

# UNION WHARF MARINA

## 2019 Holiday Information

www.unionwharfmarina.com



### DIRECTIONS

#### BY ROAD

- Leave the M1 at Junction 20 and take the A4304 sign-posted Market Harborough.
- Travel for approximately 12 miles and you will arrive in Market Harborough.
- Follow signs for town centre. Turn left at mini-roundabout.
- Follow one-way system and at T-Junction turn left.
- Leaving the town centre behind you go through a chicane and continue up the hill passing the 'Police station' on the left.
- Take the second left after the 'Police station'. The marina office is on the right hand side.

#### BY RAIL

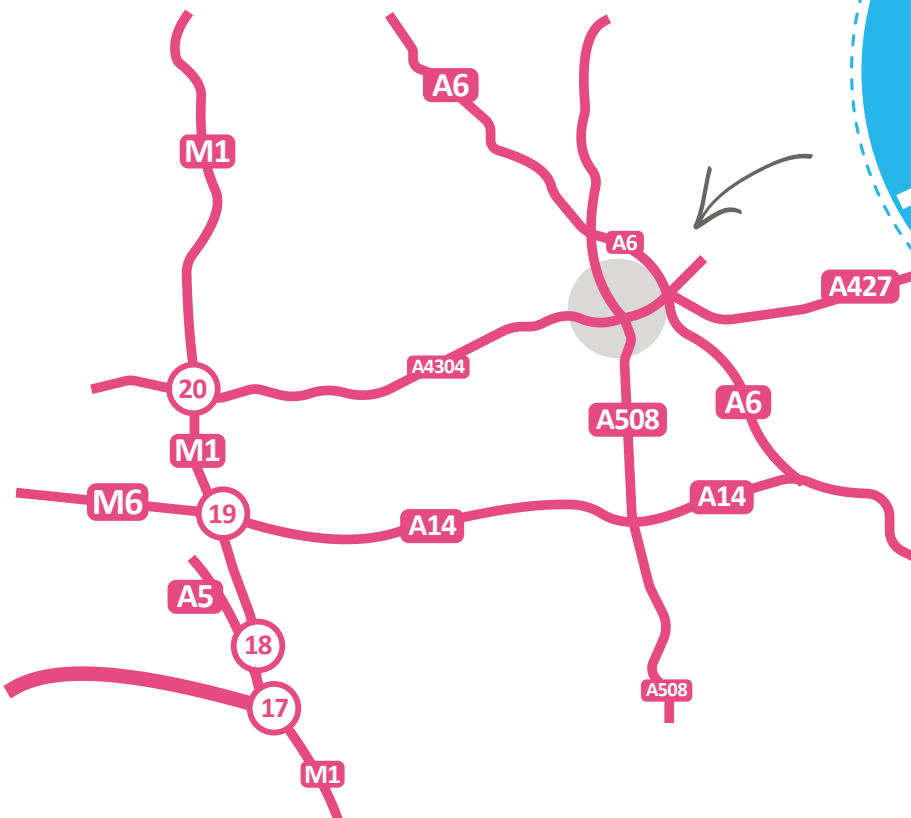
The nearest rail station in Market Harborough is less than a mile from the marina. A 3 minute taxi ride or a 15 minute walk.



You can buy rail tickets on-line at [thetrainline.com](http://thetrainline.com) or [firstgreatwestern.com](http://firstgreatwestern.com)

#### FROM AIRPORTS

Please use the train or National Express for transfers from airports. For more information please visit [www.nationalexpress.com](http://www.nationalexpress.com).



### TRAVEL & PLANNING

#### LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

[www.airbnb.com](http://www.airbnb.com) or [www.laterooms.com](http://www.laterooms.com) for special rates.

#### LOCAL TAXI COMPANIES

**Murphy's Taxis Ltd:** 01858 410210

**Spotty Dog Taxis:** 01858 466444

#### NEAREST GROCERY STORES

There is a wide choice of supermarkets in Market Harborough which is only a 5 minute drive away.

• Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd Tel: 01858 461724  
St. Marys Place, Springfield Street, Market

Harborough, Leicestershire, LE16 8BD

• Midlands Co-op Tel: 01858 462281  
Coventry Road, Market Harborough, Leicestershire,  
LE16 9DB

**ADDRESS:** Canal Basin, Leicester Road, Market Harborough, LE16 7UW **PHONE:** 01858 432 123

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# FEATURED ROUTES 7 Nights +

## BRAUNSTON & RETURN, 7 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 5 Hrs • **Total:** 33-38 Hrs • **Locks:** 46

- From Foxton Junction you will travel down the Grand Union Canal.
- A lovely rural route that can either take you to Braunston through its 2042 yard tunnel or lock free on to Napton.

