

WINTER-SPRING 2023/24 & SUMMER 2024

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BIBBY'S OF INGLETON



**UK &
CONTINENTAL
COACH HOLIDAYS**



Enjoy the Experience...

Welcome

Another new holiday brochure covering a full programme of tours within the UK and Europe.

There is a reminder (Pages 10-17) of the Autumn and Winter 2023 breaks which have been on sale for a few months but still have spaces available (limited single rooms now). Please call the office if you would like to book one of these tours.

We begin on page 18 with all the holidays for England listed together followed by Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Channel Islands and Europe.

The extremely popular Mystery Weekends are on page 52.

We trust you will find the layout clear and easy to follow. We particularly draw your attention to the dates at the start of a holiday as several tours have multiple dates planned throughout the year.

Please read the information below for full details of the booking procedures.

We have included many of our regular destinations with variations to visits but have added some new locations, which we hope will appeal to both new and existing customers.

Best wishes from all at Bibby's

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BOOKING PROCEDURE

BIBBY'S OF INGLETON
New Road
Ingleton
Camforth
Lancashire
LA6 3NU

HOLIDAY/EXCURSIONS BOOKING FORM 2023/2024

PASSENGER DETAILS

Lead Name	Lead Name
Address	Address
Postcode	Postcode
Tel No	Tel No
Mobile	Mobile
Email	Email
Date of Birth	Date of Birth

TOUR NAME	DEPARTURE DATE	DAYS DURATION

REQUESTED COACH SEATING NUMBER(S): REQUESTED PICK-UP POINT:

ROOM TYPE ANY OTHER INFORMATION (i.e. Mobility or dietary needs etc)

DOUBLE TWIN SINGLE

PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE OFFICE TO ENQUIRE ABOUT BOOKING BEFORE MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2023

BOOKING FORM 5

Please complete the booking form on pages 5&6 for your Holiday & Day Excursions requests and return by post (or deliver by hand to our office in Ingleton).

These will be processed in the order they are received.

Please be patient with us as we work through your requests.

We ask that you do not visit the office unless necessary at this time as we will be extremely busy processing the booking forms.

Telephone bookings can be made from **Monday 11th September.**

FEEDER SERVICE CHARGE (Holidays Only)

An additional charge of £10 per person return will be implemented for the areas where we currently offer our door to door feeder service (entirely within Bibby's discretion and excluding Ingleton village).



FINANCIAL PROTECTION

The combination of travel services offered to you is a package within the meaning of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018.

Therefore, you will benefit from all rights applying to packages; Bibby's of Ingleton will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole.

Additionally, as required by law, Bibby's of Ingleton have protection in place to refund your payments and, where transport is included in the package, to ensure your repatriation in the event that they become insolvent. Bibby's of Ingleton are members of the Bonded Coach Holiday Group, overseen by The Association of Bonded Travel Organisers Trust Limited. This is a government approved consumer protection scheme. This ensures that in relation to the coach package holidays described in this brochure (or website) that a Bond, which may be called upon in the unlikely event of the members Insolvency, protects the clients' monies. Clients are recommended to inspect the current membership certificate at our registered office or alternatively go to www.abtot.com/bch-abtot-membersdirectory or telephone 0207 7065 5316 to confirm current membership.

Your attention is also drawn to the Bonded Coach Holiday Group Trading Charter that will apply to these coach package holidays.

Details of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018 can be found at The Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018 (legislation.gov.uk)

INSURANCE

At Bibby's of Ingleton we go the extra mile to ensure you have a memorable holiday, but we strongly recommend that you take out Holiday Insurance to cover you in the event of the unexpected.

WEBSITE

Please visit our website www.bibbys.co.uk to view all the planned tours and day excursions. We are active on social media via Facebook and Twitter, keeping you up to date with any news we have here at Bibbys.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Please take time to read the terms and conditions on pages 85-87 before booking your holiday.

Front cover photos:
St Aubin's Harbour, Jersey
Severn Valley Railway
Trebah Gardens



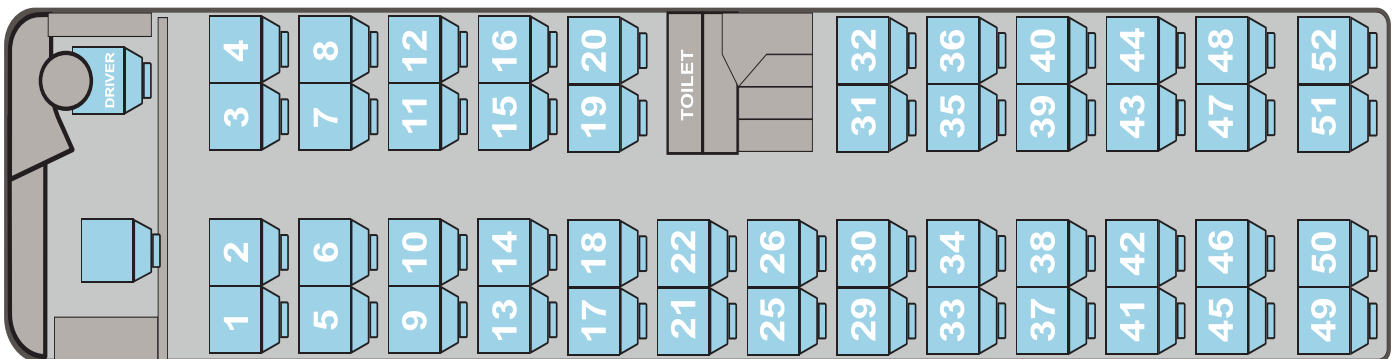
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Why not purchase a holiday gift voucher, redeemable against the cost of any Bibby's holiday or excursion.

They are available in denominations of £10, £20, £50 or £100.



Seating Plan



Office hours:

Monday-Friday 9.00am-5.00pm

We will be closed on all bank holidays including Good Friday.

HOLIDAY/EXCURSIONS BOOKING FORM 2023/2024

PASSENGER DETAILS

Lead Name	2nd Passenger Name
Address	Address
Postcode	Postcode
Tel No	Tel No
Mobile	Mobile
Email	Email
Date of Birth	Date of Birth

TOUR NAME	DEPARTURE DATE	DAYS DURATION

REQUESTED COACH SEATING NUMBER(S):	REQUESTED PICK-UP POINT:
ROOM TYPE	ANY OTHER INFORMATION (i.e Mobility or dietary needs etc)
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FOR EUROPEAN HOLIDAYS...**Ferry Travel Requirements: tick as appropriate**

INSIDE CABIN WITH BUNKS

INSIDE CABIN WITH LOWER BERTHS

OUTSIDE CABIN WITH LOWER BERTHS

DINNER AND BREAKFAST PACKAGE

Full names as shown on passport:**Passport Number:****Expiry date:****Country of issue:****DAY EXCURSION(S)****Excursion Name:****Excursion Date:****Requested Seat Numbers:****Pick-Up Point:****PLEASE COMPLETE FOR ALL HOLIDAYS/EXCURSIONS****Passenger Name:****Passenger Name:****Next of Kin:****Next of Kin:****Next of Kin Contact Number:****Next of Kin Contact Number:****PAYMENT SECTION**

I enclose deposit in the form of

Cheque

I wish to pay by DEBIT/CREDIT Card or Bank Transfer, we will contact you for payment when we have confirmed your bookings

CONTRACT

I have read Bibby's of Ingleton LTD Trading Charter and Booking Conditions on page 85-87 and agree on behalf of all the above-named persons to accept these terms and conditions, and to pay the balance by the due date on my holiday confirmation.

Signature**Date****DATA PROTECTION ACT**

We retain your full contact details and other information in secure files and electronic storage facilities. We may use this information to contact you by mail, telephone, or electronic means. We must pass your information on to the relevant suppliers of your travel arrangements and we take full responsibility for ensuring that proper measures are in place to protect your information. In making this booking, you consent to this information being passed on to the relevant persons or suppliers.



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22 September	5	Eastbourne	34
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30 September	6	Isle of Wight	39
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06 October	5	Enniskillen, Fermanagh	72
07 October	5	Snowdonia	68
07 October	5	Bournemouth	36
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SNOWDONIA

Snowdonia & Llanberis

'Inclusive Package'

5 DAYS | 6-10 NOVEMBER

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

We travel into North Wales to enjoy the stunning scenery of the Snowdonia National Park from our base in Llanberis. The Royal Victoria Hotel is set at the foot of Mount Snowdon and includes two nights entertainment and a complimentary drinks package (see details below).

Monday – We travel via the North Wales coast to Llanberis for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Royal Victoria Hotel.

Tuesday – We enjoy Snowdonia, travelling via the Llanberis Pass to Betws-y-Coed. We continue to Llangollen, returning via the Horseshoe Pass to enjoy the views across the Dee Valley.

Wednesday – The unique Italianate style village of Portmeirion is our destination today. The stunning houses and pavilions overlook the sea at Cardigan Bay. We return via Porthmadog.



PORTMEIRION

Thursday – We visit Caernarfon with its magnificent castle. Later we cross the Menai Straits for a visit to Beaumaris and Llanfair PG.

Friday – We spend time in Chester, then journey home, arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ ROYAL VICTORIA, LLANBERIS is a welcoming hotel offering stunning views. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board & Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and a relaxing bar and lounge area. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Hotel 'inclusive package' offers complimentary tea/coffee, selected house draught beer and lager, house wine and draught soft drinks between 7:00pm and 11:00pm
- ✓ 2 nights of entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Portmeirion



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Irish Music Weekend

The Grand Hotel, Blackpool

4 DAYS | 10-13 NOVEMBER

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - £65.00

Please see below an indication of the planned programme but note the artists are subject to change without prior notice.

FEATURED ARTISTS

- Barry Doyle Band • Tony Kerr • TR Dallas • Finbarr Deneghy Band • Mary Duff
- Keith & Lorraine Showband Show • Dermot McConnell

Please note: artists are subject to change without prior notice.

A great weekend, featuring Irish Music from a selection of famous artists, in the comfortable surroundings of the Grand Hotel, Blackpool.

Friday – A mid-morning departure to Barton Grange Garden Centre, before continuing to Blackpool for 3 nights half board accommodation at the Grand Hotel. Free time before dinner, which will be served at approximately 6.30pm. Then we enjoy music and dancing in the ballroom until late.

Saturday – A free morning to relax and explore, returning to the hotel for 2.00 pm and live musical entertainment in the ballroom. Dinner again at 6.30pm approx., followed by live music and dancing until late.

Sunday – Another relaxed morning, before an included Sunday lunch at the hotel, followed by more live entertainment. Your evening meal will be served in the main restaurant followed by another evening of entertainment.

Monday – We depart for home mid-morning, taking a short excursion, arriving back into our local area mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ GRAND HOTEL BLACKPOOL is situated on the North Shore overlooking the beach and promenade. There is an on-site health club with indoor swimming pool, steam room, sauna, and gym. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Enjoy sea views from the restaurant and laze on the comfortable sofas in the cosy bar. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus Sunday lunch
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Entertainment as stated



THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Thursford Christmas Spectacular (3 Dates)

3 DAYS | 13-15 NOV £339

3 DAYS | 27-29 NOV £339

3 DAYS | 11-13 DEC £339

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – None, very few singles available

The Thursford Spectacular is the biggest Christmas show in Britain, with a cast of 130 professional singers, dancers, and musicians. A blend of entertainment, with songs, dancers, beautiful costumes, and outstanding music. A fast-moving celebration of the festive season featuring a mix of both seasonal and year-round favourites, with famous and much-loved chart toppers. Our base is the Virginia Court Hotel in the resort of Cromer.

Monday – We travel to North Norfolk for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Virginia Court Hotel, Cromer.

Tuesday – This morning we take a short excursion before transferring to Thursford for the afternoon show of the musical extravaganza.

Wednesday – We depart for home via the Springfields outlet shopping centre, arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ VIRGINIA COURT HOTEL is independently owned and located a short stroll from Cromer's sandy beaches, cliff tops and shops. A high standard of personal service with an elegant dining room serving locally sourced produce, quiet lounge, and bar. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but some ground floor rooms are available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ ENTRY TO THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SHOW – Please note this does not include entry to Enchanted Journey of Light or Santa's Magical Journey



All Inclusive 'Mystery Tour'

5 DAYS | 13-17 NOV £359

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – £65.00

This break will appeal to those of you who have a 'Spirit of Adventure' and the sheer fun of simply not-knowing. All we can reveal is the date and the price. We guarantee a comfortable hotel, 3 course dinners each evening, good company and one of our excellent tour drivers. There will be interesting and enjoyable days out throughout the tour.

Monday – Morning departure for our Mystery destination making suitable stops en route. We check in for 4 nights full board accommodation at our comfortable hotel.

EXCURSIONS

- **Tuesday-Thursday** – We will include some interesting days out to highlight the best that our Mystery location has to offer. There will also be plenty of time to relax and enjoy our home base for the week.
- **Friday** – Depart for home arriving back into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ MYSTERY HOTEL is a traditional hotel in a very central location. There is a restaurant, bar, and several lounges. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights All Inclusive Package with drinks vouchers
- ✓ 2 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



JOHN RUTTER'S REQUIEM

John Rutter's Requiem St Paul's Cathedral

2 DAYS | 15-16 NOV £209

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – £20.00

Under the magnificent dome of St Paul's Cathedral, John Rutter conducts a moving performance of four of his own works, concluding with his celebrated Requiem. Accompanied by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and The Bach Choir, this will be an entrancing concert by one of the world's most cherished living composers.

Wednesday – We depart and travel to the outskirts of London for 1 night bed and breakfast accommodation at the Holiday Inn Heathrow Hotel. After checking in we include soup and sandwiches, before transferring to St Paul's Cathedral for John Rutter's Requiem.

Thursday – We depart for home, making a suitable stop along the way. Arrive into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ HOLIDAY INN LONDON HEATHROW BATH ROAD HOTEL is a stylish and modern hotel located just under 2 miles from London Heathrow. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 1 night bed & breakfast & soup and sandwiches (Wednesday pm)
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Top Price Concert Ticket in the Dome



ST PAUL'S



CHATSWORTH CHRISTMAS

Christmas at Chatsworth & Manchester Markets

3 DAYS | 17-19 NOV £299

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person
EXTRAS: Single supplement - £103.00

It's time to enter the 'Christmas Mood' with this short break. We visit the Peak District and Chatsworth House with Christmas Market, and spend time exploring Manchester's Christmas Markets which transform much of the city centre with their wooden chalets bustling with food, drink, fashions, and gifts from around the world.

Friday – We visit Piece Hall in Halifax, a 18th century former trading Cloth Hall with cafes, bars and a collection of high-quality, unique shops set around a beautiful courtyard. Later we continue to Derby for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Best Western Derby Mickleover Hotel.

Saturday – We travel into the Peak District to Chatsworth House, decorated for Christmas and the annual Christmas market. With over 100 stalls featuring a wide range of gifts and decorations it's a wonderful way to start the festive season.

Sunday – We transfer to Manchester where we spend the day in the city, which is hosting its annual Christmas Market. The main hub of the action is Albert Square's European Markets, where an entire Alpine Village is constructed under the watchful eye of the Town Hall's giant illuminated Father Christmas. Travelling home, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ BEST WESTERN SIGNATURE COLLECTION DERBY MICKLEOVER HOTEL is set in a convenient location. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, radio, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is an indoor swimming pool with solarium and gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Chatsworth House & Gardens and market



RAVEN HALL

Winter Wonderland at Raven Hall

5 DAYS | 20-24 NOV £399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person
EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Raven Hall Hotel has a dramatic cliff top location overlooking Robin Hood's Bay in the North York Moors National Park. Our hotel package includes entertainment each evening and a traditional Christmas lunch. We enjoy a guided excursion and visit Whitby, Beverley, and Scarborough.

Monday – We travel to Thirsk, later continuing to Ravenscar for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Raven Hall Hotel. Evening entertainment follows your evening meal.

Tuesday – We visit the famous seaside resort of Whitby, with its ornate cobbled paths, locally-owned shops, and quirky cafes. In the afternoon we return via Robin Hoods Bay.

Wednesday – We head to Scarborough before returning to the hotel to enjoy Christmas Lunch and a visit from Father Christmas. Our evening meal will be a buffet followed by entertainment.

