



**FERRIES**

Littlehampton (R Arun)	weekends and school holidays Easter-Sep	Littlehampton F.
West Itchenor - Bosham (Smugglers Lane)	Apr-Oct	Chichester H C
Eastney - Hayling Island	4 mins	Baker Trayte
Portsmouth - Gosport	4 mins	Gosport Ferry
Portsmouth - Gosport	late-night	D & P Faithfull
Cowes - East Cowes (R Medina)	2 mins 🚗	Isle of Wight C
Hamble - Warsash (R Hamble)		Hamble-Warsash
Hythe - Southampton	12 mins	Blue Funnel
Mundeford Quay - Mundeford Beach	Daily April-Oct, weekends in winter	Mundeford Ferry
Christchurch - Wick (R Stour)	Easter-Oct	United M B
Sandbanks - Shell Bay	5 mins 🚗	Bournem'th-Swan.
Weymouth - The Nothe	summer	(rowing boats)

<a href="#">Baker Trayte Marine</a> , Portsmouth		mobile 07500 194854	
PRIDE OF HAYLING	1989	-	11.9 m 64 pass

**Eastney - Hayling Island** ferry.

<a href="#">Blue Funnel Cruises</a> , Southampton		(023) 8022 3278	
HYTHE SCENE	1992	68 grt	21.3 m 162 pass m
JENNY BLUE	1993	16 grt	13.7 m 63 pass
OCEAN SCENE	1994	398 grt	29.0 m 350 pass m
OLIVER B	1988	21 grt	12.2 m 72 pass

✕ **Solent**: Cruises from Southampton (Town Quay) to the docks, Hamble River, Portsmouth Harbour, Buckler's Hard and Isle of Wight. Cruises on the Beaulieu river by OLIVER B (see Buckler's Hard). Hythe - Southampton ferry. Charter trips throughout the Solent.

<a href="#">Bodiam Boating Station</a>	(01797) 253838
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**Newenden - Bodiam**: Charter trips on the River Rother in DANNIE LEE (12 passengers).

<a href="#">Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road &amp; Ferry Co</a>		(01929) 450203	
BRAMBLE BUSH BAY	1993	-	78.6 m chain C

**Sandbanks - Shell Bay** ferry.

[Brittany Ferries](#) - see '[English Channel and Biscay](#)'

**Portsmouth** - Le Havre, Caen, Cherbourg, St-Malo, Bilbao or Santander;

**Poole** - Cherbourg.

<a href="#">Brownsea Island Ferries</a>		(01929) 462383	
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MAID OF POOLE	1999	50 grt	25.9 m 186 pass
MAID OF THE HARBOUR	2001	-	25.9 m 186 pass
MAID OF THE ISLANDS	1989	-	15.2 m 130 pass
MAID OF THE LAKELANDS	1991	22 grt	18.3 m 128 pass

☐ **Poole Harbour**: Service from Poole Quay to Brownsea Island (see National Trust); cruises from Poole Quay around the islands of Poole Harbour (late-March - early-Nov). Cruises from Poole Quay to Wareham, the Jurassic Coast, etc. Charter trips.

<a href="#">Buckler's Hard</a>	(01590) 616203
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**Buckler's Hard**: Cruises on the Beaulieu river (30 mins, Easter - Oct) by OLIVER B of Blue Funnel Cruises.

<a href="#">Chichester Canal Trading</a>		(01243) 771363	
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KINGFISHER	2016	-	12.1 m 22 pass
RICHMOND	2004	-	15.2 m 38 pass

☐ **Chichester** (Canal Basin): Cruises on the Chichester Canal (45 mins, mid-Feb - Oct); cruises with fish and chips or a cream tea (2 hrs); charter trips.

Chichester Harbour Conservancy (01243) 513275

SOLAR HERITAGE	2000	15 grt	14.0 m	50 pass	em
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☞ **Chichester Harbour:** West Itchenor - Bosham ferry (12-passenger boat). Cruises by SOLAR HERITAGE from West Itchenor and Emsworth (1 hr 30 mins, all year).

Chichester Harbour Water Tours (01243) 672088

**Chichester Harbour:** Cruises from West Itchenor (12-passenger boat).

City Cruises, Poole (020) 7740 0400

HARBOUR SCENE (previously ELTHAM)	1978	99 grt	19.8 m	128 pass	
ISLAND SCENE	2001	49 grt	18.3 m	127 pass	
RIVER ESCAPES					
FORTUNA*	1977	135 grt	27.4 m	150 pass	
SOLENT SCENE	1974	131 grt	27.4 m	150 pass	

☞ **Poole and Swanage:** Cruises from Poole Quay in Poole Harbour (1 hr 10 mins or 1 hour); trips between Poole and Swanage (1 hour each way); evening cruises; occasional evening trips to Wareham; charter trips. [PBA member] Also runs PURBECK PRIDE, chartered from Greenslade Pleasure Boats, and SOLENT CAT, chartered from Solent Cruises.

