



**Brunel's SS Great Britain** is set to re-open fully from 17 May, with visitors able to book online to step aboard the world's first great ocean liner as well as visit two museums, the historic dry dock and dockyard.

The visitor attraction in Bristol won the European Museum of the Year award as "Europe's most welcoming museum 2019." As the museum prepares to re-open, visitors are promised a particularly warm welcome from Mr Brunel – the great engineer himself. There are now three Mr Brunels stepping into the engineer's shoes (and stovepipe hat) with the costumed role proving incredibly popular with visitors of all ages.

Later in August, an exciting light and sound installation will take visitors on a journey inspired by the *SS Great Britain's* dramatic 'refloating'. A collaboration with creative studio Limbic Cinema and performance poet Saili Katebe, will open up new dimensions of the ship's story. 'Refloating' is supported by the National Lottery and marks the anniversary of the *SS Great Britain's* return to Bristol.

Brunel's SS Great Britain in Bristol, is the perfect starting point for discovering Brunel's incredible impact all along the Great West Way, introducing visitors to 'Brunel Country' which takes in the Great Western Railway as well as many of the great engineer's bridges, tunnels and ships.

Find out more about the re-opening and visitor experiences at [ssgreatbritain.org](http://ssgreatbritain.org)

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**Note to editors:** a photo of our [Mr Brunels preparing for re-opening](#) can be downloaded from Dropbox along with a photo of [the SS Great Britain](#).

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