

RAIL OPERATORS IN THE BRITISH ISLES

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This section includes British National Rail operators and their Irish counterparts, plus the Metro/Light Rail systems of the British Isles. Note that some detail of printed timetables is added, but it is not the intention to provide full details of publicity as for the bus sections.

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GREAT BRITAIN

NATIONAL RAIL

Rail Enquiries tel: 0345 7484950
www.nationalrail.co.uk

The web site has links to all operators
Some specific links are added below

NATIONAL RAIL TIMETABLE

www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/timetabling/electronic-national-rail-timetable

Online version:
16 May – 11 December 2021

Scotbus is printing the May NRT, adding many bus & ferry links, plus copious ticketing information. It will be available in July in two versions: a 4-volume set, £180; and 2-volume abridged set, £90 (post-free). Users of this site may have a 10% discount. See the Links section for details.

NETWORK RAIL WORKING TIMETABLES

www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/timetabling/working-timetable

SEE ALSO 'National Rail Working Timetables' under 'Useful Rail Links', below, for four independent sites showing full working times for any journey. Also see entries under 'Other British Rail Operators' for more Working Timetables.

GREAT BRITAIN RAIL TIMETABLE

Fabrik Communications (www.fabdigital.uk/showcase) has produced a Great Britain Rail Timetable (GBRT). Currently a trial version based on Network Rail's mid-May data, the aim is to launch a 'live' version for December - or earlier, subject to feedback. It uses a new table structure more suited to the current network (though still working anticlockwise round London). By having more day-sets and also by using colour for dated trains, it totally lacks wavy lines. Fabrik will welcome feedback from all users at feedback@fabcomms.co.uk. The timetable itself is at www.fabdigital.uk/gbrtv1. Users can download the entire GBRT (a single zipped file containing separate tables) or just read and/or download individual files.

NATIONAL RAIL OPERATORS – note these are NOT currently being printed and it might be December 2021 before they are restored

All National Rail operators publish timetables matching the dates of the National Rail Timetable, above. These are usually booklets for various parts of their network and some only show the services of that operator. They can be downloaded from the respective operators' web sites, the addresses of which may be found at www.nationalrail.co.uk (see the foot of their Home Page). Two inter-city operators each has everything in one book: Avanti West Coast (www.avantiwestcoast.co.uk) and LNER (www.lner.co.uk) albeit largely showing only their own services. In the London & SE area two operators have a single book each: Chiltern Railways (www.chilternrailways.co.uk); and c2c (www.c2c-online.co.uk).

West Midlands Railway (www.westmidlandsrailway.co.uk) has three books, one of which is for its long-distance services trading as London Northwestern Railway (www.londonnorthwesternrailway.co.uk). These show all operators in the areas covered and all are available from the stations that each serves.

Just one major operator publishes a single comprehensive book covering its whole network and all train services within it regardless of operator: Great Western Railway (www.GWR.com). It is £8 and available from Bath Spa, Bristol Parkway, Bristol TM, Cheltenham Spa, Chippenham, Didcot Parkway, Exeter St Davids,

Gloucester, London Paddington, Newbury, Newton Abbot, Oxford, Penzance, Plymouth, Reading, Slough, Swindon, Taunton, Truro and Westbury. It can also be purchased online from www.gwrsouvenirs.co.uk.

NATIONAL RAIL PASSENGER OPERATORS' MAP

Great Britain National Rail Passenger Operators' map – my own map, updated as necessary to reflect changes

Forty-ninth Edition (May 2021) published 12/05/21 – showing Metro & Tram links where detail permits
www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap49.pdf

Earlier editions are available:

First Edition: February 2005: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap1.pdf

Second Edition: June 2005: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap2.pdf

Third Edition: December 2005: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap3.pdf

Fourth Edition: April 2006: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap4.pdf

Fifth Edition: June 2006: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap5.pdf

Sixth Edition: February 2007: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap6.pdf

Seventh Edition: November 2007: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap7.pdf

Eighth Edition: December 2007: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap8.pdf

Ninth Edition: January 2008: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap9.pdf

Tenth Edition: June 2008: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap10.pdf

Eleventh Edition: December 2008: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap11.pdf

Twelfth Edition: March 2009: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap12.pdf

Thirteenth Edition: June 2009: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap13.pdf

Fourteenth Edition: December 2009: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap14.pdf

Fifteenth Edition: May 2010: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap15.pdf

Sixteenth Edition: July 2010: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap16.pdf

Seventeenth Edition: December 2010: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap17.pdf

Eighteenth Edition: February 2011: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap18.pdf

Nineteenth Edition: May 2011: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap19.pdf

Twentieth Edition: June 2011: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap20.pdf

Twenty-first Edition: September 2011: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap21.pdf

Twenty-second Edition: February 2012: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap22.pdf

Twenty-third Edition: September 2012: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap23.pdf

Twenty-fourth Edition: December 2012: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap24.pdf

Twenty-fifth Edition: October 2013: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap25.pdf

Twenty-sixth Edition: December 2013: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap26.pdf

