

THE BUILDINGS

BRISTOL OPENING DOORS WALKING TRAIL

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- A** Public access (Possible restrictions – check with individual venues) **B** Buildings featured on the app
- 1** **A** **ARCHITECTURE CENTRE**
 Location: 16 Narrow Quay, Bristol, BS1 4QA
 Date: Constructed early 18th century, converted in 1996
 Skilful repair and re-use of dilapidated Georgian industrial building.
 - 2** **B** **29 QUEEN SQUARE (English Heritage)**
 Location: 29 Queen Square, Bristol, BS1 4ND
 Date: 1709-11
 The square was a revolution in Bristol's housing and No 29 is the most ornate frontage to survive.
 - 3** **BENJAMIN PERRY BOATHOUSE**
 Location: Phoenix Wharf, Bristol, BS1 6TU
 Date: 1897
 Great example of a 19th century working dockside building.
 - 4** **A** **ST MARY REDCLIFFE CHURCH**
 Location: 12 Colston Parade, Bristol, BS1 6RA
 Date: 14th century
 Soaring landmark spire is among the country's tallest.
 - 5** **THE GRANARY**
 Location: Welsh Back, Bristol, BS1 4HQ
 Date: Completed 1869, converted to flats 2002
 Bristol's most striking example of the famous 'Bristol Byzantine' warehouse style.
 - 6** **A** **BRISTOL OLD VIC**
 Location: King Street, Bristol, BS1 4ED
 Date: From 1766
 Georgian auditorium, modern theatre and 18th century frontage cleverly rolled into one.
 - 7** **ST NICHOLAS CHURCH**
 Location: St Nicholas Street, Bristol, BS1 1UE
 Date: Original building 1154, current building 1763-9
 Medieval crypt used as a bomb shelter in the Blitz.
 - 8** **THE OLD COUNCIL HOUSE**
 Location: Corn Street, Bristol, BS1 1JG
 Date: 1823-7
 Excellent example of 1820s Greek Revival style. Now houses Bristol City Council's Register Office.
 - 9** **A** **THE EXCHANGE**
 Location: Corn Street, Bristol, BS1 1JG
 Date: Building started in 1741, opened in 1743
 Fine, grand frontage with ornate carving shows the building's importance.
 - 10** **FRIENDS PROVIDENT BUILDING**
 Location: 37-39 Corn Street, Bristol, BS1 1HT
 Date: 1931-3
 Beautiful first-floor statues reflect the building's Quaker origins.
 - 11** **A** **COLSTON HALL**
 Location: Colston Street, Bristol, BS1 5AR
 Date: Main hall, 1864-7, rebuilt 1900, interior rebuilt 1950-1, foyer 2007-9
 Dazzling new foyer with huge glass atrium and copper frontage added.
 - 12** **A** **RED LODGE AND WIGWAM**
 Location: Park Row, Bristol, BS1 5LJ
 Date: 1579-80, Wigwam: c.1920
 A rare Elizabethan lodge with stunning interiors.
 - 13** **THE SYNAGOGUE**
 Location: 9 Park Row, Bristol, BS1 5LP
 Date: 1869-71
 Bristol's first purpose-built synagogue, designed for a steep, confined site.
 - 14** **A** **WILLS MEMORIAL BUILDING**
 Location: Queen's Road, Bristol, BS8 1RJ
 Date: Designed 1912-14, built 1915-25
 Dramatic tower, vaulted medieval-style Great Hall, entrance hall and grand.
 - 15** **A** **CABOT TOWER**
 Location: Brandon Hill, Bristol, BS1 5RR
 Date: 1897
 Much-loved landmark memorial to Bristol's great explorer, John Cabot.
 - 16** **A** **THE GEORGIAN HOUSE MUSEUM**
 Location: Great George Street, Bristol, BS1 5RR
 Date: 1788-91
 One of the UK's best-preserved examples of how wealthy Georgians lived.
 - 17** **A** **THE LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL**
 Location: College Green, Park Street, Bristol, BS1 5TB
 Date: Originally built c.1230
 One of the country's best collections of 16th-century Spanish tiles.
 - 18** **RADISSON BLU HOTEL**
 Location: Broad Quay, Bristol, BS1 4BY
 Date: 1966-8, conversion to hotel in 2009
 Award-winning transformation of a 1960s commercial building into a contemporary icon.
 - 19** **A** **BRISTOL CATHEDRAL**
 Location: College Green, Bristol, BS1 5TU
 Date: Foundation c.140, Elder Lady Chapel c.1220s, Central tower late 15th century
 One of the world's finest examples of a 'hall church' with a striking choir and fine Norman chapter house.
 - 20** **A** **BRISTOL CENTRAL LIBRARY**
 Location: College Green, Bristol, BS1 5TL
 Date: 1902-6
 A masterpiece of early modern design, designed by a major architect of the London Underground.
 - 21** **HORIZON HOUSE (Environment Agency)**
 Location: Deanery Road, Bristol, BS1 5QH
 Date: Completed in 2010
 Showcases cutting-edge sustainable design and technology.
 - 22** **A** **M SHED**
 Location: Princes Wharf, Wapping Road, Bristol, BS1 4RN
 Date: 1948-1951, remodelled 2007-11
 An innovative local history museum inside a former 1950s industrial building.

