



# Cardiff

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Cardiff, the youngest capital city in Europe, is known for its castle, art, dragons, river, Victorian arcades, parks, rugby, music, university, bay, and Brains beer. This diverse list of attractions means that whether you enjoy art, rugby, historical castles, modern architecture, classical music, or new bands in pubs, Cardiff has something for everyone.

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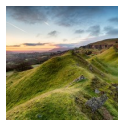
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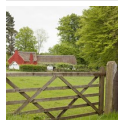
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## THE CITY



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The Welsh capital magically combines the old with the new. Its stunning castle with 2,000 years of history stands a short distance away from the spaceship-like Principality Stadium. Nowhere is this combination of old and new more obvious than the newly developed Cardiff Bay area where red bricked buildings and old wharfs sit next to new piers and glass fronted restaurants. Old industrial cranes and the remnants of collapsed piers are now modern sculptures and the new boardwalks are lit by old fashioned street lights. The immaculate Pierhead Building, built in 1896, sits alongside the Millennium Centre - Cardiff's equivalent of Sydney Opera House - with its protruding engraved frontage resembling the bow of an enormous container ship. If you prefer the old to the new then north of the castle sit three dramatic white Portland stone buildings - The Law Courts, City Hall and the National Museum and Gallery. This area is known as the Civic Centre, and it's worth taking a stroll up the wide boulevard to admire the architecture.

Cardiff is a compact city and easy to explore on foot and is so well signposted it is impossible to get lost, and you will notice that signs are in both English and Welsh. The street names are also in both languages and don't be surprised when the person next to you at the bar orders a pint of

Brains beer in their native tongue.

For a small city, Cardiff gives the visitor an endless choice of attractions and distractions both old and new. And if that was not enough, there are even more fascinating museums and incredible castles on its doorstep as well as stunning areas of natural beauty such as the Brecon Beacons and the Glamorganshire Heritage Coastline.

## DO & SEE



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There is much to do and see in Cardiff and the city's relatively small size makes it very easy to walk around and enjoy its various landmarks. You can stroll along Cardiff Bay, relax under the trees in Bute Park or discover the city's history in Cardiff Castle, and that's only a taste of what Cardiff has to offer.

### Cardiff Castle



This walled fortress boasts 2000 years of history. Originally a Roman fort, the castle was rebuilt after the Norman conquest and served as a keep until the 18th century, when it became the home of the Bute family, who renovated it in Gothic Revival style. You can walk around the Norman keep, discover the Roman

foundations and take a guided tour around the grand apartments with their gilt ceilings and murals.

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Address: Castle Street, Cardiff

Opening hours: Winter 09.00-17.00. Summer 09.00-18.00

Phone: +44 29 2087 8100

Internet: [www.cardiffcastle.com](http://www.cardiffcastle.com)

Email: [cardiffcastle@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:cardiffcastle@cardiff.gov.uk)

### Bute Park



The entrance to the park is a short walk along Castle Street, to the left of the castle. The gardens have their own walled parapet that features incredibly life-like stone animals including a bear, lion, hyena, monkeys and a pelican. The park runs alongside the River Taff and has great views of the castle and its moat - it even has a miniature Stonehenge!

Photo: Billy Stock/Shutterstock.com

Address: North Road, Cardiff

Opening hours: Daily 07.30-19.30

Phone: +44 29 2087 2730

Internet: [bute-park.com](http://bute-park.com)

Email: [butepark@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:butepark@cardiff.gov.uk)

### Principality Stadium



The stadium opened in 1999 and is the home of the Wales national rugby union team and the largest covered stadium in Europe. It is also a venue for football cup finals and music concerts. Guided tours of the stadium are also available.

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Address: Westgate Street, Cardiff

Phone: +44 844 249 1999

Internet: [www.principalitystadium.wales](http://www.principalitystadium.wales)

Email: [info@principalitystadium.wales](mailto:info@principalitystadium.wales)

### National Museum Cardiff



This impressive domed building houses one of the largest collections of Impressionist paintings in Europe, along with the best Welsh art. The museum also comprises an archaeology and geology collection as well as a natural history exhibit with giant skeletons of whales and dinosaurs.

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Address: Cathays Park, Cardiff

Phone: +44 300 111 2333

Tickets: Free entry

Internet: [museum.wales/cardiff](http://museum.wales/cardiff)

Email: [cardiff@museumwales.ac.uk](mailto:cardiff@museumwales.ac.uk)

### St John the Baptist Church



With the exception of Cardiff Castle, St John the Baptist Church is the oldest building in the city. The church originally dates back to 1180 but was destroyed in 1404 during the Welsh Revolt and rebuilt thereafter in Gothic style. Now it serves as an Anglican church and is open to the public for prayer or visit.

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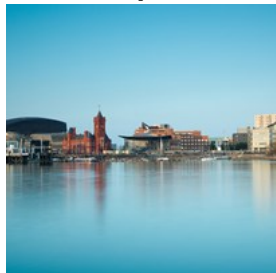
Address: St John Street, Cardiff

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Internet: [www.cardiffstjohnncityparish.org.uk](http://www.cardiffstjohnncityparish.org.uk)

Email: [cardiffstjohnncity.admin@gmail.com](mailto:cardiffstjohnncity.admin@gmail.com)

### Cardiff Bay



Cardiff Bay has altered beyond recognition, from its past as the world's largest coal exporting port to a modern sports and leisure complex. It is also Europe's largest waterfront development which has a wealth of leisure activities available both on and off the water. Sights of interest and things to do include: Pierhead Building, Coal Exchange, Cardiff Millennium Centre, Norwegian Church, Mermaid's Quay's restaurants and bars.

