open Wednesday to Sunday.

Email: info@fowlersyarddurham.co.uk

Fowlers Yard is a unique development of creative workspaces for professional artists, craftspeople and creative businesses at the heart of the growing cultural quarter, tucked away behind Durham's Indoor Market on the banks of the River Wear.

Visitors can observe creative processes such as jewellery design, hand embroidery, digital craft, printmaking, and illustration. Fowlers Yard is also home to the City Theatre, and Leonard's Coffee House.



Around Durham City Tours

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www.arounddurhamcitytours.co.uk

Contact telephone: 07484 160 177

Email:

arounddurhamcitytours@btinternet.com

Proximity to Park & Ride: City Centre.

Entrance charges: Adult £10, Concession £7.50 for Aged 60+.

Opening times: 11am from City Centre on Tue, Fri, Sat & Sun.

Tours last 60-75 minutes and take place in small, friendly groups.

Please note that pre-booking is essential.

Experience the highlights of iconic Durham in a lively and fun walking tour.

Our friendly local guides will share the fascinating historical, and cultural sights of beautiful Durham.

Enjoy the Medieval streets and stunning riverside views on our way to Durham Castle and Cathedral.



Durham Market Hall

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Durham City Centre

www.durhammarkets.co.uk

Contact telephone: 0191 384 6153

“More than just a Market”

Proximity to Park & Ride: City Centre.

Opening times: 9am - 4.30pm Mon to Sat & 11am - 4pm Sun in Dec.

Email: info@durhammarkets.co.uk

Durham Market Hall is home to more than 40 local independent businesses, all run by people who are both passionate and knowledgeable.

You'll discover fresh meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, breads, cakes and cheese! You can also find stalls supplying wine, gins and beers, teas and coffees, jewellery, vintage toys and modern toys, vinyls, hobby supplies, collectables and antiques. Relax in Café Cenno to enjoy a great view over the Victorian Market Hall, as well as probably the best scones in Durham.

Durham's Market Hall is an experience not to be missed.



Durham Museum

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St Mary-le-Bow, North Bailey

www.durhammuseum.co.uk

Email: contact@durhammuseum.co.uk

Contact telephone: 0191 384 5589

Entrance charge: £5 Entry, children go free

Opening times: Easter to October, Wednesday to Sunday, 11am to 4:30pm

Relive the story of Durham from Medieval times to the 20th century in this excellent local history museum. Enjoy models of the Medieval city and 19th century Market Place and explore the reconstruction of a Victorian prison cell.



Wharton Park

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Durham City Centre

www.durham.gov.uk/whartonpark

Contact telephone: 03000 262 655

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Proximity to Park & Ride: 10 minute walk from City Centre.

Wharton Park is Durham City's hidden gem located behind the railway station on Windy Hill, alongside North Road. At the summit of the park is the Battery, a castle-shaped folly. From here you get an amazing panoramic view of the city, including Durham Cathedral, Durham Castle, and the railway viaduct, accommodating the East Coast Mainline. This Victorian park is a firm favourite among families, with all generations enjoying the parks scenery, play areas, and café.

The park re-opened in May 2016 following a full restoration, thanks to the funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund. Now, the Peoples Park is a destination in its own right. Visit the Heritage Centre for lunch in its glass-fronted café, listen to live music, watch theatre performances in the outdoor amphitheatre and enjoy the spectacular views of Durham City from the battery. Explore the park's beautiful surroundings and discover the community garden maintained by the Friends of Wharton Park.



Durham Town Hall

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Market Place, Durham

www.durham.gov.uk/durhamtownhall

Entrance charge: Free

Opening times: 10am - 3pm

Saturdays only

Contact telephone: 03000 267955

Email: DurhamTownHall@durham.gov.uk

This extraordinary Grade II listed building has been at the heart of life in Durham City for more than six centuries. Every Saturday, the Town Hall opens its doors free of charge offering everyone the chance to discover its rich and fascinating history. Audio guides, interactive information points, and short films help visitors find out more about this stunning building situated in the city's Market Place.