ABOUT BRISTOL OPENING DOORS
 Discover a variety of Bristol's architectural gems through this exciting digital resource. Find information, photographs, films and stories about some of the city centre's most interesting buildings. Developed with volunteers, Bristol Opening Doors includes resources for schools and a free downloadable app. www.bristolopeningdoors.org

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 Bristol Opening Doors was developed by the Architecture Centre.

The Architecture Centre champions better buildings and places for people through:

- exhibitions and events
- learning and outreach projects
- design advocacy and support

The Centre has a free entry public gallery, situated on Bristol's harbourside.

OPENING TIMES:
 Wednesday-Friday 11.00-17.00
 Saturday & Sunday 12.00-17.00

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WALKING TRAIL

1 Architecture Centre **A**

Look out for: the diverse range of converted warehouses on the harbourside

2 29 Queen Square (English Heritage) **E**

3 Benjamin Perry Boathouse

Look out for: Quaker burial ground and Redcliffe Caves on Redcliffe Way/Hill

4 St Mary Redcliffe Church **T** **A**

5 The Granary

Look out for: Llandoger Trow pub on King Street

6 Bristol Old Vic Theatre **T** **A** **E**

7 St Nicholas Church

8 The Old Council House **E**

9 The Exchange **T** **A** **E**

Look out for: Edward Everard's Printing Works and St John the Baptist Church on Broad Street

