

FERRIES

King's Lynn - West Lynn (R Great Ouse)	West Lynn Ferry
Burnham Overly Staithe - Scolt Head Island	
tidal mid-July-early-Sep	P Bickell
" tidal Jun-Sep	Welcome
Reedham - Norton (R Yare) 5 mins 🚗 (B1140)	Reedham Ferry
Burgh St Peter - Carlton Marshes	
(R Waveney)	Waveney River C
Southwold - Walberswick April-Oct	D Church
Boyton - Orford (Butley Creek)	
weekends Easter-Sep	Butley Ferry
Felixstowe Ferry - Bawdsey (R Deben)	
weekends Easter-Oct, daily May-Sep	Felixstowe F B Y
Harwich - Felixstowe (R Orwell)	
15 mins April-Oct	Harwich H F S
Harwich - Shotley (R Stour)	
7 mins April-Oct	Harwich H F S
Brightlingsea - Point Clear, St Osyth	
Apr-Sep	Brightlingsea H C
Brightlingsea - East Mersea Stone	Apr-Oct Brightlingsea H C
Wivenhoe - Rowhedge - Fingringhoe	
(R Colne) tidal weekends April-Oct	Wivenhoe F R F

Bean's Boats, Morston 01263 740505

EARLY BIRD	1960	-	7.3 m	25 pass
SARAH JANE	1960	-	7.3 m	28 pass
SEA TROUT	1968	-	7.9 m	30 pass
SEA URCHIN II	1964	-	8.2 m	40 pass
SEAFARER	2001	-	9.1 m	50 pass

Morston: Trips to Blakeney Point, viewing seals and landing at the Nature Reserve (1-2 hours, according to tides, all-year).

P Bickell, Burnham Overy mobile 07836 523396

Burnham Overy: Ferry to Scolt Head Island.

Bishop's Boats, Blakeney 01263 740753

BIRD SANCTUARY	?	-	? m	50 pass
BLAKENEY FERRY	?	-	? m	43 pass

Blakeney or Morston: Cruises to Blakeney Point, viewing seals (1 hour, according to tides, late-March - Oct). Tickets for all trips must be obtained at Blakeney Quay.

Blakeney Point Seal Trips, Morston 01263 740792

PTARMIGAN	1964	-	9.8 m	46 pass
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Morston: Cruises to the seal colony on Blakeney Point; (1 hour), times vary according to tides (May - October). Tickets must be obtained at Blakeney Quay.

Brightlingsea Harbour Commission 01206 302200

Brightlingsea - Point Clear (St Osyth), East Mersea Stone ferry.

Broads Tours, Wroxham 01603 782207

BELLE OF THE BROADS	2004	-	19.8 m	120 pass
CORDON ROUGE	1987	-	21.3 m	126 pass
DISCOVERER	1973	-	12.2 m	52 pass
QUEEN OF THE BROADS	1977	49 grt	24.4 m	170 pass
VINTAGE BROADSMAN	1988	-	21.3 m	149 pass

 **Wroxham:** Cruises to Wroxham Broad (1 hr), Wroxham and Salhouse Broads (1 hr 30 mins) or Horning (2 hrs) (April - Oct); educational trips. Charter trips.

Butley Ferry mobile 07913 672499


Boyton - Orford ferry.

D Church (Walberswick Ferry), Southwold

Southwold - Walberswick ferry.

Deben Cruises, Waldringfield 01473 736260

JAHAN	1984	-	11.6 m	54 pass
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 **Waldringfield:** Cruises on the River Deben for groups to Woodbridge or Felixstowe Ferry (2 hrs, mid-April - Oct).

Essex Waterways 01245 226245

VICTORIA	1975	-	16.8 m	43 pass
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- ☐ **Chelmsford:** Charter cruises on the Chelmer & Blackwater Navigation from Paper Mill, Little Baddow, near Chelmsford (2-8 hrs, Easter - October). Daily cruises from Heybridge Basin (12-passenger boat).

Felixstowe Ferry Boat Yard 01394 282173

Felixstowe Ferry - Bawdsey ferry.

Harwich Harbour Ferry Services 01728 666329

HARBOUR FERRY	1969	-	10.7 m	58 pass
HAVEN CRUISER	?	-	13.1 m	49 pass

Harwich - Shotley or Felixstowe ferry; seal-watching cruises from Harwich (2 hrs, all year).