Learn about powerful Prince Bishops, the evolution of local government and how the Town Hall developed from the first timber Guildhall of 1356. Discover more about the historic and ongoing roles of Mayor and the Mayor's Bodyguard, who have called the Town Hall home since 1602. The Trade Guilds and Freemen of Durham City, for centuries the political and economic power in the city, have been resident at Guildhall since medieval times. They meet here to this day working for the betterment of Durham.

Other displays showcase colourful local characters such as Joseph Boruwlaski (1739 - 1837), the 3ft 3in tall "Little Count" who, after performing at the grandest Royal courts of Europe, retired to Durham in 1790.

Visitors and locals alike are encouraged to come along to experience this unique part of Durham's heritage.

Please note: Occasionally the Town Hall may be partially or fully closed due to private or civic functions.



Durham University Oriental Museum

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Durham University, Elvet Hill,
Durham, DH1 3TH
www.durham.ac.uk/oriental.museum
Contact telephone: 0191 334 5691



A Durham University venue

Proximity to Park & Ride: Howlands park and ride - 8 mins walk.

Entrance charge: Free entry

Opening times: 10.00-17.00 Tuesday-Friday 12.00-17.00
Weekends. Thursday open until 7pm. Closed on a Monday,
Christmas and New Year.

Explore ancient Egypt; journey across Asia from the Mediterranean to the Himalayas. Travel down to India or continue to China, Japan, Korea, or Southeast Asia. All of this in one museum.

From prehistoric stone tools to contemporary artworks, the Oriental Museum reveals the art and archaeology of the great cultures of North Africa and Asia. Come and see ancient Egyptian mummies, porcelain created for the Chinese Imperial Court, Japanese fashion, and head-hunting swords from Borneo. If you are visiting with children, there is plenty to do. Try out dressing up, follow our regularly changing museum trails and play our gallery games.



Durham University Botanic Garden

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Durham University,
Hollingside Lane, Durham
DH1 3TN
www.durham.ac.uk/botanic.garden
Contact telephone: 0191 334 2887



A Durham University venue

Proximity to Park & Ride: The entrances to the Botanic Garden are at the Visitor Centre and the Howlands Park and Ride.

Entrance charge: £5.00 Adults, £4.50 Concessions (over 60s, Students with valid NUS card, wheelchair users, registered disabled). Children (16 years and under), Carers enter for free. RHS Members - free entry every Monday, and the first Saturday of the month, throughout 2023. The entrances to the Botanic Garden are at the Visitor Centre and the Howlands Park and Ride.

Opening times: March to Oct: Daily 10am - 5pm. Nov to Feb: Daily 10am - 4pm. Closed between Christmas and New Year.

The Botanic Garden has become one of the most popular attractions for visitors to Durham. Set amongst the beautiful woodlands on the southern outskirts of the city, the 25 acre garden is a great day out for all the family. Discover plant collections from around the world and see stick insects, scorpions, and tarantulas. For information on our family activities please visit www.durham.ac.uk/whatson. Our visitor centre is open daily offering light refreshments and gifts.

Durham World Heritage Site Visitor Centre

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Palace Green Library,
Palace Green, Durham, DH1 3RN
www.durhamworldheritagesite.com
Contact telephone: 0191 334 2976



A Durham University venue



Proximity to Park & Ride: Approx. 10 min walk from City Centre.

Entrance charges: Free admission.

Opening times: Daily 10:00-17:00. Thursday until 7pm.
Closed 24-26th and 31st December and 1st January.

The Centre provides visitors with an overview of the World Heritage Site, including information about what it means to be a World Heritage Site, what makes Durham significant and what there is to see and do on the peninsula. Your important first stop when visiting Durham!

Crook Hall Gardens

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National Trust Crook Hall Gardens,
Frankland Lane, Sidegate,
Durham, DH1 5SZ

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/crook-hall-gardens
Contact telephone: 0191 383 1832



Entrance Charges: Adult £8, Child £4, National Trust members free.
Free entry to the Garden Gate Café.

