

Albert Dock Waterfront

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Liverpool's canals and docks have brought the world into the city. Now they form a backdrop to one of the most vibrant and culturally diverse cities in Britain. Blending historical sights with cosmopolitan bars, shops, restaurants and galleries, Liverpool's canals and docks offer the best of a modern city: a heady mix of relaxation and activity, combining a rich legacy of heritage and history.



Albert Dock

Named for Queen Victoria's beloved consort, the South Docks comprise 10 networked docks, with Albert Dock its glittering centrepiece. Liverpool's most visited tourist hub attracts global attention – from Japanese and American Beatles aficionados to football followers from the soccer capitals of Europe. Take a daytime stroll and browse gift shops, cafés and contemporary restaurants. By evening it's a buzz of waterside activity, offering eclectic food and contemporary drinks in its burgeoning bars and restaurants.



Places to go – things to do on the Waterfront

The Tate Liverpool

This international art museum showcases a selection of pieces from c.1500 to the present day. The café offers homemade food using fresh, locally-sourced produce. Visit www.tate.org.uk/liverpool

The Shiverpool Ghost Tour

A fully theatrical guided tour through Liverpool's eerie areas. Visit www.shiverpool.co.uk

Merseyside Maritime Museum

Entry is free to this fascinating museum where you will learn about Liverpool's history as one of the world's greatest seaports. Also includes the International Slavery Museum. Visit www.liverpoolmuseums.org.uk

The Beatles Story

The award-winning experience of Liverpool's fab four, complete with a full-size replica of the Cavern Club. Visit www.beatlesstory.com

Watersports Centre

Situated within Queen's Dock, the Watersports Centre is open to the public with coffee bar facilities available for the 2009 season. The centre currently offers a wide range of water-based activities for all ages and abilities including tuition and courses in Sailing, Windsurfing, Kayaking, Canoeing and Powerboat Handling. The Centre is wheelchair/disabled friendly. Contact 0151 708 9322. www.merseysport.org.uk



Liverpool Marina

The Marina is situated within Brunswick Dock and offers a unique tranquil surrounding that is extremely rare in the normal hustle and bustle of a city. The Marina has berthing facilities for over 400 craft and is open to the public 7 days a week. Facilities include a Bar & Grill overlooking the marina. Open daily from 10am to 9pm. Contact 0151 707 6888. www.liverpoolmarina.com

Yellow Duckmarine

A unique 1 hour amphibious city sightseeing tour of Liverpool's historic waterfront, city and docks in an authentic amphibious World War II landing vehicle. Your hour-long trip begins on the road and ends making a dramatic "SPLASHDOWN" in the Salthouse Dock. Tickets are available from the Yellow Duckmarine booking office, Anchor Courtyard. Contact 0151 708 7799. Visit www.theyellowduckmarine.co.uk

Where to eat & drink

When it comes to food and drink, you're spoilt for choice with Albert Dock's Cafés, bars and restaurants offering just about every flavour and taste you can think of. Here is a selection of what is on offer.

The Pan American Club

Tel: 0151 702 5840

The Pumphouse Inn

Tel: 0151 709 2367

Tate Café

Tel: 0151 702 7432

Blue Bar & Grill

Tel: 0151 702 5831

Gusto

Tel: 0151 708 6969

Babycream

Tel: 0151 702 5826

Ha! Ha! Bar & Canteen

Tel: 0151 707 7877

Vinea

Tel: 0151 707 8962

Circo

Tel: 0151 709 0470

Spice Lounge Indian Restaurant

Tel: 0151 707 2202

Raven Irish American Grill & Beer Hall

Tel: 0151 709 7097

Coffee Culture

Tel: 0151 709 6285

What's Cooking

Tel: 0151 707 2023

What's new on the Waterfront

Bugworld

See the world from a different perspective.

Visit www.bugworldexperience.co.uk

Water Cruise

The water cruise is new for 2009 and will provide a 45 minute cruise complete with commentary throughout the South Docks. Departing from Albert Dock tickets will be available for purchase from the outlets within Anchor Courtyard. Contact 0151 708 7799 for further details.

WoWballs

A new and exciting way to skip, float or roll across the water combining fun and exercise. Operating at weekends and school holidays from Dukes Dock, this activity is a must for all the family. Operated on a pay per ride basis. Contact 0151 630 0466 for further details. www.wowballs.co.uk

Events on the Waterfront

To find out what's happening on the Waterfront over the summer please visit www.liverpool.gov.uk/leisure_and_culture/cultureliverpool/festivals_and_events/index.asp

For details of events happening on the Leeds and Liverpool Canal in south Sefton during August and September please visit www.biennial.com



Liverpool Canal Link

Opened in April 2009 the Liverpool Canal Link is now welcoming boats right into the heart of Liverpool. This £22m project has seen the South Docks finally united with the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, connecting the Irish Sea with the North Sea. Booking is essential for craft wishing to use the Liverpool Canal Link by telephoning British Waterways Wigan office on 01942 405700. Or alternatively sit and watch the boats cruise across the world famous Pier Head.

Salthouse Moorings

New for 2009 are berths for 40 narrowboats within Salthouse Dock. Accessed via the Liverpool Canal Link, the berths are subject to a maximum stay of 14 days and can be booked by calling 01942 405700. Customers wishing to stay longer can do so subject to availability by contacting Liverpool Marina.

Useful websites

www.waterscape.com/liverpool – your full guide to the canals and docks of Liverpool.

www.visitliverpool.com – for information on what to see and do in Liverpool and Merseyside.

www.albertdock.com – your guide to Albert Dock.

Find local area canal maps at
www.waterscape.com

just click on the interactive map

For further information please contact British Waterways, Waterside House, Waterside Drive, Wigan WN3 5AZ Tel: 01942 405700
E-mail: enquiries.northwest@britishwaterways.co.uk
British Waterways Customer Service Centre Tel: 01923 201120

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