

THE RIVERBANK ROAMER

Durham City



Station Approach



3.5 MILES



BUS STOP



TRAIN



MILD RISES, COBBLES, SOME ROUGH PATHS WITH STEPS

Durham City sits at the historic heart of the North East and is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful cities in the UK.

The Riverbank Roamer follows the meandering path of the River Wear, which embraces the city centre, passing a host of picturesque locations.

Riverbank Roamers will find plenty of pit-stop locations for food and refreshments a short distance from the route, which is perfect come rain or shine.

THE ROUTE

1. On your medieval marks
2. Prepare to be impressed
3. Tales from the riverbanks
4. The Bridges of Durham City
5. The Cow by the Cricket Ground
6. Riverboat crews
7. The Loop
8. Back to Market Place

HOW TO GET TO THE START

Visit livemap.nexus.org.uk and enter the postcode **DH1 3NJ**.

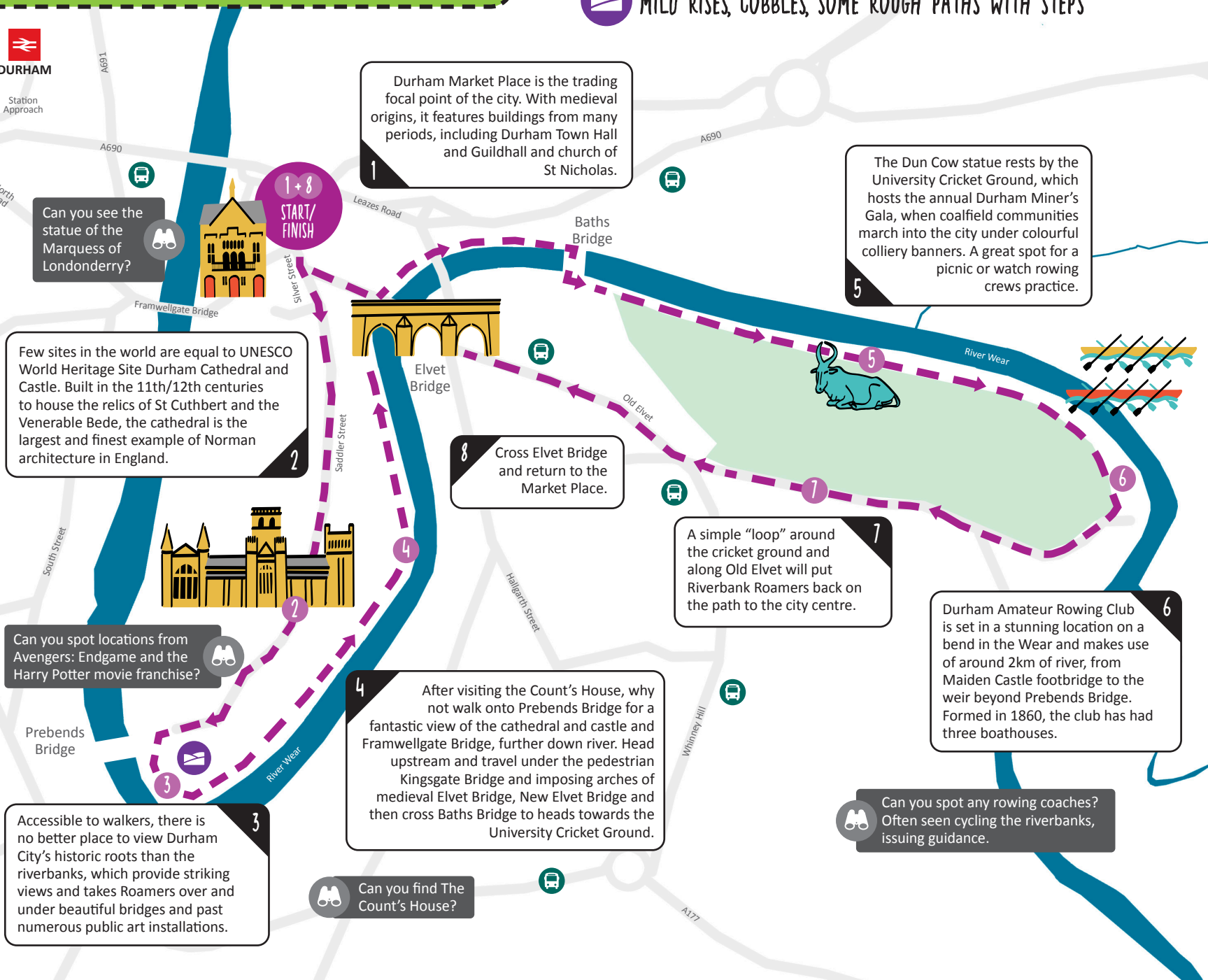
SUITABILITY



The Riverbank Roamer is not suitable for wheeled pedestrians and cyclists

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Durham Market Place is the trading focal point of the city. With medieval origins, it features buildings from many periods, including Durham Town Hall and Guildhall and church of St Nicholas.

Can you see the statue of the Marquess of Londonderry?

Few sites in the world are equal to UNESCO World Heritage Site Durham Cathedral and Castle. Built in the 11th/12th centuries to house the relics of St Cuthbert and the Venerable Bede, the cathedral is the largest and finest example of Norman architecture in England.

Can you spot locations from Avengers: Endgame and the Harry Potter movie franchise?

Accessible to walkers, there is no better place to view Durham City's historic roots than the riverbanks, which provide striking views and takes Roamers over and under beautiful bridges and past numerous public art installations.

After visiting the Count's House, why not walk onto Prebends Bridge for a fantastic view of the cathedral and castle and Framwellgate Bridge, further down river. Head upstream and travel under the pedestrian Kingsgate Bridge and imposing arches of medieval Elvet Bridge, New Elvet Bridge and then cross Baths Bridge to heads towards the University Cricket Ground.

Can you find The Count's House?

The Dun Cow statue rests by the University Cricket Ground, which hosts the annual Durham Miner's Gala, when coalfield communities march into the city under colourful colliery banners. A great spot for a picnic or watch rowing crews practice.

A simple "loop" around the cricket ground and along Old Elvet will put Riverbank Roamers back on the path to the city centre.

Can you spot any rowing coaches? Often seen cycling the riverbanks, issuing guidance.

Durham Amateur Rowing Club is set in a stunning location on a bend in the Wear and makes use of around 2km of river, from Maiden Castle footbridge to the weir beyond Prebends Bridge. Formed in 1860, the club has had three boathouses.