Opening times: 11 February to 5 November, daily 10am to 5pm.
11 November to 17 December, Friday to Sunday 10am to 4pm.
Last entry 1 hour before closing. See website for additional café times.

Email: crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk

A verdant oasis only a few minutes walk from Durham city centre. A series of interlinking gardens, each with its own style and character, set against the backdrop of a Grade 1 listed medieval hall. Discover a maze, walled gardens, an orchard, a wildlife-rich moat pool, tranquil seating areas, a café and views of the city and Durham Cathedral. Dogs on short leads welcome in gardens and café.

ESCAPE ROOMS DURHAM

Escape Rooms Durham

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Saddler Street, Durham DH1 3NU
www.escapedurham.co.uk

Contact telephone: 0191 303 6393
Proximity to Park & Ride: City Centre
Email: team@escapedurham.co.uk

Escape Rooms Durham is in the heart of Durham City with the latest game also taking up residence in the 600 year old castle!

Teams of up to six people are locked in a room and have one hour to solve the puzzles and find a way to escape. Think of a cross between 'The Crystal Maze' & 'Cluedo!' Games can be played in groups of 2-6 players!

Visit the website to play our treasure hunt around the streets of Durham!

An experience at Escape Rooms Durham is perfect for:

- Families
- Friends
- Corporate team building
- Stag and Hen parties
- Birthdays
- Just about any event you can think of!

Need to Spend a penny?



Public Toilets	Opening Times			Radar Key
Durham Market Hall	9am - 4.30pm (Mon-Sat)	YES	YES	YES
Prince Bishops Shopping Centre	9am - 5.30pm (Mon-Sat) 11am-5pm (Sun)	YES	YES	NO
Palace Green	8am - 6pm	YES	YES	YES
Wharton Park Heritage Centre	10am - 4.30pm	YES	YES	NO
Railway Station Accessible toilets on both platforms always open	Platform 1 4.30am - 10pm Mon-Sat 7.30am - 10pm Sun Platform 2 5.30am - 10pm Mon-Fri 6am - 8pm Sat 9am - 8pm Sun	YES	YES	YES
Freeman's Quay Leisure Centre (Changing Place)	6.30am - 9.30pm (Mon-Fri) 7.30am - 7pm (Sat) 7.30am - 5pm (Sun)	YES	YES	NO
Gala Theatre & Cinema	10am - 8.30pm (Mon-Sat), 2.30pm - 8.30pm (Sun)	YES	YES	YES
Cathedral	8am - 6pm	YES	YES	NO
Riverwalk	9am - 5.30pm	YES	YES	NO
Palatine Centre Changing Place (visitors to the university)	Open during certain hours			



Durham Castle Tours

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Durham University,
Palace Green, Durham,
DH1 3RW

www.durham.ac.uk/durham.castle

Contact telephone: 0191 334 2932



A Durham University venue

Proximity to Park & Ride: Approx. 10 min walk from City Centre.

Entrance charges: Adults £5, Concessions £4.50, Under 16s, Carers and Durham University Campus Card Holders Free.

Opening times: As tour times vary please check online or visit Durham World Heritage Site Visitor Centre. Tickets can be purchased online at www.dur.ac.uk/durham.castle/visit/ or from the Visitor Centre.

Built in the Norman period as an imposing fortress, Durham Castle's story is entwined with that of the Prince-Bishops of Durham, whose semi-regal status made them some of the most powerful and wealthy men in the country. The Castle, together with Durham Cathedral, makes up the iconic UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Durham Castle is a Grade I listed building, an accredited museum, as well as a vibrant living and working community. It is home to University College, the oldest college of Durham University and over 100 students are resident during term. In view of this, entrance to the public is by guided tour only. Visitors should be advised there is limited wheelchair access within the castle.



Durham University Palace Green Library: Exhibitions and Special Collections

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Durham University,
Palace Green, Durham, DH1 3RN
www.dur.ac.uk/palace.green
Contact telephone: 0191 334 2932



A Durham University venue

Proximity to Park & Ride: Approx. 10min walk from City Centre.