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Address: Cardiff Bay, Cardiff

Internet: [www.mermaidquay.co.uk](http://www.mermaidquay.co.uk)

### Castell Coch (Red Castle)



A fairytale castle nestled in the woods on the outskirts of the city. Despite bearing the mark of Victorian renovation, it still retains much of its medieval charm and it offers an interesting insight into medieval architecture and art.

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Phone: +44 29 2081 0101

Internet: [cadw.gov.wales/daysout/castell-coch/?lang=en](http://cadw.gov.wales/daysout/castell-coch/?lang=en)

Email: [CastellCoch@gov.wales](mailto:CastellCoch@gov.wales)

### St Fagans National Museum of History



Open air museum set on 100 acres of parkland on the outskirts of Cardiff. The museum is a village of 40 buildings that tell the story of Wales throughout the ages, and each building was

transported brick-by-brick from their original location. The village includes a 17th-century farmhouse, working men's hall, a tannery, bakery and terrace of workers' cottages with each house representing a different decade.

Photo: Steve Lovegrove/Shutterstock.com

Address: St Fagans, Cardiff

Opening hours: Daily 10.00-17.00

Phone: +44 300 111 2333

Tickets: Free entry

Internet: [www.museumwales.ac.uk/en/stfagans](http://www.museumwales.ac.uk/en/stfagans)

Email: [stfagans@museumwales.ac.uk](mailto:stfagans@museumwales.ac.uk)

### Caerphilly Castle



The second biggest castle in Britain (after Windsor), it was built in the late 13th century to secure the area against Welsh attacks from the north.

The castle is one of the greatest examples of medieval military architecture displaying an enormous array of defensive structures such as high towers, large moats and barbicans. It is located 15 minutes by train from Cardiff.

Photo: Billy Stock/Shutterstock.com

Address: Castle Street, Caerphilly

Phone: +44 29 2088 3143

Internet: [cadw.gov.wales/daysout/caerphilly-castle/?lang=en](http://cadw.gov.wales/daysout/caerphilly-castle/?lang=en)

Email: [CaerphillyCastle@gov.wales](mailto:CaerphillyCastle@gov.wales)

### Brecon Beacons National Park



Located an hour from Cardiff, Brecon Beacons National Park is a natural reserve with an area of 1,340 square kilometres. Inside the park it is

possible to enjoy many outdoor activities such as hiking, mountain biking, horse riding, bird watching and so on. The park is also perfect for

stargazing, as it was recognised as an International Dark Sky Reserve in 2013.

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Address: Brecon Beacons National Park, Wales  
Phone: +44 1874 624437  
Internet: [www.breconbeacons.org](http://www.breconbeacons.org)  
Email: [info@breconbeaconstourism.co.uk](mailto:info@breconbeaconstourism.co.uk)

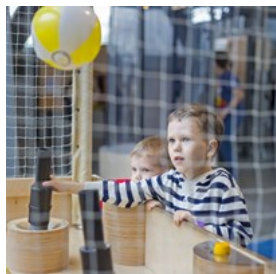
### Wales Millennium Centre



The Wales Millennium Centre was built as a haven for arts and performances. It houses a theatre and several halls, restaurants and shops, hosting live events like plays, operas and concerts on a regular basis. The centre is also the home of various organisations such as the Welsh National Opera, the National Dance Company and the Arts Council of Wales.

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Opening hours: Daily 09.00-19.00  
Phone: +44 29 2063 6464  
Internet: [www.wmc.org.uk](http://www.wmc.org.uk)  
Email: [tickets@wmc.org.uk](mailto:tickets@wmc.org.uk)  
More Info: Visit the website for more information on events and tickets.

### Techniquest



Founded in 1986 by Professor John Beetlestone and his colleagues from Cardiff University, Techniquest is a discovery and science centre with many exhibits and activities for children and science lovers. Inside you will find a science theatre, a planetarium and more than 120 different exhibits where you can test your abilities and discover more about the world of

science and technology.

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Address: Stuart Street, Cardiff  
Opening hours: Tue-Fri 09.30-16.30. Sat-Sun 10.00-17-00  
Phone: +44 29 2047 5475  
Internet: [www.techniquest.org](http://www.techniquest.org)  
Email: [info@techniquest.org](mailto:info@techniquest.org)

### Cardiff International White Water



Water, adventure and a lot of fun await you at Cardiff International White Water. Here you can choose between different sports and

activities such as rafting, canoeing, kayaking and gorge walking. There is also the possibility to surf at the Indoor Wave, where you can feel the thrill of ocean waves in the safety of an indoor facility.

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Address: Watkiss Way, Cardiff  
Phone: +44 29 2082 9970  
Internet: [www.ciww.com](http://www.ciww.com)  
Email: [info@ciww.com](mailto:info@ciww.com)

### Senedd - National Assembly Building



The Senedd is the administrative heart of Cardiff, where the National Assembly gathers to discuss matters of political

interest. The building is a fine example of modern architecture and was designed to be environmentally friendly, with a sustainable heating system and materials.

