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WELCOME TO NEWCASTLE!

Alreet pet! Welcome to Newcastle! Discover one of the most distinctive cities in the UK, with seven bridges spanning a stunning riverside setting, heaps of history, miles of awesome architecture and a Geordie spirit that can't be matched. *Howay an see fer yersell!*

Did you know... The Grey's Monument in Grainger Town was built as a tribute to Charles Grey in 1838 for the 1832 Great Reform Act. The column is 134ft (41m) tall with 164 steps inside (occasionally open to public). The well-known bergamot scented tea is named after Charles Grey, 2nd Earl Grey..

Attractions

Theatre Royal (7) - A true jewel in the crown of Grainger Town and a must-see in Newcastle. Sadly entry is only for performances...

BALTIC Centre (8) - Cross the iconic tilting Gateshead Millennium Bridge to this centre for contemporary art. Even if art isn't your thing, the views from the 6th floor are worth the trip alone! ☎10:00-18:00. Cost: free!

Sage Gateshead (9) - An international music centre in an outstanding building above the river. Take a look, have a coffee, maybe see an event. ☎At least 09:00-21:00.

The Great North Museum (10) - contains lots of different exhibits ranging from the interactive model of Hadrian's Wall to Ancient Egypt mummies. ☎10:00-17:00, Sun 13:00-17:00. Cost: free!

St James' Park (11) - Home of Newcastle United Football Club. One for footy fans. Buy yourself a strip or souvenir, or do the stadium tour. ☎Tours at 11:00 & 13:30 (Sun 11:30). Adult £10, concession £7 (more on match days)

Walk the Walls (12) - Trace the best remaining section of the medieval Town Walls from Westgate, along West Walls to Chinatown.

Orientation

The River Tyne is in between Newcastle (to the north) and Gateshead (to the south). From the quayside just walk uphill and you'll reach Newcastle's Grainger Town, and most of the other attractions.

BE CAREFULL Use your common sense, don't flash cash, stick together with a friend and beware of pickpockets! **In an emergency call 999 or 112 from a mobile.**

Your contact is

Mobile Number

Best Viewpoint

For the best views of the city visit either the **Castle Keep** (3), the 6th floor of the **BALTIC centre** (8), or take a walk on the **Tyne Bridge** (13) or **High Level Bridge** (14) - the first road/rail bridge in the world!

Eat & Drink

Get some Mediterranean cuisine at **Kafeneon** (15), for some best cakes in town try **Pet Lamb Patisserie** (16), or go to **Pink Lane Coffee** (17) for the best... coffee! Other areas worth a visit for some cheap/good food include **Chinatown** (18) and **The Gate** entertainment complex (19).

1 Quayside

Newcastle is famous for its bridges. There are seven of them spanning the Tyne. So, take a pleasant stroll on the Quayside all the way to the Millenium Bridge (1a). If you're lucky, you might see the bridge tilt in a very distinctive way. Also get some great views from the historic heart of Newcastle along streets such as Side, Close and Sandhill (1b).

2 Grainger Town

Named after the architect who transformed this part of town, here you'll find Newcastle's most impressive classical buildings, its main monuments and a whole host of shopping opportunities. Over half of Grainger's buildings are protected as of national importance. Explore Grey Street and Grainger Street around the Monument (same architect as London's famous Nelson's Column) for the best views!

3 Castle Keep

The other prominent structure of the Castle. Climb one of the best medieval Keeps in existence for awesome views across the city. ☎Mon-Sat 10:00-17:00, Sun 12:00-17:00. Cost: £4.

4 St Nicholas' Cathedral (and the Vampire Rabbit!)

Check out this fine old cathedral, then go hunt the Vampire Rabbit! Look behind the cathedral above an arched doorway in a red-brick building. Creepy... ☎Sun-Fri 07:30-18:00, Sat 08:00-16:00. Cost: free!

