

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I get there?

You can join us on the Maritime Mile by walking, cycling, bus, car or train.

Walk or Cycle

Getting to and from the Belfast Maritime Weekender could not be easier, rent a bike using the Just Eat Belfast Bike Scheme and cycle to our event. You can pick up and drop off your Belfast Bikes at any of the city's docking stations including Donegall Quay, Corporation Square, SSE Arena Belfast, Belfast Met, Catalyst Inc and Eastside Visitor Centre.

Or why not take yourself on an adventure and walk the quaysides from Sailortown to Titanic Quarter and enjoy a stroll along the idyllic Maritime Mile.

Driving by car

City Quays: City Quays is centrally located in the very heart of Belfast City, just five minutes' drive from George Best Belfast City Airport. From Bangor direction follow Belfast Road and A2 to Little Patrick Street in Belfast. Continue on Little Patrick Street to City Quays. From North Coast direction get on M2 from A57 and Antrim Road/A6. Follow M2 to Duncrue Street in Belfast. Take exit 1B from M2. Continue on Duncrue Street to City Quays.

Titanic Quarter: From Bangor direction follow Belfast Road and A2 to Belfast. Take Sydenham Road to Queens Road. From North Coast direction get on M2 in Antrim and Newtownabbey. Follow M2 to Queens Road in Belfast. Take exit 1 from M3 and continue onto Queen's Road.

Bus or Train

Hop on a bus from the city centre bringing you directly into the heart of Titanic Quarter.

City Quays: Translink offer Metro and Ulsterbus services, covering not only Belfast City Centre but all sides of the country. The closest bus depot is Laganside Bus Centre, located only a few minutes-walk from City Quays. If you would like to travel from the city centre, hop on the 2F bus at Wellington Place for a short bus journey to Pilot Street, located in the heart of City Quays.

Titanic Quarter: Glide through city traffic and arrive fresh on a modern and high-tech mode of travel on the Translink Glider. The service provides direct cross-city services between the east and west of the city, with the G2 route linking into Titanic Quarter. Or come by train to Yorkgate Station or Titanic Halt. Both stations are within walking distance to the event sites. Find out more information about Translink's train services, including timetables and prices [here](#)

Where do I park?

There is no dedicated car parking for the event; however, those attending the event are encouraged to use city centre car parks, those within Titanic Quarter or the NCP at Corporation Street. Normal daily rates will apply.

Is the event accessible?

Belfast City Council and Maritime Belfast Trust are committed to ensuring our events are accessible and inclusive. For the Belfast Maritime Weekender, we have the following additional facilities available on site.

- Mobile accessible toilet with private adult-sized changing bench and hoist (Queens Quay)
- Shopmobility Belfast will be on site (Queens Quay) providing mobility scooters and wheelchairs for those with disabilities or temporary mobility difficulties. Please phone Shopmobility Belfast on 028 9080 8090 to book in advance. *NB: If you are a Shopmobility Belfast member all you need to bring is your Membership Card. If you are not a member, don't worry, they can sign you up on the day! Just bring photographic ID and proof of address.*
- There is no dedicated disabled car parking for the event. Please visit accessable.co.uk for further information on nearby disabled parking in and around the city.
- Translink will operate their normal G2 glider service (£) into the Titanic Quarter during the festival. All gliders will be fully accessible and can drop patrons at key stops near to the event site. Please visit translink.co.uk for further information

What time does the event open?

The weekend's activities can be enjoyed at your own leisure but the event will run from 11am-5pm daily on Saturday and Sunday with the Street food market running until 8pm. The Maritime Mile will also be illuminated from 8pm-11pm. There are also several ticketed events and tours also taking place outside of these hours. Please refer to the event programme for all the activities and how to book.

Can you get on board the vessels?

There are no Tall ships at this event however there is a number of other visiting vessels berthed along City Quays and Queens Quay that will be open to the public. Vessel opening times will be subject to tide, weather and ship restrictions. T&Cs of entry to ships will apply. ID may be required.

There will also be a number of water displays and demos across the weekend that can be viewed from anywhere along the maritime mile waterfront.

Do I need to book anything in advance?

The event is free to attend and a lot of the programmed activities you do not need to book, however, across the weekend there are several ticketed tours and music events that do

require booking in advance. Small charges may apply. Visit >> [**Ticketed vents & Tours | Maritime Mile \(maritime-mile.com\)**](#)

What COVID measures are in place?

As we come out of lockdown, we are really excited about the opportunity to bring the Belfast Maritime Weekender to you. When we are meeting in person (both indoors and outdoors) we will make your safety, and that of our artists, volunteers, staff and venue partners our priority, and all events will be Covid-19 compliant. To ensure this, we have put the following measures in place:

It is strongly recommended that anyone taking part in or attending this event should take a Lateral Flow Device test (LFD) before they attend the event, and on days two and eight after the event.

The purpose of this testing is:

- to identify any positive cases in advance of the event to enable prompt self-isolation if this is required
- to limit the spread of COVID-19 infection

Testing after the event will help to identify any asymptomatic COVID-19 infections arising in association with the event or social gatherings that may happen immediately before or afterwards.

Anyone can order test packs free of charge:

- [Order coronavirus rapid lateral flow tests \(external link opens in a new window / tab\)](#) online for free delivery to your home
- [Find where to get rapid lateral flow tests \(external link opens in a new window / tab\)](#) for collection

To assist us in keeping everyone safe we would ask that you DO NOT attend any in-person events if you have any symptoms of Covid-19, have tested positive for Covid-19, or have been in recent contact with anyone who has tested positive.

Indoor venue capacities are set in line with government guidelines with reduced capacities to allow for social distancing as per legal requirements. Additionally, all staff and volunteers will wear face coverings at indoor events.

Are there toilets and baby changing facilities on site?

Yes. There are fully accessible public toilets located on Donegall Quay, Queens Quays and Titanic Quarter. Baby changing facilities will also be located on Queens Quay and behind the Odyssey at Abercorn Basin.

Where are the first aid points?

There will be first aid points on Donegall Quay, Queens Quay and Titanic Quarter. Should you require assistance please locate your nearest steward on site.

Is there anywhere to secure private bikes?

Bike parking is available to the public free of charge outside Titanic Belfast, beside Hickson's Point. Additionally, there is bike parking available in the carpark off the Queen's road.

Where is the nearest cash machines?

There is a cash machine located in the Titanic Spar on Abercorn Marina.

Are there any bars?

There are a series of places where you can get drinks and food on the maritime Mile. From Cargo by We Are Vertigo, Titanic Hotel Belfast, Hickson's Point on the Titanic Plaza, AC Hotel Belfast, the American Bar. For further details visit >> **[Eat and Drink | Maritime Mile \(maritime-mile.com\)](#)**

Where can I find out more information?

All the activities can be found in the event programme by visiting >> **<https://maritime-mile.com/belfast-maritime-weekender/>**

There is also an interactive event site map available to download to help you navigate your way along the mile.

The Belfast Maritime Weekender is brought to you by Belfast City Council and Maritime Belfast Trust in partnership with Belfast Harbour, Titanic Quarter Limited, the Odyssey Trust, Department for Communities and Maritime Mile partners - energising Belfast together.



Belfast
City Council