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Address: Pierhead Street, Cardiff  
Phone: +44 300 200 6565  
Internet:

[www.assembly.wales/en/visiting/senedd/Pages/senedd.aspx](http://www.assembly.wales/en/visiting/senedd/Pages/senedd.aspx)

Email: [contact@assembly.wales](mailto:contact@assembly.wales)

## DINING



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Wales is famous for its lamb, cheese and delicacies such as laverbread and Welsh rarebit, which, according to the locals, is the “ultimate” grilled cheese on toast when served on toasted bread. Restaurants in Cardiff offer local Welsh cuisine combined with modern international dishes, but you can also taste foods from all over the world as well. There really is a little something for everyone.

### The Clink Cymru



The Clink Cymru is part of a rehabilitation programme for prisoners who get the chance to work and gain experience so that they can be

successfully reintegrated in society upon release.

The restaurant is well-known for the quality of its food and service, which is why it is recommended to book a table in advance, as the place often gets very busy.

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Address: Her Majesty's Prison, Knox Road, Cardiff

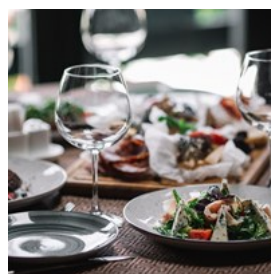
Phone: +44 29 2092 3130

Internet:

[www.theclinkcharity.org/the-clink-restaurants/cardiff-wales](http://www.theclinkcharity.org/the-clink-restaurants/cardiff-wales)

Email: [cardiff@theclinkrestaurant.com](mailto:cardiff@theclinkrestaurant.com)

### The Admiral St David



A restaurant specialised in Australasian and Asia-Pacific cuisine, located at The St David's Hotel and Spa.

Overlooking Cardiff Bay, the restaurant has stunning views and in the summer months alfresco dining is available on a waterside terrace. The bar is also worth a visit and is perfect for a pre-dinner drink.

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Address: Havannah Street, Cardiff

Opening hours: Daily 12.30-14.00 and 17.30-22.00

Phone: +44 29 2045 4045

Internet: [www.admiralstdavid.co.uk](http://www.admiralstdavid.co.uk)

Email: [info@admiralstdavid.co.uk](mailto:info@admiralstdavid.co.uk)

More Info: Located at the Principal St David's Hotel

### Signor Valentino



This is a modern Italian restaurant located in Mermaid Quay, right on the waterfront in the busy Cardiff Bay area. They offer a menu with freshly

prepared Italian cuisine, including pasta, pizza, fish and meat dishes. It's recommended to book in advance, especially on Friday and Saturday evenings.

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Address: 15A Mermaid Quay, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2048 2007

Internet: [www.signorvalentino.com](http://www.signorvalentino.com)

Email: [enquiries@signorvalentino.com](mailto:enquiries@signorvalentino.com)

### Caban Cardiff



Caban Cardiff is a nice vegetarian/vegan restaurant in Clifton Street. The menu offers many international dishes, taking inspiration from different culinary traditions so as to give guests the widest selection possible of vegetarian foods, all in a quiet and relaxed atmosphere.

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Address: 40 Clifton Street, Cardiff  
Opening hours: Fri-Sat 19.00-22.00  
Phone: +44 29 2045 4999  
Internet: [www.cabancardiff.com](http://www.cabancardiff.com)

### Nant Restaurant



Located just outside Cardiff, this restaurant is a college training facility at the Coleg y Cymoedd. As such, it is staffed by students who do their very best to provide a great service and an excellent dining experience.

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Address: Heol Y Coleg, Nantgarw, Cardiff  
Phone: +44 14 4366 3050  
Internet:  
[www.cymoedd.ac.uk/restaurants/nant-restaurant.aspx](http://www.cymoedd.ac.uk/restaurants/nant-restaurant.aspx)  
Email: [nant@cymoedd.ac.uk](mailto:nant@cymoedd.ac.uk)

### Bwyta Bwyd Bombai (3B's)



If you're looking for some tasty Indian food, 3B's is one of the best choices. Situated in the very centre of the city, it offers a taste of Mumbai's varied street food, from the famous vada pav to

all sorts of appetisers, desserts and teas. The interior is small and simple but the foods and prices are well worth it.

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Address: 16 High Street Arcade, Cardiff  
Phone: +44 29 2037 2352  
Internet: [www.3bscafe.com](http://www.3bscafe.com)  
Email: [sakshi@3bscafe.com](mailto:sakshi@3bscafe.com)

### Anna-Loka



A 100% vegan restaurant offering an ample selection of alternatives to meat dishes, such as vegan burgers with seitan or tempeh, pancakes, wraps and all kinds of chips and fries. The focus is directed towards fresh and organic ingredients that create healthy and delicious meals.

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Address: 114 Albany Road, Cardiff  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 11.30-22.00. Sat 10.30-22.00. Sun 10.30-17.00  
Phone: +44 29 2049 7703  
Internet: [www.anna-loka.com](http://www.anna-loka.com)  
Email: [hello@anna-loka.com](mailto:hello@anna-loka.com)

### The Hellenic Eatery



The Hellenic Eatery is a family-run Greek restaurant serving authentic Greek food, as all the ingredients are imported from Greece and dishes are prepared the Greek way. Try their Greek classics such as mousaka, souvlaki and gyros, as well as Greek wine and coffee.