Mississippi River Boats, Horning 01692 630262

SOUTHERN COMFORT	1977	-	19.2 m	100 pass m
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- ✕ **Horning** (Swan Hotel): Cruises on the River Bure; public trips (1 hr 30 mins to 2 hrs, May - Nov). Charter trips (mid-March - mid-Nov).

National Trust, Orford Ness 01394 450909

Orford: Trips to Orford Ness (April - Oct).

Orwell River Cruises, Ipswich mobile 07773 369970

ORWELL LADY	1979	41 grt	17.1 m	100 pass
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- ☐ **Ipswich** (Wet Dock): Cruises on the River Orwell (1 hour to 3 hrs, Easter - Oct); charter trips.

Reedham Ferry 01493 700429

REEDHAM FERRY	1983	-	11.3 m	chain C
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Reedham ferry.

Sailing Barge Victor, Ipswich

VICTOR	1895	56 grt	25.0 m	40 pass ▲
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- ✕ **Ipswich and Harwich:** Public and charter cruises.

Searles Sea Tours, Hunstanton 01485 534444

WASH MONSTER I	?	-	18.3 m	60 pass
WASH MONSTER II	?	-	18.3 m	60 pass

Hunstanton (Central Promenade): Coastal cruises, including trips to view the seals of the Wash (departure times vary according to tides). The WASH MONSTERS are amphibious.

Stena Line - see 'North Sea'

Harwich - Hoek van Holland.

[J Temple](#), Morston 01263 740791

FOUR SISTERS	?	-	? m	50 pass
MORSTON FERRY	1973	-	7.9 m	37 pass

Morston: Trips to Blakeney Point and seal colony (1-2 hours, all year, according to tides).

[Topsail Charters](#), Maldon 01621 857567

HYDROGEN	1906	-	29.3 m	50 pass ▲
THISTLE	1895	114 grt	26.2 m	50 pass ▲

✂ **Maldon**: Charter cruises on Thames sailing barges. Public cruises from Maldon, Ipswich, Brightlingsea and London (1 hr 30 mins to 12 hrs).

['Viking Saga'](#), Maldon 01621 843334

VIKING SAGA	1947	34 grt	15.2 m	94 pass
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☐ **Maldon**: Cruises on the River Blackwater (40 mins or 1 hr 30 mins, times depend on tides).

[Waveney River Centre](#), Burgh St Peter 01502 677343

Burgh St Peter - Carlton Marshes ferry.

[Waveney River Tours](#) 01502 574903

ENCHANTRESS*	1973	-	17.1 m	96 pass
WAVENEY PRINCESS	1977	-	17.1 m	125 pass

☐ **Oulton Broad**: Cruises on Oulton Broad and River Waveney (40 mins to 2 hrs, Easter - Oct). Day and evening charter trips.
*Laid-up.

[Waverley Excursions](#) - see '[Scotland - West Coast](#)' 0141 243 2224

✂ **East Coast**: Paddle steamer excursions from Clacton, Ipswich and Southwold (late-Sept - early-Oct).

['Welcome'](#), Burnham Overy mobile 07960 280139

Burnham Overy: Ferry to Scolt Head Island.

West Lynn Ferry, King's Lynn mobile 07583 122950

King's Lynn - West Lynn ferry.

[Wivenhoe, Fingringhoe & Rowhedge Ferry](#)

Wivenhoe: Ferry to Rowhedge and Fingringhoe.

Operators are listed in alphabetic order. For each operator, the following information is given:

Title - This is the name by which the firm is usually identified and is not necessarily the full legal name or the registered owner of a vessel.

Name of vessel - If the vessel's name has changed since the 2022 'Trip Out' guide, the previous name is given; other former names are not listed.

Nationality of vessel - All vessels listed are of British registry.

Particulars of vessel - Year of completion, "gt" or gross tonnage, overall length in metres, and maximum passenger capacity.

Type of vessel - the following codes are used:

C - car ferry,
m - catamaran or trimaran,
▲ - auxiliary sailing vessel.

Catering - Facilities are indicated by symbols:

- ☕ Tea, coffee, soft drinks, biscuits, etc.
- 🍷 Licensed bar serving beer, spirits, etc; tea, coffee and light snacks are usually available as well.
- 🍴 Full meals; a bar is always available as well.

The facility indicated may not be available on all of an operator's vessels at all times. The appearance of a symbol does not imply any recommendation of quality.

Services - Dates are inclusive: thus, "May - Aug" means from the beginning of May to the end of August.

Unless stated otherwise, cruises and excursions run in summer only, but charter trips are available all year.