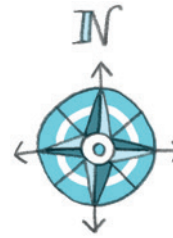




# Canal & River Trust

Making life better by water



Wigan North  
Western 0.2 miles/  
0.4km

## Visit Wigan Pier

Wigan Pier was once famous for its gritty industrial landscape. Now being regenerated, it's a great place to spot historic canal features.



**STAY SAFE:**  
Stay Away From  
the Edge



Little adventures  
on your doorstep

## A little bit of history

Wigan sits on the Leeds & Liverpool Canal - the longest in the country. The original Wigan Pier was a coal tippler – two curved rails at the head of the tramway on the edge of the canal which enabled waggons loaded with coal from the nearby colliery to be tipped straight into waiting barges.



Best of all  
it's FREE!\*


### Four things to do at Wigan


- Watch** boats passing through the lock and chat to boaters.
- Take** a boat trip and discover more about the Leeds & Liverpool Canal.
- Look** out for canal features such as the mile post at Wigan Pier, old canal cottages and the dry dock.
- Check** out the restored Trencherfield Mill Steam Engine that once powered Wigan's industry. Go online to find out about steam days.





### Information

Wigan Pier  
Wallgate  
Wigan WN3 4EU

 Parking

 Boat trip

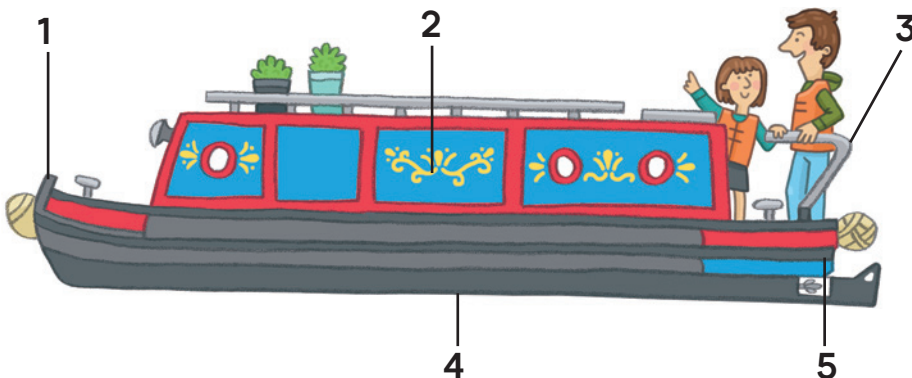
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 Allow 1-2 hours  
for this visit

#### \* Don't forget:

Although the site is always open the facilities and boat trips may not be and some may be chargeable. Please check with local businesses before setting out.

### Can you name the different parts of a narrowboat?



Answers: 1 bow; 2 cabin; 3 tiller; 4 hull; 5 stern

Go to [canalriverexplorers.org.uk](http://canalriverexplorers.org.uk) to discover lots of fun things to do with the family.

