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 ● Railway station  
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## HOW TO FIND US

**KINGSWEAR CASTLE** sails on the Medway from Chatham and Rochester about one hour's drive from London, Ramsgate, Dover, the Channel Tunnel, Gatwick and Chelmsford and a short distance from the M25, M20, M2 and A2.

Rochester Pier: Below Rochester Castle on the Esplanade, on the Rochester side of Rochester Bridge. P Pay and display car parks in Rochester. ● Rochester Railway Station 15 minute walk.

Chatham: The Historic Dockyard, Dock Road, Chatham. Signposted from the A2/M2.

P Car parking at the Historic Dockyard from 30 minutes before sailing time. ● Chatham Railway Station 25 minute walk or frequent buses.

For further information please contact:

### PADDLE STEAMER KINGSWEAR CASTLE

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 Telephone: 01634 827648

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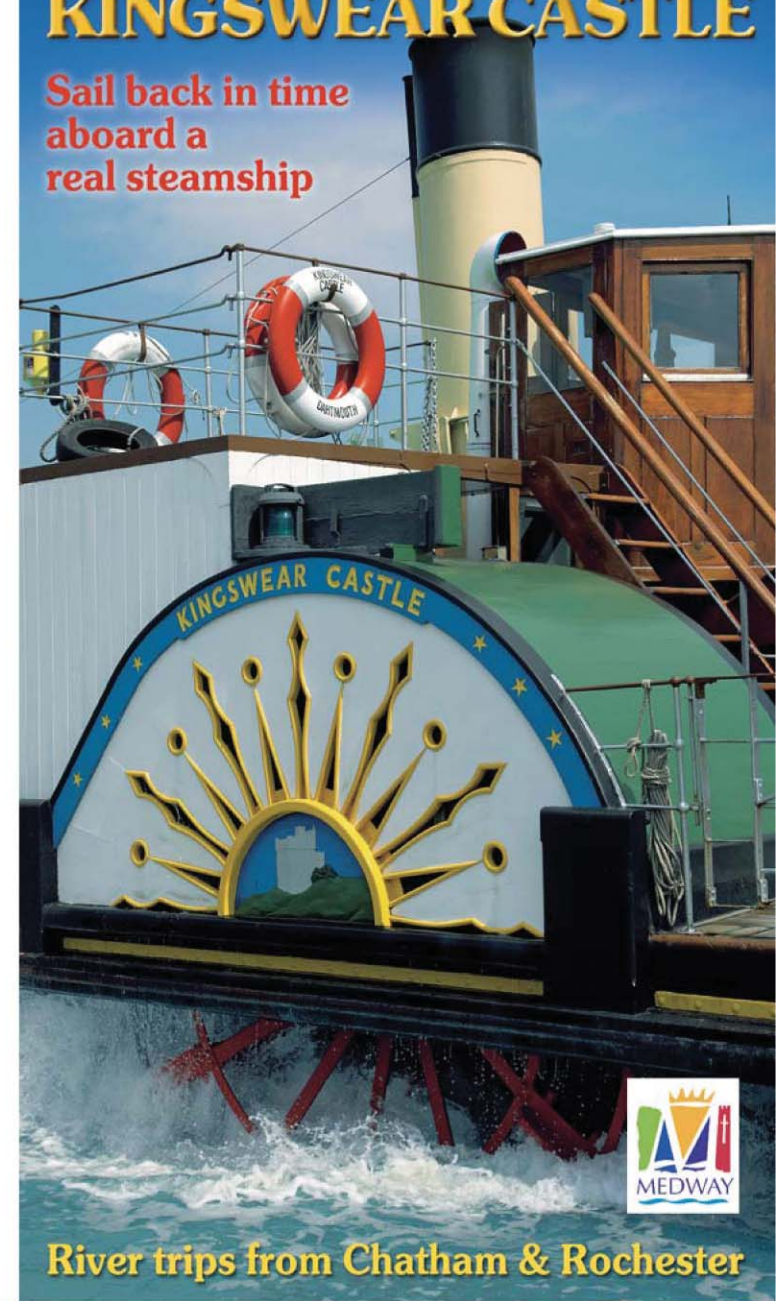
*Tickets can usually be bought aboard, but see overleaf for details on how to purchase advance tickets.*

