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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: £10 - Adults, £8 - Senior Citizens, £5 - Child.

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. There is a full commentary during the cruise, bar facilities onboard, wheelchair friendly. Also available for private charter, disco, bbq evenings.



Free bag
of animal food
with this voucher

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. Under 2's - Free

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

Email: info@adventurevalley.co.uk

With over 40 attractions, activities and shows and three indoor play and animal zones, whatever the weather Adventure Valley has it covered. With Animals, Rides, Indoor & outdoor play and Catering outlets we strive to offer the whole family a day they will want to remember.



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 seven days a week.

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: colin@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 food, wines and beers, teas and coffees. There's footwear, homewares, hobby supplies, collectables, antiques, toys and music! Relax in Café Cenno to enjoy a great view over the Victorian Market Hall, as well as probably the best scones you'll find in Durham.

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



Durham Museum & Heritage Centre

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St Mary-le-Bow, North Bailey

www.durhamheritagecentre.org.uk

Contact telephone: 0191 384 5589 & 0191 386 8719 (out of hrs)

Entrance charge: Adults - £3.00, Conc - £2.50, Child - £1.

Opening times: April, May and October weekends &

Bank Holidays: 11am to 4.30pm

June to September: daily 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 "People's Park" is a destination in its own right. Visit the Heritage Centre for lunch in its glass-fronted café, listen to live music and watch theatre performances in the outdoor amphitheatre, enjoy the spectacular views of Durham City from the battery or explore the park's beautiful surroundings. The restoration included bringing the much loved miniature car track and putting green back to life.



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 called the Guildhall home 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 World Heritage Site Visitor Centre

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7 Owengate, Durham
DH1 3HB

www.durhamworldheritagesite.com

Contact telephone: 0191 334 3805



A Durham University venue

Proximity to Park & Ride: Approx. 10 min walk from City Centre.
Entrance charges: Free admission.
Opening times: Daily : 9.30am - 5pm . Closed 1st January, Christmas Day and Boxing Day

The Visitor Centre is housed in a refurbished 19th century almshouse and provides an overview of the World Heritage Site and Pilgrimage in Durham, and around the world. Staff are available to provide advice and information about Durham and its heritage. Visit the Centre to book a Castle tour and find out about events and activities.



Crook Hall and Gardens & The Garden Gate Café

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Durham City Centre

www.crookhallgardens.co.uk

Contact telephone: 0191 384 8025

Proximity to Park & Ride: 10 min walk from City Centre.
Entrance charge Hall & Gardens: Adults - £8, Conc - £7.50, Child - £5.
Entrance charge Garden Gate Café: FREE
Opening times Hall & Gardens: 10am - 5pm Sun to Wed
Opening times Garden Gate Café: 9.30am - 5pm EVERYDAY
Email: info@crookhallgardens.co.uk

Visitors from all over the world come to share in the timeless magic of this eclectic mix of Medieval, Jacobean and Georgian architecture. The hall provides a focal point to the 5 acres of stunning English Country Gardens. Often described as a 'hidden gem' on the outskirts of Durham City, visitors of all ages will find something to enjoy at any time of year.

Each season brings its own delights and there is always something new to discover. The beautiful gardens are a peaceful and tranquil haven to spend a few hours wandering around The Walled Garden, The Orchard and the Moat Pool or relax in your favourite spot and take it all in. More adventurous visitors can take on the maze or hunt down the ghosts that are said to wander the house.

Enhance your visit and indulge in one of the finest British traditions by enjoying Afternoon Tea out in the courtyard or in the stunning Georgian Tea Room with beautiful views of the majestic Durham Cathedral. Visitors can take a break in The Garden Gate Café and enjoy our homemade scones, cakes, soups and sandwiches or browse our gift shop for locally sourced produce.

Need to Spend a penny?



