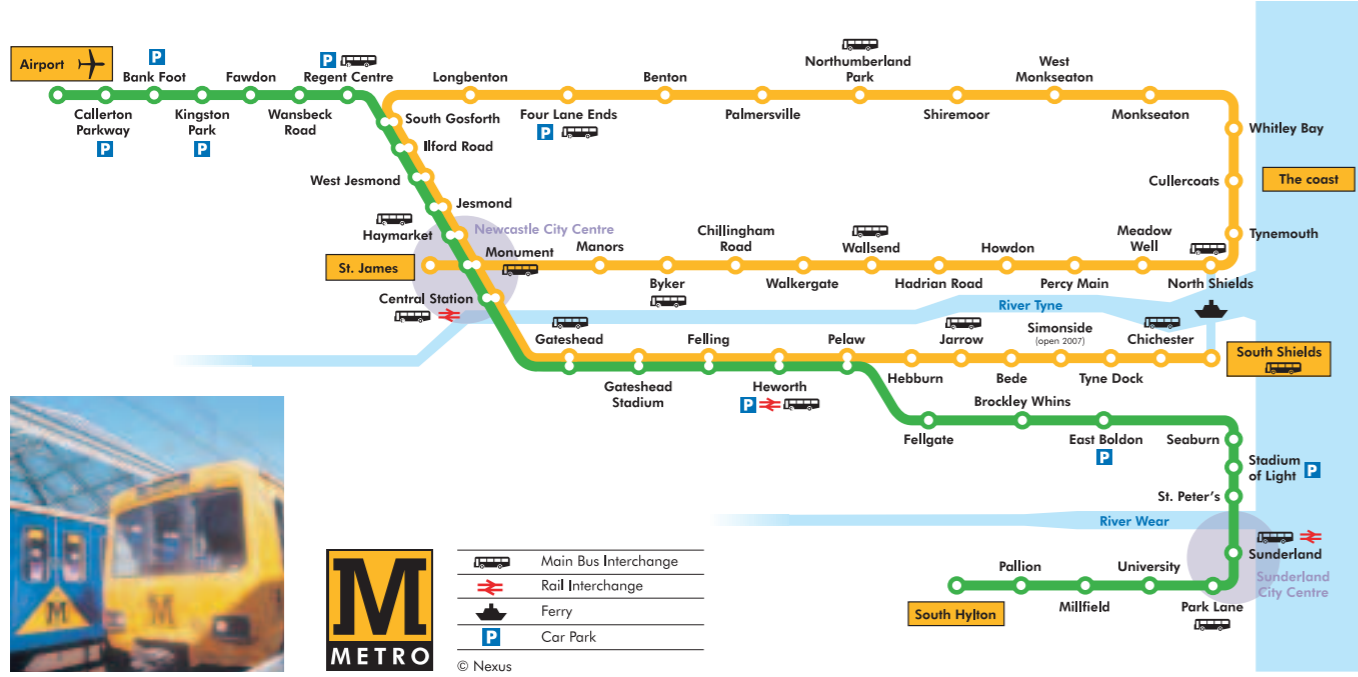


# How to get around

## M Metro

Tyne and Wear Metro is a light rail system connecting all major destinations in the region. Services link central NewcastleGateshead with the airport in 22 minutes, and the coast in 30 minutes. The Metro is the ideal way to get to the main shopping areas around Haymarket and Monument, and the hotels, cafés and restaurants of Jesmond.

Metro trains run daily from 5.30am to midnight, every 5–10 minutes during the day and 10–20 minutes in the evenings. A variety of tickets can be bought from machines at all Metro stations, including all day tickets. A Metro DaySaver gives unlimited travel across all zones, whilst a Metro Hopper ticket allows unlimited travel within one zone.



## Bus

Buses in the region provide frequent services to most destinations; the main bus operators are Arriva, Go North East and Stagecoach. A range of tickets are available that cover single journeys, returns or Transfars. Most operators offer their own discounted travel tickets although all accept DayRover and Explorer North East tickets.

## Taxi

Black Cab Taxis (Hackney Carriages) can be found at major transport interchanges and designated Taxi ranks. Taxis displaying an Ambassador sticker are trained to provide visitor information. Taxi journey times and fares depend on traffic conditions. The following are approximate fares from central NewcastleGateshead.

Alnwick	£40	MetroCentre	£6–9
Angel of the North	£6–9	Morpeth	£20–25
Durham	£22–25	Newcastle Int. Airport	£10–15
Hexham	£25–35	South Shields	£12–15
Int. Ferry Terminal	£12–15	Sunderland	£18–20
Jesmond Hotels	£5–6	Tynemouth	£13–17
Kingston Park	£8–10	Whitley Bay	£13–17

## Tours

City Sightseeing open top bus tours start and finish at Newcastle Central Station. Buses run from March to December. Two River Tyne cruise trips depart from Newcastle Quayside; River Escapes and the Shields Ferry (also departing from South Shields).

