

Your exclusive venue  
with a difference...



**river escapes**

*Newcastle Gateshead from the river*

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# A RIVER ESCAPES CRUISE offers a unique experience - what better way to make an impression than a venue offering unrivalled views of historic Newcastle-Gateshead and the River Tyne.

The River Escapes two passenger boats are the perfect venue for every occasion - parties, wedding celebrations, anniversaries, birthdays and corporate events.

Impress your guests with cocktails and canapés, delicious food, drinks and entertainment whilst viewing the sights of the historic River Tyne.

As a family company, River Escapes has over 25 years experience in organising exclusive events and our professional Events Team are on hand to offer assistance, inspiration and guidance from the initial planning stages right up to the day to help you create your perfect event.



## CELEBRATION EVENTS

**Escape to a unique place where you are guaranteed a celebration to remember.**

Let River Escapes take care of your every need as our experienced Events Team are on hand to ensure that everything runs smoothly from the planning stages to the actual event.

All of the special touches such as champagne and canapés, flowers and entertainment can be arranged to create a truly memorable event.

River Escapes is the perfect venue on the River Tyne:

- Parties
- Wedding Celebrations
- Anniversaries
- Birthdays
- Corporate events
- Conferences
- Team building and training days
- Product launches
- Familiarisation tours

## CORPORATE EVENTS

**Escape the boardroom and step aboard a River Escapes cruise to inspire, entertain and impress.**

Our boats offer space, flexibility and comfort for a range of events and set against the backdrop of the River Tyne, are certain to impress guests and colleagues.

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A River Escapes event offers you a unique venue, great value for money and an unrivalled professional service.



# 1. SELECT

YOUR CHOICE OF BOAT



## THE FORTUNA

Maximum guest numbers with food up to 120 people.

Maximum guest numbers without food (sightseeing) up to 150 people.

A very versatile boat with two comfortable heated lounges and spacious open top decks ensuring magnificent views of the river whatever the weather.

### FACILITIES

- The lower deck has a comfortable heated lounge area and a fully stocked bar
- Spacious upper lounge/viewing area with dance floor
- Toilets
- Wheelchair access for up to 5 guests.
- Spacious open viewing on the roof and bow decks
- Hot and cold buffets, barbeques and hog roast menus available or collect Fish & Chips from Shields
- PA and CD background music
- A variety of entertainment options including a full disco package



# YOUR CHOICE OF BOAT COVENTINA



## THE COVENTINA

Maximum guest numbers  
- up to 43 people.

A popular boat with smaller groups the Coventina is ideally suited for informal events, with or without food.

### FACILITIES

- The comfortable lounge area with seating for up to 43 guests
  - A fully stocked bottle bar and additional drinks packages are available on request
  - Toilet facilities
  - Excellent viewing within the lounge area
  - Informal cold buffet options available
  - PA and CD, recorded commentary, background music
- \*Coventina does not sail in hours of darkness

## 2. SELECT YOUR HIRE PERIOD



Our Events Team are on hand to make the planning of your event as easy as possible and will be happy to discuss the timing of your event with you.

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## 3. SELECT YOUR MENU

Enjoy delicious food in a unique venue as the world floats by, sumptuous barbeques and buffets to afternoon tea – our professional caterers can provide a wide range of menus to suit every taste, occasion and budget.

Our Events Team will be happy to discuss any special requirements you may have.

## 4. SELECT YOUR CHOICE OF DRINKS

All of our boats have fully stocked bars and we have a comprehensive selection of wine and drinks options.

Providing drinks for your guests adds that personal touch to your event so you may decide to welcome your guests with a pre-selected drink as they step on board.

Our selection of drinks menus can be found within the pack.

## 5. SELECT YOUR CHOICE OF ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment adds that final personal touch to your event so please talk to our Events Team and they will advise you on all of the options available.

## EXCLUSIVE PARTY PACKAGE

We also offer an exclusive party night package which includes:

- Hire of River Escapes Fortuna (paying for a minimum of 100 guests)
- Price per person - £30.00
- The exclusive party package includes – 3hr cruise, welcome glass of bucks fizz, buffet and tablecloths - great music provided by our resident DJs.

# MENU

## OPTIONS



## BBQ MENU

- 100% Beef Burgers
- Northumbrian Sausages
- Garlic and Herb Chicken Brochette
- Roast Peppers with Feta and Vegetable Cous Cous (V)
- Mini Corn on the Cob (V)
- Homemade Creamy Coleslaw (V)
- Mixed Leaf, Rocket and Parmesan Salad (V)
- Greek Salad (V)
- Potato Salad (V)
- Bread Buns, Sauces and Pickles (V)

**£14.95** PP + VAT

**MIN x40**

## LUXURY BBQ

- Sweet Chilli Whole Prawns
- Moroccan Spiced Lamb Kebabs (G.F)
- Northumbrian Pork and Leek Sausages
- Portobello Mushroom with garlic and herb bousin (V)
- Steve Ramshaws Aberdeen Angus Burgers
- Lemon and Thyme Glazed corn-fed Chicken (G.F)
- Summer Bean Salad (V)
- Roasted Vegetable Couscous (V) (Vegan)
- Herb and butter glazed baby potatoes (G.F) (V)
- Summer leaf Salad (V) (Vegan)
- Selection of Artisan Breads

