



Balloons over Clifton Suspension Bridge. Credit: Gary Newman

Bristol



Bristol! The home of Banksy, maritime history, hot air ballooning, Harbour festival, cycling city and the UK's first ever Green Capital! Lively and dynamic, cosmopolitan and ambitious, Bristol is truly a 21st-century city with something to offer everyone.

If shopping is what you are looking for then you are in luck with two large malls, boutique shops to the West and the last remaining independent high street in the UK – Bristol is an unrivalled shopping destination.

If that's not enough to entice you into the largest city in the South West, why not visit one of Bristol's many charming museums? You can learn and discover how Bristol became the wonderful city it is today. Explore Bristol's rich maritime past from the Roman Times, to the era of John Cabot setting sail and discovering America, to Isambard Brunel Kingdom and his innovative engineering designs.

Want to do something a little different? Then don't forget to look out for the amazing modern street art zones, made famous by the world-renowned Bristol-born artist Banksy or perhaps you can take all 108 steps up Cabot Tower and look over this fabulous city! Looking to go further afield? Bristol's unrivalled motorway links allow unique access to attractions to the North (The Cotswolds), East (Bath), South (Glastonbury) and West (Cardiff) all within an hour of the berth.

Cruise Bristol really is your gateway to the South West and beyond, making it possible to sail into Bristol and be on your way to any destination within 5 minutes. No hassle, no long journeys, just great excursions, a great destination and great memories.

Cruise Bristol – Your gateway to the South West and Beyond. We look forward to welcoming you soon.

James Stangroom
Director

Top Five Facts About Bristol

1. Bristol is the largest city in the South West of England.
2. Bristol is known as the 'Birthplace of America' and has been a wealthy trading port since Roman times.
3. Famous Bristolians include Hollywood legend Cary Grant, street art legend Banksy, Blackbeard the Pirate and (adopted son) Isambard Kingdom Brunel.
4. Brunel's world-famous SS Great Britain and Clifton Suspension Bridge are just two of the fantastic visitor attractions in the city.
5. The Sunday Times chose Bristol as the best city to live in Britain for it's buzzy culture, nightlife and access to fantastic countryside.

Experience Bristol

Beautiful Bath

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage city of Bath, only 20 miles from the Cruise Bristol terminal. Explore the Roman Baths and take a city tour (either walking or by bus) and indulge with lunch at a top city restaurant. Full or Half day

Link: <http://visitbath.co.uk>

Bristol's Boats and Bridges

Enjoy a harbour cruise with an official guide before visiting Brunel's ss Great Britain, the ship that changed the world! Lunch at a Harbourside location or on a terrace overlooking the Avon Gorge before a guided tour of another Brunel masterpiece, the world-famous Clifton Suspension Bridge. Full Day.

Link: <http://visitbristol.co.uk/things-to-do/bristol-ferry-boats-p24281>

Check out the art

Discover the UK's street art capital on a WhereTheWall Street Art Walking Tour. See some of Banksy's original works before spraying your own canvas to take home. Visit the Bristol Museum & Art Gallery and the only Royal Academy outside of London for more traditional art before completing the circle at Arnolfini by the Harbourside for a modern art fix. Full day.

Link: <http://visitbristol.co.uk/things-to-do/street-art>

Bristol & Bath

Combine a half day tour of Bristol with a half day tour of Bath for a full day and a tale of two cities. Just 12

miles apart, Bristol and Bath are very different to each other and yet complement each other perfectly.

Link: <http://visitbristol.co.uk>

Glorious Gardens

Full day: Visit and tour to Tyntesfield House (National Trust Victorian Home), visit to Westonbirt Arboretum (the National Arboretum), lunch at a traditional country pub and visit to Painswick Rococo Gardens.

Link: <http://visitbristol.co.uk>

Spectacular Somerset

Full day: Visit Cheddar Gorge, Wookey Hole Caves, Kilve Court Gardens and Glastonbury Abbey and Tor. A tour of Wells Cathedral, and the smallest City in the UK, and explore the beauty of the Mendip Hills and Somerset Levels.

Link: <http://www.visitsomerset.co.uk/>

Cotswold Countryside and Culture

Full Day: Tour of the villages and Countryside of the Cotswolds, visit and tour to Highgrove House (home of HRH Prince Charles) and visit and tour to Berkeley Castle (optional talk with Charles Berkeley).

Link:

A trip into Wales

Full or Half Day: A trip to the Capital City Cardiff, or visit the ancient Chepstow Castle and Tintern Abbey.

Link: <http://www.visitwales.com/>

World Heritage and Ancient Britain in Wiltshire

Full Day: Visit the World Heritage Sites of Stonehenge and Avebury, the largest, most impressive and complex prehistoric sites in Britain. In addition explore the Iron Age hill fort at Sarum

Link: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stonehenge/#>

Ryder Cup golf round!

Book a round at Celtic Manor Ryder Cup Course from 2010 just 15 mins from the cruise terminal.

Link: <http://www.celtic-manor.com/>

Port Info

Time zone : GMT

Operational Hours : 24hrs

Latitude & Longitude : 51.5° N, 2.71° W

Prevailing Weather : South Westerly

Berth Information : Locked docks – S Berth, Avonmouth dock – 295m and Berths 1/2 Royal Portbury dock – 575m

Vessel length : Avonmouth dock 210m (267m lock) / Royal Portbury dock 310m (366m lock)

Vessel width : Avonmouth dock 29m (30.5m lock), Royal Portbury dock 41m (42.7m lock)

Air Draft Restrictions : No Restrictions

Vessel Draft : Avonmouth dock 11m / Royal Portbury dock 14.5m

Depth on Berth : Avonmouth dock 10.5m / Royal Portbury dock 14m

Largest cruise ship : MS Prinsendam

VTS Channel : Channel 12 (14 once through locks)

Pilotage : Compulsory

Tugboat : Available on request

Security Facilities : Fully compliant with ISPS regulations

Gangway : Ship's own gangways must be used

Fresh water : Available on berth

Power supply : Vessel's own

Fuel supply : Truck

Hot works / painting / lifeboats : All available alongside berth – approval to be issued by Harbour Master

Waste handling : All waste can be accommodated with prior arrangement

Facilities

Cruise Terminal Building : The cruise terminal has a passenger hall with comfortable seating, rest rooms and the 'Captain's Café' which has sandwiches, snacks and hot and cold beverages. There is also a wonderful welcome from Guest Experience Crew who are available to help with any questions.

Currency exchange : Post office in Avonmouth Village and numerous outlets in Bristol city centre.

Internet access : Free Wifi in the cruise terminal

Telephones : Avonmouth village

Mailbox : Post office in Avonmouth village

Taxi Rank : A Taxi rank is located directly outside Cruise Bristol terminal on cruise days only. Private Hire taxis and coaches can also be booked.

Distance to Railway Station : Avonmouth rail station (2 miles) with trains every 30 mins to Bristol Temple Meads with onward trains to Bath every 10-15 mins.

Distance to Airport : Bristol International Airport 14 miles, 30 mins by taxi.

Banks / ATM Machines : ATMs in Avonmouth village

Restaurant/Café : Captain's Café onsite, further cafés and pubs in Avonmouth Village and numerous restaurants, bars and pubs in Bristol City Centre.

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