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## COVENTRY/SNARESTONE & RETURN, 7 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 5-7.5 Hrs • **Total:** 59-73 Hrs • **Locks:** 54

- With only 17 locks each way between Gayton and Coventry, this is one of the easiest one-week routes.
- The remote and rural Ashby Canal for Snarestone offers 23 miles of lock free cruising after Marston.
- Moor at Shenton for Bosworth Battlefield Visitor Centre ([www.bosworthbattlefield.com](http://www.bosworthbattlefield.com)).

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## OXFORD & RETURN, 14 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 6 Hrs • **Total:** 92 Hrs • **Locks:** 126

- Continue on past Banbury to Oxford, the 'City of Dreaming Spires'.
- Oxford has lots to offer- historical places such as Blenheim Palace, Christ Church College, you could go shopping or dining out (see more at [www.visitoxfordandoxfordshire.com](http://www.visitoxfordandoxfordshire.com)).
- An extremely popular choice for those who want to stretch their holiday to more than a week.

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## WARWICK & RETURN, 10 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 5 Hrs • **Total:** 55 Hrs • **Locks:** 92

- A popular 10 night cruise from Union Wharf or it can be completed in a week from Gayton and Rugby.
- From Union Wharf you will travel down to Norton Junction and then through to Warwick.
- Warwick has an ever-growing reputation for the variety of its cafes, restaurants and other eateries with the Market Square playing host to events throughout the year.
- Places of interest include Warwick Castle, St John's Museum and The Mill Garden (see [www.visitwarwick.co.uk](http://www.visitwarwick.co.uk) for more details).

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## LOUGHBOROUGH & RETURN, 7 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 6 Hrs • **Total:** 43 Hrs • **Locks:** 70

- You will cruise towards Leicester where you could stop off and experience contemporary, inspirational shopping in Leicester's transformed city centre (see [www.goleicestershire.com](http://www.goleicestershire.com) for more details).
- When you get to Loughborough you could visit the National Space Centre, a must see for children, teenagers and adults ([www.spacecentre.co.uk](http://www.spacecentre.co.uk)).

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## LEICESTER OR EAST MIDLANDS RING, 14 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 6 Hrs • **Total:** 82 Hrs • **Locks:** 101

- A pleasant two week cruise through parts of Staffordshire, Warwickshire, Leicestershire and Derbyshire.
- This route takes you up the Grand Union Canal to the Foxton flight of locks, then onto Leicester itself where you join the River Soar.
- Continue along the Soar to Trent Junction where you briefly join the River Trent which takes you up to Sawley. At this point you rejoin the canal system to complete the ring.

MAPS P7 P10 N3 E1 E3

## BANBURY & RETURN, 10 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 6 Hrs • **Total:** 63 Hrs • **Locks:** 90

- This is a good cruise for first timers and takes you through the Cotswold countryside.
- Takes you down the North Oxford Canal via Braunston and Napton Junctions.
- Onto the South Oxford Canal, renowned for its meandering route to the Thames.

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## AYLESBURY & RETURN, 14 Nights

**Cruising Time Per day:** 6 Hrs • **Total:** 85 Hrs • **Locks:** 130

- A good route for the first timer.
- Through delightful countryside, taking in the Great Ouse Aqueduct at Cosgrove, Milton Keynes.
- Then arriving at Aylesbury, with the attractive old town centre just a short walk from the canal basin.

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## Maps & Guides

To purchase maps and guides, go to [www.abcboathire.com/maps-and-guides](http://www.abcboathire.com/maps-and-guides)



# SHORT BREAKS 3/4 Nights

## LEICESTER & RETURN, 4 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 6 Hrs • Total: 28 Hrs • Locks: 48  
 Travel north on the Leicester Section of the Grand Union through charmingly unspoilt countryside and on to the city of Leicester.

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## CRICK & RETURN, 3/4 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 6 Hrs • Total: 24 Hrs • Locks: 20-22  
 Crick and back, along the Grand Union Canal (Leicester Section).

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## WELFORD & RETURN, 3 Nights

Cruising Time Per day: 6 Hrs • Total: 15 Hrs • Locks: 22  
 Welford has plenty of overnight mooring places, with a reservoir and village to explore.

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# ROUTES MAP



### COLOUR KEY

- BRAUNSTON & RETURN
- LOUGHBOROUGH & RETURN
- COVENTRY/SNARESTONE & RTN
- LEICESTER/EAST MIDS RING
- OXFORD & RETURN
- BANBURY & RETURN
- WARWICK & RETURN
- AYLESBURY & RETURN