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Address: 100 Crwys Road, Cardiff  
Phone: +44 29 2132 1600  
Internet: [www.thehelleniceatery.co.uk](http://www.thehelleniceatery.co.uk)

Email: [info@thehelleniceatery.co.uk](mailto:info@thehelleniceatery.co.uk)

## Le Monde



At Le Monde you are offered a good choice of fresh fish, meat and salads. The atmosphere is friendly with a banquet style decor and an open

kitchen. It is renowned in Cardiff as one of the best seafood restaurants.

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Address: 60-62 St Mary Street, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2038 7376

Internet: [www.le-monde-restaurant.co.uk](http://www.le-monde-restaurant.co.uk)

Email: [bookings@le-monde-restaurant.co.uk](mailto:bookings@le-monde-restaurant.co.uk)

## CAFES



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Cardiff boasts a variety of cafes, tea rooms and eateries that will satisfy the needs of even the pickiest of guests with excellent coffee, delicious food and the typical Welsh hospitality. Cardiff has it all, from small, unpretentious eateries to elegant cafes and classy British tea houses.

## Hayes Island Snack Bar



It looks like the mobile cafés you see at funfairs, but it is in fact a 100-year-old listed building that serves tasty hot and cold drinks, sandwiches and hot rolls. It is a Cardiff institution.

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Address: The Hayes, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2039 4858

## The Plan Cafe Cardiff



The Plan is a gourmet cafe which prides itself on its artisan coffee and tasty foods prepared with fresh local ingredients.

Listed on the menu are many specialities like Welsh cider, loose leaf tea, an extensive range of beer and wine as well as vegan and gluten free options for those with special dietary needs.

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Address: 28-29 Morgan Arcade, Cardiff

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 08.45-17.00. Sun 09.45-16.00

Phone: +44 29 2039 8764

Internet: [www.theplancafecardiff.co.uk](http://www.theplancafecardiff.co.uk)

Email: [hello@theplancafecardiff.co.uk](mailto:hello@theplancafecardiff.co.uk)

## Honeybee House Tearooms



Located in the village of Llanishen, just outside Cardiff, Honeybee House Tearooms is famous for its welcoming atmosphere and home

baked cakes. They also host afternoon teas and special events.



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Address: 38 Station Road, Cardiff  
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 09.15-17.00  
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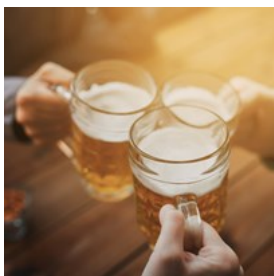
## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Cardiff has over 350 pubs and bars and many of them are owned by the local brewery Brains Beer ([www.sabrain.com](http://www.sabrain.com)). Wales has an impressive list of famous singers and bands such as Tom Jones, Shirley Bassey, Stereophonics, Manic Street Preachers, Catatonia and Feeder. There are numerous clubs and venues where you can go and listen to live music.

### Yard Bar & Kitchen



This pub, owned by local Brains Brewery, is one of the largest in Cardiff with a capacity of more than 800 and is built on the site of the original

brewery. It features live matches on the screens and live events with local bands playing various kinds of music.

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Address: 42-43 St Mary Street, Cardiff  
Opening hours: Sun-Thu 10.00-23.00. Fri-Sat 10.00-02.00  
Phone: +44 29 2022 7577  
Internet: [www.yardbarkitchen.co.uk](http://www.yardbarkitchen.co.uk)

Email: [yard@sabrain.com](mailto:yard@sabrain.com)

### The Dead Canary



Hidden in a backstreet in Central Cardiff, The Dead Canary welcomes its guests with a quiet atmosphere and amazing cocktails. The drinks are named after characters from the medieval Welsh tale collection Mabinogion, which adds a nice touch of Welsh folklore to the soft and cosy ambience of this bar.

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Address: Barrack Lane, Cardiff  
Phone: +44 29 2023 1263  
Internet: [www.thedeadcanary.co.uk](http://www.thedeadcanary.co.uk)  
Email: [reservations@thedeadcanary.co.uk](mailto:reservations@thedeadcanary.co.uk)

### Porter's



Porter's looks like a classic pub but it's much more. With good beers, wines and teas, coupled with a lively atmosphere and good music, the pub

is a favourite spot among locals. It even has a small theatre which hosts live performances and shows.

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Address: Harlech Court, Bute Terrace, Cardiff  
Phone: +44 29 2125 0666  
Internet: [www.porterscardiff.com](http://www.porterscardiff.com)  
Email: [info@porterscardiff.com](mailto:info@porterscardiff.com)

### Clwb Ifor Bach



Often referred to as "the Welsh Club", it has three floors and caters to a wide range of musical tastes. Often, each floor offers a different scene and it's one of the very few places in Cardiff that still runs a rock night.

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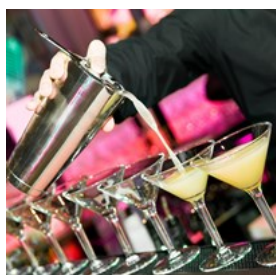
Address: 11 Womanby Street, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2023 2199

Internet: [www.clwb.net](http://www.clwb.net)

Email: [post@clwb.net](mailto:post@clwb.net)

### Lab 22



Lab 22 is a sophisticated cocktail bar with a refined interior, good vibe and a huge selection of cocktails and spirits that you can learn to prepare at one of their cocktail masterclasses.

