Visit Anderton Boat Lift

The mighty Anderton Boat Lift is one of the ‘Severn Wonders of the Waterways’. It’s one of only two working boat lifts in the country. Unmissable!

Little adventures on your doorstep

Map not to scale: covers approx 0.5 miles/0.8km
A little bit of history
The Anderton Boat Lift moved boats between the Trent & Mersey Canal and the River Weaver about 14 metres (50 feet) below. Built in 1875, it shortened journeys by cutting out the old route via the Bridgewater Canal. Boats were lifted up, two at a time, in giant tanks of water. Genius!

Five things to do at Anderton Boat Lift

☐ Go for a boat ride on the Anderton Boat Lift. It’s a must!
☐ Have a go on the interactives in the Visitor Centre to find out how and why the boat lift was built.
☐ Take a break in the Visitor Centre café which overlooks the amazing boat lift.
☐ Take a walk through Northwich Woodlands and discover the willow and wood sculptures.
☐ Look out for the mosaic that tells the story of this area from industrial site to wildlife haven.

Did you know?...
Coots have a white spot on the front of their head and moorhens have a bright red beak tipped with yellow, and a white stripe on their side.

Information
Anderton Boat Lift Visitor Centre, Lift Lane Northwich Cheshire CW9 6FW

Parking
Toilets
Coffee shop
Pub
Information
Picnic
Boat trips
Path

Allow half a day for this visit

* Don’t forget:
Although the site is always open the facilities and boat trips may not be and some may be chargeable. Please check with local businesses before setting out.

Go to canalriverexplorers.org.uk to discover lots of fun things to do with the family.

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