

River travel to float your boat



Rolling down the river: sit back, relax and take in the scenery

There are many boats licensed by TfL operating on the Thames, all catering for different travel needs.

COMMUTERS or leisure passengers can use the five MBNA Thames Clippers River Bus routes, which offer a convenient and regular service along 22 piers between Putney and Woolwich.

The boats, which run from early morning until late evening, have comfortable indoor seating, and most have a small outside deck so you can enjoy a breath of fresh air while you admire the views.

There are kiosks on board serving hot and cold drinks and snacks, and most boats have accessible toilets. They also have step-free access and ramps to board the boat.

All piers offer step-free access, except Cadogan Pier, while London Bridge City Pier has very steep access at low tide.

Bikes are welcome on the boats, and dogs can travel if they are on a lead.

There is also a River Bus Express, which runs before and after events at The O2 in North Greenwich.

Passengers can use contactless or Oyster pay as you go to touch

in and out on all MBNA Thames Clippers services.

These offer a lower rate fare, but journeys made using contactless or Oyster on the River Bus services do not count towards price capping.

Regular passengers can save money with a weekly, monthly or annual season ticket.

Enjoy the views

River Tours services offer passengers the chance to sit back and enjoy London from the water with a guided commentary.

There are a number of options to choose from, including dining cruises, high-speed RIB tours and sightseeing tours.

City Cruises, Thames River Services and Circular Cruise Westminster offer traditional sightseeing trips.

On the popular route between Westminster and Greenwich, passengers can take in some of London's top landmarks, including the Houses of Parliament, the London Eye, Tower Bridge and HMS Belfast.

River Tours tickets can be bought in advance from the boat operators' websites or on the day at pier ticket offices. You can also use your Oyster pay as you go credit to buy tickets at Thames River Services and Circular Cruise Westminster ticket offices.

Thrill-seekers can enjoy high-speed RIB tours from Thames RIB Experience, Thames Rockets and Thamesjet. On board these adrenaline-filled trips, customers will experience exhilarating speed and entertaining commentary from the guides as the landmarks fly past.

There is the option to combine your trip down the river with a meal and entertainment, with Bateaux London and City Cruises providing lunch, afternoon tea and dinner cruises. Why not try Bateaux London's jazz dining cruise with live music departing from Embankment Pier or dine and dance on board City Cruises Showboat, which departs daily from Westminster Pier.

■ For more information, visit tfl.gov.uk/river

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Temporary pier closure at Greenwich

GREENWICH Pier will be closed from 9.30am tomorrow and all day Wednesday for essential maintenance work to increase its lifespan.

River Bus and River Tours services will not be stopping at the pier during the closure. The nearest alternative

station is Cutty Sark DLR. Normal service will resume this Thursday.

■ Visit tfl.gov.uk for more information or follow @TfLRiver on Twitter for live updates



A new lease of life for Greenwich Pier: closed for refurbishment on Tuesday and Wednesday

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