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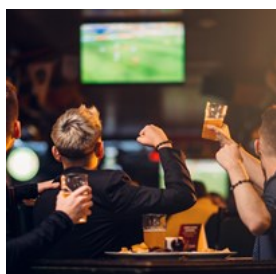
Address: 22 Caroline Street, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2039 9997

Internet: [www.lab22cardiff.com](http://www.lab22cardiff.com)

Email: [info@lab22cardiff.com](mailto:info@lab22cardiff.com)

### Old Arcade



This is a typical Welsh pub with good local ales, pub food and rugby. The pub is owned by Brains Brewery, so the beer selection is great and the interior is nicely decorated with rugby memorabilia.

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Address: 14 Church Street, Cardiff

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 11.00-23.00. Fri-Sat 11.00-24.00.

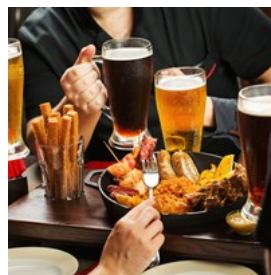
Sun 12.00-22.00

Phone: +44 29 2021 7999

Internet: [www.sabrain.com/oldarcade](http://www.sabrain.com/oldarcade)

Email: [oldarcade@sabrain.com](mailto:oldarcade@sabrain.com)

### The Dock Bar & Kitchen



The Dock sits right on the water's edge at Mermaid Quay and covers two large floors with a restaurant upstairs, a smaller crow's nest floor above the first floor and two external balconies.

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Address: Mermaid Quay, Cardiff Bay

Phone: +44 29 2045 0947

Internet: [www.thedockcardiff.co.uk](http://www.thedockcardiff.co.uk)

Email: [thedock@sabrain.com](mailto:thedock@sabrain.com)

### NosDa Hostel & Bar



Tafarn is a Welsh Cantina and Bar located in the NosDa hostel that serves fresh local food, beers and spirits and is popular with locals. Tafarn also hosts an art collection every 2 months showcasing pieces by local artists.

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Address: 53-59 Despenser Street, Cardiff

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11.00-23.30. Fri-Sat 11.00-24.30

Phone: +44 29 2037 8866

Internet: [www.nosda.co.uk/bar.aspx](http://www.nosda.co.uk/bar.aspx)

Email: [info@nosda.co.uk](mailto:info@nosda.co.uk)

## SHOPPING



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The majority of high street stores are located along pedestrianised Queen Street. The city also has two main shopping centres located off Queen Street - The St David's Centre and the Capitol Shopping Centre. The city has several arcades, but the ones worth visiting are Morgan, Castle, High Street, Royal and Wyndham, they are all located along St Mary Street and High Street. Most are two storeys high and look like perfectly preserved Victorian streets filled with coffee shops, boutiques and jewellery shops. Cardiff Central Market is located between St Mary Street and The Hayes. Take a walk round the upper balcony and look down upon the hustle and bustle of the market and admire its central clock tower. If you are more of a department store type, then Howells Department Store, a member of the House of Fraser chain of stores, can be found on St Mary Street.

### Cardiff Central Market



Cardiff's biggest and oldest indoor market. It's housed within a Victorian structure built in 1891, even though the market itself is much older, probably dating back to the 18th century. The market sells everything from fresh local produce to all sorts of objects and utensils.

Photo: Jon Candy/Flickr(image cropped)

Address: St Mary Street, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2087 1214

Internet: [www.cardiffcouncilproperty.com/cardiff-market](http://www.cardiffcouncilproperty.com/cardiff-market)

Email: [enquiries@cardiff-market.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@cardiff-market.co.uk)

### St David's Dewi Sant



A big shopping centre in The Hayes in Central Cardiff, St David's contains several stores, both big chains and small shops, as well as cafes and restaurants and is one of the city's major shopping destinations.

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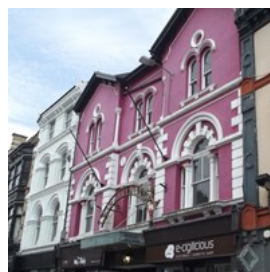
Address: St Davids Way, Cardiff

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 09.30-20.00. Sat 09.30-19.00. Sun 11.00-17.00

Phone: +44 29 2036 7600

Internet: [www.stdavidscardiff.com](http://www.stdavidscardiff.com)

### Royal Arcade



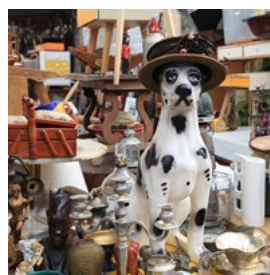
There are many shopping arcades in Cardiff, but the Royal Arcade is the oldest. Inside you will find several stores and independent shops selling all kinds of items, ranging from gifts and souvenirs to homeware and jewellery.

Photo: Elliott Brown/Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Royal Arcade, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2087 3573

### The Pumping Station



The Pumping Station is a three-storey antique market located in an old Victorian pumping house. It houses a plethora of antique traders that sell a

host of different objects and artefacts from the Victorian era to the present, including furniture, clothes, jewellery, silverware and anything you can imagine. It also has a cafe so that you can have a drink and rest your tired legs.