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# SAILING SCHEDULE 2010



Day trips
  Thirty minute trips
  Afternoon Cruises
  Music Trips

Date	Departure point	Cruise	Fare code
<b>April</b>			
Saturday 24	Leave Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Thames Estuary Cruise	F
Sunday 25	Leave Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
<b>May</b>			
Saturday 1	Leave Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Saturday 8	Leave Chatham 12 noon Back 4pm	Sheerness Docks Cruise	E
Saturday 22	Leave Chatham 9.30am Back 4.30pm	Medway Barge Race	G
Sunday 23	Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
<b>June</b>			
Friday 4	Chatham 7.30pm Back 10pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Saturday 5	Rochester 2pm, 3pm & 4pm	Dickens Festival 30 Minute Trips	A
Sunday 6	Rochester 2pm, 3pm & 4pm	Dickens Festival 30 Minute Trips	A
Wednesday 9	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Thames Estuary Cruise	F
Saturday 12	Chatham 11am back 5pm	Up to New Hythe and Down to Darnet Ness	F
Friday 18	Chatham 7.30pm Back 10pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Saturday 19	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Cruise Along the Essex Coast to off Shoeburyness	F
Wednesday 23	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Cruise to Sheerness & Into the Swale to Long Point	F
<b>July</b>			
Sunday 4	Leave Chatham 10.15am Back 6pm	Cruise to View the Kentish Flats Wind Farm	G
Friday 9	Chatham 7.30pm Back 10pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Saturday 10	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Thames Estuary Cruise	F
Saturday 10	Chatham 7.30pm Back 9.30pm	Fifties, Sixties & Seventies Night	E
Sunday 11	Leave Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Wednesday 14	Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
Thursday 15	Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
Friday 16	Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
Friday 16	Chatham 7.30pm Back 10pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Saturday 17	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Cruise to View the Wreck of the Richard Montgomery	F
Sunday 18	Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise Down the Medway to Thamesport	D
Tuesday 20	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Wednesday 21	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Thursday 22	Chatham 11am Back 6.30pm	Southend About 2 hours ashore	G
Thursday 22	Southend 2pm Back 3.30pm	Afternoon Cruise Along the Essex Coast	C
Friday 23	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Friday 23	Chatham 7.30pm Back 10pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Saturday 24	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Saturday 24	Chatham 7.30pm Back 9.30pm	Forties Night	E
Sunday 25	Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise Down the Medway to Thamesport	D
Tuesday 27	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Wednesday 28	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Thursday 29	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Friday 30	Rochester 3pm back 4.30pm	Up River Cruise Towards Wouldham	C
Saturday 31	Rochester 2.15pm	Thirty Minute Trip	A
Saturday 31	Rochester 3pm back 4.30pm	Up River Cruise Towards Wouldham	C
Saturday 31	Chatham 7.30pm Back 9.30pm	Fifties, Sixties & Seventies Night	E
<b>August</b>			
Sunday 1	Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise to Thamesport	D
Wednesday 4	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Thursday 5	Chatham 11am Back 6.30pm	Southend About 2 hours ashore	G
Thursday 5	Southend 2pm Back 3.30pm	Afternoon Cruise Along the Essex Coast	C
Friday 6	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Saturday 7	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Thames Estuary Cruise	F
Sunday 8	Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise Down the Medway to Thamesport	D
Tuesday 10	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Wednesday 11	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Thursday 12	Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise Down the Medway to Thamesport	D
Friday 13	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Saturday 14	Leave Chatham 10am Back 7.15pm	Day Trip Round the Isle Of Sheppey	H
Sunday 15	Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise Down the Medway to Thamesport	D
Tuesday 17	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Wednesday 18	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Thursday 19	Chatham 11am Back 6.30pm	Southend About 2 hours ashore	G
Thursday 19	Southend 2pm Back 3.30pm	Afternoon Cruise Along the Essex Coast	C
Friday 20	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Saturday 21	Rochester 2.15pm	Thirty Minute Trip	A
Saturday 21	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Sunday 22	Rochester 3pm Chatham 3.30pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness *	B/C
Tuesday 24	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Wednesday 25	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Thursday 26	Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise Down the Medway to Thamesport	D
Friday 27	Chatham 2.30pm Back 5pm	Up to Rochester Bridge and Down to Darnet Ness	C
Saturday 28	Chatham 9am Back 8.30pm	Whitstable About 1 hour ashore	H
Saturday 28	Whitstable 2.30pm	Thirty Minute Trip Round the Bay	B
Saturday 28	Whitstable 3.15pm Due Chatham 8.30pm	Single Trip Along The Kent Coast and Up The Medway	F
Sunday 29	Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
Monday 30	Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
Tuesday 31	Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
<b>September</b>			
Wednesday 1	Rochester 2.30m Back 4pm	Up River Cruise Towards Wouldham	C
Thursday 2	Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness	B
Saturday 4	Chatham 7.30pm Back 9.30pm	Fifties, Sixties & Seventies Night	E
Sunday 5	Leave Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Friday 10	Chatham 7.30pm Back 10pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
Saturday 11	Chatham 10am Back 4pm	Wharfs, Creeks & Jetties Cruise	F
Sunday 12	Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise	B
Friday 17	Chatham 7.30pm Back 10pm	Jazz Jamboree	E
September/October	tbc Chatham 2pm Back 5pm	Cruise to Meet the Paddle Steamer Waverley	D
<b>October</b>			
Saturday 2	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Thames Estuary Cruise	F
Saturday 16	Chatham 3.30pm Back 5pm	Afternoon Cruise	B
Sunday 17	Chatham 11am Back 5pm	Bird Watching Cruise	F