Thursday – We are joined by a local guide who will bring to life the Yorkshire Wolds. We visit Staxton and Beverley, including a short walking tour.

Friday – We travel home arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ RAVEN HALL COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL is in beautiful surroundings. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. There is an indoor swimming pool, sauna, games room, tennis courts, putting green, croquet lawn and bowls. There are a few steps at the entrance to the hotel. There is a lift to first and second floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus 1 Christmas Lunch
- ✔ Entertainment each evening
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Services of a local guide (Thursday)
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



EDINBURGH

Edinburgh B&B Sunday Night Special

2 DAYS | 26-27 NOV £139

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person
EXTRAS: Single supplement - £32.00

An overnight break featuring the world-famous Edinburgh Christmas Market, in the heart of the city, offering a unique shopping experience with its fair of crafters, artists, gift shops and gastronomic surprises. Our centrally located hotel offers the perfect location from where you can explore the Scottish Capital at this magical time of year.

Sunday – We depart early morning and travel direct to Edinburgh and check in for overnight bed and breakfast accommodation at the Holiday Inn Express City Centre. You are then free to explore the attractions and fine shops of the capital. The Edinburgh Christmas Market is in full swing, a festive feast for the eyes with illuminated wooden cabins selling gifts, crafts, food, and drinks.

Monday – After breakfast we will check out and leave our luggage in a safe room at the hotel. The remainder of the day is free to spend more time in the city. We depart from the hotel at 3.00pm, arriving back into our local area early evening.

The ★★★ HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS EDINBURGH CITY CENTRE boasts a superb central position, close to the many attractions of the city. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 1 night bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



EDINBURGH CHRISTMAS MARKET



INVERNESS CATHEDRAL

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Palace Hotel Inverness

Pre-Christmas 'Inclusive Package'

5 DAYS | 27 NOVEMBER-1 DECEMBER

£469

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £112.00

Join us for this Highland package based in the beautiful city of Inverness, which continues to be a top seller, so book now and enjoy all the festive fun. The 'All Inclusive' break offers great value for money and includes:

- A welcome reception on the first evening
- Complimentary bar between 7pm - 10pm every night (certain brands)
- Superb buffet breakfasts
- Lunch each day
- Festive entertainment programme with plenty of Highland hospitality
- Delicious 3 course dinners with 3 fresh choices
- Specially selected wines served with dinner
- Tea and coffee at any time of the day
- Afternoon tea with cream scones
- Free leisure club membership

Monday – We travel to Inverness for 4 nights All Inclusive accommodation at the Best Western Palace Hotel & Spa.



PALACE HOTEL

EXCURSIONS

- Lunch is included in the package so there will be a morning excursion each day with free time in the afternoon.

Friday – We travel home, arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **BEST WESTERN PALACE HOTEL & SPA** on the banks of the River Ness, offers stylish comfort with classic bedrooms, a choice for dining in the restaurant or recently refurbished Brasserie and the relaxing environment of the Palace Leisure Club & Spa. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PLEASE NOTE: Some bedrooms are across the courtyard, a short walk from the main house.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights lunch, dinner, bed & breakfast with 'Inclusive Package'
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees

Scottish Mystery Tour

5 DAYS | 4-8 DECEMBER

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £100.00

*Can't decide where to go?
Then let us decide for you.*

This break will appeal to those of you who have a 'Spirit of Adventure' and the fun of not knowing your destination. All we can reveal is the date and price! We guarantee a comfortable hotel, 3 course meals each evening and your experienced tour driver will take you on daily excursions, to help you appreciate the best of the area.

Monday – We travel via the main roads and motorways with suitable breaks before checking in for 4 nights half board accommodation at our mystery hotel.

Tuesday - Thursday – Join the driver each day as you explore the region of our mystery location.

Friday – We travel home via the main roads and motorways, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

Your ★★★ **MYSTERY HOTEL** offers a warm Scottish welcome, comfortable accommodation with ample lounge space to relax. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding entry fees



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ROYAL ALBERT HALL

John Rutter's Christmas Celebration Royal Albert Hall

2 DAYS | 6-7 DEC **£209**

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person
EXTRAS: Single supplement - £21.00

Back by popular demand John Rutter's Christmas Celebration returns to the Royal Albert Hall. With its well-loved collection of John Rutter's own works and arrangements, alongside symphonic classics, and sing-along carols. Conducted and presented by John Rutter himself, and featuring the Royal Philharmonic orchestra and The Bach Choir.

Wednesday – We depart and travel to the outskirts of London for 1 night bed and breakfast accommodation at the Holiday Inn Heathrow Hotel. After checking in we include soup and sandwiches, before transferring to the Royal Albert Hall for the John Rutter Celebration.

Thursday – We depart for home, making a suitable stop along the way. Arrive into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **HOLIDAY INN LONDON HEATHROW BATH ROAD HOTEL** is a stylish and modern hotel located just under 2 miles from London Heathrow. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 1 night bed & breakfast & soup and sandwiches (Wed pm)
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Concert Ticket



JOHN RUTTER

© Nick Rutter



LLANDUDNO

Llandudno Holly & Mistletoe

5 DAYS | 11-15 DEC **£499**

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person
EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

'Christmas comes but once a year!' Well, not at the Tynedale Hotel, where a white Christmas and a visit from Santa are always on the menu. Relax and enjoy 5 days of superb hospitality.

Monday – Christmas Eve We travel via Oswaldtwistle Mills, before continuing to Llandudno for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Tynedale Hotel.

Tuesday – Christmas Day Free day in Llandudno. Afternoon tea with a Christmas Carols sing along. Christmas Dinner followed by a visit from Santa and entertainment.

Wednesday – Boxing Day A coastal drive to Anglesey, Llanfair PG and Caernarfon returning to the hotel for a 'Fire and Ice' Dinner, a seven-course special tasting menu. There will be cash bingo and entertainment.

Thursday – New Year's Eve Snowdonia National Park, through the Conwy Valley, over the Llanberis Pass. Afternoon tea before New Year's Eve Celebration Dinner, cash bingo followed by entertainment. There will also be a Fancy Dress Parade (don't forget your costume!).

Friday – Travel home arriving mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **TYNEDALE HOTEL** is a family run hotel overlooking the promenade. As befits all Victorian buildings the rooms are all shapes and sizes. They are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus late-night buffets
- ✔ 2 afternoon teas
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Festive Programme with 4 nights of entertainment
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



Pre-Christmas Mystery Weekend

3 DAYS | 15-17 DEC **£289**

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person
EXTRAS: Single supplement - £65.00

*Can't decide where to go?
Then let us decide for you.*

This break will appeal to those of you who have a 'Spirit of Adventure' and the sheer fun of simply not-knowing. All we can reveal is the date and the price. We guarantee a comfortable hotel, 3 course dinners each evening, good company and one of our excellent tour drivers. There will be interesting and enjoyable visits throughout the weekend.

Friday – Morning departure for our Mystery destination making suitable stops en route. We check in for 2 nights half board accommodation at our comfortable hotel.

Saturday – We enjoy a mystery day out before returning to the hotel where you can relax and enjoy the fantastic facilities.

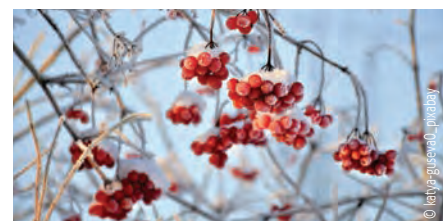
Sunday – We depart the hotel for a mystery day out before arriving back into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **MYSTERY HOTEL** is a luxurious hotel that enjoys a stunning location. There is a restaurant and lounge bar. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries and Wi-Fi. Leisure facilities include an indoor swimming pool, sauna, jacuzzi and gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



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PITLOCHRY



SPEY RIVER

Twixmas at the Fishers Hotel Pitlochry

4 DAYS | 27-30 DECEMBER

£329

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £60.00

Twixmas is the all-important relaxation days between Christmas and New Year. So, once Christmas Day has been and gone, join us as we head for the Highlands of Scotland and the picturesque town of Pitlochry, where we enjoy 3 nights accommodation at the Fishers Hotel.

Wednesday – We travel to Pitlochry for 3 nights half board accommodation at the centrally located Fishers Hotel.

Thursday – A ride down the banks of Loch Tay, calling at the Falls of Dochart and Loch Earn. We continue to Crieff, followed by a visit to Aberfeldy, made famous by the Scottish poet Robert Burns.

Friday – Join the driver for a morning excursion, returning to Pitlochry mid-day so that we can enjoy a free afternoon in our home resort.

Saturday – We travel home via the main roads and motorways, arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **FISHER'S HOTEL** is in the heart of Pitlochry and offers excellent comfort and Scottish hospitality. There is a restaurant and bar. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 1 night of entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



ABERFELDY

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New Year in the Scottish Highlands

4 DAYS | 30 DECEMBER–2 JANUARY

£519

DEPOSIT: £50.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £45.00

Always a popular holiday, we are pleased to repeat this excellent New Year Holiday to the Highlander Hotel in Newtonmore, a comfortable welcoming hotel with the emphasis on relaxation, excellent food, first class entertainment and traditional Highland Hospitality.

Saturday – Travel via the main roads and motorways to Newtonmore for 3 nights half board accommodation at the Highlander Hotel. On arrival enjoy homemade shortbread and a brandy laced hot chocolate. Welcome Cocktail Reception followed by dinner and entertainment.

Sunday – Excursion (weather permitting) to explore the magnificent scenery of the Spey Valley. Tonight, a traditional Hogmanay Dinner Party with piper, wee dram, and Highland Dancers through to the wee small hours.

Monday – Enjoy a free day. A light lunch will be served followed by afternoon entertainment and sing-along. A five-course dinner this evening, followed by entertainment.

Tuesday – We depart for home, arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **HIGHLANDER HOTEL** is situated right in the heart of the Highlands, and you can be sure of a true Scottish Welcome. All bedrooms are en suite with walk in showers, TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and well stocked bar. There is no lift, but most bedrooms are on the ground and first floor.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus lunch on New Year's Day
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ 1 excursion and entertainment programme



A selection of Christmas Tours

Christmas in Llandrindod Wells

Based at the Metropole Hotel

5 DAYS | 23-27 DECEMBER

£599

DEPOSIT: £50.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £40.00

Following previous successful Christmas Tours, we return to the spa town of Llandrindod Wells and the centrally located Metropole Hotel. This is traditional Welsh hospitality at its best, with full-board accommodation and entertainment each evening.

Saturday – We journey to Llandrindod Wells for 4 nights full board accommodation at the Metropole Hotel, with tea, coffee and Welsh cakes served on arrival. A welcome drinks reception will be held before dinner.

Sunday – Join the driver on a short excursion or enjoy our home resort. We return to the hotel for a buffet lunch. Take part in Bingo and games in the hotel before dinner.

Monday – A leisurely morning before a glass of mulled wine around the Christmas tree with Santa, followed by a traditional Christmas Lunch. Listen to the Kings Speech, join in Bingo and games, and enjoy afternoon tea and Christmas cake. A carved buffet dinner will be served followed by entertainment in the ballroom.

Tuesday – Relax in the hotel or join the driver for a short excursion, before returning to the hotel for a buffet lunch. Dinner will be followed by live entertainment and dancing, the perfect way to spend our final evening in Llandrindod Wells.

Wednesday – We return home, making a suitable stop along the way. Arrival into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **METROPOLE HOTEL** is located in the town centre of Llandrindod Wells. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press, and Wi-Fi. Leisure facilities include an indoor swimming pool, spa, sauna, steam room and a fully equipped gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights full board accommodation
- ✔ 4 nights entertainment
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluded any entry fees



Christmas in the Scottish Highlands

5 DAYS | 23-27 DECEMBER

£599

DEPOSIT: £50.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

Always a popular destination, we are pleased to include this excellent Christmas holiday to the Highlander Hotel in Newtonmore, a comfortable welcoming hotel with the emphasis on relaxation, excellent food, first class entertainment and traditional Highland hospitality.

PLEASE NOTE: This itinerary is based on Christmas 2022 and may be subject to change.

Saturday – Travel via the main roads and motorways to Newtonmore for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Highlander Hotel. On arrival enjoy hot chocolate & shortbread. Welcome Cocktail Reception followed by candlelit dinner and entertainment.

Sunday – Excursion (weather permitting) to explore the magnificent scenery of the Spey Valley. Later enjoy a Christmas Eve visit from Santa & the Cairngorm Reindeer Herd. After dinner mulled wine and mince pies will be served during the evening entertainment.



Monday – A leisurely breakfast on Christmas Day then take a stroll around the picturesque village or relax in the comfortable lounge before the traditional 5 course Christmas Lunch is served. Later Santa will deliver a small gift for every guest and there will be more entertainment for you to enjoy.

Tuesday – A Boxing Day visit to Inverness, the impressive capital of the Scottish Highlands, where we will take in a performance of a traditional panto. Later we return to the hotel for our final evening with dinner and entertainment.

Wednesday – We depart for home with suitable stops on the way, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **HIGHLANDER HOTEL** is situated right in the heart of the Highlands, and you can be sure of a true Scottish Welcome. All bedrooms are en suite with walk in showers, TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and well stocked bar. There is no lift, but most bedrooms are on the ground and first floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus lunch on Christmas Day
- ✔ 1 excursion and entertainment programme
- ✔ Entertainment each evening
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver



Christmas in Chester

5 DAYS | 23-27 DECEMBER

£699

DEPOSIT: £50.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £200.00

If you are looking for something special this Christmas, then this tour is for you. Based at the Best Western Premier Collection, The Queen at Chester Hotel, you will be guaranteed an unforgettable time. Book early...

Saturday – A mid-morning departure to Chester for 4 nights half board accommodation at The Queen at Chester Hotel. Mulled wine and mince pies as you settle into your room before dinner. Later join with the in-house game's night.

Sunday – A free day in Chester for last minute shopping or visit the Cathedral, returning to the hotel for your Christmas Eve dinner. Entertainment tonight will be carols and a pianist.

Monday – Take part in the hotel's organised entertainment. Christmas Day Lunch with all the trimmings followed by the King's Speech. In the evening, dinner will be a buffet style and singing with a DJ.

Tuesday – Enjoy the Boxing Day Sales before returning to the hotel

for an afternoon tea lunch. Our farewell gala dinner and live entertainment.

Wednesday – Depart returning via the main roads and motorways. Arrive home early afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **BEST WESTERN PREMIER COLLECTION, THE QUEEN AT CHESTER HOTEL** is located close to the city centre, a beautiful stately building with vaulted ceilings, spectacular staircases, and regal public areas. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron, and Wi-Fi. There is a fitness suite and bar. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus Christmas & Boxing Day Lunch
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Entertainment as stated
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



Christmas at the Red Lea Scarborough

5 DAYS | 23-27 DECEMBER

£629

DEPOSIT: £50.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

Once again, we experience a warm welcome from our hosts at the Red Lea Hotel in Scarborough. Relax, unwind, and enjoy the festive season in one of the UK's most traditional seaside locations.

PLEASE NOTE: The driver will not be staying in the hotel on Christmas Day & Boxing Day.

Saturday – We travel via Thirsk and Helmsley to Scarborough for 4 nights full board accommodation at the Red Lea Hotel.

Sunday – A morning drive to Whitby, returning to the hotel for a light lunch. Enjoy a free afternoon in Scarborough, before dinner.

Monday – A leisurely breakfast and a visit from Santa. Traditional Christmas Day lunch before the King's speech. A buffet is served before entertainment.

Tuesday – Free time to visit the South Beach and Harbour for traditional Boxing Day activities before a light lunch in the hotel. Join in the entertainment before dinner and an evening of racing.

Wednesday – We travel home and arrive back into the local area mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **RED LEA HOTEL** is located on Scarborough's South Cliff, close to the Lift. The town centre, castle and harbour are only a short stroll away. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Relax in the lounge or enjoy the fully heated indoor swimming pool and new state-of-the-art fully equipped gym.

