



DIRECTIONS

BY ROAD *Anderton is situated in Cheshire, just north of Northwich and close to the famous Anderton Boat Lift.*

- From the M6 junction with the M56, take the M56 (West).
- Exit the M56 at junction 10.
- Take the A559 (signed Northwich) for 3 miles.
- Turn right (signed Comberbach and Anderton Boat Lift).
- Continue through Comberbach and past Marbury Country Park towards Anderton.
- The marina is on the left, 1/4 mile after the Anderton village sign.

BY RAIL

From Manchester: Take the train to Northwich station. From London and the south: Take the train to Crewe and then change for the service to Hartford station. **From Northwich or Hartford stations:** Take a taxi to the marina. If there are no taxis waiting, information on taxi firms can be found at the payphone at the station.



You can buy rail tickets on-line at thetrainline.com or firstgreatwestern.com.

FROM AIRPORTS

From Manchester Airport: Take a taxi to the boatyard. Please contact the taxi companies directly for an estimated fare.

The Moorings Restaurant

The Moorings Restaurant is situated in the reception building, **over-looking the marina**. Delicious lunches include freshly cut sandwiches with tea or coffee and a range of home-cooked food.

To reserve a table for lunch or your evening meal, please telephone 01606 79789 or fax 01606 784540.

Mon, 11-4pm - Tue, Closed - Wed to Sat, 11-9pm
Sun day, 11-5.30pm - Sun night, 7-9pm

All opening times are subject to change without notice

www.themooringsrestaurant.co.uk

TRAVEL / PLANNING

LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

Please check www.hotelshopuk.com or www.laterooms.com for special rates.

LOCAL TAXI COMPANIES

Anderton Travel: 01606 77701 **Barnton Travel:** 01606 872000

NEAREST GROCERY STORES

The nearest supermarket is a couple of miles away in the town of Northwich.





Maps can be bought at the marina, or online from abcwebchandler.com

THE CHESHIRE RING

7-14 Nights • Cruising Time Per day: 8 Hrs • Locks: 92

- It is recommended to travel this ring clockwise, so heading up to Manchester.
- The ring takes in the whole of the Macclesfield Canal, parts of the Trent & Mersey, Bridgewater, Rochdale, Ashton and Peak Forest Canals, providing a range of scenery.
- Enjoy glorious scenery as the Macclesfield Canal skirts the edge of the Pennines.
- If time allows why not take a detour from Marple along the Peak Forest Canal and enjoy stunning views.
- You will cruise through the heart of Manchester and moor at Castlefield to explore the city and places such as the Old Trafford, home of 'Man U' (www.manutd.co.uk), the Arndale shopping centre or the Museum of Science and Industry (www.mosi.org.uk).
- This route has a variety of canal features including broad and narrow locks, aqueducts and tunnels, and the distinctive stone architecture of the Peak District.

THE PENNINE RING

21 Nights • Cruising Time Per day: 6.5 Hrs • Locks: 227

- The recently restored Huddersfield Narrow Canal crosses the Pennines to complete the fantastic Pennine Ring.
- At 5,698 yards, the Standedge Tunnel is the longest and highest in Britain- the passage requires pre-booking with Standedge Visitor Centre. (01484 844298)
- East of Huddersfield the canal is wider and the locks are shorter, so the maximum length of boat able to complete the circuit is 58ft.

NOTE: Maps do not cover this entire route
MAX BOAT LENGTH FOR THIS ROUTE IS 58 FEET

