



Canal & River Trust

Making life better by water

Visit Lancaster and Penny Street Basin



The Lancaster Canal runs through the heart of Lancaster. So, shop till you drop then relax in a pub or café by the water's edge!

Little adventures on your doorstep



STAY SAFE:
Stay Away From
the Edge

A little bit of history

The Lancaster Canal is the 'Black and White' canal so-called because it carried limestone (white) and coal (black). The canal brought wealth to the city, delivering cheap coal that fuelled the steam-powered cotton mills beside the canal. Many of the fine houses in Lancaster were built by the cotton merchants.



Best of all
it's FREE!*

Five things to do at Lancaster and Penny Street Basin

- Spot** narrowboats moored near Waterwitch Basin.
- Take a trip** on the canal. Choose the waterbus, a trip boat or a special afternoon tea cruise.
- Walk** along the towpath to the spectacular Lune Aqueduct, about 40 minutes beyond Penny Street Bridge. Look out for QR trail waymarkers.
- Keep a look out for** wildlife. Otters have been spotted beyond Penny Street Bridge.
- Lancaster** is a Roman city so there's plenty of history. Visit Lancaster Castle, the Maritime Museum, the City Museum or the cathedral.



Information

Water Witch Basin
Aldcliffe Lane
Lancaster LA1 1SU



Parking



Toilets



Café



Pub



Information



Boat trips



Path

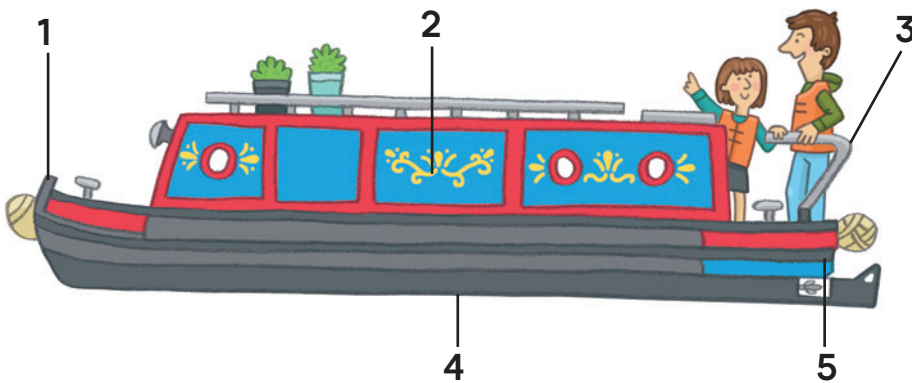


Allow 2-3 hours
for this visit

* 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.

Can you name the different parts of a narrowboat?



Answers: 1 bow; 2 cabin; 3 tiller; 4 hull; 5 stern

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do with the family.