Twenty-seventh Edition: March 2014: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap27.pdf

Twenty-eighth Edition: July 2014: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap28.pdf

Twenty-ninth Edition: September 2014: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap29.pdf

Thirtieth Edition: March/April 2015: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap30.pdf

Thirty-first Edition: June/October 2015: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap31.pdf

Thirty-second Edition: October 2015: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap32.pdf

Thirty-third Edition: December 2015: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap33.pdf

Thirty-fourth Edition: April 2016: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap34.pdf

Thirty-fifth Edition: September 2016: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap35.pdf

Thirty-sixth Edition: February 2017: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap36.pdf

Thirty-seventh Edition: April 2017: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap37.pdf

Thirty-eighth Edition: August 2017: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap38.pdf

Thirty-ninth Edition: December 2017: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap39.pdf

Fortieth Edition: May 2018: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap40.pdf

Forty-first Edition: June 2018: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap41.pdf

Forty-second Edition: October 2018: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap42.pdf

Forty-third Edition: May 2019: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap43.pdf

Forty-fourth Edition: August 2019: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap44.pdf

Forty-fifth Edition: December 2019: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap45.pdf

Forty-sixth Edition: March 2020: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap46.pdf

Forty-seventh Edition: July 2020: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap47.pdf

Forty-eighth Edition: March 2021: www.barrydoe.co.uk/railmap48.pdf

These maps only exist as acrobat files, which users may download and/or print. If a larger professionally-produced printed version is required the following can supply any size required: Bespoke Mapping Department, Map Marketing Ltd. Email: bespokes@mapmarketing.com.

USEFUL LINKS FOR TRAIN TIMES, FARES and JOURNEY PLANNERS

Avantix Traveller - see 'Rail Fares: official Rail Delivery Group data download site' below

Bishop Auckland Railway Station Travel Centre (Bishop Trains) – private travel agent site
www.ba-rail.co.uk

Deutsche Bahn rail planner (works for internal UK rail journeys)

<http://reiseauskunft.bahn.de/bin/query.exe/e>

Deutsche Bahn UK Booking Centre

Email: sales@bahn.co.uk

www.bahn.co.uk

FastJP – an independent journey planner for the British network and the fastest available

www.fastjp.com

GB Rail Rover Guide – a privately-produced definitive guide to rail rovers and rangers

Email: kev@britishrailways.net

www.railrover.org

Gensheet – an independent site showing engineering notices as well as trains using rare routes

www.gensheet.co.uk

Live Underground Map – an independent site showing the position of all trains

www.traintimes.org.uk/map/tube

London & South East National Rail map – published by the RDG and covering out to Bristol, Gloucester, Birmingham, Sheringham and Great Yarmouth

www.nationalrail.co.uk/London_South_East_Network_Railcard_map_Jan2021.pdf

London's Rail & Tube map – published by the RDG and the only map showing National Rail, Tube, TfL Rail and trams

www.nationalrail.co.uk/static/documents/content/routemaps/London_Rail_Tube_Map.pdf

'(The) **Man in Seat Sixty-One**' - independent site for planning UK and overseas rail travel

Email: traininfo@seat61.com

www.seat61.com

Nationalrail.com – an independent booking agent based at Bishop Auckland station which can handle ticket orders between any British stations. They also produce a poster map showing all 2563 stations in the country, each with its 3-letter code, full details being at www.railmap.org.uk.

www.nationalrail.com

National Rail Advance Ticket Booking Horizons

www.nationalrail.co.uk/times_fares/ticket_types/44703.aspx

National Rail Conditions of Travel

www.nationalrail.co.uk/times_fares/46427.aspx

National Rail Real Time Information

www.nationalrail.co.uk/times_fares/ldb.aspx

National Rail Routeing Guide - shows permitted routes for rail tickets

<http://data.atoc.org/routeing-guide>

http://data.atoc.org/rp_calc - allows users to find appropriate routeing points. Applies only to Anytime (day or month) and OP (day or month) fares – ie SDS/SDR, SOS/SOR, SVS/SVR and CDS/CDR

National Rail Working Timetable train times - four independent sites showing full working times for any journey

www.brtimes.com

www.opentraintimes.com

www.realtimetrains.co.uk

<http://trains.im>

Oyster Fares Central - an independent site explaining the Oyster system and offering details like 'Out of Station Interchange' (OSI) times that Transport for London refuses to advertise

www.oysterfares.com

www.oysterfares.com/daily-caps-and-travelcards-2021 (for daily caps)

www.oysterfares.com/maximum-journey-times (for maximum journey-times)

www.oysterfares.com/osi-list (for OSI times)

www.oysterfares.com/fare-finder (single fares finder)

Oyster Single Fares Finder - official TfL site

www.tfl.gov.uk/fares-and-payments/fares/single-fare-finder

Passenger Train Services over Unusual Lines

Email: webmaster@psul4all.free-online.co.uk

www.branchline.uk/PSULintro.php

www.psul4all.free-online.co.uk/2021.html

PlusBus – unlimited travel at either end of a train journey

www.plusbus.info

Rail Fares for any journey in Britain - an independent site allowing fares to be seen without having to specify trains

www.brfares.com

Rail Fares: official Rail Delivery Group data download site – Avantix Traveller (you create your own account to log in)