Please note - there are eight steps up into the hotel with handrails. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights Full board accommodation
- ✓ 3 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver except on Christmas & Boxing Day
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees





LYTHAM ST ANNES PIER

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St Anne's on Sea

Super Saver

5 DAYS | 22-26 JANUARY

£299

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

The classic seaside resort of St Anne's on Sea is a Lancashire coastal gem. Our base is the 'Inn on the Prom,' a stylish hotel situated on the seafront. The hotel package includes 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast, evening entertainment, Wednesday afternoon tea/coffee and cake will be served, and there will be a Farewell Fizz reception on the final evening. Our coach and driver will not be staying with you for the week, so your days are free for you to explore at leisure. The coach will return on Friday for your journey home.

Monday – We depart mid-morning and travel to Boundary Mill near Colne. We later transfer to the Inn on the Prom Hotel, St Anne's for 4 nights half board accommodation.

Tuesday - Thursday – Your days are free to 'do your own thing' be it relaxing in your hotel, taking a stroll along the sea front, or taking the bus or tram to the resort of Blackpool. On Wednesday, there will be tea/coffee and cake served in the hotel at

3:30pm. On Thursday evening there will be a Farewell Fizz reception.

Friday – We leave St Anne's this morning and travel to Oswaldtwistle Mills, where you have time for a browse and lunch. We depart mid-afternoon and arrive back into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ INN ON THE PROM has 60 years and 4 generations of family working in the business. It provides a combination of quality, warmth, and courteous service. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a health club and spa including heated pool, jacuzzi, sauna and gym. The restaurant boasts delicious food freshly prepared from local produce. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ 4 nights entertainment
- ✔ 'Farewell Fizz' drinks reception
- ✔ Wednesday afternoon tea & cakes
- ✔ Luxury coach travel to and from the hotel
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



OSWALDTWISTLE MILLS

Motown, 60's & Soul Weekend

The Grand Hotel, Blackpool

3 DAYS | 26-28 JANUARY

£249

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £60.00

Pack your dancing shoes and join us for a great new weekend break to chase away the January blues! Featuring the best sounds of Motown, 60's and soul music in the comfortable surroundings of the Grand Hotel, Blackpool this is a fantastic weekend for all music lovers.

Friday – A mid-morning departure to Barton Grange Garden Centre, before continuing to Blackpool for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Grand Hotel. After free time and dinner, the party starts with a talented duo performing highlights of the swinging 60's and soul followed by a DJ who will keep the music going well into the night.

Saturday – A free morning to relax and explore all that Blackpool has for offer before an acoustic 60's sing along session in the afternoon. After dinner, the 5-piece band 'Relative Cool' will perform some of Motown's best-known hits to get you singing and dancing, once again followed by a DJ who will keep the party atmosphere going.

Sunday – After breakfast we depart for home mid-morning, taking a short excursion, arriving back into our local area mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ GRAND HOTEL, BLACKPOOL is situated on the North Shore overlooking the beach and promenade. There is an on-site health club with indoor swimming pool, steam room, sauna, and gym. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Enjoy sea views from the restaurant and relax on the comfortable sofas in the cosy bar. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ 2 drinks vouchers per person per night (redeemable at function bar during evening entertainment for non-premium beer/lager, glass of house wine or house spirit with mixer)
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Entertainment as stated





FALMOUTH



BOURNEMOUTH

A Cornish Winter Warmer Falmouth

5 DAYS | 29 JANUARY-2 FEBRUARY

£369

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

We are returning to the harbour town of Falmouth for a lovely winter break. The Membly Hall Hotel is a family-owned hotel and offers a traditional warm welcome. Our excursions will highlight the very best of Cornwall.

Monday – An early start as we travel via the main roads and motorways to Falmouth, checking into the Membly Hall Hotel for 4 nights half board accommodation.

Tuesday – We take in the Cornish Coast, enjoying the views of Mounts Bay and visiting Lands' End and St Ives.

Wednesday – Truro is our destination today, there is a market in the town or visit the stunning cathedral.

Thursday – A free day to explore your home resort of Falmouth. We suggest a visit to the Maritime Museum in Falmouth, an independent Museum celebrating the influence of the sea on history and culture and telling the story of Cornwall's incredible maritime heritage.

Friday – After an early breakfast we travel home, arriving back into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ MEMBLY HALL HOTEL, FALMOUTH is ideally situated on Falmouth's beach front. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. The restaurant offers an excellent menu. Leisure facilities include a spa pool and sauna, indoor short mat bowls and table tennis. The bar has a large lounge area with wonderful views across the channel. There is a lift. Please note that there are several steps to the main reception.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 4 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



TRURO CATHEDRAL

Bournemouth 'Riviera' Winter Warmer

5 DAYS | 5-9 FEBRUARY

£339

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Beat those 'Winter Blues' with 5 days away in one of the country's best-loved holiday resorts. It has so much to offer and is the ideal year-round destination. The Riviera Hotel is in the exclusive Alum Chine area of Bournemouth, where a warm welcome and excellent service is guaranteed. Discounted bar prices of 50% included each evening (Terms and Conditions apply).

Monday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Bournemouth for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Riviera Hotel.

Tuesday – We drive to the town of Wimborne Minster and include a guided tour of the beautiful Minster. We continue to Poole Harbour with its interesting marina and promenade, returning via Sandbanks.

Wednesday – We visit Dorset's county town of Dorchester, where today is market day. Later we visit the coastal resort of Weymouth.

Thursday – Enjoy a free day to explore Bournemouth. Our driver will offer transfers into the town centre and return.

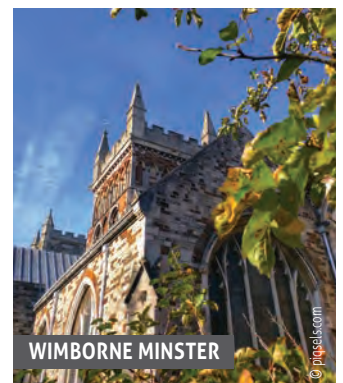
Friday – We travel home via the main roads and motorways, arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ RIVIERA HOTEL is a superb hotel situated in Alum Chine area of Bournemouth. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and bar area. Leisure facilities include an indoor swimming pool, spa bath and gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 50% discount on managers selected drinks each evening between 6.00pm – 10.00pm
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – guided tour of Wimborne Minster



WIMBORNE MINSTER



ROYAL ALBERT HALL



SCARBOROUGH

Cirque du Soleil

at the Royal Albert Hall

2 DAYS | 7-8 FEBRUARY

£279

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £22.00

What began as a troupe of street performers in Canada has grown into a global acrobatic phenomenon. A Cirque du Soleil show is as much theatre as it is a circus, featuring live music and storytelling along with acrobatic feats. Take your seat at the Royal Albert Hall for **Alegria: In a New Light**, a reimagined production to celebrate the 30th anniversary of this iconic show for a new generation of theatre goers!

Wednesday – We depart early and travel to London for 1 night bed and English breakfast accommodation at the Holiday Inn London Heathrow Bath Road Hotel. After check-in we include soup and sandwiches before transferring to the Royal Albert Hall for the Cirque du Soleil's **Alegria: In a New Light**. It will whisk audiences away to a mystical world sprinkled with visual poetry, acrobatic extravagance, surreal costume designs, vibrant sets, and playful humour - a touching

immersive experience filled with a joyous magical feeling.

Thursday – We depart for home, making a suitable stop along the way. Arrive into our local area late afternoon/early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **HOLIDAY INN LONDON HEATHROW BATH ROAD HOTEL** is a stylish and modern hotel located just under 2 miles from London Heathrow. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 1 night bed & breakfast
- ✓ 1 soup and sandwiches (Wed afternoon)
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Concert Ticket (Seats are in the Royal Albert Hall Stalls)



ALEGRIA

© Cirque du Soleil

Scarborough Singles Break

5 DAYS | 12-16 FEBRUARY

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

Always a popular choice with our single travellers, we are pleased to have secured a favourite hotel for one of our breaks, with no single supplement added to the selling price. We travel across to the East Coast and the North Yorkshire coastal town of Scarborough.

Monday – We travel to Thirsk and Helmsley en route to Scarborough for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Red Lea Hotel.

Tuesday – We journey via Thornton-le-Dale and Pickering before travelling over the North York Moors to Whitby. Later we return to the hotel via the Yorkshire coast.

Wednesday – A free day to enjoy our home resort of Scarborough.

Thursday – We take a coastal drive to Beverley, noted for its awe-inspiring Minster, historical buildings, cobbled streets, and small-town charm.

Friday – Travelling home via York, where we spend time in this walled city with its many attractions. We arrive back into the local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **RED LEA HOTEL** is situated in an elegant Victorian mid-terrace on Scarborough's South Cliff, close to the Cliff Lift. The town centre, castle and bustling harbour are only a short stroll away. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Relax in the comfortable lounges or enjoy the fully heated indoor swimming pool. Please note there are eight steps up into the hotel with handrails. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



WHITBY



KEW GARDENS ORCHIDS

Kew Gardens Orchid Festival

3 DAYS | 16-18 FEBRUARY

£299

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £60.00

One of London's top tourist attractions is Kew Gardens, the world's largest collection of living plants. Founded in 1840, from the exotic garden at Kew Park its living collections include more than 30,000 different kinds of plants, and at this time of year they host the Orchid Festival. Each year there is a different theme with colourful displays on show in the tropical glasshouse.

Friday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Oxford where we take a break. We continue to Shepperton for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Holiday Inn Hotel.

Saturday – We transfer to Kew Gardens for a celebration of beauty and nature. In February each year the Princess of Wales Conservatory holds the amazing Orchid Festival. There are opportunities to learn about the naming of orchids, their

preservation and caring for the flowers at home.

Sunday – We return home via Stratford upon Avon, arriving home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ HOLIDAY INN LONDON-SHEPPERTON is situated in 11 acres of grounds on the banks of the River Thames, it provides an ideal base for this short break. The hotel offers a health/fitness centre on site. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Kew Gardens & Orchid Festival



KEW GARDENS

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ALVASTON HALL

Warner Alveston Hall Cheshire

5 DAYS | 19-23 FEBRUARY

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement – None
Signature Twin/Double room supplement - £20.00 per person

At Warner, the emphasis is on great food and entertainment with an exciting variety of live performances with music, dancing, and comedy. We return to the impressive Alveston Hall Hotel, a grand country house, in the glorious Cheshire countryside. Simply relax and enjoy the excellent facilities or join us on one of our optional excursions.

Monday – Morning departure we travel via the city of Liverpool for free time to explore. We continue to Alveston Hall for 4 nights half board accommodation. We have time to enjoy the superb facilities on offer before dinner and the evening cabaret entertainment.

Tuesday – Join our excursion to the city of Chester with its historical city wall and cathedral and its many shops and restaurants. After our evening meal enjoy the fantastic live performance.

Wednesday – A free day to enjoy the activities taking place in the hotel. Once again, this evening we enjoy fine dining followed by live entertainment.

Thursday – A morning visit to Sandbach, where today is market day, before returning for our final evening of entertainment.

Friday – We travel home via Port Sunlight in Merseyside, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ ALVASTON HALL HOTEL is nestled in the rolling countryside of Cheshire. Facilities include restaurant, lounge, bar and leisure suite with indoor swimming pool, gym, sauna, and beauty salon. There is also a 9-hole golf course and driving range. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, safe, lounge chairs and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ 4 nights entertainment
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



CHESTER



PAINSWICK ROCOCO GARDENS

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POTTERS RESORT

Cotswolds Snowdrops

3 DAYS | 23-25 FEBRUARY

£299

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £60.00

Situated in the beautiful Cotswolds is the stunning Painswick Rococo Gardens. Famous for its snowdrop display, the gardens are a fascinating step back to a flamboyant period of English garden design. We also visit the city of Bath (with guided tour) and Batsford Arboretum, famed for trees which originate in Japan and China.

Friday – We travel South via the main roads and motorways to Painswick Rococo Gardens, set in a hidden Cotswold valley. We include a short talk on the history of snowdrop cultivation and their link to the Rococo Garden. We continue to the Best Western Blunsdon House Hotel near Swindon for 2 nights half board accommodation.

Saturday – We travel to Bath, with its Georgian terraces, original Roman spa, and picturesque setting on the banks of the River Avon. Here we include a guided coach tour before free time to explore this historic city.



BATH

Sunday – A morning visit to Batsford Arboretum and Wild Garden, home to one of the largest private tree collections in the country. In Spring the arboretum bursts into new life with delicate snowdrops, bright yellow aconites, and hellebores. Departing early afternoon, we travel home via the main roads and motorways.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ BEST WESTERN PREMIER COLLECTION BLUNSDON HOUSE HOTEL is located on the outskirts of Swindon. It is set in 30 acres of Wiltshire countryside, with very high standards and facilities include an indoor pool, spa, and sauna. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, minibar, and Wi-Fi. The lovely restaurant offers good fresh food and there are also 3 bars to relax in. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Services of guide in Bath
- ✔ EXCURSIONS - entry to Painswick Rococo Gardens & Batsford Arboretum

Potters Resort

All Inclusive

5 DAYS | 26 FEBRUARY-1 MARCH

£599

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement – £100.00
Few singles available and only in the bungalow accommodation

Premier Plus accommodation – £40.00 per person

They offer an added level of comfort with contemporary décor and furnishings. Extra amenities include hairdryer, iron with ironing board and fridge.

We are pleased to return to Potters Resort, set in a beautiful countryside location situated on the border of the Norfolk and Suffolk coast with the pretty village of Hopton on Sea just a few minutes walk away. It is a family owned resort offering both hotel and bungalow style accommodation, superb cuisine, quality sports and leisure facilities and entertainment programme. The full board package offers great value for money including a themed week of evening entertainment.

Monday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Hopton-on-Sea for 4 nights full board accommodation at the Potters Resort.

Tuesday – A leisurely day to explore your resort. Enjoy a game of bowls, discover the fully equipped leisure centre, swimming pool and beauty studio.

Wednesday – We take an optional half day excursion to the picturesque seaside resort of Southwold, returning in time for lunch and a free afternoon.

Thursday – Optional trip to Norwich with time to explore Norfolk's ancient capital.

Friday – We depart for home via the main roads and motorways. Arrive home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ POTTERS RESORT is located on the coastline border of Norfolk and Suffolk. They offer two types of accommodation either in the hotel with twin or double rooms on the first or second floor, with lift access. The bungalow style accommodation is set in the grounds, a short walk outside the hotel. All accommodation offers en suite facilities with TV, tea making facilities, and Wi-Fi. This break is exclusively for adults.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights full board accommodation
- ✔ Extensive daily entertainment programme
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



WEALD & DOWNLAND LIVING MUSEUM



RIVER WYE VALLEY

Springtime on the South Downs Arundel & Portsmouth

5 DAYS | 4-8 MARCH

£449

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £120.00

Discover the beauty of the county of Sussex from our base near Arundel. The 4-star Avisford Park is an elegant Georgian manor house hotel set in 89 acres of beautiful parkland, offering a unique atmosphere and excellent accommodation. Enjoy a fascinating visit to the Weald & Downland Living Museum, home to the BBC TV series Repair Shop.

Monday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Arundel for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Avisford Park Hotel.

Tuesday – A morning visit to the Weald & Downland Living Museum, home to the BBC TV series Repair Shop. The Repair Shop is a closed set and not accessible to the public. The set, including the outside of the barn, is visible from a short distance but there is no public access beyond that point. Later we visit the historic city of Chichester.

Wednesday – We transfer to Portsmouth; the day is free to explore at leisure. Our drop off point will be the Historic Dockyard (entry not included).

Thursday – We travel to the coast visiting Worthing, and Brighton, pausing to view the amazing ceiling paintings at English Martyrs Catholic Church in Goring-by-Sea. We return to Arundel.

Friday – We journey home arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ AVISFORD PARK HOTEL is an elegant country house. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. Amenities include a restaurant, lounge terrace & bar, and leisure facilities include a swimming pool, health club, sauna, steam room and fitness suite. There is no lift, lower floor rooms are available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Weald & Downland Living Museum



ARUNDEL

The Forest of Dean & Wye Valley

5 DAYS | 4-8 MARCH

£449

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £80.00

We return to the Bells Hotel Coleford, the perfect base for a tour of the Forest of Dean and the surrounding countryside. Our chosen itinerary is action packed and features a guided tour of Gloucester Cathedral, the Big Pit Coal Museum, Tintern Abbey and the market towns of Monmouth, Abergavenny & Ludlow.

