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Port is the first port of call for anyone wanting to find information related to maritime studies on the World Wide Web. Port has been developed by specialists at the National Maritime Museum as an information gateway which assesses and selects the best maritime resources available on the Web and provides easy access to them.

- helps you locate Internet resources quickly and easily which you can then search or browse
- points to hundreds of resources on subjects ranging from naval construction to marine pollution, from safety at sea to voyages of exploration
- provides a range of related electronic services developed by the Museum's Centre for Maritime Research.

You can find Port on the World Wide Web at:

<http://www.port.nmm.ac.uk>

Finally

Use the buttons at the top of each page to move around Port.

Check the 'What's New' pages regularly for updates and newsworthy information.

We welcome your involvement: suggest a resource or tell us what services you would like to see in Port.

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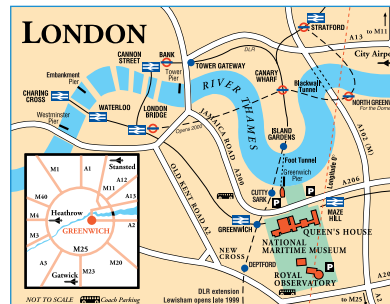
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To locate maritime resources of high quality on the Internet, you can browse or search the entire Port catalogue. Resources include organisations, societies, courses, discussion lists, museums, and much more. All these resources have been assessed, selected, and catalogued by subject specialists and librarians at the Museum. Each resource has a brief description and keywords to help you assess its relevance to you. You can connect directly to the resource, or explore other areas of the gateway.



Browsing Port

This is the easiest way to see the wide range of resources available through Port. The resources have been organised in broad subject categories:

You can also browse the catalogue by historical period. Click on the subject or period you are interested in. When the results are displayed, either click on:

- the title of the resource to see a short description, or
- the button next to the title to connect directly to the resource.



Searching Port

A simple search form allows you to search the catalogued resources by keyword.

Single or combined keywords can be used, as can the Boolean operators AND, OR and NOT (example: warships and history).

To begin with, use broad search terms to get a feel for the types of resources available (example: shipping).

You can specify a phrase as a single search term by enclosing the words in double quotes (example: "Royal Institute of Navigation").

When you conduct a search, you will see descriptions of resources with the number of matches given at the top.

Help with searching the Port catalogue is also available.

Research

A series of Research Guides have been produced to help people carry out their own research. They provide information about the National Maritime Museum's collections, and about other sources for research into maritime history.



A directory listing section gives contact details and information on a range of topics, such as booksellers, maritime museums and university courses.

Events

This online directory provides up-to-date information about what's going on in the maritime world. Here you will find an international diary of conferences, seminars, and special events. You can also be a 'virtual visitor' to many online events and exhibitions.

E-publishing

The *Journal for Maritime Research* will, for the first time, offer a fully integrated approach to the study of maritime history and maritime issues. It will communicate new perspectives informed by the latest critical thinking to a wide, multi disciplinary audience.

The journal will take maritime studies in the broadest sense and encourage new research into the cultural and social context of maritime history. Not only is the importance of maritime activity to world history increasingly recognised, but scholars from other disciplines show a growing interest in maritime sources. It is anticipated that this journal will both make a major intervention in mainstream academic history and contribute to a timely refiguring of maritime studies.