

ACCOMMODATION...

The M/S Brightlingsea has two below-deck saloons, one fitted as a bar, with facilities for drinks, snacks, and meals if arranged in advance.

She is licensed by the Department of Transport to carry 150 passengers, (though this is a bit of a squeeze - we normally recommend a maximum of 90 - 100!) and is subject to stringent annual inspections.

In 1990 a new 'Gardner' engine was installed, (one of the best of maritime engines) and the boat is fitted with radar and a full complement of life saving equipment.



The forward Saloon

DISABLED PASSENGERS...

The crew will do their best to make disabled people welcome. However as there are steep ramps and steps at both Harwich and Felixstowe docks, some problems may be experienced by wheelchair occupants. You are advised to check first.



*The Office on Ha'Penny Quay
(older than the Brightlingsea)*



Why not complete your trip on the 'Brightlingsea' with lunch or early supper in our 'Ha'Penny Pier' restaurant? Fish and chips our speciality plus lots more!

Parties (with prior notice) catered for - up to 80 covers.

Situated opposite Harwich Quay - seconds away from the Ferry.

For full details, phone (0255) 241212



Visitors to Old Harwich will find *Rendezvous Bistro-Winebar*, in Church Street, serves first class homemade lunches and suppers at reasonable prices in a warm, friendly atmosphere.

Parties of up to 70 people are also welcome, but please ring us beforehand!

**Phone TIM or ROWENA for further information on
(0255) 551815
RENDEZVOUS, CHURCH STREET, HARWICH, CO12 3DX**

The Ship

Licensed Restaurant

King's Quay Street, Harwich. Tel: (0255) 504964
offers:

- High quality food at acceptable prices
- Open seven days a week
- Full à la carte, lunch and Sunday lunch menus
- Special supper dishes (£5 to £6) available every evening (except Saturday) from 6 pm.
- Morning coffee

PLEASE NOTE

This leaflet is correct as at September 1991. Passengers coming from afar are recommended to telephone the office of the M/S 'Brightlingsea' on (0255) 502004 to check any essential details, to ask for information or to book a special trip.

The Harwich Society arranges guided tours around the town for parties.
Phone (0255) 241339 for details

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THE M/S 'BRIGHTLINGSEA'

A part of the Nation's Maritime Heritage



In 1925, a motor vessel was built at Rowhedge, near Brightlingsea in Essex for the London and North Eastern Railway, to ply the Harwich, Shotley and Felixstowe waters as a part of the major transport system operated by this great railway company.

Now privately owned, the boat still operates in these waters, not only as a direct link between Harwich and Felixstowe but also offering a unique amenity opportunity for visitors, clubs, cyclists, schools and parties interested in a trip around some of the busiest waters in the country. The fisherman is also catered for with round-year fishing trips to the choice areas of the rivers Orwell and Stour.

THE SERVICE...

The boat runs regular services between Harwich and Felixstowe and wherever you join, car parking is available (at Felixstowe Dock the park is a six minute walk from the dock). The B.R. railway station at Harwich Town is within easy walking distance of the Ha'Penny Quay where the M/S 'Brightlingsea' is based, whilst there is an Eastern Counties bus service between the Town and the dock at Felixstowe.

A regular timetable is run during the Summer season, but there is scope for other services. These have included trips to and from Ipswich, also to follow the annual barge race, and to link up with the P.S. 'Waverley'. Private bookings for parties and celebrations of all sorts are arranged in or out of the season.



'...Educational trips...'

A popular feature with schools for many years has been 'educational' trips which bring to pupils the scale of maritime work in the area, whilst fishermen delight in a relaxing opportunity for a special trip with rod and line.

HISTORIC HARWICH...

Whilst in Harwich, don't forget the attractions of this historic old town. The enormous Redoubt fort, built in 1810 and splendidly restored, the old lighthouses and Maritime Museum, the early 19th Century church, the 1910 'Electric Palace' cinema and the Guildhall. Many eating houses and pubs provide food and drink to suit all tastes and pockets, whilst above all there is a constant kaleidoscope of shipping, from the greatest to the smallest, visible from the quay and the promenade.

It makes more than a day out -
it's an experience!

STANDARD TIMETABLE

May 25th - September 20th

Depart Harwich	Depart Felixstowe
08.00 hrs. (Week days only)	08.15 hrs. (Week days only)
10.05* hrs.	10.35* hrs.
12.05* hrs.	12.35* hrs.
15.05* hrs.	15.35* hrs.
17.05 hrs.	17.30 hrs.

* Mini-cruise around the container port etc.
with running commentary.

FARES

Single £1.50. Return (non-landing) £2.50.
Reductions for children under 14. Bicycles and tandems, also letters and packets, carried at nominal cost. Dogs are free. Parties over ten in number can have special terms.

SHIPPING OF ALL SORTS...

When first commissioned, 'Brightlingsea's' passengers saw only modest harbours and the flying boats at the R.A.F. base in Felixstowe.

Now however, Felixstowe, Harwich and Parkeston Quay have become one of the greatest port complexes in Great Britain.

A trip on the boat can show enormous container ships, Trinity House vessels, the continental ferries and other shipping, both large and small which throng these waters.



'...Continental Ferries...'

LIVING HISTORY...

So, why not try this gallant boat, - living history right under your noses, and sample a unique maritime experience, whether as a passenger on the service trips, or by hiring it exclusively for your own club, school or family occasion.

Try our service, we are here to suit you!