Public Toilets	Opening Times			Gender Key
Durham Market Hall	9am - 4.30pm (Mon-Sat)	YES	YES	NO
Prince Bishops Shopping Centre	7am - 6pm	YES	YES	NO
Palace Green	8am - 6pm	YES	YES	YES
Wharton Park Heritage Centre	10am - 6pm	YES	YES	NO
Railway Station	1st train - 8pm platform 2, 11pm platform 1 Accessible toilets on both platforms always open	YES	YES	YES
Freeman's Quay Leisure Centre (Changing Place)	6.30am - 10pm (Mon-Fri) 8am - 7.30pm (Sat & Sun)	YES	YES	NO
Gala Theatre & Cinema (Patrons only)	10am - 8.30pm (Mon-Sat), 2.30pm - 8.30pm (Sun)	YES	YES	YES
Cathedral	9am - 5pm	YES	YES	NO
Bus Station (coin operated)	6am - midnight	YES	YES	NO
Riverwalk	8.30am - 5.30pm	YES	YES	NO
Clayport Library	9.30am - 7pm (Mon-Fri) 9am - 5pm (Sat) Closed (Sun) ask for key (Patrons only)	YES	YES	YES



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: Adult £5, Conc - (Senior Citizens, Students, Children up to 16) £4, Family Ticket - £15, Group Rates - (for 10+ Adults £4.50, Child/Senior Citizen £3.50 (prices subject to change)

Opening times: As four times vary, we advise visitors to contact Palace Green Library or the World Heritage Site Visitor Centre for details.

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. Admission to temporary exhibitions see website for details.

Opening times: 9am-5pm daily, Exhibitions from 10am. See website for details for opening hours over the Christmas period.

Palace Green Library sits between Durham Castle and Cathedral on the City's UNESCO World Heritage Site. Exhibitions change throughout the year (full details on our website). The Library Search Room is open to anyone wanting to consult our collections and our shop is fully stocked with a range of gifts for book lovers and browsers alike. The Museum of Archaeology and The DEI Collection Gallery are also housed in Palace Green Library and are free entry.



Durham Cathedral & Open Treasure

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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.

Cathedral & Open Treasure Opening times: Open daily. See website for details.

Cathedral Entrance charges: Suggested donation of £3

Open Treasure Entrance charges: £2.50 - £7.50. Family ticket £17.50, 50% off for Art Pass holders and English Heritage members.

Discover a warm welcome and 2,000 years of history at Durham Cathedral, the heart of Durham's UNESCO World Heritage Site. One of the finest examples of Romanesque architecture in Europe, Durham Cathedral is famous as the resting place of St Cuthbert and the Venerable Bede and as a blockbuster filming location.

Open Treasure, the cathedral's award-winning interactive museum for all ages, is located in some of the UK's best-preserved medieval monastic buildings. Step into the Monks' Dormitory to discover the sights, smells and sounds of a medieval monastery, learn something new in our ever-changing exhibitions and marvel at the treasures of St Cuthbert in the Great Kitchen. Kids' explorer backpacks and engaging exhibition trails will make your visit fun for the whole family.



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 5694



A Durham University venue

Proximity to Park & Ride: Howlands park and ride - 8 mins walk.
Entrance charge: Adults - £1.50, Conc and Children (5-16) - 75p,
Family ticket (2 adults and up to 3 children) - £3.50, Children under
5 - Free.

Opening times: Monday to Friday 10am-5pm. Weekends and
Bank Holidays 12 noon-5pm. Closed Christmas and New
Year.

Explore ancient Egypt, journey across Asia from the
Mediterranean to the Himalayas. Travel down into India or on 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 entrance to the Botanic
Garden is located at the Howlands Park and Ride.

Entrance charge: Adults - £4, Conc - £3, Children & Students
- £1.50, Infants (under 5) - Free, Helper/carers - Free, Group
rate - £3.50 per person based on 10 and above (only
available on pre-booked groups). Season tickets are also
available.

Opening times: March to Oct: Daily 10am - 5pm. Nov to Feb:
Daily 10am - 4pm. Closed 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. Enjoy our programme of family
events. For more information on our family activities please
visit www.durham.ac.uk/whatson. Our visitor centre is open
daily for light refreshments and gifts.



City Centre Transport

Park and Ride 2020

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

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.

Pop Pay As You Go

You will receive reduced price travel when using the Pop Pay As You Go card, working out at £1.70 per day. For more information on Pop Pay As You Go call 0191 2020747 or visit the website at www.buyandapply.nexus.org.uk

Cathedral Bus Service

Service 40 Cathedral - Railway Station

Also stops at Market Place, Milburngate (towards Cathedral only) and Bus Station.

