



WELCOME

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Kingfisher Cruises



CRUISES ON THE LANCASTER CANAL

From
**Barton
Grange
Marina**

Located

Between
Preston

&

Lancaster

Licensed by



Probably the best afternoon tea on the canal system.



Reviews



Our afternoon teas are a great treat for all.

As well as your quality afternoon tea, you cruise along on the canal, taking in the scenery and wildlife.



Our Company



Kingfisher Cruises was founded in 2008 operating on the Lancaster Canal which runs between Preston in the south, through the stunning Lancashire countryside, to Tewitfield at its northern end.

In April 2025 three of the crew who previously ran the boat took up the opportunity to buy the business. Since then everybody, both owners and their crew, have worked hard to further the success of the company.

Customer service has dramatically improved as well as the selection of catering options we can now offer.

We operate from Barton Grange Marina, near Preston from February to the end of December. The marina is in the grounds of Barton Grange garden centre, so you can plan to visit both on the same trip should you wish.

We can offer cruises that can include afternoon tea, light lunch, fish & chips (lunchtime and evening). The evening cruises either have quality entertainment with a singer or include a quiz for our passengers.

In autumn and winter we still operate from Barton Grange Marina, where the surrounding countryside continues to put on a stunning display of colours, including the flash of blue and orange from the resident kingfishers.

We can usually accommodate you at short notice should you have been let down by other venues. We will always try to fit you in.

Our daytime cruises are normally 1 hour 15 minutes to 1 hour 45 minutes and evening cruises 2 hours 40 minutes, however we can tailor these times to suit your needs.

A Great Day Out In Lancashire

Barton Grange Marina



Enjoy Our Fish & Chip
Lunchtime and Evening
Cruises



Our Management Team



Jacqui (Director)

Jacqui is your host for the cruise and together with her crew, runs all aspects of onboard services and catering.



Mark (Director)

Mark is one of the boatmasters and has been at the company for nine years. He has a wealth of experience relating to boating in general and the Lancaster canal.



Eleanor (Director)

Eleanor has been with the company for ten years and now works with us part time since finishing her medical degree.



Lindsay (Office Manager)

Lindsay runs our office and takes care of all our administrative tasks. She can answer any questions you may have.



What We Can Offer You.....

*"We Will Always Try Our Very Best To Accommodate You.
Just let Us Know What You Require".*

Our Location

Barton Grange has easy access from the motorway network.

It is around four miles north of Preston and the M6/M55 junction. If you are travelling from the north, then we are just 15 mins from Junction 34 of the M6.

We are on the A6 close to the village of Bilsborrow.

Lancaster is just 20 minutes away on the A6.

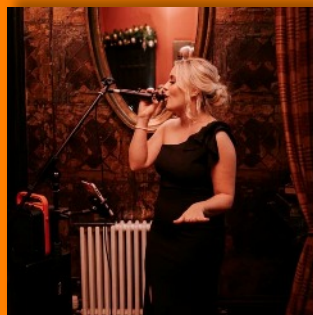
Blackpool is around 30 minutes

A Daytime Or Evening Cruise.

Choose from a "cruise only" or a number of inclusive catering choices are available should you wish.

These cruises combined with a visit to the adjoining garden centre is a lovely way to spend a day.

Our evening cruises are either a quiz night or a live entertainment show with a singer. These trips are two hours and forty minutes long and include fish and chips





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We know it's difficult to find a place to feed your passengers during a day out.

We can provide catering in the form of breakfasts, fish & chip lunches, hot pots, light lunches or afternoon teas.

Please see our website or call Lindsay for further details regarding any catering requirements you may have.

A stop-off on your way home on the final day of your trip.

This could be one of our cruise only trips lasting 1 hour 45 minutes or a lunchtime fish & chips cruise of the same duration.

This is a great way to end the holiday before heading home.

**“Call Lindsay on
01524 389410
For Further Details”**

Our Boat

Kingfisher can seat up to 48 passengers at tables inside. There is also seating outside for 6 passengers. During the cruise passengers are also allowed up on the back deck to stand and chat with the boatmaster as they steer the boat along the canal.

There are refreshments available, including both soft and alcoholic drinks together with assorted snacks.

There is a toilet on board.



We are regulated by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, who perform annual inspections on the boat and crew. This assures our coach partners that Kingfisher is up to the high safety standards they expect. We take this certification very seriously.

We are also licensed by the Canal and River Trust, the charity who look after the canal system.



We Have A Fully Licensed Bar On Board

Barton Grange Garden Centre & Marina

Parking for both cars and coaches is a breeze.

There is free parking with a dedicated drop off / pick up point for coaches only 20 meters from the boat



-  Drop Off / Pick Up
-  Coach Parking
-  Kingfisher Cruises



Your driver can park the coach 50 meters from the drop off point and either come along on the cruise or wait on the coach.





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