

# Dover

Dover is the premier cruise hub for cruise lines in the South East of England, one of the busiest turnaround ports in Britain and Northern Europe welcoming over 20 individual cruise lines and 200,000 cruise passengers every year.

With state of the art facilities, award winning customer service and excellent transport links including the high speed train to London, two main motorways and Gatwick, Stansted and Heathrow airports within close proximity.

## Top Five Facts About Dover

1. James Bond author Ian Fleming had a holiday home in Kent and found inspiration locally. The famous 007 tag came from the number of the London to Dover coach.
2. The White Cliffs of Dover were mentioned by Julius Caesar in his account of a 55 B.C. Roman invasion and by William Shakespeare in ‘King Lear.’
3. Known as the ‘key to England’, the great fortress of Dover Castle has played a crucial role in the defence of the realm for over nine centuries, a span equalled only by the Tower of London and Windsor Castle.
4. Dover is the closest point in the UK to mainland Europe.

5. Excellent transport links to major London airports and high speed rail to central London in 66 minutes.

## Experience Dover

### Canterbury Cathedral
Canterbury's World Heritage site includes one of England's most important historical buildings: spectacular Canterbury Cathedral, home to the Archbishop of Canterbury and centre of Christian pilgrimage.
**Link:** http://www.canterbury-cathedral.org

### Dover Castle
The 'Key to England' has been in our nation's first line of defence and guarded our shores from invasion for 20 centuries. Step into the dazzling medieval royal palace in the Great Tower, immerse yourself into the King's court life; meet the lifelike projected figures guiding you round the sumptuously furnished chambers, and the costumed characters welcoming you to the reign of King Henry II. Head underground and explore the darkly atmospheric Secret Wartime Tunnels buried deep in the iconic White Cliffs of Dover.
**Link:** http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/dover-castle

### Leeds Castle
Romantic, lake-fringed and packed with heritage, its ornate interior is unforgettable... it's iconic. 500 acres of parkland houses a hedge maze, holiday cottages and the high-wire thrills of Go Ape.
**Link:** http://www.leeds-castle.com

### Canterbury
The Cathedral, St Augustine's Abbey and St Martin's Church form a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Walking trails and guided tours wind past extraordinary architecture, boutique shops, malls and key attractions - the Chaucer-themed Canterbury Tales; Norman Canterbury Castle; Canterbury Roman Museum and treasure-filled Canterbury Heritage Museum.
**Link:** http://www.canterbury.co.uk

### Walmer Castle
Walmer Castle was built by Henry VIII to bolster defences against the French, before being turned into the elegant home of the Duke of Wellington, Warden of the Cinque Ports.
**Link:** http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/walmer-castle-and-gardens/

### Royal St Georges Golf Club
Royal St Georges Golf Club in Sandwich, home to the British Open.
**Link:** http://www.royalstgeorges.com

### Kent's Vineyards & Breweries
Enjoy a tour and a tasting at Chapel Down Vineyard, Biddenden Vineyards, Hush Heath Winery, and at Britain's oldest brewer, Shepherd Neame Brewery.
**Link:** https://www.winegardenofengland.co.uk/

### Historic Dockyard Chatham
The stunning maritime collections at The Historic Dockyard Chatham also include the treasure trove that is No.1 Smithery. This world-class collection has been brought together by the Dockyard, the National Maritime Museum and the Imperial War Museum; expect unique artefacts and top-notch art.
**Link:** http://www.thedockyard.co.uk

### London
The High Speed One train allows London to be reached in just 66 minutes from Dover.
**Link:** http://www.visitlondon.com

### Active & Outdoors
Kent overflows with country parks, special landscapes, and nature reserves. At the county's core is a classic rural landscape of undulating chalk downs. Green fields, ancient woods and swathes of big-sky marshland add extra appeal. This irresistible walking and cycling territory is traced by a tempting network of long-distance routes and day trails - there are 4200 miles of public rights of way alone.
**Link:** http://www.visitkent.co.uk

## Port info

**Time zone :** GMT
**Operational hours :** 24hrs
**Latitude & Longitude :** 51° 06.75′ N  001° 19.1′ E
**Prevailing Weather :** SW
**Berth information :** Two dedicated cruise berths both with fully functional cruise terminals and one PoC berth.
**Vessel Length :** 350m
**Vessel width :** No restriction
**Air Draft Restrictions :** No restriction
**Vessel draft :** 10m
**Depth on berth :** 8 -10m
**Largest cruise ship :** Celebrity Reflection
**VTS Channel :** Channel 74
**Max Ship Dimension :** 350m LOA
**Pilotage :** Compulsory, board by launch
**Tugboat :** 2 x 54tbp – ASD Harbour Tugs
**Security screening :** Full ISPS Shoreside screening available
**Gangway :** Two passenger boarding bridges and multiple gangway options from 12-30m.
**Fresh water :** Available
**Power supply :** N/A
**Fuel supply :** Bunkers are available by barge or road tanker.
**Hot works / painting/ lifeboats :** All possible at Dover with the permission of the Duty Harbour Master.
**Waste Handling :** Yes

## Facilities

**Cruise Terminals :** Passenger lounges are available in both terminals. For Port of Call visits, a Tourist Information desk with a member of the local tourist information team is on hand to offer advice and guidance to passengers on how best to see the county.
**Internet access :** Free WIFI available in both terminals.
**Taxi rank :** Yes
**Distance to Railway Station :** 1.2 miles
**Distance to Airport :** London – Gatwick 79 miles, Heathrow 105 miles, Stansted 100 miles
**Banks / ATM Machines :** Located in town centre

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