

## BRINDLEY PLACE (AREA 5)

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Named after the 18th century canal engineer, James Brindley, the district was once the home to Birmingham's manufacturing industry. Today, the 17 acre site is a thriving commercial, private, cultural and entertainment quarter.

Each area within the district is connected by a series of tunnels, and bridges that run over the historic canal network where visitors can partake in leisurely cruises or watch private canal boats pass through. Historic features include unique signage, traditional brickwork, pavements and lamps, that merge perfectly with contemporary materials, connecting our industrial past to this modern leisure and business district. Examples of these were once found in the grade II listed horse-shoe shaped building, the Roundhouse Birmingham, (not included in this project) originally used as stables for work horses and for storing materials such as lamps and pavements.

The project focused on the homogeneous features found within the perimeter of Sheepcote Street, Broad Street and the Birmingham Canal Old Line that gives Brindley Place and its canal network its unique distinctiveness.

More details can be found at [Brindley Place](#), the [National Trust](#) and the [Canal and River Trust](#).

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