<http://data.atoc.org>

Recent Train Times - an independent site showing the actual punctuality of all passenger trains that have run in Britain over the past three months

www.recenttraintimes.co.uk

Split Ticketing site – an independent site that works for walk-on fares and advance fares

www.traintickets.com

Toilets at Tube Stations - an official map showing (lack of!) provision

<http://content.tfl.gov.uk/toilets-map.pdf>

USER GROUPS, RAIL GROUPS and MISCELLANEOUS SITES

(The) **Friends of the Far North Line**

www.fofnl.org.uk

Friends of the Settle-Carlisle Line

www.foscl.org.uk

Halifax & District Rail Action Group (HADRAG)

www.facebook.com/HADRAG

Irish Railway Record Society – covers the Republic of Ireland and the site includes details of membership

www.irishrailarchives.ie

Mid-Cheshire Rail Users' Association

www.mcrua.org.uk

(The) **Rail Chronology Web Site** - a listing of British publications which are essentially railway chronologies rather than histories

Email: editor@RailChronology.free-online.co.uk

www.railchronology.free-online.co.uk

Visit By Train - a comprehensive guide to visiting tourist attractions from stations in SE England, Devon, Norfolk and Suffolk, with maps

www.visitbytrain.info

OFFICIAL CONSUMER BODIES

London TravelWatch

Email: enquiries@londontravelwatch.org.uk

www.londontravelwatch.org.uk

Transport Focus

Email: info@transportfocus.org.uk

www.transportfocus.org.uk

TAXIS

A useful complement at times, not least from railway stations

Cab Numbers – finds a cab firm anywhere in the UK by inserting a postcode

<https://taxi.uk.cabnumbers.com>

CabGuideUK – finds a cab firm at any rail station, bus station, ferry port or airport

This is an app downloadable from Android and Apple devices; details from

<https://cabguideuk.info>

Email: cabguideuk@traintaxi.co.uk



OTHER BRITISH RAIL OPERATORS:

BLACKPOOL TRAMWAY

Enquiries tel: 01253 473000

Email: enquiries@blackpooltransport.com

www.blackpooltransport.com

See Blackpool Transport

(Bus Operators' section)

DOCKLANDS LIGHT RAILWAY

Enquiries tel: 0343 2221234

www.tfl.gov.uk/dlr

No printed timetables

EDINBURGH TRAMS

Single folder (Feb 19)

Enquiries tel: 0131 555 6363
Email: customer@edinburghtrams.com
www.edinburghtrams.com

For map see Lothian Buses
(Bus Operators' section)

GLASGOW SUBWAY

Enquiries tel: 0141 332 6811
www.spt.co.uk/subway

General Guide available (2017 but undated)
(Map & frequency guide only)
For timetables see
www.travelinescotland.com/lts/#/timetables
and insert 'SPT Subway' in the search box

LONDON TRAMS

Enquiries tel: 0343 2221234
Email: tramlink@tfl.gov.uk
www.tfl.gov.uk/trams

General Guide available but
timetables are available at
www.londonbusroutes.net/routes.htm#tram
(an independently-maintained site)

LONDON UNDERGROUND

Enquiries tel: 0343 2221234
Email: travinfo@tfl.gov.uk
www.tfl.gov.uk/tube
Working Timetables available at:
www.tfl.gov.uk/corporate/publications-and-reports/working-timetables

No printed timetables

MANCHESTER METROLINK

Enquiries tel: 0161 205 2000
or 0161 228 7811 (GM PTE)
www.metrolink.co.uk

System Map (Jan 19)

NOTTINGHAM EXPRESS TRANSIT

Enquiries tel: 0115 942 7777
Email: info@thetram.net
www.thetram.net

Timetable folder (Jan 20)
(summary only)

STAGECOACH (SHEFFIELD) SUPERTRAM

Enquiries tel: 0114 272 8282
Email: supertram.enquiries@supertram.com
www.supertram.com/journeyplanner.html

Tram-Train: leaflet (May 21);
Trams: no printed timetables

TYNE & WEAR METRO

Enquiries tel: 0191 203 3333
www.tyneandwearmetro.co.uk

Stop-specific timetables for
18 major stops (all Feb 17)

WEST MIDLANDS METRO

Enquiries tel: 0345 835 8181
Email: customerservices@westmidlandsmetro.com
www.westmidlandsmetro.com

Timetable & Fares Guide (Jan 20)

NORTHERN IRELAND

NORTHERN IRELAND RAILWAYS

(Translink NI Railways)
Enquiries tel: 028 9066 6630
Email: feedback@translink.co.uk
www.translink.co.uk/timetables

Leaflets/booklets

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

IARNRÓD ÉIREANN (IRISH RAIL)

Enquiries tel: 00 353 1 836 6222
www.irishrail.ie/train-timetables

Occasional leaflets published
when services change

LUAS (Transdev Ireland)

www.luas.ie

(Dublin tram – 'Luas' is Irish for 'speed')
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