## Groups

Pre-booked groups of 10 or more are welcome to join any of **KINGSWEAR CASTLE's** public sailings at the special group rates. If you wish to bring a group of 40 or more at a time when a public sailing is not scheduled, contact our office, as it may be possible to put on a special sailing for your group at the normal group rates.

Why not combine your cruise on **KINGSWEAR CASTLE** with a visit to Rochester Cathedral or The Historic Dockyard Chatham or Dickens World.

## On-board facilities

**KINGSWEAR CASTLE** was built in an age when a trip on a paddle steamer was prized for the health-giving properties of wide open decks with plenty of fresh air. Half of the upper deck is covered with an awning with roll-down canvas side screens for use in inclement weather, but it is recommended that passengers bring something warm to wear. There are two saloons below deck, and there is a bar and buffet serving tea, coffee, wines, beers, other light refreshments and snacks.

## Wheelchair access

As an historic ship, **KINGSWEAR CASTLE** was not designed for passengers in wheelchairs. Currently, these can be accommodated on the deck only, under the awning, boarding at Rochester Pier where there is a ramp to a pontoon at the same level as **KINGSWEAR CASTLE's** main deck.

## Further information

On the sheltered waters of the Medway, it is very unusual for weather, exceptional tides or other circumstances to interrupt **KINGSWEAR CASTLE's** schedules and the sailings in this leaflet are published in good faith. However all passengers are carried subject to the Conditions of Carriage of the Paddle Steamer Kingswear Castle Trust (Trading) Ltd (a copy of which is available for inspection before boarding the steamer) and the company reserves the right to cancel or amend sailings as necessary. Catering is offered subject to availability. Unused tickets are not refundable if a sailing takes place but can be exchanged for other sailings.

Passengers may not bring alcohol aboard. Smoking is not permitted in the saloons or other enclosed spaces.

## Private Hire from Chatham and Rochester

Why not hire Kingswear Castle for your own private party, company promotion, filming etc? Please ask for details.

## Learn to operate a paddle steamer

Please ask for details.

**Season ticket valid for all sailings in this leaflet ONLY £185**



## Tickets

It is usually possible to buy tickets aboard but advance booking is particularly recommended for evening cruises and the popular day trips.

Advance Tickets can be bought:

**On our website:** [www.kingswearcastle.co.uk](http://www.kingswearcastle.co.uk)

**By post:** Send a cheque to The Paddle Steamer Kingswear Castle, The Historic Dockyard, Chatham ME4 4TQ

**In person:** At the Visitor Information Centre, High Street, Rochester

**KINGSWEAR CASTLE** runs some **additional trips** during the season. **Ring the Talking Timetable 01634 827648** for the latest details.

Fare Code	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
<b>Adult</b>	£7	£10	£12	£14	£16	£30	£35	£45
<b>Concession</b>	£6	£9	£11	£12	£15	£28	£33	£40
<b>Child</b>	£5	£6	£8	£10	£15	£25	£30	£38
<b>Group 10 +</b>	£5	£9	£10	£11	£15	£20	£25	£35

## \* Down River Cruise to Darnet Ness

Leave Rochester 3pm, back 5.30pm. Fare Code C  
Leave Chatham 3.30pm, back 5pm. Fare Code B

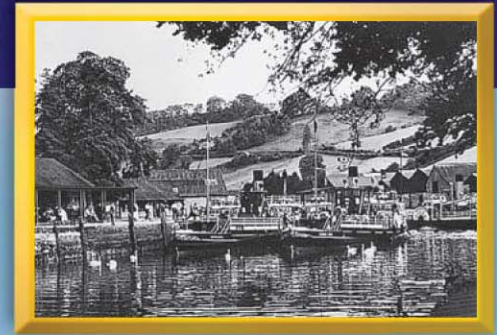
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