Monday – We travel to the beautiful city of Worcester for a break, before continuing to Coleford, for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Bells Hotel.

Tuesday – A taste of Wales today as we head for the market town of Abergavenny, known as the 'Gateway to Wales'. Browse the traditional market, before we visit the Big Pit National Coal Museum. Enjoy a multimedia tour of a modern coal mine with a virtual miner, see exhibitions that tell the story of coal in Wales.

Wednesday – A circular tour through the Forest of Dean, taking us via Lydney, Chepstow and the magnificent Tintern Abbey. We continue to the border town of Monmouth for some free time to explore the UK's first Bee Town.

Thursday – Gloucester is our destination this morning, as we take

a guided tour of the medieval cathedral, where 1,000 years of breath-taking architecture is sure to impress. Later we continue to Ross on Wye, a picturesque town perched above the River Wye and home to a lovely array of independent shops, black & white medieval buildings, and a historic 16th century market hall.

Friday – We depart returning via the medieval market town of Ludlow, arriving home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ BELLS HOTEL is situated in the Forest of Dean, within walking distance of Coleford. The hotel is surrounded by its own 18-hole golf course. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 3 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – guided tour of Gloucester Cathedral, The Big Pit Museum (free) and Tintern Abbey



INN ON THE PROM

Mother's Day Sunday Night Special

Lytham St Annes

2 DAYS | 10-11 MARCH

£175

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

The classic seaside resort of St Anne's on the Sea is a Lancashire coastal gem. The Edwardian town Centre has been regenerated over recent years and is now a haven of tranquility. Situated on the seafront, our base is the 'Inn on the Prom' where we have arranged a Mothers-Day Lunch and overnight half board accommodation.

Sunday – We travel to Barton Grange Garden Centre, with its stunning indoor displays, gifts, Farm Shop and Cook Shop. We later transfer to the Inn on the Prom Hotel, where a Mother's Day carvery lunch will be served, and overnight half board accommodation has been arranged. After lunch, there will be entertainment in the hotel, or take a stroll along the sea front.



Monday – We leave St Anne's this morning and travel to Cleveleys for coffee then on to Fleetwood Free Port for some retail therapy. We depart mid-afternoon and arrive back into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★ INN ON THE PROM has 60 years and 4 generations of family working in the business. It provides a combination of quality, warmth, and courteous service. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a health club and spa including heated pool, jacuzzi, sauna and gym. The restaurant boasts delicious food freshly prepared from local produce. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 1 night dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 1 Carvery Lunch
- ✓ Afternoon & evening entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



THRIPLow DAFFODILS

NEW TOUR

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Thriplow Daffodil Weekend

3 DAYS | 15-17 MARCH

£279

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £64.00

A seasonal break to Cambridgeshire that celebrates the spring beauty of the daffodil, and all that the countryside has to offer as it bursts back into life. Join us as we visit Thriplow Daffodil Weekend, featuring a whole host of activities including a flower festival, live folk music, morris dancers and an amazing choice of delicious food stalls. We also spend time in the beautiful city of Cambridge and historic Stamford. A spring break not to be missed!!

Friday – Today we travel to Cambridge and enjoy free time to explore this breath-taking city where you can take in the stunning architecture of the university colleges, watch the punting on the river Cam or indulge in some retail therapy. Later we take a short drive to our base for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Holiday Inn.

Saturday – This morning we head to Thriplow and explore this fantastic and well-established village event, taking in the masses of daffodils and open gardens as we go. Expect craft & local produce stalls, maypole dancing, vintage tractor & dray rides, living history re-enactments plus plenty of delicious food and live music, all delivered by a passionate team of local volunteers.

Sunday – We travel home, enjoying a break in the historic town of Stamford and arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★ HOLIDAY INN, CAMBRIDGE is set by a lake in rolling countryside just 2 miles outside Cambridge. There is a restaurant and bar, indoor swimming pool with steam room, jacuzzi, sauna and gym. All bedrooms are en suite showers over the bath, no walk-in showers, with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, safe and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Thriplow Daffodil Weekend



STAMFORD



WEYMOUTH

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Weymouth

5 DAYS | 17-21 MARCH

£429

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Enjoy the scenic beauty of Dorset's coast and countryside. We include a visit to Abbotsbury Subtropical Gardens, enjoy the coastal seascapes at West Bay (Broadchurch) and experience the 'heady delights' of Isle of Portland. The Hotel Rex in Weymouth has a wonderful seafront location from where you have plenty of free time to explore.

Sunday – We travel to Weymouth for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Hotel Rex.

Monday – We visit Abbotsbury Subtropical Gardens, a mixture of formal and informal flowers, world famous for its camellia groves and magnolias. Later we call at West Bay, used as filming locations in the hit TV series Broadchurch.

Tuesday – We take an excursion to the Isle of Portland, a peninsula joined to the mainland by the narrow spit of Chesil Beach. The amazing views of Weymouth and the Dorset coast are as famous as the local 'Portland stone', a much-prized limestone used in civic buildings throughout the UK.

Wednesday – We journey to Thomas Hardy's Dorchester. Today is market day and is one of Dorset's biggest and best! Why not explore The Keep Military Museum or enjoy

the many and varied shops and eateries. We return to Weymouth so that you can enjoy some free time.

Thursday – We depart after breakfast returning home, arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ HOTEL REX is situated on the Esplanade overlooking Weymouth Beach and the Jurassic coastline beyond. There is a resident's lounge, bar, and restaurant. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a lift and there are steps at the hotel entrance.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Abbotsbury Subtropical Gardens



ABBOTSBURY SUBTROPICAL GARDENS

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TORQUAY

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Torquay

The English Riviera

5 DAYS | 18-22 MARCH

£439

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Torquay, a traditional yet thriving seaside town set on Devon's English Riviera coast, with its iconic palm trees, busy harbour, international marina, sandy beach and wonderful array of continental style cafes, restaurants, and cocktail bars. Our base is the welcoming Belgrave Sands Hotel & Spa.

Monday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Torquay for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Belgrave Sands Hotel & Spa.

Tuesday – Today we visit Babbacombe Model Village in Torquay, and the market town of Totnes. Later we travel to Buckfast Abbey, a tranquil refuge set in a beautiful, wooded valley beside the river Dart.

Wednesday – A free day to enjoy Torquay at leisure.

Thursday – This morning we drive along the South Devon coastline visiting the traditional seaside resorts of Dawlish and Teignmouth.

Friday – We depart for home via the main roads and motorways, arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ BELGRAVE SANDS HOTEL & SPA is a stylish, contemporary hotel situated a short walk from the beach. Seasons Restaurant serves a locally sourced seasonal menu and there is also a bar and outdoor terrace. Facilities include a spa with heated indoor pool, steam room, sauna, gym, and spa treatments. All bedrooms are en suite with walk-in shower, TV, tea making facilities, mini fridge, iron & ironing board, hairdryer, safe and Wi-Fi. There is a lift to most rooms.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Babbacombe Model Village



BABBACOMBE MODEL VILLAGE

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SETTLE TO CARLISLE RAILWAY

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BATEMANS HOUSE

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County Durham (2 Dates)

Rail, City, Cruise, & Countryside

3 DAYS | 22-24 MARCH

£309

3 DAYS | 11-13 OCTOBER

£309

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £56.00

Climb aboard as we journey via England's most scenic railway, taking in the attractions of the 72 mile stretch between Settle and Carlisle. On arrival in Carlisle, we have free time before we head east into County Durham for 2 nights accommodation at the Radisson Blu Hotel Durham. Also included, a cruise on the River Wear and time in Whitby. A real treat!

Friday – We congregate in Settle for coffee (price not included) before joining the mid-morning train from Settle to Carlisle. Relax on a journey which takes you over the 24 arches of the Ribbleshead Viaduct to the side of Dentdale, through the gentle rolling hills of the Eden Valley before arriving in Carlisle. Later we travel to Durham for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Radisson Blu Hotel Durham.

Saturday – Transfer into Durham for a 1-hour river cruise onboard the Prince Bishop taking in the sites of the city from the River Wear. Tea and biscuits are served on board before we enjoy free time in the city.

Sunday – We journey to the picture postcard seaport of Whitby, dominated by the cliff-top ruins of the 13th century abbey (minimum 3.5hr stay). We continue home later in the day, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **RADISSON BLU HOTEL, DURHAM** has a city centre, riverside location. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, toiletries and Wi-Fi. There is a gym and spa with swimming pool, jacuzzi, sauna and steam room. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – rail journey and boat cruise with tea and biscuits



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PRINCE BISHOP RIVER CRUISE

Elegant Eastbourne

5 DAYS | 24-28 MARCH

£509

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £91.00

Eastbourne, one of Britain's most elegant and popular resorts enjoys a glorious location on the South Coast yet has the added attraction of being surrounded by beautiful countryside and the chalk cliffs of Beachy Head. We return to the Best Western York House Hotel, boasting a stunning seafront position just 400 yards from Eastbourne pier, 20 yards from the beach and a 10-minute walk from the town centre. Our excursions include Batemans, former home to Rudyard Kipling, Brighton, and a free day in Eastbourne.

we suggest a visit to the famous Abbey (price not included).

Wednesday – We travel along the coast to Brighton where we begin with a journey on the Brighton i360 to admire views across Regency Brighton, the South Downs, and a stretch of over 66 miles of coastline, east to Beachy Head and, on the clearest days, all the way to the Isle of Wight in the west. The remainder of the day is free to explore Brighton.

Thursday – Depart for home via the main roads and motorways, arriving back into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **BEST WESTERN YORK HOUSE** is an elegant Victorian hotel. The facilities include a restaurant and bar/lounge area and indoor swimming pool. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Batemans & Brighton i360



**NEW
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IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM DUXFORD

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**NEW
TOUR** **NEW
HOTEL**

MINEHEAD

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Cambridge & Imperial War Museum Duxford (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 1-5 APRIL

£549

5 DAYS | 5-9 AUGUST

£549

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £144.00

A break into the counties of Cambridgeshire and Suffolk, where we have some interesting visits to showcase this corner of England. These include Imperial War Museum Duxford, the university city of Cambridge, with entry to Botanic Gardens, Bury St Edmunds, and the Abbey Gardens. Our accommodation is the Holiday Inn on the outskirts of Cambridge.

Monday – We travel and enjoy a break in the historic town of Stamford. Later we continue to Cambridge for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Holiday Inn.

Tuesday – We spend today at the Imperial War Museum Duxford. The historic site includes a vast range of enormous hangars, gigantic aircraft, a live airfield, and a wide collection of personal stories of those who have lived, fought, and died in conflict from the First World War to present day.

Wednesday – We head for Bury St Edmunds where there are fantastic shops, restaurants, and a small market. Explore the award-winning 14-acre Abbey Gardens (free entry) which surround the ruins of St Edmunds Abbey.

Thursday – This morning we visit the famous university city of Cambridge where we are joined by

a local guide. Following the tour of the city we visit the Botanic Gardens of the university and then have free time to obtain lunch and explore at leisure.

Friday – We depart for home passing through Oakham and Melton Mowbray, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ HOLIDAY INN, CAMBRIDGE is set by a lake in rolling countryside just 2 miles outside Cambridge. There is a restaurant and bar, indoor swimming pool with steam room, jacuzzi, sauna and gym. All bedrooms are en suite showers over the bath, no walk-in showers, with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, safe and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Services of local guide in Cambridge
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to IWM Duxford, Botanic Gardens Cambridge and guided tour of Cambridge

Minehead

West Somerset Coast

5 DAYS | 1-5 APRIL

£559

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

We are pleased to present this new tour based in the attractive Somerset town of Minehead, with its long flat sandy beach, charming harbour, and bustling town centre. An ideal base for exploring Somerset and Exmoor. Our break features the West Somerset Railway, England's longest steam line. Accommodation is the Northfield Hotel, a new hotel to our collection.

Monday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Minehead for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Northfield Hotel.

Tuesday – A coastal day as we visit the quaint resorts of Lynton & Lynmouth.

Wednesday – We board the mid-morning steam train for a relaxing, scenic journey through the Quantock Hills to Bishops Lydeard. We re-join our coach and continue to Dunster Castle and Gardens.

Thursday – We enjoy a free day in our resort.

Friday – We journey home via the main roads and motorways arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ NORTHFIELD HOTEL is a much-loved hotel in Minehead, set in almost 2 acres of landscaped gardens. There is a restaurant, lounge bar and terrace. Also, an indoor pool, gym, and spa facilities. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 2 nights live entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – single journey on the West Somerset Railway, entry to Dunster Castle & Gardens



DUNSTER CASTLE



POWDERHAM CASTLE



LONDON SHOPPING

NEW HOTEL

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South Devon (2 Dates)

& the Jurassic Coast, based in Sidmouth

5 DAYS | 2-6 APRIL

£519

6 DAYS | 9-14 JUNE

£649

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person (5 days) £60.00 per person (6 days)

EXTRAS: Single supplement – None

Sea View room supplement (not singles) - £48.00 per person (5 days)

£60.00 per person (6 days)

A break on the south Devon coast as we travel to Sidmouth, a lovely seaside town nestled beneath majestic red cliffs. The gateway to the Jurassic Coast, it is a charming, unspoilt sanctuary from the excesses of modern day tourism, famed for its wealth of fine Regency architecture. Our accommodation is the Kingswood Hotel, which boasts a superb location and a great reputation.

Day 1 – We journey to Sidmouth for 4/5 nights half board accommodation at the Kingswood Hotel.

Day 2 – We head to Forde Abbey, a grade I listed building, privately owned former Cistercian Monastery. A guided tour of the house before time to explore the gardens. Later we transfer to Seaton. Set in a landscape of outstanding natural beauty, the gateway town to the Jurassic Coast overlooks Lyme Bay.

Day 3 – We visit Powderham Castle which lies in a deer park on the banks of the River Exe. Our guided tour of the castle will bring over 600 years of history to life plus there are beautiful gardens to discover. We continue to Exeter with free time to explore the city.



BICTON PARK

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Day 4 – A free day in Sidmouth. Enjoy a stroll along the promenade, taking in the magnificent coastal views, or explore the charming town centre with its independent stores and lovely cafes.

Day 5 June Tour – We take a short drive to Bicton Park Botanical Gardens with its Italianate formal gardens, magnificent palm house, fernery, and Mediterranean garden as well as a woodland miniature railway (additional cost).

Day 5/6 – Depart and travel home, arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★ KINGSWOOD HOTEL** is located on the seafront close to the town centre. The lounges overlook the sea and enjoy stunning views. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. As befits a building of this era the bedrooms have their own individual character varying in style and size. There is a lift to most bedrooms, some still have steps.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4/5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry with guided tour to Forde Abbey, Powderham Castle and Bicton Park Botanical Gardens (June tour only)

London Weekend

Central Hotel

3 DAYS | 5-7 APRIL

£329

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £154.00

A city rich in history and pageantry with a multitude of world-famous attractions to visit. Harrods is a must for any keen shopper, the theatres, museums, and art galleries are among the finest in the world so come and enjoy the best of London. Our chosen hotel is centrally located off Kensington High Street, the perfect location to explore the capital at your own pace.

PLEASE NOTE: We advise you not to book Theatre Tickets until 6 weeks prior to the tour departure date in the unlikely event that the tour cancels due to low numbers. There will be no reimbursement for unused tickets.

Friday – We depart early and travel to London for 2 nights bed & breakfast accommodation at the Holiday Inn, Kensington. Check in late-afternoon and then you are free time to explore at leisure.

Saturday – A full day in the Capital. Why not take a flight on the London Eye or indulge in some designer shopping? A trip to London is not complete without going to see one of the West End theatre productions.

Sunday – We depart and travel north to Stratford-upon-Avon for some free time before continuing home arriving into our local area mid to late evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★★ HOLIDAY INN, KENSINGTON** is located a few minutes' walk from Kensington High Street and within easy reach from the shops and restaurants of Knightsbridge and Notting Hill. Hyde Park, the Royal Albert Hall and the world-famous museums on Cromwell Road are also within easy walking distance. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, safe, complimentary toiletries and Wi-Fi. There is a spacious restaurant, lounge bar and garden terrace plus a Spa & Health Club where facilities include a swimming pool, jacuzzi, sauna, steam room and spa treatments, which must be pre-booked. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver



TOWER BRIDGE



MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY

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TREVAUNANCE COVE, ST. AGNES

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Isle of Man (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 9-13 APRIL

£525

5 DAYS | 6-10 OCTOBER

£525

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £64.00

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

WE REQUIRE FULL NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH, PLEASE HAVE THESE DETAILS READY WHEN BOOKING

Like a stepping-stone in the Irish Sea, midway between England and Ireland, the Isle of Man has attracted visitors for many years. It has something to offer everyone, and Douglas is an ideal base from which to explore the beautiful island.

