

## Opening Times:

### June – September

(inc. school holidays outside this period)

Mon – Sat: 9.30am – 5.30pm (last tour 4.30pm)

Sun: 10.30am – 4pm (last tour 3pm)

### October – May

Mon: closed

Tue – Fri: 10.30am – 4.30pm (last tour 3.30pm)

Sat: 9.30am – 5.30pm (last tour 4.30pm)

Sun: 11.30am – 4pm (last tour 3pm)

## Admission:

Adult: £7.00 Child: £4.50 Concession: £5.50

Family (up to 2 adults and up to 3 children): £20.00

For conditions of access please contact:

Exeter's Underground Passages

2 Paris Street, Exeter EX1 1GA

t: **01392 665887**

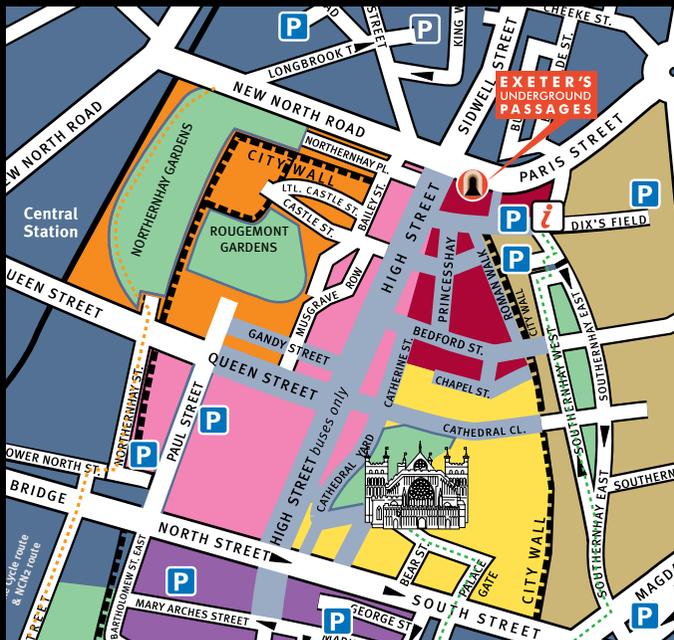
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## How to find us:

Exeter's Underground Passages are located in the city centre on Paris Street between the Next and Zara stores.



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t: 01392 665700 e: [evit@exeter.gov.uk](mailto:evit@exeter.gov.uk)

t: 01392 665885 (Events Ticket Hotline)

[visitexeter.com](http://visitexeter.com)

## Other heritage attractions in Exeter

Check websites for opening times.

**Exeter Cathedral** One of the finest examples of decorated Gothic work in England today. **Admission charge.**

t: 01392 285983 [exeter-cathedral.org.uk](http://exeter-cathedral.org.uk)

**Exeter Red Coat Guided Tours** Guided walking tours departing from outside Exeter Cathedral or the Custom House Visitor Centre, Exeter Quayside. No need to book. **FREE**

t: 01392 265203 [exeter.gov.uk/guidedtours](http://exeter.gov.uk/guidedtours)

### Custom House Visitor Centre

Exeter's 2,000 years of history brought to life through a short film.

**FREE** t: 01392 271611 [exeter.gov.uk/customhouse](http://exeter.gov.uk/customhouse)



### Royal Albert Memorial Museum & Art Gallery

16 galleries of displays take visitors on a voyage of discovery from pre-history to present day, from Exeter to all around the world. **FREE** t: 01392 665858 [rammuseum.org.uk](http://rammuseum.org.uk)

### St Nicholas Priory – A Tudor Home

Former medieval priory, presented as a Tudor home.

**FREE** t: 01392 665885 [nicholaspriory.com](http://nicholaspriory.com)

### Self-guided heritage trails

Explore Exeter's rich and varied past on one of three self-guided heritage trails. Leaflets from Exeter Visitor Information & Tickets.

**FREE** t: 01392 665700 [exeter.gov.uk/heritagetrails](http://exeter.gov.uk/heritagetrails)

### Topsham Museum

Overlooking the Exe Estuary, visitors can enjoy displays of local history and maritime interest. **FREE**

t: 01392 873244 [devonmuseums.net/topsham](http://devonmuseums.net/topsham)

**Tuckers Hall** Medieval guildhall of the Weavers, Fullers and Shearmen, built in 1471. **FREE** t: 01392 412348 [tuckershall.org.uk](http://tuckershall.org.uk)



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# Exeter's Underground Passages



## What Lies Beneath?

Find out at Exeter's most unusual attraction

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[exeter.gov.uk/passages](http://exeter.gov.uk/passages)

Exeter's Underground Passages were built in the 14th & 15th centuries to bring a supply of fresh drinking water into the city. Before taking a guided tour underground, visitors pass through an exciting interpretation centre packed full of interactive displays, including a talking figure of a medieval man, a high-speed video fly-through of the Passages, a full size model of a section of the Passages and artefacts from the Princesshay archaeological dig. A visit to Exeter's Underground Passages includes a 10 minute film presentation, a 25 minute tour underground and an opportunity to explore the exhibition.



## Visitor Information

- First tour generally starts half an hour after opening and are repeated at regular intervals throughout the day.
- Please arrive at least 10 minutes before your tour is due to start.
- Under 5s are not permitted on tours of Exeter's Underground Passages, but free access to the exhibition is permitted with an accompanying adult.
- Wheelchair and pushchair access is restricted to the exhibition only.
- Visitors should be aware that the Passages are narrow and low in places and are not suitable for those who suffer from claustrophobia.
- Sensible footwear is recommended.
- We are unable to take tours for just one person.
- During school holidays and at weekends we are very busy, it is advisable to book in advance to avoid disappointment.
- Gifts and souvenirs are available to buy.

## Special Events

Throughout the year, why not join in a special event at Exeter's Underground Passages, including:

- **Easter egg hunts** Hunt for eggs left by our Easter bunny to win a small prize.
- **Beneath the Blitz** Experience the highs and lows of the 1942 air raids.
- **Witches & Wizards tours** Join a spooky tour to find special ingredients to make a magic spell.
- **The Sinister City** Halloween tours including a talk on local hauntings and horrors.
- **Christmas in Exeter** Take a festive look at Christmases past in Exeter and around the world.



Exeter is the only city in the UK to have underground passages of this type and guided tours have taken place here since the 1930s. Today the passages are lit throughout, but still fascinate for all who enter.

## Group Visits

Exeter's Underground Passages welcome visits from groups of 10 or more. For further information please call 01392 665887 (group rates available – please book in advance).

### What our visitors thought...

*'What a great hour of our time in Exeter. The guide definitely knew her stuff and delivered the information in a lovely way. The passages are fascinating both for their purpose and engineering and being able to see the differing workmanship across the ages was wonderful. I was glad for the hard hat too!'*  
**– Penny, Worthing**

*'A great adventure right under your feet. Our group ranged from 7 to 70 and they all loved this experience. The guide was very informative. Well worth a visit'* – **Claire, Maidstone**

*'This is money well spent. Arrive early to enjoy the sights and explanation. They really go underground and there is nothing to fear. I found it safe, sound and secure for any age.'* – **Al, Orlando**