\*To be renamed POOLE SCENE.

Coastline Cruises, Weymouth (01305) 785000

ENCHANTRESS	1941	-	11.3 m	41 pass	
MY GIRL	1931	-	12.2 m	52 pass	

**Weymouth** (Brewers Quay): Daily service to Portland; cruises along the Jurassic Coast (April - Oct).

Condor Ferries - see 'English Channel and Biscay'

**Portsmouth** - Guernsey and Jersey;

**Poole** - Guernsey, Jersey and St-Malo.

'Coral Star', Yarmouth (01983) 760212

CORAL STAR	1962	13 grt	12.8 m	62 pass	
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☞ **Yarmouth and Lymington:** Trips between Yarmouth and Lymington (40 mins each way); cruises to the Needles (1 hr 40 mins); charter trips (Easter - Sep).

Dorset Belle, Bournemouth 01202 800580

DORSET BELLE (previously SPIRIT OF SHEPPEY)	1974	46 grt	24.7 m	142 pass	
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☞ **Bournemouth:** Cruises in the bay (40 mins); evening cruises from Poole; charter trips.

[Dorset Cruises](#), Poole 01202 844199

DORSET QUEEN	1938	33 grt	17.4 m	100 pass
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☐ **Poole:** Jazz cruises; gin-tasting cruises; evening party cruises and charter trips.

D & P Faithfull, Portsmouth mobile 07889 408137

FAITHFULL SERVANT II	?	-	? m	65 pass
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**Portsmouth:** Late-night ferry to Gosport. Charter trips.

[Gosport Ferry](#) (023) 9252 4551

HARBOUR SPIRIT	2015	293 grt	32.9 m	300 pass
SPIRIT OF GOSPORT	2001	300 grt	36.2 m	300 pass
SPIRIT OF PORTSMOUTH	2005	377 grt	36.2 m	300 pass

**Portsmouth - Gosport** ferry.

[Greenslade Pleasure Boats](#), Poole 01202 669955

PURBECK GEM	1988	30 grt	16.8 m	150 pass
PURBECK PRIDE	1990	45 grt	19.5 m	157 pass
PURBECK PRINCESS	1999	58 grt	19.5 m	179 pass

☐ **Poole:** Cruises from the Quay around the islands of Poole Harbour (1 hour, April - Oct); trips to Wareham (3 hrs 30 mins including 1 hr ashore, late-May - September, depending on tides); coastal cruises (1 hr 30 mins, May - Sep). Charter trips. [PBA member]  
See also City Cruises.

[Hamble-Warsash Ferry](#) (023) 8045 4512

**Hamble - Warsash** ferry.

[Hurst Marine](#), Keyhaven (01590) 642500

SOLENT ROSE	1968	-	14.3 m	94 pass
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**Keyhaven:** Service between Keyhaven and Hurst Castle (daily April - Sep, weekends in winter); charter trips.

[Isle of Wight Council](#) (01983) 293041

NO.6	2017	-	37.0 m	chain C
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**Cowes - East Cowes** ferry.

John Lewis Partnership

CASTELLO	2020	-	? m	33 pass m
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**Poole:** Private service to Brownsea Castle.

[Littlehampton Ferry](#) mobile 07971 843636

**Littlehampton** ferry; harbour cruises.

Mudford Ferry mobile 07968 334441

FERRY DAME	1989	-	9.1 m	35 pass
JOSEPHINE	1997	-	10.7 m	72 pass m
JOSEPHINE II	2013	-	10.7 m	72 pass m

**Mudford Quay:** Ferry to Mudford Beach; harbour cruises (1 hr 15 mins); excursions in 12-passenger RIB; charter trips.

National Trust, Brownsea Island 01202 707744

BROWNSEA ENTERPRISE*	?	-	9.7 m	37 pass
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**Poole Harbour:** Poole - Brownsea Island (20 mins, mid-March - Oct) by vessels of Brownsea Island Ferries.  
\*normally for National Trust staff only.

Needles Pleasure Cruises (01983) 761587

RAMBLIN' ROSE	1988	-	15.2 m	94 pass
YARMOUTH ROSE	2013	-	15.3 m	87 pass

**Alum Bay:** Cruises to the Needles Rocks and Lighthouse (20 mins, Easter - Oct); trips from Yarmouth to Alum Bay.

Portsmouth Historic Dockyard (023) 9283 9766

**Portsmouth:** Historic Dockyard - RN Submarine Museum and Explosion Museum (April - Oct, weekends in winter) by JENNY R of Solent Cruises.