Day 1 – Morning departure, we include a coffee stop en route to Heysham for the afternoon crossing to Douglas. Our accommodation is 4 nights half board at the Rutland Hotel, Douglas.

Day 2 – This morning we step back in time for a journey you will never forget, experiencing the grandeur of travelling between Douglas and the south of the Island on a Victorian railway, perfectly frozen in time. We disembark in Port Erin, later in the day we visit Castletown.

Day 3 – A half-day tour to the Laxey Wheel (entry not included). The afternoon is free to explore the capital – why not take a ride on the Manx Electric Railway, which is just a few minutes' walk from the hotel.

Day 4 – We take a trip over to the west coast and the resort of Peel with its flat sandy beach and absorbing attractions. We head back to Douglas, for free time in the island's capital, a unique blend of holiday resort, finance centre and working harbour. Not to be missed is the award-winning Manx Museum (free of charge) for a journey of discovery into the island's absorbing history.

Day 5 – We depart after an early breakfast and transfer to the port at Douglas to catch the morning boat to Heysham. Arrive home mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **RUTLAND HOTEL** is located overlooking Queens Promenade and boasts stunning views across Douglas Bay. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board and Wi-Fi. There is a lift. Please note - there are 9 steep steps up to the hotel entrance with no separate ramp access available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ 2 nights entertainment
- ✔ Coffee & biscuits on outward journey to Heysham
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Return ferry travel
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – single train journey



LAXEY WHEEL

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St Agnes, Cornwall (2 Dates)

6 DAYS | 10-15 APRIL

£589

6 DAYS | 25-30 JULY

£639

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

A popular tour, we return to St Agnes and the excellent Rosemundy Hotel. We visit St Ives, Padstow and include the fascinating Eden Project and the breath-taking Lost Gardens of Heligan.

Day 1 – We journey to St Agnes for 5 nights half board accommodation at the Rosemundy House Hotel.

Day 2 – We travel to Marazion to view St Michael's Mount before spending time in Penzance. Later we travel via St Just and Zennor to picturesque St Ives.

Day 3 – We begin with a visit to the pretty fishing village of Mevagissey before we make our way to the fascinating Lost Gardens of Heligan. Explore these magnificent gardens, restored to their former glory after 30 years lying hidden and overgrown.

Day 4 – A full day visit to the award-winning Eden Project. The former clay mine has been transformed into the world's largest indoor rainforest plus there is a Mediterranean biome and extensive outdoor gardens.

Day 5 – The pretty market town of Wadebridge is our first stop today.

Enjoy a walk along the banks of the River Camel or explore the bustling town with its unique shops and choice of cafes. Later we continue to the fishing port of Padstow, with its charming harbour and quaint streets.

Day 6 – We travel via the main roads and motorways. Arrive home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **ROSEMUNDY HOUSE HOTEL** is a family run hotel set in secluded, sheltered gardens and woodlands, yet close to the main street in the village of St Agnes. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a bar and restaurant. There is an outdoor hot tub (May to September). There is no lift, but rooms are on the ground and first floor.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Eden Project and Lost Gardens of Heligan



EDEN PROJECT

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OSBORNE HOUSE



BETH CHATTO GARDENS

Isle of Wight

6 DAYS | 14-19 APRIL

£669

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None
TRAVEL INSURANCE: Strongly Recommended

The Isle of Wight is home to some of the most diverse countryside in the UK and generally enjoys milder weather and more sunshine than the mainland. The coastline offers views over the Solent and inland, picturesque villages and a wealth of attractions.

Sunday – We travel to Southampton for the ferry crossing to East Cowes. We continue to Shanklin for 5 nights half board accommodation at the Channel View Hotel.

Monday – A free day to explore Shanklin.

Tuesday – We visit West Cowes, famous for the World's oldest regular regatta 'Cowes Week.' We continue to Osborne House, the one-time holiday home of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, we explore the interiors and gardens.

Wednesday – An Island Tour including Ventnor Botanic Gardens (1hr stay), Alum Bay, the Needles and Yarmouth, returning via Newport.

Thursday – We transfer to Havenstreet for a ride on the Isle of Wight Steam Railway through to

Smallbrook Junction then returning to Havenstreet for free time before a visit to Ryde and Bembridge.

Friday – We retrace our journey to Southampton, travelling home arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ CHANNEL VIEW HOTEL has an elevated cliff top position overlooking Shanklin Bay. Facilities include an indoor swimming pool, hot tub, and sauna. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. Entertainment several times a week. There is a lift although some rooms have a few steps to them including the hotel entrance, restaurant, and entertainment room.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Return ferry travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Osborne House, Ventnor Botanic Gardens, and Isle of Wight Steam Railway



ISLE OF WIGHT STEAM RAILWAY

Suffolk & Constable Country

(2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 21-25 APRIL

£539

5 DAYS | 8-12 SEPTEMBER

£579

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person
EXTRAS: Single Supplements – April £124.00 Sept £136.00

The backdrop of the quaint Suffolk villages have been famously brought to life by the Gainsborough and Constable landscapes and they provide the blend of heritage and scenery for this tour with the rolling countryside, babbling brooks and picturesque villages. On our Constable Country day we have the services of a local guide who will bring this region to life. We also include a visit to Beth Chatto's Gardens, a day on the Suffolk Heritage Coast, visiting Aldeburgh and Southwold, and historic Sutton Hoo. All this combines to give a holiday of particular charm and nostalgia for you to enjoy.

Sunday – We travel to Stamford. Later we continue to Leavenheath for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Stoke by Nayland Hotel, Golf & Spa.

Monday – We visit the Suffolk Heritage Coast, the resort of Aldeburgh where little has changed since Victorian times and Southwold, seen by many as the town that time forgot.

Tuesday – We enjoy a guided tour of Constable Country and the famous Suffolk Wool Towns. Our guide will bring to life the medieval villages of Lavenham, Dedham and Flatford Mill.

Wednesday – We visit Beth Chatto's Gardens, an informal collection of

historically significant gardens, with National Heritage Grade II listing. In the afternoon we visit the town of Woodbridge and Sutton Hoo, the site of two Anglo-Saxon burial sites whose discovery is dramatised in the film 'The Dig'.

Thursday – We travel home making a stop along the way. Arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ STOKES BY NAYLAND HOTEL, GOLF & SPA, LEAVENHEATH is superb contemporary hotel located in the heart of the Dedham Vale AONB. Facilities include two 18-hole golf courses, spa & fitness club with indoor swimming pool, jacuzzi, steam room, gym, and beauty treatments. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. The Lakes restaurant serves a varied menu and there is a choice of bars, lounge areas and an attractive terrace. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Services of a local guide
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Beth Chatto's Gardens and Sutton Hoo



PASHLEY MANOR

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Kent & Pashley Manor Tulip Festival

5 DAYS | 28 APRIL-2 MAY

£559

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £100.00

The county of Kent has an irresistible charm, and this tour shows some of the best on offer. Discover the cathedral city of Canterbury and visit Goodnestone House Gardens. Our highlight is Pashley Manor Gardens and the Tulip Festival. We are pleased to have secured accommodation at the Best Western Plus Burlington Hotel, set in tranquil surroundings and overlooking the English Channel.

Sunday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Folkestone, Kent for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Best Western Plus Burlington Hotel.

Monday – We travel to Canterbury where the skyline is dominated by the Cathedral, parts of which date back to the 12th century. We continue to Goodnestone House Gardens, described as one of the loveliest in Kent.

Tuesday – We visit Tenterden known as the 'Jewel of the Weald', before continuing to Pashley Manor's spectacular Tulip Festival, gardens carpeted with over 48,000 tulips, creating a stunning scene.

Wednesday – We drive through the distinctive landscape of Romney Marshes to the medieval town of Rye (via the interesting church in

the village of Brookland), with its beautifully preserved Medieval, Tudor, and Georgian buildings. Later we return to Folkestone for a free afternoon.

Thursday – We return home via the main roads and motorways, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **BEST WESTERN PLUS BURLINGTON HOTEL** is a stylish, Victorian hotel ideally situated near the main town centre of Folkestone and set within its own grounds overlooking the English Channel. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and two bars. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entrance to Goodnestone House Gardens and Pashley Manor Gardens Tulip Festival



NEW HOTEL

IRONBRIDGE GORGE

Shrewsbury & Ironbridge Gorge

(2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 29 APRIL-3 MAY

£509

5 DAYS | 16-20 SEPTEMBER

£509

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £108.00

Shropshire sits to the west of Birmingham and on the Welsh Border. Its centrally located county town is Shrewsbury with its Tudor centre of black and white buildings. Enjoy daily excursions to explore this beautiful region and accommodation at the contemporary Mercure Hotel, Telford.

Monday – Travelling south we enjoy a fascinating visit to the RAF Museum at Cosford, where you can explore the vast hangars featuring the Cold War Exhibition, RAF Centenary Exhibition and Battle of Britain aircraft display (free entry). Later we check in at the Mercure Hotel, Telford for 4 nights half board accommodation.

Tuesday – We travel to Shrewsbury, enjoy a cruise on the River Severn followed by time to explore this pretty town. Later we travel via Wenlock Edge to the quintessential English town of Much Wenlock.

Wednesday – A scenic drive to the Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre, where we explore the food, history, and landscape of this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. We continue to Ludlow with time to visit at leisure.

Thursday – A full day visit to the Ironbridge Gorge UNESCO World Heritage Site, known throughout the world as the symbol of the Industrial Revolution. We include a visit to Blists Hill Victorian Town.

Friday – We travel home calling in at the British Ironworks Centre, where you can watch blacksmiths and artisans at work and marvel at the spectacular sculptures on display (free entry). We will arrive into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **MERCURE HOTEL, TELFORD** is contemporary and stylish hotel. There is a spacious lounge bar, restaurant and leisure facilities including a swimming pool, gym, sauna and steam room. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – River Severn cruise, entry to Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre, Ironbridge and Blists Hill Victorian Town



SCARBOROUGH

Scarborough (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 5-9 MAY

£469

5 DAYS | 2-6 SEPTEMBER

£499

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

As a holiday destination, Scarborough really does have it all, dramatic cliffs, castle headland, award-winning beaches, historic harbour, great attractions, thriving town centre and a warm Yorkshire welcome from our hosts at the Red Lea. We have included visits bringing to life this wonderful part of the country.

Day 1 – We travel to Malton where we visit the award-winning Eden Camp, a modern history theme museum. We continue to Scarborough for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Red Lea Hotel.

Day 2 – We follow the Yorkshire coast to the charming seaside resort of Filey with its golden, sandy beach. We then continue to Bridlington where there will be free time to explore before returning via the Yorkshire Wolds.

Day 3 – A free day to enjoy our home resort of Scarborough.



EDEN CAMP

Day 4 – The attractive village of Goathland is our first destination this morning, famous for its appearance as 'Aidensfield' in the television series 'Heartbeat' and its role in the 'Harry Potter' films. Later, we visit Whitby, one of the most famous and popular seaside towns in Yorkshire.

Day 5 – We travel through the North York Moors National Park to the market town of Guisborough before continuing to Salburn-by-the-Sea, with its original charm as a Victorian seaside resort. Depart mid-afternoon, arriving back into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **RED LEA HOTEL** is located on Scarborough's South Cliff, close to the Cliff Lift. The town centre, castle and bustling harbour are only a short stroll away. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Relax in the comfortable lounges or enjoy the fully heated indoor swimming pool. Please note there are eight steps up into the hotel with handrails. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Eden Camp



SS GREAT BRITAIN

Bristol, SS Great Britain & Aerospace

5 DAYS | 5-9 MAY

£579

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £148.00

Join us for a wonderful break exploring some of the highlights of the fascinating city of Bristol. We include a visit to the historic SS Great Britain, the award-winning Aerospace Bristol, home to the iconic Concorde, and University of Bristol Botanic Garden. Our base is the contemporary Aztec Hotel & Spa where you can relax and enjoy the superb facilities.

Sunday – We journey south to Gloucester, where we take a break. We continue to Bristol for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Aztec Hotel & Spa.

Monday – We travel to Aerospace Bristol, which houses a varied collection of exhibits as well as Concorde Alpha Foxtrot, the final Concorde to be built and the last to fly. You will be able to follow in the footsteps of world leaders, rock stars and royalty when they step onboard Concorde G-BOAF.

Tuesday – Today we explore the maritime heritage of Bristol and visit another of Brunel's great engineering achievements, the SS Great Britain, one of the world's most important historic ships. Later enjoy free time to take a boat trip on one of the many river cruisers that ply the River Avon or our driver can drop you at Bristol's shopping quarter in the city centre.

Wednesday – This morning we start with a visit to the University of

Bristol Botanic Garden where you can explore the Evolution, Chinese and Medicinal gardens as well as following the sculpture trail. Later we continue to Clifton, where we stop to view Brunel's magnificent suspension bridge, spanning the Avon Gorge. We then head to the unspoilt Victorian seaside town of Clevedon, with its elegant pier and magnificent views of the Severn estuary.

Thursday – This morning we depart and travel via the impressive Severn Bridge and onto Ludlow where we take a break, arriving home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **AZTEC HOTEL & SPA** is located just 15 minutes from the centre of Bristol. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press and ironing facilities, complimentary mineral water and toiletries and Wi-Fi. Relax in the spa with its swimming pool, jacuzzi, steam room and sauna. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Aerospace Bristol, SS Great Britain, and University of Bristol Botanic Garden



MALVERN SPRING FLOWER SHOW

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CRAGSIDE

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Malvern Spring Flower Show

3 DAYS | 10-12 MAY

£319

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £40.00

Always a popular tour, come with us as we get ready for the 2024 growing season with a weekend break to the RHS Malvern Spring Festival. With an impressive collection of over 500 trade stands, 100 nurseries, and show gardens displaying all the current horticultural themes and fashions, this is a show to inspire hardy perennials and young buds alike.

Friday – We travel to Biddulph Grange Garden, an intriguing garden, designed in Victorian times by an avid gardener and collector of plants from around the world. Later, we continue to the Stourport Manor Hotel, for 2 nights half board accommodation.

Saturday – We spend the day at the Malvern Spring Festival, the first of the national RHS Flower Shows and one of the finest and friendliest gardening events of the year.

Sunday – We travel to the charming market town of Ludlow, arriving

back into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **STOURPORT MANOR** is a country house hotel set within 23 acres of grounds near Kidderminster. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. The public areas include lounges for relaxing and the Brasserie restaurant overlooks the garden and provides a varied menu. There is a health and leisure club with indoor swimming pool, hot tub, and gym. There is no lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Biddulph Grange Garden and Malvern Spring Flower Show



LUDLOW

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The Best of Northumbria

(2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 13-17 MAY

£479

5 DAYS | 9-13 SEPTEMBER

£459

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £120.00

The ancient kingdom of Northumbria has been voted England's most tranquil county and boasts some of Britain's most spectacular coast and countryside. Our itinerary for this popular tour includes visits to Locomotion, Alnwick, Bamburgh, the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, and Hexham Abbey.

Monday – We travel to Houghton Hall Garden Centre then to Hexham with free time to visit the Abbey on a self-guided tour. Later, we continue to the outskirts of Newcastle for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Holiday Inn Gosforth Park Hotel.

Tuesday – Today we visit Alnwick and Alnmouth, returning to the hotel via Warkworth and Amble, highlighting some of the beauty of the Northumbrian coastline.

Wednesday – We journey to The Holy Island of Lindisfarne, with time to explore the ancient castle and priory, or stroll around the attractive harbour. (Subject to tide timings)

Thursday – We travel via the coast to Bamburgh with its famous castle and beach, returning via Seahouses & return via Craster.