Photo: InnaFelker/Shutterstock.com

Address: Penarth Road, Cardiff

Opening hours: Daily 09.30-17.30

Phone: +44 29 2022 1085

Internet: [www.thepumpingstation-cardiff.co.uk](http://www.thepumpingstation-cardiff.co.uk)

Email: [info@thepumpingstation-cardiff.co.uk](mailto:info@thepumpingstation-cardiff.co.uk)

### Capitol Shopping Centre



Another big shopping mall in the city centre, it offers customers a modern shopping experience with a lot of different stores and leisure activities, such as gyms, cafes, restaurants and a cinema.

Photo: SVP\_Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: Queen Street, Cardiff

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 08.00-20.00. Sun 10.00-17.00

Phone: +44 29 2034 5428

Internet: [www.capitolshopping.co.uk](http://www.capitolshopping.co.uk)

Email: [info@capitolshopping.co.uk](mailto:info@capitolshopping.co.uk)

### Castle Welsh Crafts



This little gift shop sells souvenirs like toys, clothes and the beautifully carved Welsh lovespoons, with the possibility of having your name (or your loved one's) engraved on top. The perfect gift to bring home from Cardiff.

Photo: guruXOX/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1-3 Castle Street, Cardiff

Phone: +44 29 2034 3038

Internet: [www.castlewelshcrafts.co.uk](http://www.castlewelshcrafts.co.uk)

Email: [info@cardiffwelshcraft.co.uk](mailto:info@cardiffwelshcraft.co.uk)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Passport / Visa



Citizens of the European Union member-states, Norway, Liechtenstein, Iceland, Switzerland, and Overseas Countries and Territories (OCT) only

require a valid passport to enter the UK. Residents of a further 10 countries do not require entry visas for stays under 6 months: the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, South Africa, Hong Kong, and Malaysia. Nationals of some further countries do not require a visa, but need to hold an entry certificate. Use the UK Government website to check for specific requirements: [www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa](http://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa).

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### Best Time to Visit



The climate in Cardiff is mild and the city hardly ever experiences extreme temperatures, but as elsewhere in the UK, the weather can be quite unpredictable. For this reason, visitors are recommended to bring waterproof coats and shoes.

The best period to enjoy the city is from April to September, when the weather allows for a pleasant visit with warm temperatures and moderate precipitation. The major events and fairs take place during the summer, such as the Cardiff International Food & Drink Festival, and visitor numbers are expected to be at their highest at least until mid-September. Autumn is generally rainy with occasional snowfall in November and December, while winter can be cold and chilly, making this season the slowest in terms of visitors.

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### Airport



Cardiff is served by its own international airport with regular direct flights from the UK and Europe. The Cardiff Airport Express Bus Service (T9)

to Cardiff City Centre runs every 20 minutes from 04.50 - 24.10. Trains run every hour from Monday to Saturday and every two hours on Sundays from Cardiff International to Cardiff Central Station. Taxis accept various payment methods, such as credit cards and Euros cash. Fares are subject to change.

Note: Bristol International airport is only 1 hour away, with Continental Airlines flying directly from the States as well as EasyJet low-cost airline providing flights from Europe, including Germany, and within the UK. Birmingham, Manchester and London airports (Heathrow, Gatwick, Stansted and Luton) are also all easily accessible by high-speed InterCity train or coach.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Cardiff Airport, Vale of Glamorgan

Phone: +44 14 4671 1111

Internet: [www.cardiff-airport.com](http://www.cardiff-airport.com)

Email: [info@cwl.aero](mailto:info@cwl.aero)

### Public Transport



Public transport in Cardiff is run by Cardiff Bus (Bws Caerdydd), which covers the urban area. There are 2 fare zones, Cardiff (adult

£1.90, child £1.30) and Barry (adult £1.80 child £1.20). Tickets can be bought through the mobile app or directly on the bus with cash or contactless. Day tickets are also available.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Address: Cardiff, Wales

Phone: +44 29 2066 6444

Tickets: Fares are subject to change.

Internet: [www.cardiffbus.com](http://www.cardiffbus.com)

Email: [talktous@cardiffbus.com](mailto:talktous@cardiffbus.com)

### Taxi



London-style Hackney cabs are available in Cardiff and can be hailed from the roadside. Private hire taxis are also available but cannot be

hailed from the roadside and must be pre-booked

instead.

Dragon Taxis Cardiff:  
[dragontaxis.com/cardiff](http://dragontaxis.com/cardiff)

Premier Taxis:  
[www.premiertaxis.net](http://www.premiertaxis.net)

Capital Cabs:  
[www.capitalcabs.co.uk](http://www.capitalcabs.co.uk)

Photo: ArrivalGuides

## Pharmacy



If you are in need of medication, there are many local pharmacies in Cardiff as well as big chains like Boots. Crwys Pharmacy:

Photo: Gemma Garner  
Address: 128 Crwys Road, Cardiff  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 08.45-18.15. Sat 09.00-17.15. Closed on Sunday  
Phone: +44 29 2037 3631  
Internet: [www.crwyspharmacy.co.uk](http://www.crwyspharmacy.co.uk)

## Post



You can find several post offices spread throughout the city, the main branch being located inside Queens Arcade.

Photo: Andy Fuchs  
Address: 45 Queens Arcade, Cardiff  
Opening hours: Daily 09.00-17.30. Closed on Sunday  
Internet: [www.postoffice.co.uk](http://www.postoffice.co.uk)

## Telephone

Country code: 44 Area code: 029



Photo: Jardson Almeida

## Electricity

240 volts AC, 50Hz; square three-pin plugs are standard.



Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Population

362,400 Cardiffian (2021 census)

## Currency

British Pound Sterling £1 = 100 pence

## Opening hours

Most shops are open from 9.00 to 17.00 with late night shopping on Thursdays. Sunday opening from 10.00 to 16.00.

## Internet

[www.visitcardiff.com](http://www.visitcardiff.com)

## Newspapers

South Wales Echo & The Western Mail — [www.walesonline.co.uk](http://www.walesonline.co.uk)

## Emergency numbers

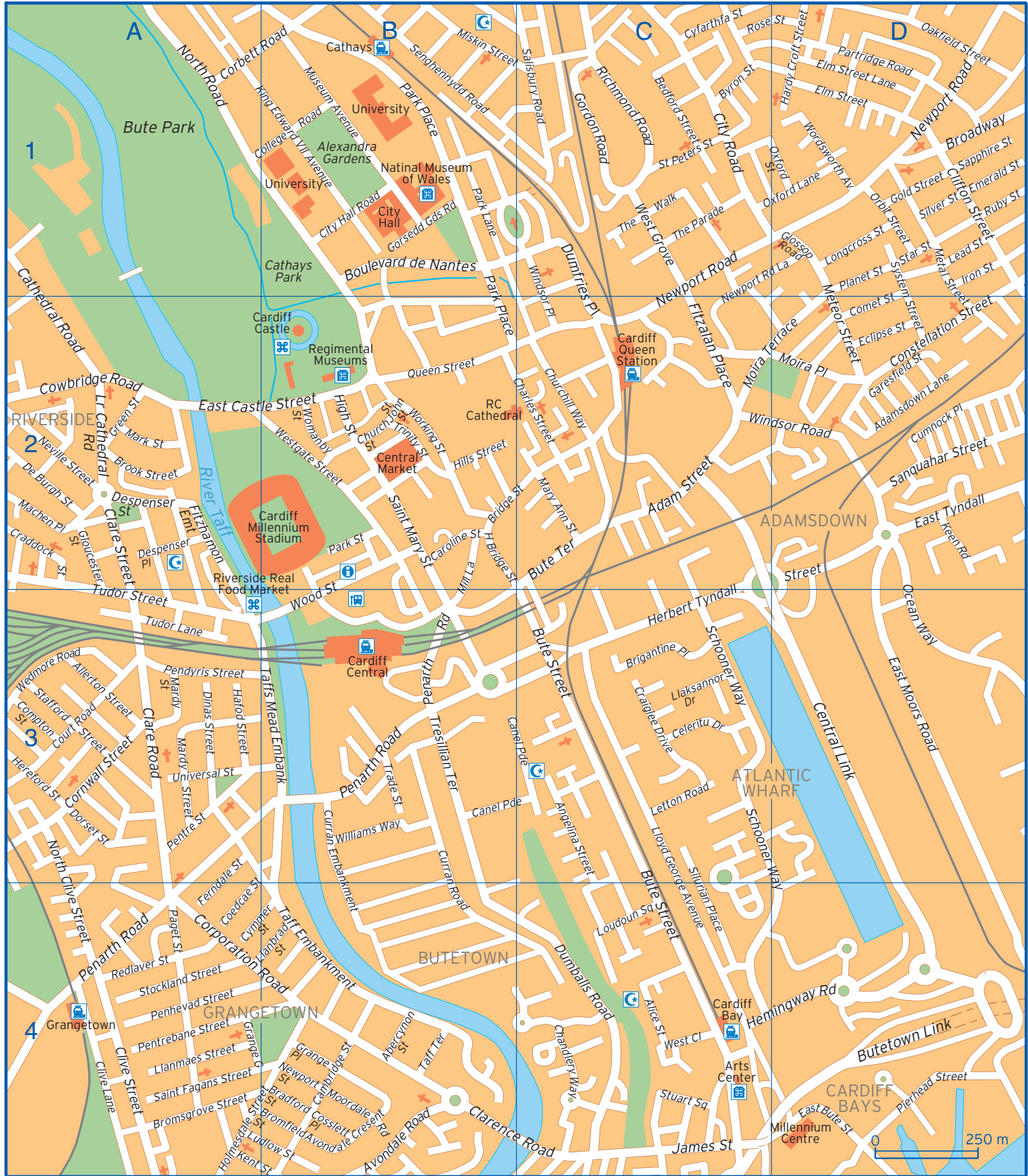
Police, Ambulance, Fire Brigade: 999

## Tourist information

Visit Cardiff Visitor Information Point  
Cardiff Castle on Castle Street  
(inside the main gate and to the right-hand side)

March to October: open Mon–Fri 10:00–17:00, Sat & Sun 9:00–17:00  
November to February: open Mon–Fri 10:00–16:00, Sat & Sun 9:00–16:00





