

How to find us

Cross Pulteney Bridge from the City and find the steps to the river level on the right hand side. Our landing stage is down these steps just above the weir.



Special Parties

The boats are also available for private charter. Our boats are ideal for staff outings and other special occasions. We can cruise to Bathampton weir where we anchor out in the weir pool for a peaceful river picnic or we can return you to the Bath Boating Station where the Bathwick Boatman Restaurant provides excellent cuisine.

Special Bookings must be paid for in advance. A booking form can be obtained from our web site www.bathboating.com or by telephoning the numbers on the back page of this leaflet.

Boats for hire

Our boats pass Bath Boating Station. Here you may hire a traditional skiff, punt or Canadian canoe by the hour or day. Tuition in poling a punt is given if needed to help you enjoy a new experience. You may travel to the Boating Station on one of our boats to go rowing or punting. The Bathwick Boatman Restaurant is also at the Boating Station and serves lunches and evening dinners.

Boat trip times from Pulteney Weir

Trip times

10.00

11.00

11.20

12.00

12.20

12.40

13.20

13.40

14.00

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15.00

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16.00

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March – November
7 days a week

Mid May – October
7 days a week

Weekends only
July – August

These are leaving times.

Please leave enough time to load your party. The boat will be ready for boarding 15 minutes before the leaving time.

Each trip lasts exactly one hour.

All trips can be affected by demand, flooding or adverse weather conditions.

Please phone to confirm times on the day.

There are 3 boats in the fleet:

Avon Monarch – 78 seats

Sir William Pulteney – 85 seats

Scenic 2 – 88 seats

We run these according to the time of year and demand. The timetable colour code (left) shows how this works.

Pulteney Cruises Ltd

Telephone 01225 312900 or 863600

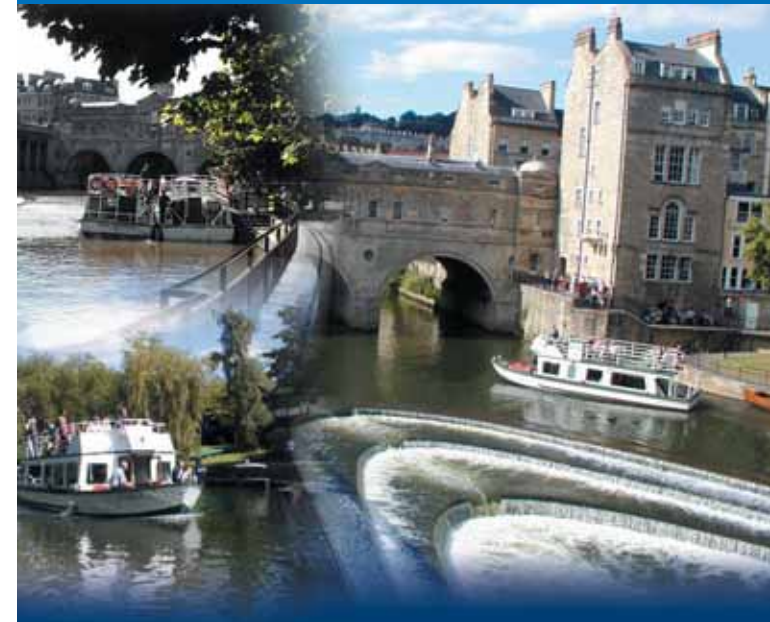
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River Cruises

Open top boats



Pulteney Cruisers operate a unique fleet of two decked vessels with sun deck on top and cabin below. Café and toilet on board. The boats cruise up the River Avon on the pretty reach above the Pulteney Weir at frequent intervals to Bathampton daily. Trips pass the picturesque Victorian Bath Boating Station. Vessels turn at Bathampton Weir and the toll bridge and then return to the City taking about one hour in total.

Live commentary

Tickets are available on board

All our boats and crew are subject to the rigorous safety requirements of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency.

The River Avon Pulteney Bridge to Bathampton

- 1 Pulteney Weir.
- 2 Boat Landing stage.
- 3 Pulteney Bridge (Robert Adam in 1769). Similar to the Ponte Vecchio in Florence with shops on both sides.
- 4 Cleveland Bridge constructed in MDCCCXXVII (1827). Freed from toll in 1926. Four toll collector's houses on each end on the bridge.
- 5 Victorian Bath Boating Station (1833). Still building and hiring traditional wooden skiffs, punts and canoes.
- 6 Bathwick Boatman Restaurant – Open round the year for lunches and dinners.
- 7 Cleveland open air swimming baths. Constructed by the Duke of Cleveland in 1815 (now closed).
- 8 'Piles Corner'. Bank protection constructed by Brunell to protect the Great Western Railway from river erosion.
- 9 Great Western Railway (1840) and Kennet and Avon Canal (1810).
- 10 Grosvenor Bridge (1923).
- 11 Bathampton Weir and toll bridge. Still a private toll bridge, originally build to allow access to the farming land on both sides of the river.
- 12 Bathampton village and church. Admiral Arthur Philip, first Governor of New South Wales, buried here. Bathampton village, once site of Harbutt factory, famous for Plasticine.
- 13 Browns Folly. Empty caves with a rare bat population. During WWII caves used for munition storage.
- 14 Bathampton Down. Site of an Iron Age hill fort. In 1778 scene of the last duel on English Soil between Colonel Rice of Claverton Down and Viscount Du Barre of France.

This scenic stretch of The River Avon contains many features of interest and an abundance of wild life. We can't guarantee that you will see everything but during the past year we have spotted wild ducks, geese, numerous Kingfishers, Herons and on one occasion an otter. The word 'Avon' is Anglo Saxon for 'river'. This is the Bristol Avon with its source in the Cotswolds and should not be confused with the Warwickshire Avon that passes through Stratford on Avon.