**£17.95** PP + VAT

**MIN x40**

## HOG ROAST

- A Whole Pig Spit
- Freshly Baked Extra Large Bread Rolls
- Homemade Stuffing With Sausage Meat & Apricots
- Apple Sauce With Cider
- Spicy Nut Roast (V)
- Roasted New Potatoes With Garlic & Rosemary
- Orzo Pasta Salad With Sundried Tomatos And Pesto (V)
- Roasted Seasonal Vegetables (V)
- Homemade Coleslaw (V)

**£16.95** PP + VAT

**MIN x70**

## CANAPES

- Chilli lime baked shrimp cups
- Chorizo & prawn skewers
- Pork, cranberry, chive & garlic balls wrapped in bacon
- Szechuan pepper chicken with tomato chilli jams
- Indian chicken & mango bites
- Spicy sausage, bacon & mushroom bites
- Dolcellette stuffed figs with prosciutto (V)
- Maple & mustard seed sausages
- Mini salmon frittata
- Beef, olive & red onion mini filo tart
- Assorted sushi
- Sticky belly pork
- Assorted home-made mini pies
- Beef mince & chicken filled mini Yorkshires
- Crab toasts
- Speck with apple remoulade on pumpernickel squares
- Vegetarian canapes (V)
- Mini avocado tarts (V)
- Home-made garlic & rosemary focaccia squares served with chopped sun-dried tomatoes (V)
- Apricot & pine nut feta parcels (V)
- Mini vegetable frittata (V)
- Sun-dried tomato, crouton & basil skewer
- Crostini (V)
- Goats cheese & tomato with balsamic glaze (V)
- Brie & grape (V)

**4 options £5.95** PP + VAT

**6 options £7.95** PP + VAT

# OPTIONS CONTINUED...



## FISH & CHIPS

- Served with bread rolls, peas and curry sauce
- Vegetarian options available
- Minimum 3hr cruise only

£10.95 PP + VAT

## AFTERNOON TEA

£9.95 PP + VAT MIN x10

## SOUP & SANDWICHES

£8.95 PP + VAT MIN x10

## PICNIC BOXES

£8.95 PP + VAT MIN x10

## TEEN CHOICE

Pizza with wedges

£6.95 PP + VAT MIN x50



## PARTY BUFFET

- Assorted Sandwiches
- Cheese & Onion Pie
- Steak Plate Pie
- Honey Mustard Sausages
- Scotch Eggs
- Chicken Skewers
- Curried Vegetable Wraps (V)
- Sweet Potato Frittata (G.F)
- Tomato Onion Salad (G.F)

£9.95 PP + VAT  
MIN x50

## NORTHERN BUFFET

- Home Cooked Ham & Pease Pudding Stotties
- Home Cooked Pork & Stuffing Stotties
- Egg & Tomato Stotties (V)
- Pan Haggerty (V)
- Northumbrian Sausage Rolls
- Craster Crab Vol Au Vonts
- Corned Beef & Potato Pie
- Mini Beef & Horseradish  
Yorkshire Puddings
- A Selection Of Northumbrian Cheeses  
with Crackers served with Home-Made  
Brown Ale Bread (V)

£10.95 PP + VAT  
MIN x50



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# School Excursions

An educational adventure taking in the sights of Newcastle's River Tyne



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# 3 Hour School Cruise

Our three hour cruise is a fantastic way to see the changing face of the River Tyne from the best vantage point in town.

The cruise takes you under the magical Gateshead Millennium Bridge, which opens especially for the cruise to enjoy the panorama of the Tyne Gorge before returning downriver as far as the river mouth.

On your cruise you will see the legendary shipyards of Tyneside, the international Ferry Terminals, the Port of Tyne, the Fish Quay and the glorious vistas of the river mouth, including Tynemouth Castle and Priory, the memorial to Admiral Lord Collingwood and the beautiful sandy beaches of South Shields. The cruise turns at the piers, where seals and dolphins are regularly seen and returns to Newcastle Quayside.

## Paying for a min of x 70

**Pupils £8.00 PP**

**Adults £12.00 PP**

- Timings - you choose
- Commentator - you ask for the subject matter
- Packed lunches welcome
- Free tea & coffee for the adults



## ENTERTAINMENT OPTIONS

### CHOICE OF ENTERTAINMENT

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#### Disco

£175.00 +VAT

#### Disco with Karaoke

£195.00 +VAT

#### Own Music

We can accommodate laptops, ipod or CDs for background music - **no charge**. Use of our Sound System for at disco level.

£50.00 +VAT

#### Tour Guide

£120.00

# DRINKS

## OPTIONS



## Account Bar Facilities

You may choose to arrange an account bar facility prior to your event.

