

How to get to Derby

By train

Derby is served by trains operated by East Midlands Railway and Cross Country.

East Midlands Railway operates direct trains to Derby from Sheffield, Chesterfield, Nottingham, Newark, Matlock, Crewe, Stoke on Trent, Loughborough, Leicester and London St. Pancras.

From Lincoln to Derby, change at Nottingham.

East Midlands Railway also operates a service between Liverpool and Norwich. Derby can be reached from Liverpool, Manchester and Stockport by changing at Sheffield or Chesterfield or at Crewe. From Norwich, change at Nottingham.

From Market Harborough, Kettering, Wellingborough, Bedford and Luton change at Leicester

Cross Country operates direct trains from Birmingham, Cheltenham, Gloucester, Worcestershire Parkway, Bristol, Cardiff, Newport, Sheffield, Leeds, York, Newcastle and Edinburgh.

Cross Country also operate a Stanstead Airport to Birmingham service, Derby can be reached from Cambridge, Ely and Peterborough by changing at Leicester.

From the station to the cathedral (leave via the main entrance, NOT the Pride Park entrance)

On foot – it is about 1¼ miles.

- Cross the road outside the station, take the paved street between the Merry Widows pub and the Waterfall,
- in 110 yards turn right onto Park Street. Near the inner ring road go down the ramp, on the left, to a subway which takes you into the Derbion Centre.
- Go up the escalator, at the top go straight on past M&S to the exit on London Road, Wilko is opposite.
- Turn right, keep straight on you will pass St Peter's church, Lloyds Bank and the Market Place at which point you will see the Cathedral Tower.

By Bus – services Skylink Derby, (Kinchbus, usually yellow), 1 and 1A (Arriva, various shades of blue) go from stop S1 at the front of the station and all go to the Bus Station. Due to the vagaries of the one way system no outbound buses stop near the Cathedral. It is nearer to walk from the Bus Station. Use the exit on the left near bay 16 which will take you to the River Derwent. At the next bridge, cross the road and continue on the riverside path, after passing the rear of the Premier Inn you will see the Cathedral to the left.

Taxis are available from the station, the rank is to the left of the station entrance.

By car

From the north

Derby is 15.5 miles from Junction 28 of the M1, then take A38 Derby.

From Manchester the A6 comes to Derby, but it is not a fast road, going cross country to the M1 might be a better prospect.

From the south

Derby is 10.5 miles from Junction 24 of the M1, take A50 then A6 towards Derby.

From the west

The A38 from Birmingham and the A52 from The Potteries meet at Markeaton Park on the western side of Derby, in both cases follow the A38 to the junction with the A6, Duffield Road, follow signs for City Centre. This will ensure you are facing the right way to access the Cathedral and its environs. It has to be said that the Derby traffic system has its idiosyncrasies.

From the east

The main road from the Nottingham direction is the A52, follow the signs for the City Centre, then Matlock (A6), as you leave the inner ring road you will see the Cathedral tower to your left.

Looking at Google Street view is recommended.

Car Parking

Derby Cathedral car park. This is situated in St. Michael's Lane, about 130 yards from the Cathedral. There is a rather squat redundant church on the corner. On Saturday the car park is used by shoppers and Leisure Centre users and there is a charge –cash only.

There is generally room there but if not go to Chapel Street. Go back to the top of St. Michael's Lane, turn right, turn left at lights, turn left at the Flowerpot pub (70 yards) and the entrance to Chapel Street car park is on your right.

Chapel Street Multi Storey car park. This is situated on Chapel Street and is about 200 yards from the Cathedral. Cost (March 2022) is £7.20 for over 5 hours.

Useful Postcodes

Derby Cathedral	DE1 3GP
Cathedral car park	DE1 3SU
Chapel Street car park	DE1 3GU
Derby Railway Station	DE1 2RU

Restaurants, pubs and cafés in Derby City Centre, near the Cathedral

Turn right out of the Cathedral

Name	Address	Distance	Type	Food served
The Dolphin	5 Queen St	60 yards	Pub	1200-2200
Silk Mill	19 Full St	150 yards	Pub	1200-2200
Dolce Salato	32 Queen St	140 yards	Restaurant	1100-1500 1800-2100
Afrikana	55 Queen Street	20 yards	Restaurant	1200-2300

Turn Left out of the Cathedral

Name	Address	Distance	Type	Food served
Hari Hari	23 Irongate	40 yards	Takeaway	1200-1600
The European	22 Irongate	40 yards	Restaurant	1200-1400 1800-2100
Pizza Express	25 Irongate	55 yards	Restaurant	1130-2300
Slug & Lettuce	11 Irongate	80 yards	Pub	1000-0100
Thomas Leaper (Wetherspoons)	27 Irongate	80 yards	Pub	0800-0100
Milk & Honey	15 Sadlergate	250 yards	Coffee shop	0800-1700
The Kitchen	47 Sadlergate	270 yards	Bistro	0900-2200
Quad	Market Place	280 yards	Coffee shop	1000-2100
Greggs	Cornmarket	290 yards	Takeaway	0700-1700

Hotels near Derby Cathedral

Name	Address	Postcode	Distance to Cathedral
Jury's Inn	King Street	DE1 3DB	180 yards
Premier Inn (Derby City Centre)	Full Street	DE1 3AF	155 yards
Premier Inn (Riverlights)	Morlege	DE1 2BB	560 yards