Friday – May Tour We visit Cragside House & Gardens.
September Tour We visit the City of Durham.
We travel home, arriving into the local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **HOLIDAY INN NEWCASTLE GOSFORTH PARK** occupies a rural setting 6 miles from Newcastle city centre. All the en suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, tea making facilities, trouser press, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a health club with swimming pool. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Cragside House (May Tour)



LINDISFARNE CASTLE



EASTBOURNE

Elegant Eastbourne (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 19-23 MAY

£529

5 DAYS | 22-26 SEPTEMBER

£539

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £91.00

Eastbourne, one of Britain's most elegant and popular resorts enjoys a glorious location on the South Coast yet has the added attraction of being surrounded by beautiful countryside and the chalk cliffs of Beachy Head. We return to the Best Western York House Hotel, boasting a stunning seafront position just 400 yards from Eastbourne pier, 20 yards from the beach and a 10-minute walk from the town centre. Our excursions include the award-winning Pashley Manor Gardens, a journey on the Bluebell Railway and a free day in Eastbourne.

Sunday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Eastbourne for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Best Western York House Hotel.

Monday – There will be a free day to enjoy Eastbourne with its lively seafront and elegant parks & gardens.

Tuesday – Today we visit the award-winning Pashley Manor Gardens, one of the finest gardens in England, covering 11 acres with a sumptuous blend of landscaping, fine old trees, fountains, springs, and large ponds, with interest and colour throughout the year. We return via the fascinating town of Battle where we suggest a visit to the famous Abbey (price not included).

Wednesday – We start our day stepping back in time as we travel through the glorious Sussex scenery on board one of the Bluebell Railway's heritage steam trains. Later we continue to Royal Tunbridge Wells, a former Georgian spa town famed for its elegant architecture and the Pantiles, a colonnaded promenade now home to high quality stores and cafes.

Thursday – Depart for home via the main roads and motorways, arriving back into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★ BEST WESTERN YORK HOUSE** is an elegant Victorian hotel. The facilities include a restaurant and bar/lounge area and indoor swimming pool. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Pashley Manor Gardens and return journey on Bluebell Railway



CROMER PIER

Cromer and North Norfolk

(2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 20-24 MAY

£559

5 DAYS | 23-27 SEPTEMBER

£559

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – None (but few singles available)

The North Norfolk coast is stunning, around 400 square miles at the far eastern tip of England. The landscape includes wide sandy beaches, pine forests, salt marshes and pretty villages. We include a rail journey on the Bure Valley Railway, a cruise on the Norfolk Broads and a visit to the Sandringham Estate. The Virginia Court Hotel in Cromer offers a high standard of accommodation and personal service.

Monday – We travel to Cromer for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Virginia Court Hotel.

Tuesday – This morning we enjoy a 1.5hr cruise on the famous broads, taking in the unique landscape and abundant wildlife as we go. Later we take a trip on the Bure Valley Railway, a nostalgic trip on a traditional narrow gauge steam train.

Wednesday – We visit Sandringham House, the country estate of His Majesty the King, where you can view the main ground floor rooms used by the Royal family and take a stroll around the formal gardens.

Thursday – We take a coastal drive to Sheringham, where you can

enjoy this traditional seaside resort before we return for free time in Cromer. Stroll along the pier or discover more about the RNLI heritage at the Henry Blogg Museum.

Friday – We depart for home, arriving back into our local area mid to late evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★ VIRGINIA COURT HOTEL** is independently owned and located just a short stroll from Cromer's sandy beaches, cliff tops and shops. It offers high standards with an elegant dining room serving locally sourced produce, quiet lounge, and bar. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, a limited number of ground floor rooms are available with all other rooms on the first floor.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – Norfolk Broads cruise, Bure Valley rail journey and entry to Sandringham House



RHS CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW

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RHS Chelsea Flower Show

3 DAYS | 22-24 MAY

£409

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £80.00

Come with us to the RHS Chelsea Flower Show, where the grounds of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea will once again be transformed into the fabulous show and vibrant horticultural displays that make up the world's most famous flower show. The Chelsea Flower Show is the first event of the summer season and showcases the finest examples of horticultural excellence, created by the best garden designers. The show was first held in Kensington in 1862 and moved to the grounds of the Royal Hospital, home of the famous Chelsea pensioners in 1913.

Wednesday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Oxford where we take a break. We continue to Shepperton for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Holiday Inn Hotel.

Thursday – Doors open at 8.00am so we depart early for our full day at the Chelsea Flower Show, still viewed as the most important event in the horticultural calendar. Garden designers from around the world compete for space at the most famous of flower shows. With new trends constantly appearing you can marvel at dozens of gardens from well-known designers. Specialists will be on hand to offer advice and to show off the latest gardening gadgets and research.

Friday – We return home via Trentham Garden Estate arriving home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ HOLIDAY INN LONDON-SHEPPERTON is situated in 11 acres of grounds on the banks of the River Thames, it provides an ideal base for this short break. The hotel offers a health/fitness centre on site. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Chelsea Flower Show



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WEYMOUTH

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Weymouth (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 23-27 MAY

£499

6 DAYS | 29 SEPTEMBER- 4 OCTOBER

£609

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person (5 days) £60.00 per person (6 days)

EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Enjoy the scenic beauty of Dorset's coast and countryside. We include a visit to Abbotsbury Swannery & Gardens, enjoy the coastal seascapes at West Bay (Broadchurch) and experience the 'heady delights' of the Isle of Portland. We visit Lulworth Cove before a stop in Dorchester. The Hotel Rex in Weymouth has a wonderful seafront location from where you have plenty of free time to explore.

Day 1 – We travel to Weymouth for 4/5 nights half board accommodation at the Hotel Rex.

Day 2 – Today we travel to Abbotsbury Swannery, the only place in the world where you can walk through the heart of a colony of nesting Mute Swans, entry to the gardens included. We call at West Bay, used as filming locations in the hit TV series Broadchurch.

Day 3 – We journey to Lulworth Cove, a UNESCO World Heritage site with unique geology and crystal-clear waters, before visiting Thomas Hardy's Dorchester. In the afternoon we return to Weymouth for free time.

Day 4 – We take a morning excursion to the Isle of Portland, a peninsula joined to the mainland by the narrow spit of Chesil Beach. The amazing views of Weymouth and

the Dorset coast are as famous as the local 'Portland stone', a much-prized limestone used in civic buildings throughout the UK. We return to Weymouth for further free time.

Day 5 September Tour – This morning we head to Poole, where you can take in views of the magnificent natural harbour, enjoy a harbour cruise, or explore the bustling quayside and old town.

Day 5/6 – We depart after breakfast returning home, arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ HOTEL REX is situated on the Esplanade overlooking Weymouth Beach and the Jurassic Coastline beyond. There is a resident's lounge, bar, and restaurant. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a lift but there are steps at the hotel entrance.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4/5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Abbotsbury Swannery & Gardens



THE EDEN PROJECT

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Looe, Cornwall & The Eden Project (2 Dates)

6 DAYS | 27 MAY-1 JUNE

£699

7 DAYS | 2-8 SEPTEMBER

£829

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - None (very few singles available)

River View Supplement - £50.00 per person (6 days)

£60.00 per person (7 Days)

River View with Balcony supplement - £100.00 per person (6 days)

£120.00 per person (7 days)

Looe is one of Cornwall's prettiest resorts, with its ancient traditions based on the fishing industry and harbour. The town has recently been used as a filming location for the 'Death in Paradise' spin-off BBC TV series 'Beyond Paradise'. Our base is the Portbyhan Hotel, which offers views across the harbour and the unspoilt Cornish coast.

Monday – We journey to Looe for 5/6 nights half board accommodation at The Portbyhan Hotel. Cream Tea on arrival as you begin your holiday.

EXCURSIONS

- We discover some of Cornwall's prettiest fishing villages, including Charlestown and a trip to Fowey, once home to Daphne du Maurier, a town packed with Medieval and Georgian buildings. A minibus runs from the coach park down to the town between 10am – 6pm. (There will be a small charge for the service).

- The Eden Project, a global garden and place of beauty which explores humankind's dependence on natural resources.

- A morning visit to Polperro, followed by a free afternoon in our home resort, enjoy a Cornish cream tea or take a stroll along the harbour.

- A free day in our home resort and chance to enjoy the town and area at your own pace. (September tour we will visit the maritime city of Plymouth)

Saturday/Sunday – We travel home, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★ ★ **PORTBYHAN HOTEL** is situated on the quayside of West Looe overlooking the river, offering stunning views from its unrivalled position and only a short walk into the town centre. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 5/6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ 2/3 nights live entertainment
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to the Eden Project



BOURNEMOUTH

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Bournemouth (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 3-7 JUNE

£439

5 DAYS | 7-11 OCTOBER

£439

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Bournemouth, one of Britain's best loved resorts with golden sands, acres of parks and gardens, fine coastal views, and traffic free promenades. Combine this with varied entertainment and the Dorset countryside on the doorstep you can see why people return year after year. Accommodation is at the Riviera Hotel, situated in the lovely Alum Chine area.

Monday – We journey to Bournemouth for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Riviera Hotel.

EXCURSIONS

- A free day in Bournemouth. The driver will offer a return transfer into town.
- A day at Beaulieu, one inclusive ticket provides access to The National Motor Museum, World of Top Gear, Palace House & Gardens, Little Beaulieu, Beaulieu Abbey, The Secret Army Exhibition, and unlimited rides on the Monorail.

- The Isle of Purbeck, beginning with a drive via Corfe Castle to Swanage, where we have free time. Early afternoon we enjoy a boat trip to Poole, enjoying views of the Jurassic Coast. Free time in Poole before re-joining our coach.

Friday – Depart for home, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★ ★ **RIVIERA HOTEL** is situated in a quiet and beautiful wooded area with views across the bay. The beach is just a short walk, and the town centre can be reached along the promenade. Leisure facilities include a swimming pool, spa bath and gym. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

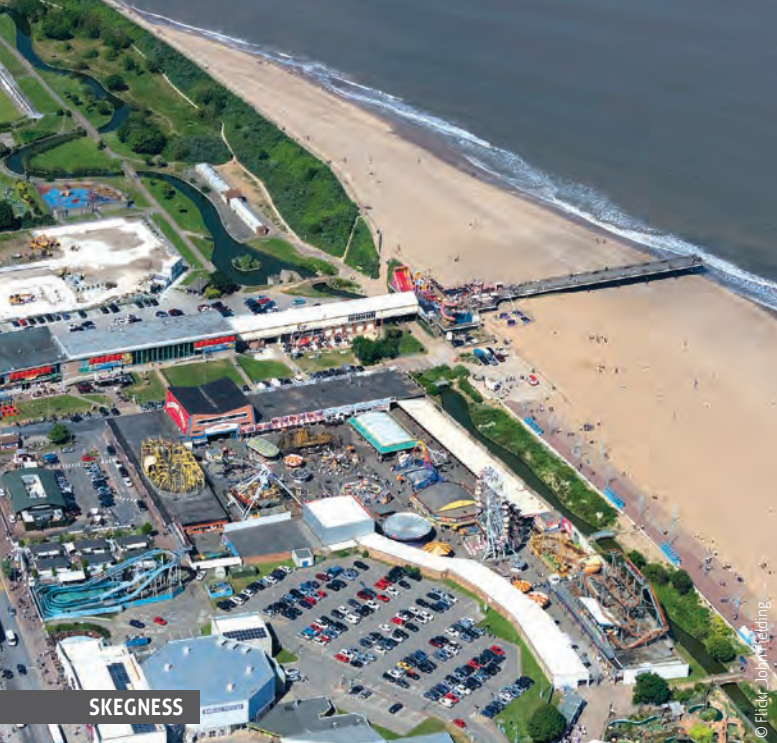
PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 3 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS - entry to Beaulieu (inclusive ticket), single boat trip Swanage to Poole



BEAULIEU MOTOR MUSEUM

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SKEGNESS

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Lincolnshire Coast & Countryside

Based in Skegness

5 DAYS | 3-7 JUNE

£499

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Believed to be one of Britain's first seaside resort towns, Skegness has a reputation for its fabulous beaches, lovely gardens, and great entertainment venues. We visit the cathedral city of Lincoln, the market towns of Boston, Spalding, and Louth, and have plenty of time to relax in your holiday resort of Skegness.

Monday – We travel south-east via the main roads and motorways to Lincoln, continuing to Skegness for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Savoy Hotel.

Tuesday – A free day to enjoy your holiday resort of Skegness.

Wednesday – We spend the day in the Lincolnshire Wolds as we visit Alford, Louth (the capital of the Wolds) returning via Mablethorpe and the Lincolnshire coast.

Thursday – Today we visit the old town of Boston and picturesque Woodhall Spa, regarded as one of Lincolnshire's most attractive villages.

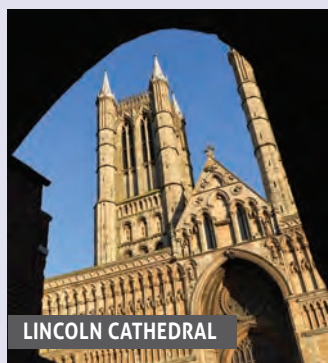
Friday – We travel home via Cleethorpes and the Humber Bridge, arriving in our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ SAVOY HOTEL commands a superb location on the central promenade. The contemporary hotel features stylish bedrooms furnished to a high standard, a spacious ballroom, and a pleasant terrace. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a lift serving two floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ 3 nights live entertainment
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



LINCOLN CATHEDRAL



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NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM

England's Heartland

Worcester, Hereford & the Cotswolds

5 DAYS | 10-14 JUNE

£509

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £100.00

The Whitehouse Hotel sits in the heart of Worcester, a welcoming hotel offering fine food and hospitality. This is the perfect base for us to explore this attractive area with visits to Hereford, Hanbury Hall and the Cotswold's village of Broadway. We enjoy a cruise on the River Wye and a steam train journey on the Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Railway.

Monday – We travel to the National Memorial Arboretum, with its beautiful memorials to all those who have served their country. Later we travel to the Whitehouse Hotel in Worcester for 4 nights half board accommodation.

Tuesday – We start with a visit to Hereford with its 11th Century Cathedral, home to the Mappa Mundi, and picturesque setting on the River Wye. We then enjoy a relaxing cruise along the River Wye, famous for its stunning river scenery. Our return route takes us via Ledbury.

Wednesday – A morning visit to Hanbury Hall, this National Trust property is a William and Mary-style country house, garden, and park. Later we return to Worcester for a free afternoon to explore at leisure.

Thursday – We travel into the Vale of Evesham and to the attractive village of Broadway, often referred to as the 'Jewel of the Cotswolds'. Around mid-day we board the

Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Railway, 'The Friendly Line in the Cotswolds'. Sample train travel from 50 years ago hauled by steam as you journey from Broadway to Cheltenham Racecourse, enjoying glorious views of the Vale of Evesham, the Malverns, and the Cotswolds.

Friday – We travel home via Trentham Shopping Village and gardens, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ WHITEHOUSE HOTEL is in the heart of Worcester, close to the shops, cafes, and central attractions. Foregates Brasserie serves good quality meals and there is a bar to relax in after dinner. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, safe, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. The hotel has a Leisure Club with swimming pool, sauna, jacuzzi and fully equipped gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to National Memorial Arboretum (free), Hanbury Hall, river cruise and single journey on Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Railway

**NEW
TOUR**



ROYAL THREE COUNTIES SHOW

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Royal Three Counties Show

3 DAYS | 14-16 JUNE

£289

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £40.00

The Royal Three Counties Show is a celebration of the people and animals that make up the very best of British farming, country living and rural life from across Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, and Worcestershire. There are many wonderful displays and demonstrations set in a fantastic location at the foot of the Malvern Hills. You will enjoy an action-packed day from pedigree livestock and rare breeds to rural craft demonstrations and vintage machinery. You can sample the very best in locally produced food and drink and there will be many tempting products and gifts to take home.

Friday – We journey south to Stratford Upon Avon where we have free time to explore this historic town famous for its connections with William Shakespeare. We later continue to the Stourport Manor Hotel for 2 nights half board accommodation.

