



## 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](http://thetrainline.com) or [firstgreatwestern.com](http://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](http://www.themooringsrestaurant.co.uk)

## TRAVEL / PLANNING

### LOCAL ACCOMMODATION

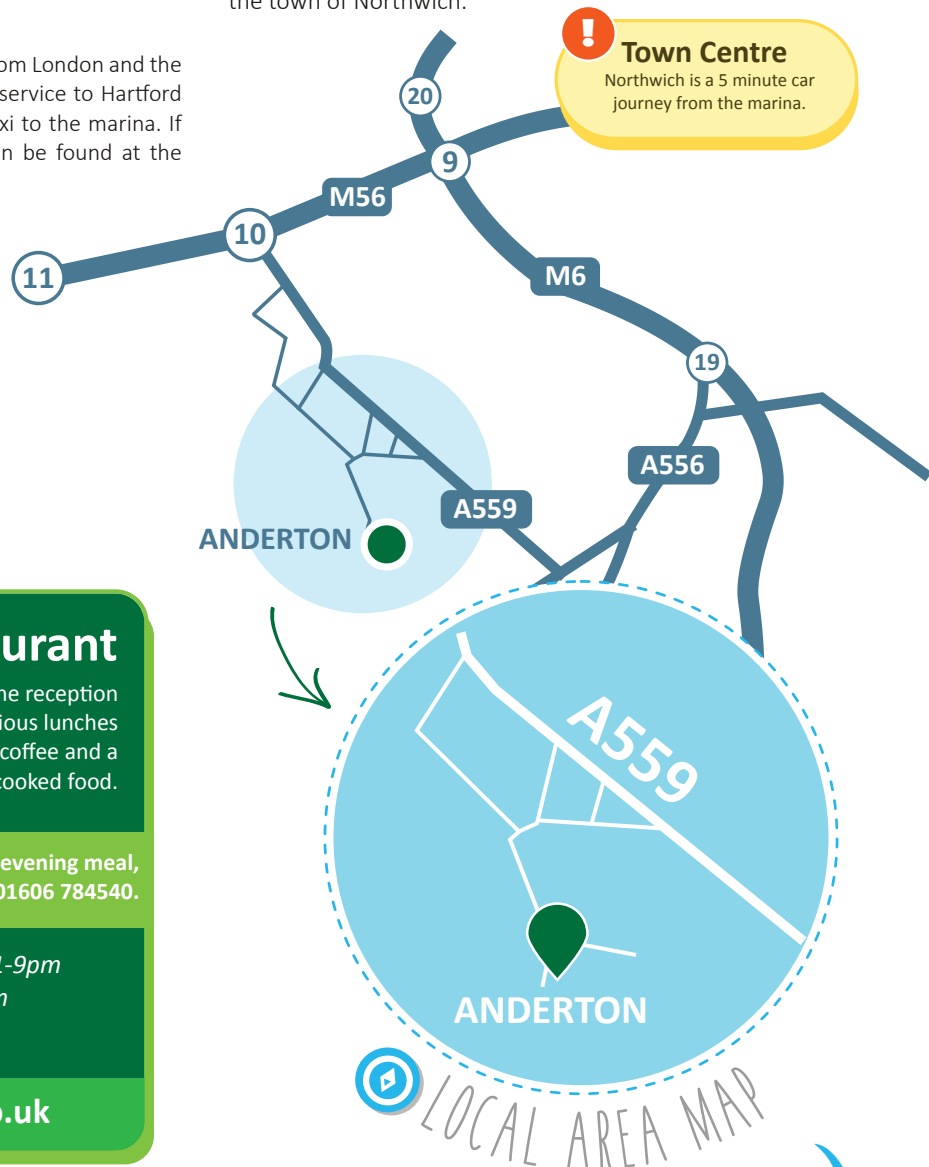
Please check [www.hotelshopuk.com](http://www.hotelshopuk.com) or [www.laterooms.com](http://www.laterooms.com) for special rates.

### LOCAL TAXI COMPANIES

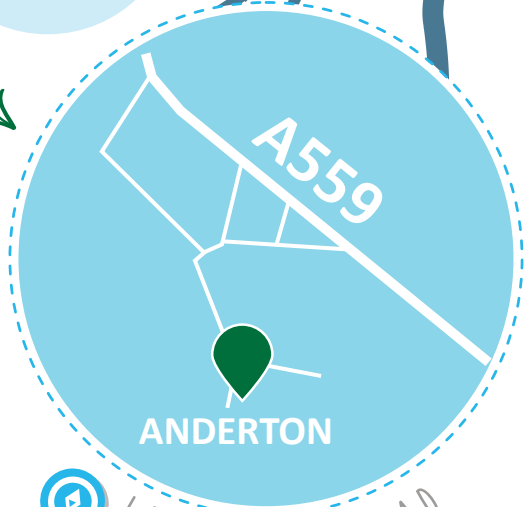
**Anderton Travel:** 01606 77701 **Barnton Travel:** 01606 872000

### NEAREST GROCERY STORES

A selection of essential provisions are stocked at the marina shop. The nearest supermarket is a couple of miles away in the town of Northwich.



**! Town Centre**  
Northwich is a 5 minute car journey from the marina.





## 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](http://www.manutd.co.uk)), the Arndale shopping centre or the Museum of Science and Industry ([www.mosi.org.uk](http://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  
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## 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 📍

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

- 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](http://www.visitchester.com)).
- Chester Zoo is just a short walk from the canal ([www.chesterzoo.org](http://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.

