



Canal & River Trust

Making life better by water

Little adventures on your doorstep



Discover Islington City Road Basin

Ten years ago City Road Basin was almost derelict. Now being regenerated with canal side houses, businesses and a landscaped park, it's a great place for a walk, cycle or jog.



STAY SAFE:
Stay Away From the Edge

Map not to scale: covers approx 0.5 miles/0.8km

A little bit of history

Built in 1819, City Road Basin was built to serve the City of London, less than a mile away. Originally it was surrounded by wharves for off-loading coal, flour, timber and building materials and privately owned. Now it's open to the public for the first time in its history, and is the base for the Islington Boat Club.



Best of all
it's FREE!*

Five things to do at Islington City Road Basin

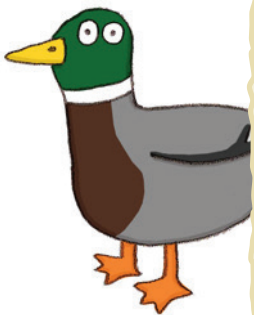
- Enjoy** water sports such as canoeing at weekends or in the school holidays.
- Cycle** along the towpath to Limehouse and the River Lee.
- Walk** along to the Islington Tunnel. No towpath was built through it, so barges had to be 'legged' through and the horses walked over the top.
- Take** a break in a canal side café and watch the boats working the lock.
- Spot** brightly painted narrowboats moored on the canal.

Did you know?...

It's best to feed ducks tasty treats like:








- porridge oats
- rice
- peas
- chopped lettuce
- birdseed

Whilst they will gobble up white bread, crisps and chips its junk food for you and ducks!



Information

Graham Street
Islington N1 8GJ

-  Parking (limited street only)
-  Toilets
-  Café
-  Pub
-  Cycling
-  Festival
-  Footpath
-  Allow 1-2 hours 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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