



## Discover Newark

Newark was once an important inland port on the mighty River Trent. Today, exploring the lovely old riverside buildings provides a great family day out.



## A little bit of history

The River Trent was a major working river until after the Second World War. It's still used for freight – you may even catch sight of a working barge. Today, many of the old warehouses have been converted into cafes, and the wharves make great places to watch the boats passing through the locks.

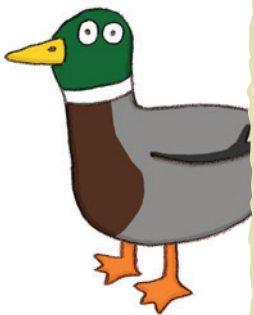
Best of all  
it's FREE!\*

### Five things to do at Newark

- **Walk** to the locks built to increase the depth of the river and accommodate bigger barges.
- **Look for** the haulage path to help dray horses grip as they hauled wagons of grain from the wharf to the breweries.
- **Check out** the café in the old lock keeper's house.
- **Follow** the Historic Riverside Trail (available from the Information Centre) and discover more about Newark's riverside.
- **Visit** Newark Castle built nearly 1000 years ago to defend the River Trent, an important trading route to the north.

### Did you know?...

Our lock gates are handbuilt by skilled carpenters in our workshops in the West Midlands and Yorkshire, from FSC Green Oak. Each one is unique and can take up to a month to make. Once built they last for about 25 years.



### Information

Tolney Lane, Newark  
NG24 1BZ

- Parking
- Toilets
- Café
- Pub
- Information centre
- Picnic bench
- Play area
- 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.

Go to [canalriverexplorers.org.uk](http://canalriverexplorers.org.uk) to discover lots of fun things to do with the family.

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