

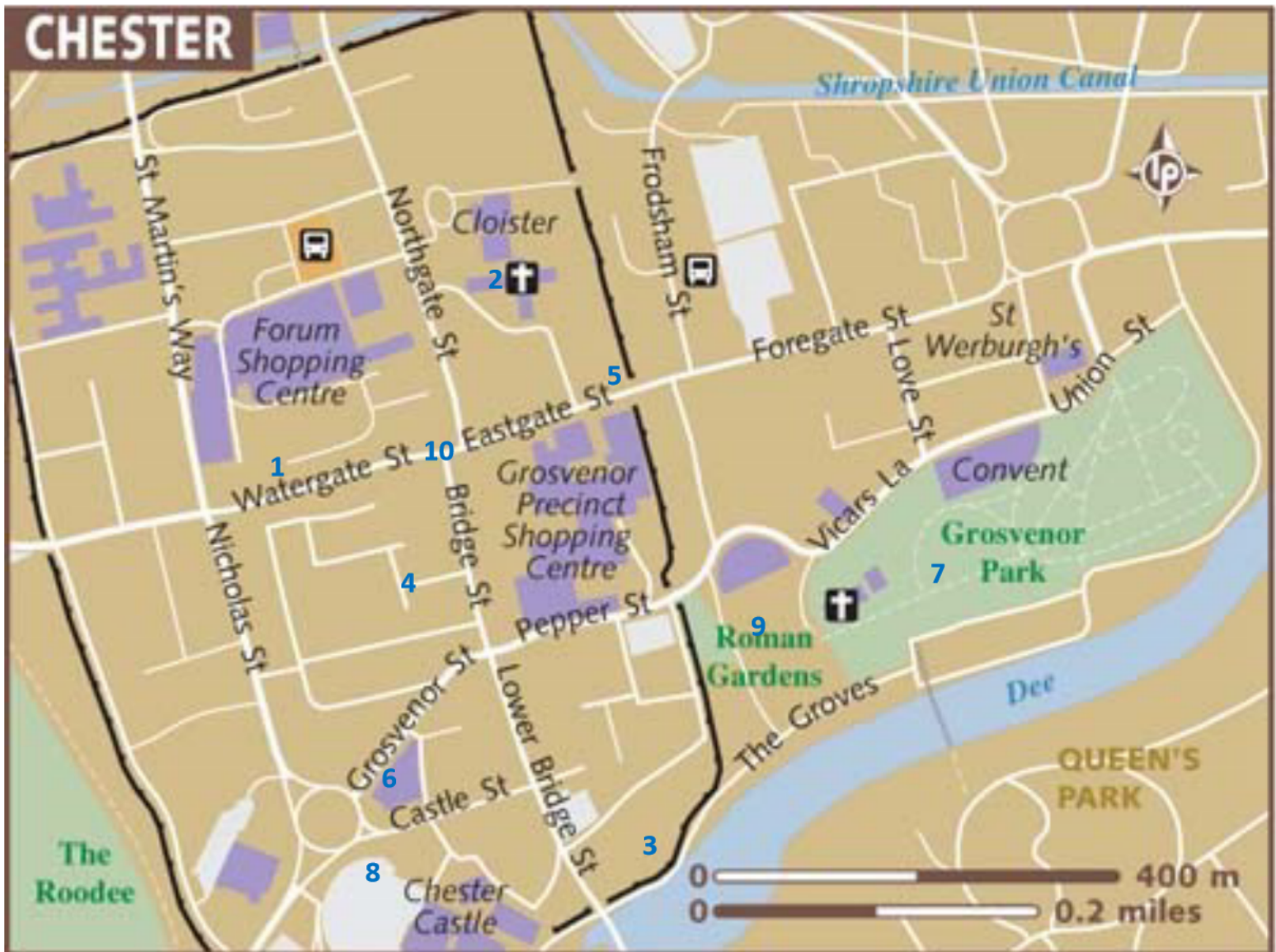


# Chester

## Historic City

Chester is arguably the richest city in Britain for archaeological and architectural treasures preserved to this day from the time of the Roman occupation. Originally the fortress site of the 20th legion it was charged with suppressing the uprising of the army led by the warrior queen, Boadicea, the town being known then (c. AD70) as Deva.

Only 33 miles from Manchester international Airport, Chester a fascinating city for all things historical and incredible architecture. It is also a great center to be based and visit the surrounding National Parks areas. Within a 100 mile radius is North Wales and the Snowdonia National Park, the southern Lake District National Park and the Yorkshire Dales National Park. Even closer to home is Liverpool, the home of the Beatles.



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## 1. Antiques Shop

Housed in a 13th century building at street level within the Chester Rows. Now in the same ownership for over 30 years, sells genuine British antiques and Vintage items.



## 2. Chester Cathedral

Began as a Benedictine Abbey in 1093. The Norman influence was replaced with the current Gothic style from 1250. Survived damage from the dissolution of the monasteries in 1541 and during the civil war. Evidence of the vandalism can still be seen.



## 3. City Walls

The city walls are the oldest, longest and most complete in Britain, parts of which are almost 2000 years old. The only city in Britain that retains the full circuit of its ancient defensive walls. Walking the complete circuit gives wondrous views down into the city



## 4. Deva Roman Experience

Begin with a journey in the dark hold of a Roman Galley, facing dangers as you travel near the edge of the known world. Once you reach dry land the reconstructed buildings will immerse you in the sights, sounds and smells of Roman Britain home to the 20th Legion.



## 5. Eastgate Clock

The Eastgate Clock stands on the site of the original entrance to the Roman fortress of *Deva Victrix*. It is a prominent landmark in the city of Chester and is said to be the most photographed clock in England after Big Ben.



## 6. Grosvenor Museum

Houses collections of archaeology, fine and decorative arts, natural and social history covering the diverse culture and heritage of the City. The 1680 building at the back of the museum is now home to nine period rooms spanning from 1680 to 1925.



## 7. Grosvenor Park

A public park of 20 acres overlooking the River Dee. It is regarded as one of the finest and most complete examples of Victorian parks in the North West of England, if not nationally.



## 8. Military Museum

Follow the exploits of the Regiments of Cheshire across the world during many great battles. Learn about the wars they fought, experience life in the trenches for a WW1 soldier. The museum also houses the Archive of the Cheshire Regiment.



## 9. Roman Gardens

Named after a collection of finely carved building fragments from the Roman legionary fortress of Deva. They include pieces from some of the most important military buildings, including the main baths and the legionary headquarters.



## 10. The Rows

Continuous half-timbered galleries, reached by steps, which form a second row of shops above those at street level along Watergate Street, Northgate Street, Eastgate Street and Bridge Street. The Rows are unique in the world to Chester.