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Bute Park

National Museum of Wales

City Hall

Boulevard de Nantes

Cardiff Castle

Regimental Museums

East Castle Street

Westgate Street

Cardiff Millennium Stadium

Riverside Real Food Market

Wood St

Cardiff Central

Tafel Mead Embankment

Penarth Road

Curran Embankment

Williams Way

Curran Road

Taff Embankment

Corporation Road

Grange Road

Grange Moor Road

Avondale Road

Clarence Road

Miskin Street

Senghennydd Road

Park Place

City Hall Road

Gorsedd Gds Rd

Park Lane

Dumfries Pl

Queen Street

High St

Church Trinity St

Central Market

Saint Mary St

Caroline St

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Abercynon Street	B4	Cowbridge Road	A2	Lead Street	D1
Adam Street	C2	Craddock Street	A2	Letton Road	C3
Adamsdown Lane	D2	Craiglee Drive	C3	Llaksannor Drive	C3
Alice Street	C4	Cumnock Place	D2	Llanbrad Street	A4 B4
Allerton Street	A3	Curran Embankment	B3 B4	Llanmaes Street	A4
Angelina Street	C3	Curran Road	B3 B4	Lloyd George Avenue	C3 C4
Avondale Crescent	B4	Cyfarthfa Street	C1	Longcross Street	D1
Avondale Road	B4	Cymmer Street	A4 B4	Loudoun Square	C4
Bedford Street	C1	De Burgh Street	A2	Lower Cathedral Road	A2
Boulevard de Nantes	B1	Despenser Place	A2	Ludlow Street	A4 B4
Bradford Street	B4	Despenser Street	A2	Machen Place	A2
Bridge Street	B2 C2	Dinas Street	A3	Mardy Street	A3
Brigantine Place	C3	Dorset Street	A3	Mark Street	A2
Broadway	D1	Dumballs Road	C4	Mary Ann Street	C2
Bromfield Street	A4 B4	Dumfries Place	C1 C2	Metal Street	D1 D2
Bromsgrove Street	A4	East Bute Street	D4	Meteor Street	D1 D2
Brook Street	A2	East Castle Street	A2 B2	Mill Lane	B2 B3
Bute Street	C3 C4	East Moors Road	D3	Miskin Street	B1
Bute Terrace	C2	East Tyndall	D2	Moirra Place	D2
Butetown Link	D4	Eclipse Street	D2	Moirra Terrace	C2 D2
Byron Street	C1	Elm Street	D1	Moordale Road	B4
Cambridge Street	B4	Elm Street Lane	D1	Museum Avenue	B1
Canel Pde	B3 C3	Emerald Street	D1	Neville Street	A2
Caroline Street	B2	Ferndale Street	A3 A4	Newport Road	C1 C2 D1
Cathedral Road	A1 A2	Fitzalan Place	C2	Newport Road Lane	C2 D1
Celeritu Drive	C3	Fitzhamon Embankment	A2	Newport Street	B4
Central Link	D3	Garesfield Street	D2	North Clive Street	A3 A4
Chandlery Way	C4	Glossop Road	D1	North Road	A1
Charles Street	B2 C2	Gloucester Street	A2	Oakfield Street	D1
Church Street	B2	Gold Street	D1	Ocean Way	D2 D3
Churchill Way	C2	Gordon Road	C1	Orbit Street	D1
City Hall Road	B1	Gorsedd Gardens Road	B1	Oxford Lane	C1 D1
City Road	C1	Grange Gardens	A4	Oxford Street	C1 D1
Clare Road	A3	Grange Place	B4	Paget Street	A4
Clare Street	A2	Green Street	A2	Park Lane	B1
Clarence Road	B4 C4	Hafod Street	A3	Park Place	B1 B2
Clifton Street	D1	Hardy Croft Street	D1	Park Street	B2
Clive Lane	A4	Hayes Bridge Street	B2	Partridge Road	D1
Clive Street	A4	Hemingway Road	C4 D4	Penarth Road	A4 B3
Coedcae Street	A4 B3	Herbert Tyndall Street	C3 D2	Pendyris Street	A3
College Road	A1 B1	Hereford Street	A3	Penhevad Street	A4
Comet Street	D2	High Street	B2	Pentre Street	A3
Compton Street	A3	Hills Street	B2	Pentrebane Street	A4
Constellation Street	D2	Holmesdale Street	A4 B4	Pierhead Street	D4
Corbett Road	A1 B1	Iron Street	D1	Planet Street	D1
Cornwall Street	A3	James Street	C4	Queen Street	B2
Corporation Road	A4 B4	Keen Road	D2	Redlaver Street	A4
Cosslett Place	B4	Kent Street	A4 B4	Richmond Road	C1

Rose Street	C1 D1	Star Street	D1	Tudor Street	A3
Ruby Street	D1	Stockland Street	A4	Universal Street	A3
Saint Fagans Street	A4	Stuart Square	C4	Wedmore Road	A3
Saint John Street	B2	System Street	D1 D2	West Close	C4
Saint Mary Street	B2	Taff Embankment	B4	West Grove	C1
Saint Peters Street	C1	Taff Terrace	B4	Westgate Street	B2
Salisbury Road	C1	Taffs Mead Embankment	A3 B3	Williams Way	B3
Sanquahar Street	D2	The Parade	C1	Windsor Place	C1 C2
Sapphire Street	D1	The Walk	C1	Windsor Road	C2 D2
Schooner Way	C3 D4	Trade Street	B3	Womanby Street	B2
Senghennydd Road	B1	Tresillian Terrace	B3	Wood Street	B3
Silurian Place	C3 C4	Trinity Street	B2	Wordsworth Avenue	D1
Silver Street	D1	Tudor Lane	A3	Working Street	B2
Stafford Road	A3				