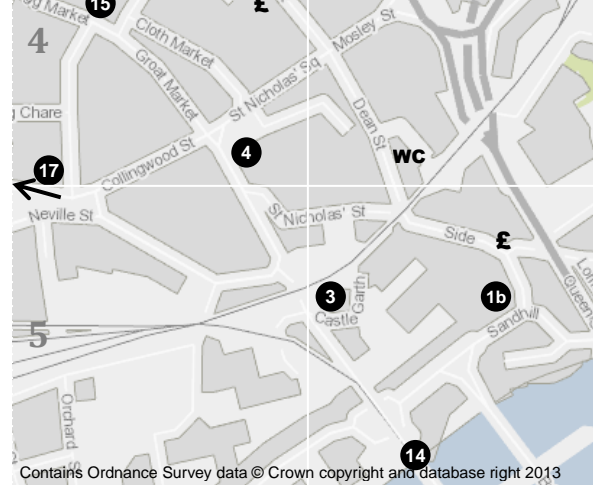
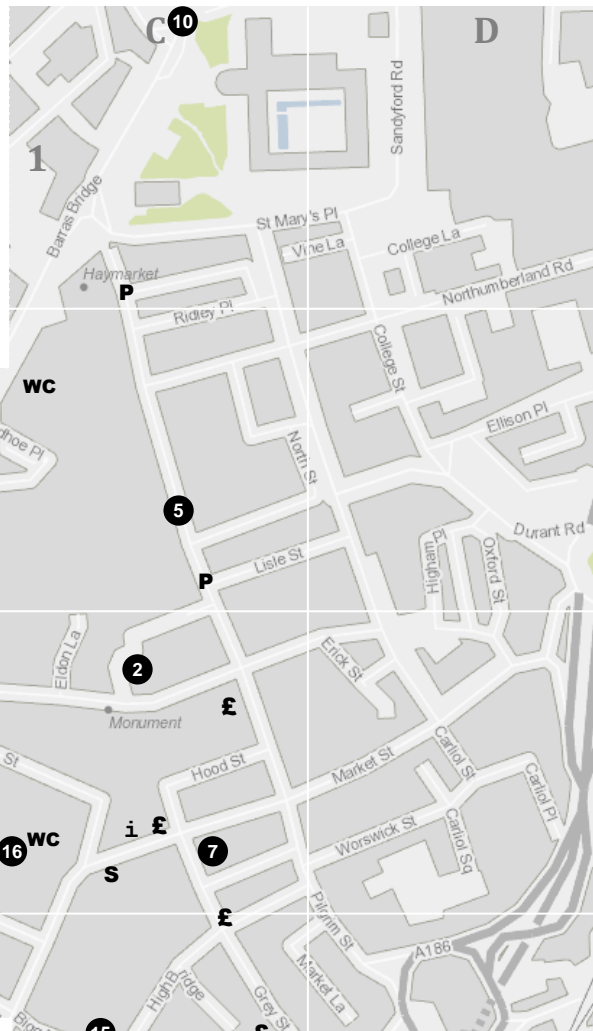
5 Northumberland Street

The second most expensive location in UK to own a shop, after London's Oxford Street. Great spot for shopping! ☎Individual store opening times vary. Try **Eldon Square** (6) for more shopping - the city's biggest shopping centre. ☎Until 19:00.



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Pick-up / Drop-off

Time:

Place:

Bus Company:



TOP 5

- 1 Quayside (E5)
- 2 Grainger Town (C3)
- 3 Castle Keep (D5)
- 4 St Nicholas Cathedral (C4)
- 5 Northumberland Street (C2)
- i Tourist information
- WC Toilets
- P Post Office
- S Supermarket
- £ Cash machine (free)

ATTRACTIONS

- 6 Eldon Square (C3)
- 7 Theatre Royal (C3)
- 8 BALTIC Centre (F5)
- 9 Sage Gateshead (E5)
- 10 The Great North Museum (C1)
- 11 St James' Park (A2)
- 12 Walk the Walls (A4)
- 13 Tyne Bridge (D5)
- 14 High Level Bridge (D5)

EAT & DRINK

- 15 Kafeneon (C4)
- 16 Pet Lamb Patiss. (C3)
- 17 Pink Lane Coffee (C4) (2 min, opp rail station)
- 18 Chinatown (B3)
- 19 The Gate (B3)

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