10 Friends Provident building

11 Colston Hall **T** **A**

Look out for: Foster's Almshouses on Colston Street and Christmas Steps

12 Red Lodge and Wigwam **A**

13 The Synagogue

14 Wills Memorial Building **A** **E**

Look out for: City Museum and Art Gallery **T** **A**

15 Cabot Tower **A**

Look out for: Superb views across the city

16 The Georgian House Museum **T** **A**

Look out for: St George's Bristol

17 The Lord Mayor's Chapel **A**

18 Radisson Blu Hotel (view from 19) **T** **A**

19 Bristol Cathedral **T** **A**

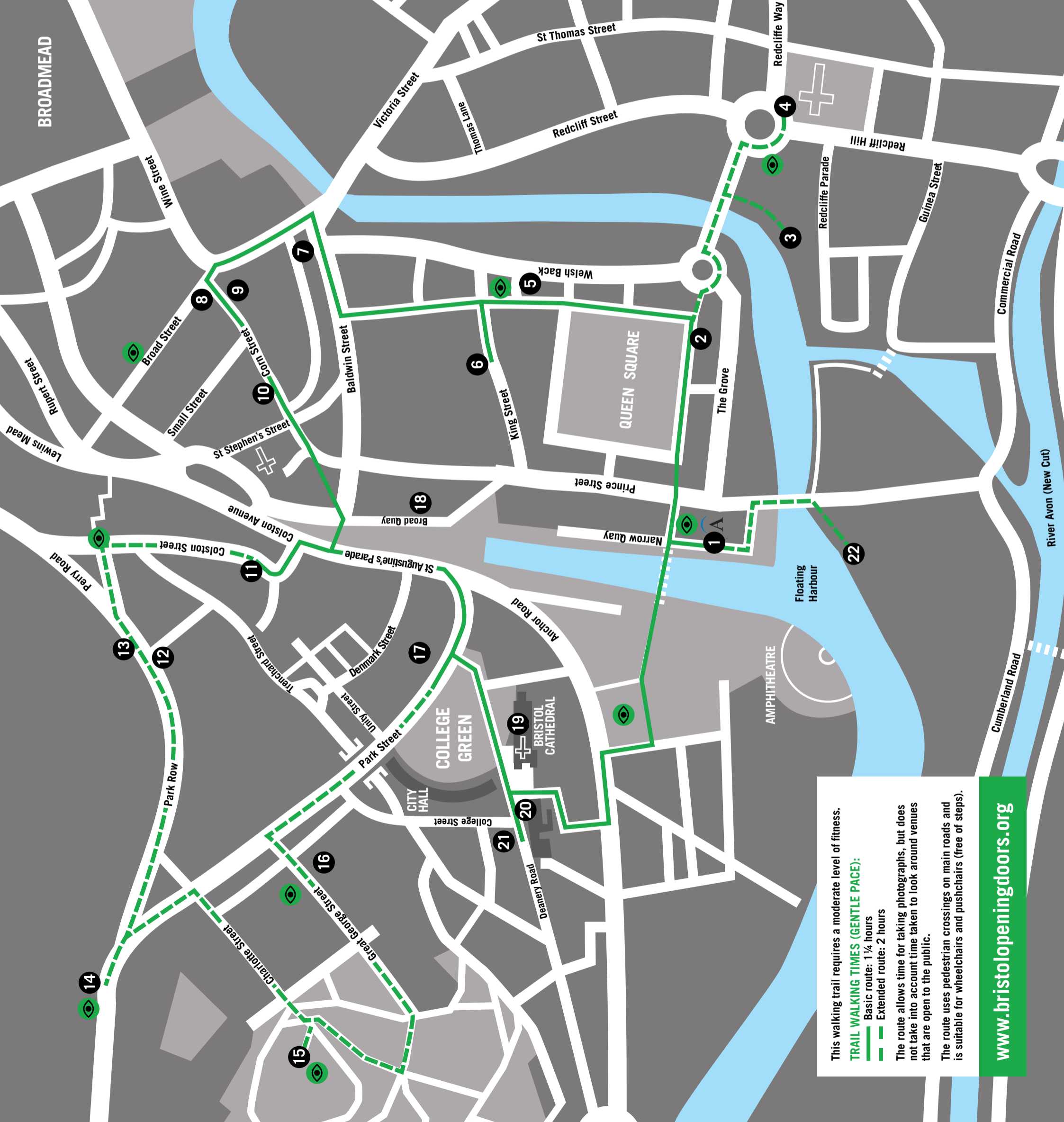
20 Bristol Central Library **T** **A**

21 Horizon House (Environment Agency) **E**

Look out for: the Millennium Square development and @Bristol

22 M Shed **T** **A**

T Refreshments **A** Toilets **E** Public access **E** On the app



This walking trail requires a moderate level of fitness.

TRAIL WALKING TIMES (GENTLE PACE):

- Basic route: 1¼ hours
- Extended route: 2 hours

The route allows time for taking photographs, but does not take into account time taken to look around venues that are open to the public.

The route uses pedestrian crossings on main roads and is suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs (free of steps).

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