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1hr Hard Hat Tour of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Abutments The Most Sought After Tour in Bristol!!!!

Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th September 6:30-7:30pm

The tours will start at the Clifton Suspension Bridge Museum on the Leigh Woods side of the bridge BS8 3PA

MAXIMUM 15 SPACES PER VISIT (if response is high extra dates may be added)



Discovered in 2002, the twelve vaulted chambers beneath the Leigh Woods abutment were long thought to exist – but investigations carried out in 1969 managed to miss the chambers and hit solid structure. Originally designed in the early 1830's, the abutment work was started in 1836, but no known drawings survive from this period. The largest vault is 11m high and 17m long; large enough to stack 3 double decker buses inside! A knowledgeable guide will take you on a tour through two of the twelve vaulted chambers inside the Leigh Woods abutment. The tour will begin above, but once you've climbed inside, the guide will share some of the more interesting features and explain why it took until 2002 for the vaults to be rediscovered.

The 1-hour abutment tours are priced at £18 per head payable in advance

Participants MUST wear sensible footwear and be in good health, able to climb down a vertical ladder and not suffer from claustrophobia.

Please e-mail Louisa.McAra@atkinsrealis.com to reserve your place stating which date preferred. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis with the option to add extra dates if the response is high. Payment details and further information to follow on confirmation of place.



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