Facilities on Beatrice

Beatrice is fully equipped for an enjoyable day out for all our passengers, including those with limited mobility.

The boat has a large Foredeck, with secure fencing all round and up to eight moveable chairs. The deck has level access to the towpath for easy access, with ramps available if needed for wheelchairs.

There is a lift to enable easy access to the Saloon (a posh nautical word for the cabin!) for those who can't manage the three steps. The Saloon itself has a flexible layout with foldaway tables and a mixture of fixed and moveable seating to accommodate the needs of up to twelve passengers, including a maximum of three in wheelchairs. It has large low windows to give a great view of the scenery outside, whether sitting or standing. It has heating on cooler days to ensure a comfortable temperature at all times.

The boat's toilet has wide double doors to make it accessible for our less mobile passengers.

Finally there is a small Galley for the use of our staff and guests. In the case of schools and other care groups we restrict access to staff only for safety reasons. The Galley has a sink, fridge, electric kettle and microwave oven.

The boat has hot and cold running water in the Galley and Toilet. The supply is safe and suitable for making hot drinks, but we recommend bringing bottled water for cold drinks.

The boat meets all the required safety standards and has safety equipment including life jackets (that we ask our younger passengers to wear if they are off the boat, helping with locks for example), life belts, fire extinguishers, a first aid kit and a defibrillator (that our Skippers have been trained to use).

