Private Tours

A guided tour of HMS Belfast will bring the ship to life with stories of heroism and humour, as you learn what it was like to serve onboard. The historic warship served in the freezing waters of the Arctic Convoys, was one of the first ships to fire her guns on D-Day and had an important role as part of the United Nations forces in Korea in the early 1950s. You will learn about all this and more as you climb her nine decks, from the bottom boiler deck plates to the gun direction platform on the superstructure.

A private tour of of HMS Belfast offers a unique experience to tour the ship with one of our Yeoman Expert Guides. The tour follows the route from the stern forwards, starting with an introduction on the Quarterdeck. You will visit the boiler and engine rooms, sick bay, provision issue rooms, shell rooms, the mess, the big guns and finally the bridge.

Tours can be tailored if you have questions regarding the trades of your relatives who served in the periods discussed. Please forward any questions of this nature in advance.

Visitors may wish to visit Tom’s Kitchen, our quayside deli, or Tom’s Bar which has amazing views of Tower Bridge and the Thames for a refreshment break, before or after the tour.
Tour Prices

Tours last approximately one hour

Before Hours
(08.00 - 10.00) £400
During Hours £300
(Summer 10.00 - 16.45
Winter 10.00 - 15.45)
After Hours £400
(Summer from 18.30
Winter from 17.30)
Weekend and Bank Holiday £400

Capacity
Maximum of 12 people per each tour group

To make a booking, please advise
- The tour guide level you would be interested in.
- Dates you would be interested in booking.
- The number of people.
- The billing address.
- Contact number.
Tour terms and conditions

General
- A maximum of twelve people to any tour.
- Concurrent tours can be arranged as required.
- Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Tours not recommended for children under the age of 7.
- Private Tours last approximately one and a half hours.
- For tours taken before or during opening hours, guests can explore HMS Belfast further at their leisure until the ship closes.
- Summer tours during opening hours between March and October run between 10.00 - 16.45, and Winter tours during opening hours between November to February run between 10.00 - 15.45.
- Out of hours tours do not guarantee exclusive access to the site. Other events and tours may be taking place at the same time and can be booked at short notice.
- You should arrive 15 minutes before the start of the tour. IWM cannot accept liability for reduced service or shorter tour owing to late arrival of the customer.
- Only small bags can be brought on the tour, the museum cannot store any large bags or luggage for the duration of the tour.

Payment & Cancellations
- All tours must be paid for 28 days in advance of the tour date.
- For bookings taken within 28 days, payment will need to be arranged as soon as the request for the booking is made.
- Once payment has been processed, the booking is non-refundable.
- Payment by debit/credit card only.
- Tours will be confirmed in writing on receipt of payment.
- We do not store customer financial information, credit or debit card details. Please do not include this information in your email to IWM.
- Availability of tours are subject to IWM operational requirements and we reserve the right to cancel or amend bookings at short notice.
- Customer should acquire adequate insurance to cover any loss as a consequence of flight cancellations, personal illness, or circumstances causing the tour to be cancelled beyond IWM’s control.