

Access Statement for Nene Valley Boats

Introduction

Nene Valley Boats has two holiday narrowboats for hire, Sammy is 57ft and Sumo is 44ft. We are a small family run business located approximately 2 miles from the market town of Oundle, Northamptonshire.

Pre-Arrival

- We have an extensive website, with full information about our hire boats and the river showing boat layout plans.
- A brochure is also available on request and can be downloaded from our website
- Bookings and enquiries can be made by phone, e-mail or letter

Arrival & Car Parking Facilities

- The boatyard is reached through a gate into a field and along a gravel farm track
- There is signage to guide customers into the boatyard
- Please be aware that to access the boatyard there is a sharp bend to the right and then as you go down the hill a very sharp bend to the left into the yard
- The yard currently has an uneven surface which is undergoing improvements
- Secure car parking is available in the yard close to the boats

Main Entrance, Reception & Ticketing Area

- Customer are greeted in the yard by a member of staff and taken to their boat
- The boats are accessible by a wooden walkway which has a slight downward slope from the yard surface onto the mooring area
- Depending on river levels, there is a step down into the boats

Public Areas - Hall, Stairs, Landing, Corridors etc

- N/A

Public Areas - Sitting room, lounges, lobbies etc

- N/A

Boats - Narrow Boat, Cruiser & Hotel Boat

- Sammy is a 57ft Narrowboat and is 6ft 10 wide
- The bow doors are 20 wide and 4 ft high
- There is a step down into the saloon which is 12 plus 12 to the floor
- This leads to an open plan saloon and galley.
- The saloon has a dinette that converts to a double bed 6ft 5 x 4ft
- There is a width restriction of 20 to pass from the saloon to the galley
- The saloon floor is covered with carpet
- The galley floor is covered with non-slip poly vinyl flooring
- The galley contains a fridge, microwave, 4 hob cooker, grill and oven and a sink
- There is a passageway 18 wide to access the bathroom, bedroom and back cabin from the galley
- The bathroom door is 18 wide
- The bathroom has a shower cabinet which is 30 x 30, a pump out toilet and a sink
- The bathroom has a non-slip poly vinyl floor covering
- The fixed permanent double bed is 6ft 5 x 4ft
- The floor covering in the bedroom and back cabin is carpet
- There are two bunks at the rear of the boat which are 6ft 6 x 18 and 6ft 1 x 23
- There are 3 steps up to the rear deck from the back cabin - 11 each
- The rear door is 23 wide
- Sammy has diesel powered central heating
- Sammy's deck is semi-traditional with enclosed sides
- Sumo is a 44ft 6ft x 10 wide steel narrowboat
- There is one step down from the bow deck to the saloon through a stable door of 2ft x 5ft in width
- There is a 15 drop to floor and one step
- The dinette converts to a double bed 6ft 5 x 4ft
- Sumo has a solid fuel stove for heating
- The saloon and galley are open plan and the gap between the saloon and galley is restricted to 18
- Sumo has a wooden laminate floor in the saloon and poly vinyl non-

slip flooring in galley, bathroom and back cabin

- The access between galley and bathroom is restricted to 20
- The door into the WC and sink is 20 wide
- The shower is on the right hand side
- The back cabin provides two single beds of 6ft 5 x 2ft or a cross double bed of 6ft 3 x 4ft
- There are 4 steps from the back cabin to the rear deck 3ft x 11 and 1ft x 14
- The deck on Sumo is trad style
- Rear doors are 20 wide

Additional Information

- A welcome manual is provided on both boats, containing local information, useful contact numbers and tourist information
- Well-behaved pets are welcome (additional cost of £20 per pet)
- The boats are non-smoking
- The nearest shops are in Oundle Town Centre, approximately 2 miles from base or Barnwell Village approximately 1 mile from base

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Hills and Hollows
Barnwell Road
Oundle
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Website: www.nenevalleyboatholidays.com

Hours of operation: 7 days a week 8am - 6pm (April – Oct)
7 days a week 10am – 4pm (Nov – March)

Emergency number: Hire Base - 01832 272585 / 07518005597
NHS Direct - 0845 4647
Peterborough City Hospital – 01733 678000
Kettering General - 01536 492000

Emergency Services (Police, Fire, Ambulance) - 999
Oundle Medical Practice - 01832 273408
Environment Agency - 08708 506506

Local public transport numbers: Nearest railway station is Peterborough. Stagecoach Bus Services No 23, 24 & 25 run between Peterborough and Oundle, approximately 12 miles. Nene Valley Boats is approximately 2 miles from Oundle.

Local accessible taxi numbers: Local taxi firm is Norwoods Taxis - 01832 273585

Future Plans

- Development of Office & Reception area
- Improvements to the yard surface area

Contact Telephone and Email Address

We welcome your feedback to help us continually improve if you have any comments please phone 01832272585 or email nenevalley.boats@virgin.net