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 5's - free, Park & Ride ticket holders travel free. ENCTS concessionary passes accepted.

Taxi Ranks

- North Road, 10am - 6am
- 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.

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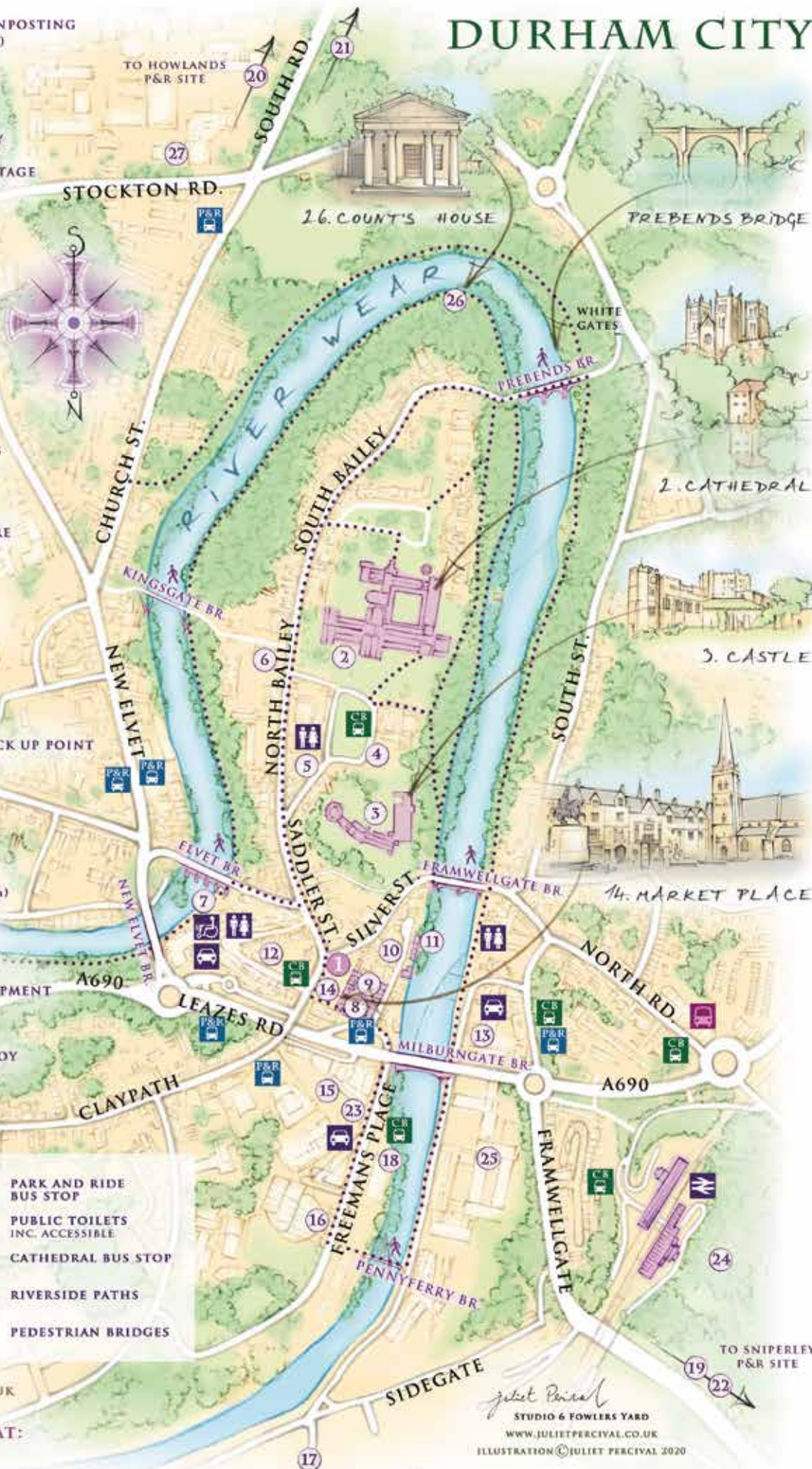
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