

## Walking tours - FAQs & practical guidance

The following information will help you get the most out of your Mysterious History of Rotherhithe walking tour, run by the Brunel Museum.

### How much does a walking tour cost?

Walking tours cost **£15** per person. You can also pre-order a copy of our *Brunels' Tunnel* guidebook for an additional **£5**.

### How do I book on to a walking tour?

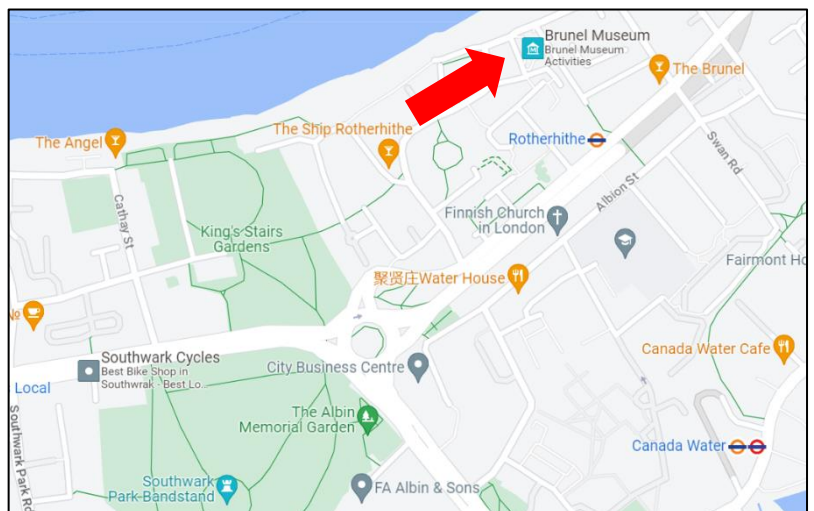
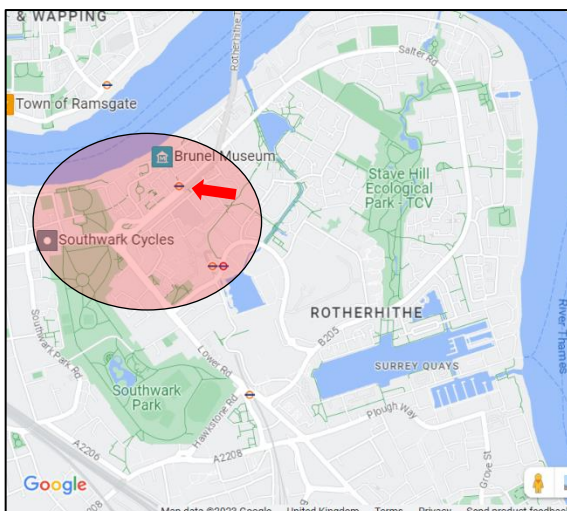
Pre-booking is essential and tickets can be purchased online via ArtTickets at:

<https://the-brunel-museum.arttickets.org.uk/the-brunel-museum/2023-09-25-walking-tours-the-mysterious-history-of-rotherhithe>.

### What are the walking tours about, and where do they go?

Our current walking tour, the **Mysterious History of Rotherhithe**, explores the Rotherhithe Village area and covers a number of historical sites throughout, including the ruins of a medieval king's manor house and where the Mayflower ship first set sail to colonial America, to the tomb of an eighteenth-century prince of Palau and, of course, the site of Marc Brunel's Thames Tunnel.

This tour begins and ends at the Brunel Museum:



## How long is a walking tour and museum visit?

The walking tour lasts approximately **90 minutes**. Your walking tour ticket also includes admission to the Brunel Museum. We recommend allowing 2 hours in total for your tour and museum visit.

## What dates and times can I book for?

Walking tour dates are published regularly on our website. Please see the link below for a full list:

<https://thebrunelmuseum.com/events/>

Walking tours will currently only take place on days when the museum is open (Fridays-Mondays), beginning promptly at **10:30am** by the Brunel Museum main entrance.

Please note that dates are subject to guide availability.

## How do we get there?

Our walking tours begin outside the **Brunel Museum main entrance**. Rotherhithe Station is a 2-minute walk away from the museum, served by both the London Overground and the 381 or C10 buses.

Canada Water station is also about a 10-minute walk away, accessible by the London Overground and Jubilee lines.

For more information on getting to the Brunel Museum, see below:

<https://thebrunelmuseum.com/visiting-us/find-us/>

## Where is the Brunel Museum main entrance?

The Brunel Museum's main entrance is the large black door under the hanging sign. The tour group will gather on the brick piazza just outside.

(If in doubt, look for the big red chimney!)

## What can I expect from a walking tour?

- Our walking tours begin at **10:30am**, starting outside the Brunel Museum main entrance.  
**Please arrive promptly.**
- Upon arrival, please present your ticket (order confirmation) to the tour guide who will check off your name on the register.
- The walking tour lasts approximately 90 minutes.
- Your walking tour ticket also includes admission to the Brunel Museum, where the tour route also finishes.



- If you have pre-ordered a *Brunels' Tunnel* guidebook, you can collect from the Brunel Museum front desk at the end of the tour.

## How accessible are the walking tours?

Please be advised that walking tours will take place in almost all weathers, and across both footpaths and cobbled streets, so sensible clothing and footwear are recommended.

## How accessible is the Brunel Museum?

The Museum is an historic site and, where possible, ramps have been installed.

The Tunnel Shaft is accessed via a spiral staircase, with a viewing platform available at the top of the stairs for anyone unable to use stairs.

The majority of the outside spaces, with the exception of the garden on top of the Tunnel Shaft are fully accessible.

Please do let the Museum know of any access requirements prior to your visit so that we can provide the best experience for you as possible.

The Museum also has two toilets available.

## Where can we have lunch?

As your walking tour and museum visit will end in the early afternoon, it's a perfect time for a spot of lunch. The Mayflower Pub and Watchhouse Café are very nearby to the Brunel Museum and come highly recommended.

## Are there ever times when the Museum might cancel or postpone a walking tour?

The Museum may make the decision to cancel or postpone your walking tour at late notice for one of the following reasons, providing as much notice as they are able to you.

- Tour guide illness
- Extreme weather
- Any other emergency situation at the Museum

**If you have any other queries, please email [hello@thebrunelmuseum.com](mailto:hello@thebrunelmuseum.com) and a member of our team will get back to you.**

Walking tours form part of the Brunel Museum's *Thames Tunnel on Tour* series. This programme is supported by the National Lottery and Social Enterprise Academy.



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