Saturday – We enjoy a full day at the Royal Three Counties Show set at the foot of the magnificent Malvern Hills. (We depart the show at 17.30)

Sunday – We travel home via the Trentham Gardens & Shopping Village before arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ STOURPORT MANOR is a country house hotel set within 23 acres of grounds near Kidderminster. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, and Wi-Fi. There is a health and leisure club with indoor swimming pool, hot tub, and gym. There is a lift to some floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS - entry to Royal Three Counties Show



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WESTON-SUPER-MARE

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Somerset Surprises

Weston-Super-Mare

5 DAYS | 24-28 JUNE

£549

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

The original British seaside resort of Weston-Super-Mare on the Somerset coast is steeped with Victorian history, the perfect location from where we can explore the county of Somerset. We include some 'quirky' visits, beginning with a behind the scenes tour of Shepton Mallet Prison, and a memorable journey on the West Somerset Railway. There is a free day to explore Weston-Super-Mare.

Monday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Weston-Super-Mare for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Smiths Hotel.

Tuesday – We travel through the heart of the Mendip Hills to Shepton Mallet. Here we enjoy a unique visit to the towns prison where our guide, with an encyclopaedic knowledge of the prison's history, shines a light on what life was like for prisoners through a no-holds-barred tour. We return via the dramatic scenery of Cheddar Gorge with a stop in Cheddar.

Wednesday – A free day to enjoy your home resort.

Thursday – A journey on the West Somerset Railway is first on the agenda today, 20 miles of heritage railway, running through stunning Somerset countryside and coast.

We disembark in Minehead, where you have free time to explore before we return to Weston via the Quantock Hills.

Friday – Departing after breakfast we travel home via the main roads and motorways, arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ SMITHS HOTEL is located on the seafront at Weston-Super-Mare, overlooking the sandy beach and enjoying views across Weston Bay. The elegant restaurant serves delicious international cuisine. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry and guided tour of Shepton Mallet Prison and single journey on West Somerset Railway



MOTTISTONE GARDENS

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HAMPTON COURT PALACE GARDENS

Isle of Wight (2 Dates)

6 DAYS | 30 JUNE-5 JULY

£649

6 DAYS | 30 SEPTEMBER-5 OCTOBER

£649

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None
TRAVEL INSURANCE: Strongly Recommended

We take a short ferry ride across the Solent and are transported to a different world. The Isle of Wight is home to some of the most diverse countryside in the UK and generally enjoys milder weather and more sunshine than the mainland. The coastline has lovely views and travel inland, we find picturesque villages and a wealth of holiday attractions. We include visits to Osborne House and Mottistone Gardens.

Day 1 – We travel to Southampton for the ferry crossing to East Cowes. We continue to Shanklin for 5 nights half board accommodation at the Channel View Hotel.

EXCURSIONS

- There will be a free day to explore the resort of Shanklin.
- Osborne House, the Royal retreat of Queen Victoria and West Cowes, famous for the World's oldest regular regatta 'Cowes Week.'
- A morning visit to Mottistone Gardens, one of the most peaceful and magical gardens on the Island, followed by Alum Bay, the Needles and Yarmouth.

- Enjoy a visit to Ryde and Bembridge.

Day 6 – We retrace our journey to Southampton, continuing north to arrive home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ CHANNEL VIEW HOTEL is in a unique location occupying an elevated cliff top position overlooking Shanklin Bay. Facilities include an indoor swimming pool, sauna, and solarium. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, radio, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is entertainment several times a week in the Alverstone Room. There is a lift although some rooms have a few steps to them including the entrance to the hotel, restaurant, and entertainment room.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Return ferry travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Osborne House and Mottistone Gardens

Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival

3 DAYS | 5-7 JULY

£349

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £80.00

For one week in July the majestic Hampton Court Palace provides the perfect backdrop for the world's largest annual flower show. This RHS event features more than 700 exhibitors and illustrates the best in horticulture during high summer. There are established garden designers, new talent, and an array of inspiration from traditional to contemporary. We also visit the delightful Waterperry Gardens and the Trentham Estate.

Friday – We travel to Waterperry Gardens in the Oxfordshire countryside. These stunning gardens feature one of the best purely herbaceous borders in the country plus a formal garden, rose garden, waterlily canal, plant, and gift shop. Later we transfer to Shepperton for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Holiday Inn.

Saturday – Full day to RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival. The spacious grounds display an exciting range of flowers, plants, and gardening accessories from around the world, giving you the opportunity to both browse and buy.

Sunday – We travel via the Trentham Estate with its stunning Italianate Gardens and Shopping Outlet Village, arriving home late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ HOLIDAY INN LONDON-SHEPPERTON is situated in 11 acres of grounds on the banks of the River Thames, it provides an ideal base for this break. The comfortable hotel offers a health/fitness centre on site. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, radio, hairdryer, trouser press, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Waterperry Gardens and RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival



HAMPTON COURT

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CRICKET ST THOMAS

Warner Cricket St Thomas, Somerset

5 DAYS | 15-19 JULY
£579
DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - None (but few singles available)
Signature Twin/Double Room supplement - £30.00 per person

This well known and much loved Grade II listed manor house is set in vast gardens in the heart of the Somerset cider countryside, and was the setting for the hit TV series 'To the Manor Born'. Hundreds of years ago, it played host to nearly two centuries of landed gentry and you could only be a guest here if you received an engraved invitation, nowadays your invitation comes from Bibby's. As with all Warner hotels the evening entertainment is first class so expect an exciting variety of live performances.

PLEASE NOTE: The bedrooms are purpose built and adjoin the main house, the property is very large and spread out and some walking is involved to the main reception and restaurant areas. If you have mobility problems and are unable to walk distances, then this tour is not for you.

Monday – Travel via the main roads and motorways to Chard in Somerset for 4 nights half board accommodation at Cricket St Thomas Hotel.

Tuesday – We enjoy a tour along the Jurassic Coast, including the regency town of Sidmouth with its dramatic cliffs, fresh sea air and abundance of attractions.

Wednesday – There will be a free day to enjoy all the facilities on offer at Cricket St Thomas.

Thursday – We visit Forde Abbey House & Gardens, a privately owned former Cistercian monastery. The house has a collection of tapestries woven from cartoons drawn by Raphael for the Sistine Chapel. The landscape gardens are fit for the house that they surround, from the productive Kitchen Garden, to the Arboretum, Rock Garden, Herbaceous Borders, Bog Garden, and Woodland Garden. We return to the hotel or continue to the market town of Chard.

Friday – Return home via the main roads and motorways, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★★ CRICKET ST THOMAS HOTEL** is an elegant regency mansion set in 160 acres of landscaped parkland. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, safe and Wi-Fi. The restaurant serves a wide variety of cuisine. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Full entertainment programme
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – including entry to Forde Abbey House & Gardens


TREBAH GARDENS

Falmouth

7 DAYS | 21-27 JULY
£729
DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

We are delighted to have once again secured accommodation in the attractive harbour town of Falmouth. The Membly Hall Hotel is family owned and offers a traditional warm welcome. Our excursions will highlight the very best of Cornwall and includes entry to the fascinating Maritime Museum in Falmouth and the magical Trebah Gardens.

Sunday – An early start as we travel to Falmouth, checking into the Membly Hall Hotel for 6 nights half board accommodation.

Monday – We visit Trebah Garden, a sub-tropical paradise with a stunning coastal backdrop. This magnificent ravine garden features a rich collection of rare and exotic plants, trees, and shrubs.

Tuesday – We take in the stunning scenery of the Cornish Coast, enjoying the views of Mounts Bay, visiting Land's End and St Ives.

Wednesday – The picture postcard fishing village of Mevagissey is our first stop this morning, with its colourful cottages and bustling harbour. Later we visit Truro where there is a farmer's market in the town or visit the stunning cathedral.

Thursday – We will transfer to the Prince of Wales Pier in Falmouth for the ferry to St Mawes and your

return ticket will allow you to return at leisure.

Friday – Enjoy a free day to explore Falmouth, with its fascinating Maritime Museum (entry not included), busy harbour and wide selection of independent shops and cafes.

Saturday – An early breakfast before we journey home, arriving back into the local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The **★★★ MEMBLY HALL HOTEL, FALMOUTH** is situated on the beach front, a family-run hotel offering a very warm welcome. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Leisure facilities include a spa pool and sauna, and entertainment is provided most evenings. The bar has a large lounge area with wonderful views across the channel. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ 4 nights entertainment
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Trebah Gardens and return ferry journey to St Mawes



WEALD & DOWNLAND MUSEUM

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Summer on the South Downs

5 DAYS | 22-26 JULY

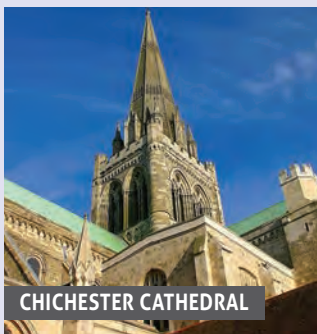
£449

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £120.00

Discover the beauty of the county of Sussex from our base near Arundel. The 4-star Avisford Park Hotel is an elegant country house set in 89 acres of grounds in rural Sussex offering a unique atmosphere and excellent accommodation. Enjoy a fascinating visit to the Weald & Downland Living Museum, home to the BBC TV series 'The Repair Shop'.

Monday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Arundel for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Avisford Park Hotel.

Tuesday – We take a morning visit to the Weald & Downland Living Museum, home to the BBC TV series 'The Repair Shop'. (Please note it is a closed film set and is not accessible to the public. The set including the outside of the barn is visible from a short distance but there is no public access beyond that point.) Later we visit the historic city of Chichester, with its pretty harbour and cathedral.



CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

Wednesday – We transfer to Portsmouth where you are free to explore at leisure. Our drop off point will be the Historic Dockyard (entry not included).

Thursday – We travel to the coast visiting Worthing and Brighton, stopping en route to view the amazing ceiling paintings at English Martyrs Catholic Church in Goring-by-Sea. Later we return for free time in the pretty town of Arundel.

Friday – We journey home arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ AVISFORD PARK HOTEL is an elegant country house. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, pay movies, radio, and Wi-Fi. Amenities include a restaurant, lounge bar Cafe Cino and leisure facilities include a swimming pool, health club, sauna, steam room and fitness suite. There is no lift, lower floor rooms are available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Weald & Downland Living Museum



SEVERN VALLEY RAILWAY

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Welland Steam Rally

3 DAYS | 26-28 JULY

£379

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £36.00

A brand new tour for all steam enthusiasts and lovers of vintage vehicles!! Join us as we visit the Welland Steam Rally for the highlight of our trip, complemented by visits to RAF Museum at Cosford and a journey on the Severn Valley Railway. The perfect weekend break for fans of vintage transport!

Friday – We journey to the Royal Air Force Museum Cosford (free entry), a museum dedicated to the history of aviation. We later continue to Great Malvern for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Abbey Hotel.

Saturday – We spend today at the Welland Steam Rally where all steam enthusiasts and lovers of vintage vehicles will be spoilt for choice. Highlights include tractor pulling, over 500 vintage vehicles and 100 steam engines plus military vehicles, a vintage fairground, and craft village.

Sunday – Our day starts with a drive to Kidderminster for a single train journey on the Severn Valley Railway. You will have time for refreshments in the café or to explore the Railway

Museum before we board the train, travelling 16 miles (70 mins) through the breath-taking scenery of the Severn Valley. We return to our coach at Bridgenorth and continue our journey home, arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ ABBEY HOTEL is set in landscaped gardens with views of the Malvern Hills and Vale of Evesham. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & board, and Wi-Fi. There is a comfortable lounge bar, and the Priory Restaurant serves seasonal British & Mediterranean cuisine. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Welland Steam Rally and single journey on Severn Valley Railway



ROYAL AIR FORCE MUSEUM COSFORD

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THREE CHOIRS FESTIVAL

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RUTLAND WATER

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Three Choirs Festival, Worcester

3 DAYS | 2-4 AUGUST

£379

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £40.00

For nearly three hundred years the cathedral cities of Gloucester, Hereford and Worcester have taken it in turn to host an annual 'music meeting'. The 2024 festival takes place in the spectacular Worcester Cathedral, and we are pleased to have secured top price tickets to experience this magical event.

Friday – We travel south to Shakespeare's Stratford, on the banks of the River Avon, where you will have time to discover 'the bards' hometown. We continue to Stourport for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Stourport Manor Hotel.

Saturday – This morning we take a ride on the Severn Valley Railway before heading to Bridgnorth. There will be free time to explore before we return to our hotel for an early meal and then travel to Worcester for the highlight of our tour – 'The Three Choirs Festival Finale'. Tonight we enjoy the Three Choirs Festival Chorus and Elgar's 'The Kingdom'.

Sunday – We depart for home, calling at Trentham Gardens & Shopping Village en route before arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **STOURPORT MANOR HOTEL** is a country house hotel set within 23 acres of grounds near Kidderminster. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, and Wi-Fi. There is a health and leisure club with indoor swimming pool, hot tub, and gym. There is a lift to some floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – journey on Severn Valley Railway and top price ticket to the Festival Finale Concert at Worcester Cathedral



THREE CHOIRS FESTIVAL

Lincolnshire & Rutland

5 DAYS | 4-8 AUGUST

£439

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £80.00

We travel into the heart of Lincolnshire where we try our hand at grabbing a bargain at the famous Hemswell Antiques. We visit the magnificent city of Lincoln and the Rural Capital of Food, Melton Mowbray. We take a relaxing cruise on Rutland Water and finish with a memorable visit to the stunning Burghley House.

Sunday – We travel via Chesterfield where you can view the famous crooked spire of St Mary's & All Saints Church or explore the towns market. We continue to Lincolnshire and the Olde Barn Hotel for 4 nights half board accommodation.

Monday – We try and grab a bargain this morning as we visit Hemswell Antiques, exploring the maze of rooms in each building which feature an unrivalled choice of beautiful high-quality goods. Later in the day we visit the cathedral city of Lincoln.

Tuesday – This morning we visit Britain's Rural Capital of Food, Melton Mowbray, famous for its pork pie production and stilton cheese. Take time to wander around the farmers market, before we continue to Oakham and onto Rutland Water, where we enjoy a relaxing cruise on the Rutland Belle.

Wednesday – We travel to the Georgian town of Stamford, famed for its quaint stone buildings and pretty town centre. A short drive from Stamford is the stunning Burghley House, a 16th century masterpiece filled with beautiful treasures and impressive paintings.

Thursday – We return via Cannon Hall Museum, House, and Gardens (free entry) with time to take lunch in one of the farm restaurants (This does not include entry to the farm). We continue our journey, arriving home late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **OLDE BARN HOTEL** is set in a countryside location yet within reach of all that Lincolnshire has to offer. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, iron & ironing board, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and bar, leisure club with spa, pool, sauna, and steam room. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Burghley House and a Rutland Water Cruise



LAXEY WHEEL

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HIDCOTE MANOR

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Isle of Man

5 DAYS | 10-14 AUGUST

£599

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £64.00

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

WE REQUIRE FULL NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH, PLEASE HAVE THESE DETAILS READY WHEN BOOKING

Like a stepping-stone in the Irish Sea between England and Ireland, the Isle of Man has attracted visitors for many years. Our itinerary features Cregneash Folk Village, the Manx Electric Railway, and the Snaefell Mountain Railway.

Saturday – Morning departure, for coffee en route to Heysham for the afternoon crossing to Douglas. Our accommodation is 4 nights half board at the Rutland Hotel.

Sunday – We take a 1-hour journey on the Isle of Man Steam Railway, the longest narrow-gauge line in Britain, then we visit the Cregneash National Folk Museum.

Monday – We explore the north of the island and view Tynwald Hill, home of the 1000-year-old Manx Parliament, before following the famous TT Motorcycle Course to 'Royal' Ramsey. Later we board the Manx Electric Railway for a journey to Laxey and continue on the Snaefell Mountain Railway for a return journey up to the highest point of the island.



SNAEFELL MOUNTAIN RAILWAY

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Tuesday – Today we visit the west coast of the island and the resort of Peel with its flat sandy beach, before returning for free time in Douglas.