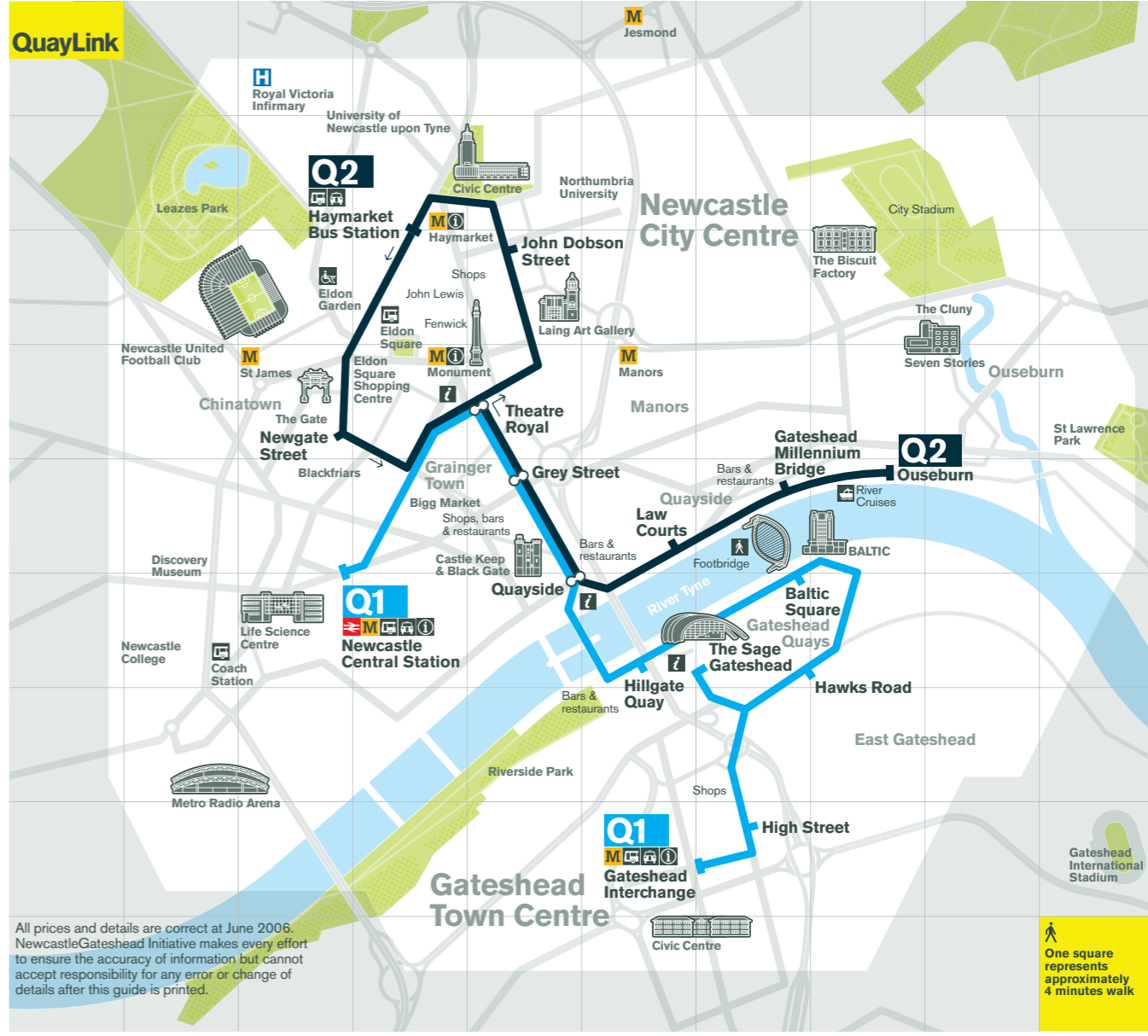
Newcastle Walking tours are operated by the Newcastle Association of City Guides. Scheduled tours run from May to October and daily tours run from July to September.

Arriva buses	<a href="http://www.arriva.co.uk">www.arriva.co.uk</a>	0870 608 2 608
City Sightseeing	<a href="http://www.city-sightseeing.com">www.city-sightseeing.com</a>	07776 213 837
Go North East	<a href="http://www.simplygo.com">www.simplygo.com</a>	0845 60 60 260
Journey planner	<a href="http://www.jplanner.org.uk">www.jplanner.org.uk</a>	

## Q1 Q2 QuayLink electric buses

QuayLink electric buses offer a high frequency, accessible and easy to use service and are the best way to get around central NewcastleGateshead. Routes connect the attractions and sights of Newcastle Quayside and Gateshead Quays with Newcastle Central Station, Haymarket Bus Station and Gateshead Interchange.

QuayLink tickets can be bought from the driver. Tickets include a single fare and a HourRider ticket. Day passes are also available and all Network Traveltickets and Transfare tickets are accepted – ask the driver for details when you board the bus. For transport information, visit a Nexus Travelshop located at major Metro stations, or call Traveline.



Metro	<a href="http://www.tyneandwearmetro.co.uk">www.tyneandwearmetro.co.uk</a>	
Newcastle Walking Tours		0191 277 8000
Nexus	<a href="http://www.nexus.org.uk">www.nexus.org.uk</a>	0191 203 3333
River Escapes	<a href="http://www.riverescapes.co.uk">www.riverescapes.co.uk</a>	0191 296 6740

Shields Ferry Cruises	<a href="http://www.nexus.org.uk">www.nexus.org.uk</a>	0191 203 3315
Stagecoach	<a href="http://www.stagecoachbus.com">www.stagecoachbus.com</a>	0191 276 1411
Traveline (local transport information)		0870 608 2 608