

## Caring for Tees Barrage

We're the charity working to protect and bring to life this 250-year-old network of canals and rivers spanning England and Wales. Not so long ago many canals were abandoned, and some lost forever. Today, with your support, wildlife is recovering, history is alive, boats are plentiful and spending time in this environment is contributing to our health and happiness.

Our mission is to keep this extraordinary network of canals and rivers alive, teeming with wildlife, transforming places they run through and enriching all of our lives. Your support today could help us care for Tees Barrage and many more places, for today and generations to come.

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## Keeping history alive

The Barrage was built as part of a wider regeneration project to improve the River Tees. The Barrage controls the river water flow and enables a host of watersports to be enjoyed. The improved water quality has also helped wildlife to flourish in the area.

Work started in 1991 and took four years to complete. It cost £55m and consists of four hydraulic rams weighing 21 tonnes. As well as controlling water levels, the Barrage also generates electricity.

Discover lots of fun things to do with the family by and on the water. Go to [canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers](https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers)

The task of maintaining crucial working structures such as the Tees Barrage, is growing all the time. As a charity we need you by our side more than ever. Please support our work today.

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## Welcome to Tees Barrage

A gateway to watersports and wildlife.




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This award-winning feat of engineering has played a vital role in helping to improve the River Tees and surrounding environment. The 70-metre wide Barrage spans the River Tees and is part of the Tees Barrage Park which includes an International White Water Course, fish pass, and nature reserves.

### Visit us at:

Tees Barrage Way, Tees Barrage, Stockton on Tees TS17 6QA

 Allow half a day for your visit

### Find your way around

 towpath	 Canal & River Trust Welcome Hub
 walk trail	 watersports
 café	 Air Trail
 pub	 viewpoint
 bench/picnic area	 parking
 nature reserve	 railway station



Details correct at time of print, please check before travelling.

**Stay SAFE**  
Stay Away From the Edge!

For more information on visiting safely:  
[canalrivertrust.org.uk/safety](http://canalrivertrust.org.uk/safety)

## 5 things to do at Tees Barrage

- 1** **Admire** the Barrage gates and marvel at this great feat of engineering.
- 2** **Look** out for the grey and common seals that live in the River Tees.
- 3** **Enjoy** a boat trip aboard the Teesside Princess.\*
- 4** **Explore** Portrack Marsh and Maze Park Nature Reserves, both cared for by Tees Valley Wildlife Trust.
- 5** **Experience** the thrill of white water rafting and take on the high ropes climbing adventure course at the Air Trail.\*

\* Activity not run by the Trust. Charges apply.

### Did you know?

You can spot two species of seal at the Tees Barrage. Common seals are smaller and have V-shaped nostrils. Grey seals are larger and have a sloping 'roman nose' profile. Two types of seal can be seen in the River Tees. Despite their name, common seals are actually less common than grey seals.