If you have any specific requirements for your event you can pre-order drinks from our wine and bar lists. Please contact our Events Team for further details.

## WELCOME DRINKS PACKAGES

<b>House Wine</b> Red, White or Rose	Per Bottle (75cl)	<b>£15.00</b>
<b>House Sparkling Wine</b> White or Rose	Per Bottle (75cl)	<b>£16.90</b>
<b>House Champagne</b>	Per Bottle (75cl)	<b>£26.50</b>
<b>Moet et Chandon Brut</b>	Per Bottle (75cl)	<b>£48.50</b>
<b>Prosecco</b>	Per Bottle (75cl)	<b>£19.95</b>
<b>Bucks Fizz</b>	Per Glass (125ml)	<b>£2.40</b>
<b>Fruit Juice</b> Orange, Cranberry	Per Glass (250ml)	<b>£1.00</b>
<b>Bottled Mineral Water</b> Still or Sparkling	Per Bottle	<b>£1.00</b>
<b>Hot Chocolate / Mulled Wine</b> with mince pie		<b>£2.95</b> per person

## CORKAGE

If you would prefer to bring your own wine we will be happy to store, chill and serve it for you for a corkage charge of:

<b>Wine Bottles +VAT</b> Per Bottle	<b>£8.00</b>
<b>Prosecco +VAT</b> Per Bottle	<b>£10.00</b>
<b>Champagne +VAT</b> Per Bottle	<b>£13.50</b>
<b>SERVED WITH STRAWBERRIES?</b> Per Bottle	<b>£0.50</b>



# CHARTER

PRICES  
/COSTS



## Exclusive Charter Rates

**LOW SEASON** JANUARY,  
FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL,  
OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

**HIGH SEASON** MAY, JUNE, JULY,  
AUGUST, SEPTEMBER & DECEMBER

## CHARTER PRICES & COSTS

**LOW SEASON** JANUARY | FEBRUARY | MARCH | APRIL | OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

	1 HOUR	2 HOUR	3 HOURS	EXTRA HOUR
<b>FORTUNA</b>				
Daytime	N/A	£750.00	£925.00	£400.00 per hour
Evening	N/A	£800.00	£1000.00	£400.00 per hour
<b>COVENTINA</b>	£325.00	£395.00	£595.00	

**HIGH SEASON** MAY | JUNE | JULY | AUGUST | SEPTEMBER & DECEMBER

	1 HOUR	2 HOUR	3 HOURS	EXTRA HOUR
<b>FORTUNA</b>				
Daytime	N/A	£875.00	£1275.00	£450.00 per hour
Evening	N/A	£975.00	£1450.00	£450.00 per hour
<b>COVENTINA</b>	£375.00	£495.00	£695.00	

<b>DISCO</b>	£175.00 +VAT
<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	£120.00 +VAT
<b>DISCO &amp; KARAOKE</b>	£195.00 +VAT
<b>UPPER RIVER CHARGE</b>	£270.00 ZERO
<b>THE SUPPLY OF OWN KOSHER FOOD</b>	£6.00 Per Person
<b>ALL CROCKERY/CUTLERY SUPPLIED BY CLIENT</b>	
<b>NO USE OF GALLEY/KITCHEN AREA</b>	

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If collecting from North Shields charge £175.00 (1/2 hour travelling time)  
if wanting to be returned to North Shields charge another £175.00.

\*Coventina does not sail in hours of darkness for safety reasons.

# THEMES & EXTRAS

## OPTIONS



### CHEESE CART

Choose 10 cheeses from our extensive list of over 100, includes crackers, butter, chutney & grapes.

**£115.00 +VAT** (50 Person)

**£245.00 +VAT** (80 Person)

**£295.00 +VAT** (100 Person)

### SWEET CART

**£115.00 +VAT** (50 Person)

**£135.00 +VAT** (80 Person)

**£155.00 +VAT** (100 Person)

### GREAT NORTH RUN PACKAGE - FOR UP TO 30 PASSENGERS

Includes private collection from Mill Dam for up to 30 guests, celebrate with a prosecco welcome on board served alongside a selection of sandwiches - enjoy a comfortable and queue free journey back to Newcastle Quayside.

**£595.00 +VAT**

### TABLECLOTHS & TEALIGHTS

Choose from White, Grey, Turquoise or black

**£50.00 +VAT**

### WILD WEST, PIRATE & HAWAIIAN

**£200.00 +VAT** Includes tablecloths

### PHOTOBOOTH

**£225.00 +VAT**

(3 hours session)

### 4FT LOVE LETTERS

**£110.00 +VAT**

### CHAIR COVERS & SASH

**£2.50 +VAT** (Each)

### CENTREPIECES

All centrepieces come with mirror plates, scatters and colour matching flowers.

**Fish Bowl** **£10.00** Each

**Tree** **£10.00** Each

**Jam Jars** **£10.00** Each

**Mercury Vases** **£10.00** Each

### HOW TO BOOK

Once you have an idea of your requirements please contact our Events Team who will be happy to help you plan your event and check availability.

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