THE FOUR COUNTIES RING

10-11 Nights • Cruising Time Per day: 6.5 Hrs • Locks: 102

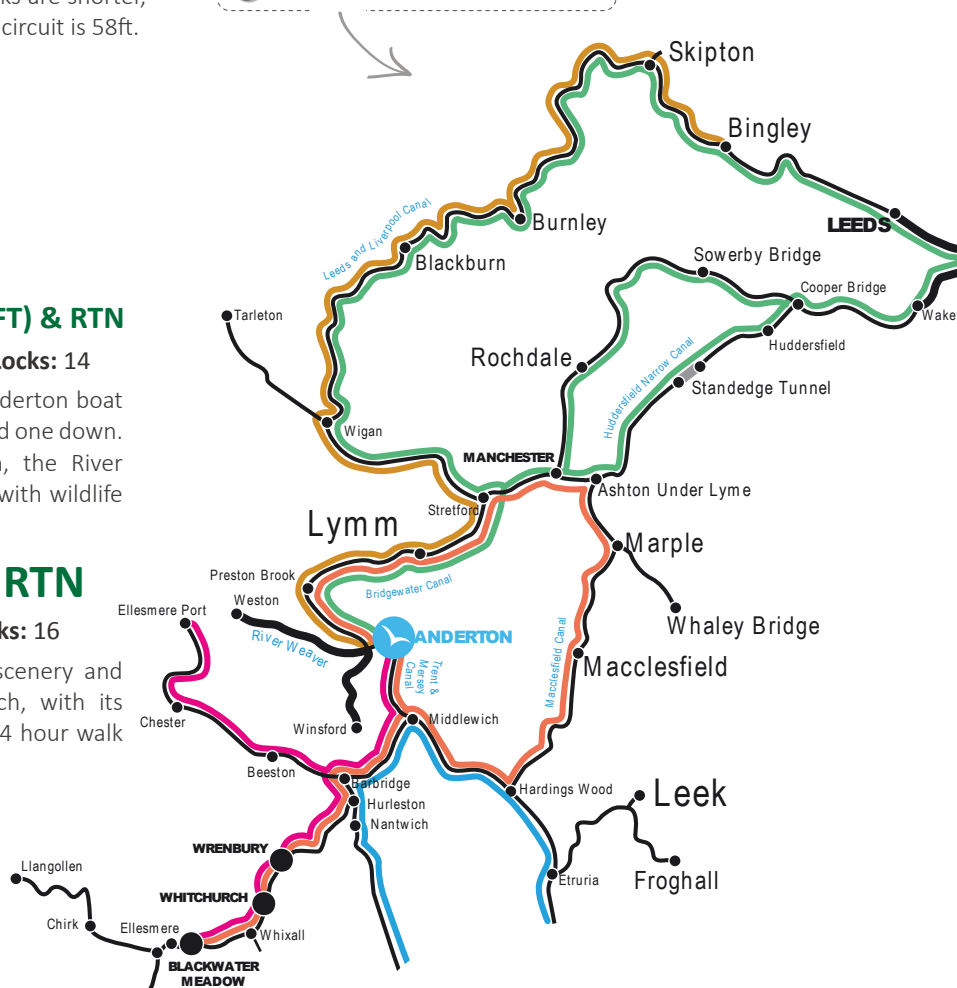
- From Anderton you will need to travel down to Middlewich to join the ring.
- This is one of the more rural cruising rings taking you through the counties of Cheshire, Staffordshire, Shropshire and the West Midlands.
- This route can also be taken from our Gailey, Wrenbury and Blackwater Meadow Marinas

CHESTER OR ELLESMERE PORT & RETURN

7-10 Nights • Cruising Time Per day: 5.5-7 Hrs • Locks: 44

- On this popular countryside route the locks are well spaced for easy cruising.
- Travel to Chester and then retrace your steps back to the marina which is a popular week for first time boaters.
- You can also continue past Chester along the Shropshire Union main line to its historic terminal on the River Mersey at Ellesmere Port.
- Mooring in Chester is within easy reach of the walled city centre with its medieval 'rows' where there are a variety of shops, galleries and the majestic cathedral (www.visitchester.com).
- Chester Zoo is just a short walk from the canal (www.chesterzoo.org).
- Visit the National Waterways Museum at Ellesmere Port.

 Icon shows route colour on the map



SHORT BREAKS

RIVER WEAVER (VIA ANDERTON BOAT LIFT) & RTN

3-4 Nights • Cruising Time Per day: 7 Hrs • Locks: 14

A stunning feat of 19th Century engineering, the Anderton boat lift carries two boats at a time hydraulically, one up and one down. At the centre of the Cheshire salt-making region, the River Weaver is steeped in industrial history, yet bristling with wildlife and beautiful scenery.

BEESTON OR NANTWICH & RTN

3 Nights • Cruising Time Per day: 8 Hrs • Locks: 16

Easy cruising south from Anderton with splendid scenery and good pubs. The lovely medieval town of Nantwich, with its distinctive black and white architecture, is a brisk 1/4 hour walk from the canal.

LYMM AND RETURN

3 Nights • Cruising Time Per day: 9 Hrs • Locks: 2

Cruise above the River Weaver and its valley, where the only lock has a drop of just six inches! Preston Brook has a tunnel of nearly a mile, and there are also two shorter ones on this route.