Red Funnel Ferries (023) 8001 9192

RED EAGLE	1996	4075 gt	93.0 m	895 pass	C
RED FALCON	1994	4128 gt	93.0 m	892 pass	C
RED JET 4	2003	342 gt	34.9 m	277 pass	>m
RED JET 6	2016	363 gt	41.1 m	275 pass	>m
RED JET 7	2018	363 gt	41.1 m	275 pass	>m
RED OSPREY	1994	3953 gt	93.0 m	896 pass	C

✕ **Southampton - Cowes:** Service to East Cowes (55 mins, 🚗); fast service from Town Quay to Cowes (25 mins).  
Also runs freight ferry RED KESTREL.

Ross Boats, Brighton mobile 07836 262717

ROSSANN	2009	-	? m	63 pass	m
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**Brighton** (Marina): Sea cruises (45 mins) and angling trips.

'Rum Jungle', Lymington (01590) 676796

RUM JUNGLE	?	-	22.9 m	40 pass
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✕ **Lymington:** Charter cruises (May - Sep).

Solent Cruises (01983) 564602

ALI CAT	2017	71 grt	19.9 m	250 pass	m
JENNY ANN	1981	12 grt	11.6 m	59 pass	
JENNY LEE	1985	12 grt	13.7 m	86 pass	
JENNY M OF MEDINA	1988	19 grt	16.8 m	116 pass	
JENNY R	1984	12 grt	13.7 m	86 pass	
SOLENT CAT	2000	74 grt	20.1 m	250 pass	m
WIGHT SCENE	1992	279 grt	29.0 m	500 pass	m

☐ **Solent:** Cruises from Cowes to Portsmouth. Cruises from Portsmouth Dockyard and Gunwharf Quays around Portsmouth Harbour (45 mins, all year). Evening cruises. Charter trips.  
See also City Cruises and Portsmouth Historic Dockyard.

Solent Party Ship Cruises, Southampton (01962) 808995

PRINCESS CAROLINE	1983	213 grt	30.1 m	130 pass	
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✕ **Southampton** (Town Quay): Charter cruises until September 2022 when the ship will go to new owners in Finland.

The Solent Steam Packet 0844 357 2329

SHIELDHALL	1955	1753 grt	81.7 m	200 pass	•
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✕ **Southampton:** Public and charter cruises in the Solent by preserved steamship.

Transmanche Ferries (DFDS) - see 'English Channel and Biscay'

Newhaven - Dieppe.

United Motor Boats, Christchurch 01202 429119

HEADLAND BELLE	1934	-	11.0 m	50 pass	
HEADLAND MAID	1935	-	11.0 m	50 pass	
HEADLAND PAL	1934	-	11.0 m	50 pass	
HEADLAND QUEEN	1934	-	11.0 m	50 pass	
MERRY WIDOW	1922	-	9.1 m	30 pass	

**Christchurch Harbour:** Christchurch - Wick ferry. Summer service between Tuckton Bridge and Mudeford Beach, calling at Wick Ferry and Christchurch Quay, approximately every 30 mins (late-May - mid-Sep) or according to demand (Easter - Oct); journey time about 40 mins each way. Evening cruises.

Waverley Excursions - see 'Scotland - W. Coast' (0141) 243 2224

✕ **South Coast:** Paddle steamer excursions from Poole, Portsmouth, Southampton, Swanage and Yarmouth (September).

Wey & Arun Canal Trust (01403) 752403

WIGGONHOLT	2009	-	18.3 m	50 pass	e
ZACHARIAH KEPPEL	?	-	15.2 m	27 pass	

☐ **Loxwood:** Cruises on the Wey & Arun Canal (50 mins to 3 hrs 15 mins, weekends, April - Oct); charter trips.

**Wightlink**

0333 999 7333

ST CLARE	2001	5359	gt	87.0	m	878	pass	C
ST FAITH	1990	3009	grt	77.0	m	722	pass	C
VICTORIA OF WIGHT	2018	8041	gt	89.7	m	1170	pass	C
WIGHT LIGHT	2008	2546	gt	62.4	m	359	pass	C
WIGHT RYDER I	2009	520	gt	40.9	m	260	pass	m
WIGHT RYDER II	2009	520	gt	40.9	m	260	pass	m
WIGHT SKY	2008	2546	gt	62.4	m	359	pass	C
WIGHT SUN	2008	2546	gt	62.4	m	359	pass	C

☞ **Solent:** Portsmouth Harbour - Ryde (25 mins) by catamarans. Portsmouth (Gunwharf Rd) - Fishbourne (45 mins, 🚗); Lymington - Yarmouth (40 mins, 🚗).

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 2019 '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.

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**Type of vessel** - the following codes are used:

C - car ferry,

m - catamaran or trimaran,

> - high speed craft,

● - steam engined,

e - electrically powered.

(all other vessels have diesel engines).

**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.

[PBA member] Member of the [Passenger Boat Association](#)

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