Entrance charges: Free entry.

Opening times: Daily 10.00-17.00. Thursday open until 7pm. Closed 24th-26th and 31st December and 1st January.

Palace Green Library sits between Durham Castle and Cathedral on the city's UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is home to the Museum of Archaeology, Durham Light Infantry Collection Gallery, and the World Heritage Site Visitor Centre. Our shop is stocked with a range of gifts for book lovers and it is the place to pick up a memento of your visit to Durham. The Barker Research Library is also housed here for anyone wanting to consult our collections (Monday to Friday).



Durham Cathedral

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The College, Durham,
DH1 3EH

www.durhamcathedral.co.uk

Contact Telephone: 0191 338 7178

Proximity to Park & Ride: Approx. 10min walk from City Centre.

Visitor Opening times: Monday to Saturday 10am-4pm, Sunday 12 noon-4pm.

Entrance charges: No admission charge, donations welcome.

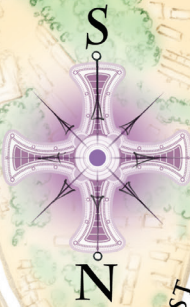
Please consider giving £5 if you can to support the cathedral's future.

Explore Durham Cathedral, part of Durhams UNESCO World Heritage Site, and its 1,000 year story. See the resting places of iconic Northern saints St Cuthbert and the Venerable Bede, and step into the home of medieval Benedictine monks. Discover the cathedral's modern history as a place of art, faith and remembrance. Look up to see stained glass windows and pause by the County Durham Miners and local regiment memorials.

Climb the central tower for amazing views, see the treasures of St Cuthbert in the cathedrals museum or dive deeper into the history on a guided tour. Find Durham-inspired gifts in the shop, and enjoy light bites in the café or outdoors in the Monks' Garden. Head outdoors to explore Durham's riverbanks on a walk around the cathedral.

DURHAM CITY

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City Centre Transport

Park and Ride 2023

There are three Park and Ride sites at Belmont, Sniperley and Howlands.

All sites are open Monday - Saturday 7am - 7pm.
(The service does NOT operate on Bank Holidays)

Contact telephone: 0191 374 1702

Please refer to the website www.durham.gov.uk/parkandride for site information and facilities

Park and Ride Bus fares:

£2 day ticket

Child (under 16 accompanied by adult over 21) - free.

English concessionary passes accepted - free after 9:30am Mon - Fri and all day Sat. Before 9:30am County Durham concessionary pass holders can travel for 50p.

Tickets can be purchased in the site buildings and accept coins (not notes) and cards, including contactless. Payment can also be made via contactless card on the P&R buses themselves.

Cathedral Bus Service

Service 40 Cathedral - Railway Station

Also stops at Market Place and Leazes Bowl roundabout (all other stops suspended while Bus Station is being redeveloped).

From Railway Station at 10:30 and 50 mins past each hour

First bus: Monday - Friday 08:30 then 09:50, Sat 09:10

Last bus from Railway Station: 17:10

Last bus from Cathedral: 17:20

Service 40A Cathedral - Coach Pick Up/Drop Off Point - Cathedral

Also stops at Market Place

From Cathedral at 03 and 30 mins past each hour

First bus: 10:03

Last Bus: 16:03

Cathedral Bus 40/40A fares:

Adult £1 all day ticket, Child (5 - 16yrs) - 50p, Under 5s - free, Park & Ride ticket holders travel free. ENCTS concessionary passes - accepted.

Taxi Ranks

- North Road, adjacent Santander: 6am - midnight
- North Road, opposite Bus Station and opposite Iceland: midnight - 5am
- Slip road outside Clayport Library: 8am - 9pm
- Slip road outside Prince Bishops Shopping Centre: 6pm - 8am

On street parking and congestion charge enquiries: 0191 384 6633

All information correct at time of going to print but please contact attraction/transport for updated information.