Wednesday – An early breakfast before taking the morning ferry to Heysham. Arrive home mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **RUTLAND HOTEL** is located off Queens Promenade and boasts views across Douglas Bay. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift. Please note - there are 9 steep steps up to the hotel entrance with no separate ramp access available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 2 nights entertainment
- ✓ Coffee & biscuits on outward journey to Heysham
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Return ferry travel
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – journey on Isle of Man Railway, entry to Cregneash Folk Village, journeys on the Manx Electric Railway and Snaefell Mountain Railway

Summer Days in the Cotswolds

5 DAYS | 12-16 AUGUST

£529

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £120.00

The Cotswolds in late summer, the perfect season to visit one of the most beautiful areas in England. Our itinerary highlights the best of the region as we visit the Roman city of Bath (including guided tour), Hidcote Manor Gardens, the fascinating Edward Jenner's House and Berkley Castle.

Monday – Departing our local area we stop for refreshment at High Legh Garden Centre, continuing to the city of Worcester for an extended break. Mid-afternoon we continue to Blunsdon, near Swindon for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Best Western Premier Collection Blunsdon House Hotel.

Tuesday – We have a full day to visit Bath, with a morning guided tour of this great city. Later enjoy free time to explore the historic sites including the Roman Baths, ancient abbey, Georgian terraces, and picturesque setting.

Wednesday – We head north through the Cotswolds towns and villages to Hidcote Manor Gardens, one of the best-known and most influential Arts and Crafts gardens in Britain, with its linked 'rooms' of hedges, rare trees, shrubs and herbaceous borders. We continue to Broadway, often referred to as the 'Jewel of the Cotswolds' and the 'Show Village of England'.

Thursday – We transfer to Dr Jenner's House, where you can explore the lifetime home of vaccination

pioneer Edward Jenner, discover the world's first vaccination clinic and wander around the beautiful physic garden. Later we take a short walk to nearby Berkley Castle. The oldest parts date back to the 12th century and a guide will bring to life the history of this impressive building. There will also be time to explore the recently restored walled garden and new visitors centre and café.

Friday – We depart for home with a stop along the way. We arrive into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **BEST WESTERN PREMIER COLLECTION BLUNSDON HOUSE HOTEL** is located on the outskirts of Swindon. It has very high standards; facilities include an indoor pool, spa and sauna. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, minibar, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. The restaurant offers good fresh food and there are 3 bars to relax in. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Services of tour guide (Tuesday morning)
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Hidcote Manor Gardens, Dr Jenner's House and Berkley Castle including guided tour



SEVERN VALLEY RAILWAY



GREAT DORSET STEAM FAIR

Stourport & the Severn Valley 'Steam & Safari'

5 DAYS | 19-23 AUGUST

£519

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £80.00

This tour includes interesting visits to highlight the very best of a beautiful part of the UK. From a steam train ride to a safari drive, a stunning castle and gardens and some fascinating historic buildings, this holiday will live long in the memory.

Monday – We travel to Stratford-upon-Avon, before continuing to Stourport for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Stourport Manor Hotel.

Tuesday – We head to the town of Ludlow, described as 'the loveliest town in England'. Then we travel to Hampton Court Castle & Gardens, a 15th century Castle, with award-winning gardens set in the Herefordshire countryside.

Wednesday – We visit Worcester, with its Cathedral and the River Severn flowing through the city. Later we visit Avoncroft Museum, home to over 30 historic buildings and structures, which have been rescued and re-built in rural Worcestershire.

Thursday – Enjoy a ride on the Severn Valley Railway, taking in the beautiful scenery from Kidderminster to Bridgnorth. This afternoon we visit West Midlands Safari Park, enjoying a Safari Drive with a park guide.

Friday – We travel to Trentham Gardens & Shopping Village before arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **STOURPORT MANOR HOTEL** is a country house hotel set within 23 acres of grounds near Kidderminster. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, and Wi-Fi. There is a health and leisure club with indoor swimming pool, hot tub, and gym. There is a lift to some floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Avoncroft Museum, Hampton Court Castle & Gardens, a journey on Severn Valley Railway and West Midlands Safari Park



WEST MIDLANDS SAFARI PARK

The Great Dorset Steam Fair

4 DAYS | 21-24 AUGUST

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £35.00

The Great Dorset Steam Fair, widely recognised as the leading event of its type in the UK, is returning in 2024. It is held on a mammoth 600 acre site at South Down, Tarrant Hinton, near Blandford Forum. Assembled is the largest collection of steam and vintage equipment to be seen anywhere in the world and it will take you on a giant nostalgia trip.

Wednesday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Bournemouth for 3 nights half board accommodation at the Ocean Beach Hotel.

Thursday – We travel to Tarrant Hinton on the South Downs for a full day visit to the Dorset Steam Fair. If you prefer you can spend the day in Bournemouth.

Friday – A second full day at the Great Dorset Steam Fair. If you prefer you can spend the day in Bournemouth.

Saturday – We depart for home via the main roads and motorways, arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **OCEAN BEACH HOTEL & SPA** is superbly situated on the prestigious East Cliff of Bournemouth. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is an outdoor swimming pool, and all guests are granted complimentary use of the indoor leisure club at the Ocean Beach's sister hotel, the Suncliff located next door. There is a small lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Transfers to the Steam Fair
- ✓ Admission to the Steam Fair is not included, as some passengers may wish to stay in Bournemouth instead of visiting the fair



BOURNEMOUTH



KYNREN

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WALDORF HILTON HOTEL

Courtesy Waldorf Hilton London

‘Kynren’ & Durham Weekend

4 DAYS | 23-26 AUGUST

£429

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £90.00

We offer you this superb tour in the cathedral city of Durham and include tickets for Kynren, a multi award winning, live action outdoor theatre spectacular bringing to life the highlights of English history. We also include visits to the Bowes Museum and Whitby. Our base is the Radisson Blu Hotel in Durham.

PLEASE NOTE: This is an outdoor show so please ensure you wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the weather conditions. Seating is firm so you may wish to bring a small cushion.

Friday – We journey to market town of Barnard Castle, in the heart of the Pennines and visit The Bowes Museum. Later we continue to Durham and the Radisson Blu Hotel for 3 nights half board accommodation.

Saturday – We spend the day at leisure exploring the city of Durham, why not visit the Cathedral and Castle UNESCO World Heritage sites, or the quirky shops and eateries set in the maze of hilly, cobbled streets. We have an early dinner in the hotel before we head to Bishop Auckland for Kynren, a thrilling tale told on an enormous scale bringing to life the incredible story of England’s last 2,000 years, taking the audiences on an action-packed journey through time. Travel through the fog of war, noise of battle, heat of industry and

pageantry of royal ceremony; from King Arthur and the Romans to Queen Elizabeth I, Shakespeare, and the Victorians, all told with thrilling choreography, amazing stunts, equestrianism, special effects, and pyrotechnics.

Sunday – Today, we take a ride to the picture postcard seaport of Whitby, dominated by the cliff-top ruins of the 13th century abbey. Alternatively, you can spend another day in the city of Durham and enjoy the hotel facilities.

Monday – (Bank Holiday) We travel home via Hexham and Hadrian’s Wall. We continue our journey arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **RADISSON BLU HOTEL DURHAM** has a city centre, riverside location. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, toiletries, and Wi-Fi. There is a gym and spa with swimming pool, jacuzzi, sauna and steam room. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to the Bowes Museum and Kynren

Waldorf Sunday Night Special

Including Buckingham Palace

2 DAYS | 25-26 AUGUST (BANK HOLIDAY)

£229

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £72.50

This high-class overnight stay in the capital will really make you feel special, with accommodation at the Waldorf Hilton, one of London’s finest hotels and a visit to Buckingham Palace. Enjoy the exquisitely restored splendour and contemporary elegance at the Waldorf Hilton, located close to Covent Garden where there are world-class restaurants, classy shops, and great entertainment. A quality break, providing sheer unashamed luxury!

Sunday – An early departure, we journey via the main roads and motorways to the Aldwych area of London. Mid afternoon we check into the Waldorf for one night bed & English breakfast accommodation. The rest of the day is free to wander and sightsee or just relax in the splendour of the Waldorf where you can dine in the Homage Restaurant or sip a cocktail in the hotel’s bar.

Monday – After a delicious Waldorf breakfast we transport you to Buckingham Palace, the official London residence of His Majesty the King. Here we include a visit to the State Rooms, lavishly furnished with some of the greatest treasures from the Royal Collection. On leaving the gift shop, please allow a minimum of 20 minutes to walk

back to the coach. There will be some free time in London before we depart mid-afternoon arriving home mid to late evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **WALDORF HILTON HOTEL** is in the heart of London’s west end, a short walk from Covent Garden. Step back in time to an age of elegance, dine in style at the Homage Restaurant or enjoy drinks in Good Godfrey’s Bar. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron and ironing board and Wi-Fi. Relax in the heated pool or work out in the gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 1 night bed & English breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Buckingham Palace



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

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CALL THE MIDWIFE TOUR

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Tales of the Thames

5 DAYS | 26-30 AUGUST

£509

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £112.00

Join us on this fantastic tour featuring some highlights of Kent and the River Thames. We visit Crossness Pumping Station for a fascinating tour of what is known as the 'Cathedral of Sewage'.

Trust us, it is guaranteed to be a memorable visit! We also include the brilliant 'Call the Midwife' themed tour at Historic Dockyard Chatham, free time in Greenwich, Canterbury, and by popular demand, Margate.

Monday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Kent for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Orida Maidstone.

Tuesday – Enjoy a day at the Historic Dockyard Chatham beginning with a 'Call the Midwife' themed tour, led by our very own costumed midwife. Walk in the footsteps of Nurse Trixie Franklin, Sister Julienne and Dr Turner and explore where the real drama happens. A brand new gallery featuring props and sets from the show is now also included. Following the tour, the entry ticket allows you access to rest of the Dockyard attractions.

Wednesday – Something very different as we visit the Crossness Pumping Station on the banks of the River Thames, known as the 'Cathedral of Sewage'. We enjoy a fascinating guided tour of this amazing Grade 1 Listed building which features some of the most spectacular ornamental Victorian cast ironwork found in the world today. Please note: there may be

steps involved during the guided tour. Later we travel to Greenwich for a free afternoon. Visit the famous Cutty Sark, take a Thames River Cruise or a stroll through Greenwich Park and stand on the Prime Meridian.

Thursday – The Cathedral city of Canterbury is our destination this morning with its cobbled streets and timber-framed houses. A visit to the magnificent cathedral is a must. Early afternoon we head for the coast and the traditional seaside resort of Margate.

Friday – We depart for home with a stop along the way, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **ORIDA MAIDSTONE** is conveniently located a short drive from the centre of Maidstone and has a spacious bar and restaurant. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. The property has an indoor pool, jacuzzi, sauna, gym and spa treatments are available to pre-book. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Historic Dockyard Chatham (including Call the Midwife tour) and guided tour of Crossness Pumping Station



WARNERLEISUREHOTELS

THORESBY HALL

Warner Thoresby Hall Nottinghamshire

5 DAYS | 26-30 AUGUST

£599

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - None, but single rooms are limited
Double/Twin signature rooms – Supplement £30.00 per person

The former stately home of Thoresby Hall boasts charm and character with the Great Hall and Victorian rose garden combining grandeur with relaxation. Enjoy a leisurely look round the Courtyard, where you'll find craft shops, the Military Museum and a garden centre conveniently set in the grounds. Try shooting or falconry, take a dip in the pool or treat yourself to a professional pamper session in the spa. We also visit the local area and include Chatsworth House, Lincoln, and Nottingham.

Monday – We travel via the Peak District National Park and visit Chatsworth House before continuing to Ollerton for 4 nights half board accommodation at Thoresby Hall Hotel.

Tuesday – We take a short excursion to the historic cathedral city of Lincoln before returning to the hotel for time to enjoy the many facilities.

Wednesday – We visit Nottingham, home to a combination of modern shopping centres and traditional markets, again returning to our resort to partake in the activities on offer.

Thursday – There will be a free day to enjoy all the facilities on offer at Thoresby Hall Hotel.

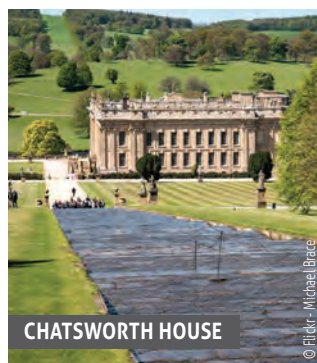
Friday – We depart after breakfast travelling again through the Peak District National Park before arriving home late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **THORESBY HALL HOTEL & SPA** is set on a slope overlooking the stunning Capability Brown landscaped parkland, close to the ancient Sherwood Forest. There is a restaurant and spa including indoor swimming pool, steam room & sauna and fitness studio. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron, ironing board and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Full entertainment programme
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Chatsworth House



CHATSWORTH HOUSE

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MERSEY FERRY BOAT



POOLE HARBOUR CRUISE

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‘A Hard Days Night’

Liverpool

3 DAYS | 1-3 SEPTEMBER

£269

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £60.00

The vibrant city of Liverpool is our destination for this short break and our base is the fabulous Hard Days Night Hotel. The stunning Grade 2 listed exterior contrasts with the stylish modern interior, featuring breath-taking Beatles artwork, and is a unique base from which to enjoy this great city filled with history, culture, music, and fantastic shopping!

Sunday – We travel via Southport on to Liverpool, checking in for 2 nights bed & breakfast accommodation at the Hard Days Night Hotel. You are then free to explore all the sights that this vibrant city has to offer.

Monday – Spend the day discovering some of the highlights of Liverpool. Take a cruise on the Mersey and see the heritage buildings from a new perspective or explore the Albert Dock with its museums, bars, and cafes. Take an open top bus tour of the city or visit the Cavern Club and Mathews Street, a must do for all Beatles fans!

Tuesday – After breakfast we check out and leave our luggage in a safe room at the hotel. The rest of the day is free to further explore, and we depart from the hotel at 3pm, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **HARD DAYS NIGHT HOTEL** is an impressive character building located in Liverpool’s Cavern Quarter, close to the shops of Liverpool One and a short walk from Albert Dock. The stylish hotel features stunning Beatles themed artwork, and all the contemporary bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. There is a stylish lounge and cocktail bar. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



LIVERPOOL BEATLES

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Poole & the Jurassic Coast

5 DAYS | 15-19 SEPTEMBER

£629

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £140.00

Our destination is Dorset and the coastal resort of Poole with its large natural harbour and sandy beaches. The old town has Georgian houses and the Poole Museum which explores local history over four buildings. We explore the impressive Jurassic Coast and include a steam train journey, a visit to Minterne House with cream tea and a harbour cruise.

Sunday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Poole, Dorset for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Poole Quay Hotel.

Monday – Today we visit the ‘Isle of Purbeck’ peninsular and the seaside resort of Swanage. You will have time to enjoy fish & chips or a stroll along the traditional pier before we board a heritage steam train and journey through beautiful countryside, with stunning views of Corfe Castle along the way.

Tuesday – This morning we visit Dorchester, Dorset’s county town and the birthplace of famous author and poet Thomas Hardy. Later in the day we include a visit to Minterne House & Gardens where we finish the day with an included cream tea.

Wednesday – Enjoy a free morning in our resort before we embark on an afternoon cruise of Poole

harbour. We will get a unique view of the islands, the Dorset Lakelands and the harbour entrance.

Thursday – We journey home with suitable stops en route. Arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **POOLE QUAY HOTEL**, Poole is in a wonderful location on the quayside and offers stunning views over the harbour. The Harbour View restaurant offers a range of home cooked favourites and modern European dishes then you can relax in the Anchor Bar. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, complimentary toiletries, hairdryer, iron & ironing board or trouser press and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – journey on Swanage Heritage Railway, entry to Minterne House & Gardens (including cream tea) and Poole Harbour cruise



MALVERN AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW



LEEDS CASTLE

Malvern Autumn Show

3 DAYS | 20-22 SEPTEMBER

£299

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £40.00

The Malvern Autumn Show is a celebration of food, the countryside, gardening, and nostalgia. After a long year there is nothing better than enjoying the fruits of this wonderful season. A show for food and gardening lovers, the event hosts a range of cookery demonstrations, gardening talks, vegetable displays, vintage tractors, crafts and more. To complement the weekend, we include a visit to the British Ironworks Centre at Oswestry and Trentham Garden Centre.

Friday – We travel to the British Ironworks Centre & Sculpture Park near Oswestry where we explore the exhibitions, workshops, and grounds. We continue to Stourport-on-Severn for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Stourport Manor Hotel.

Saturday – We visit the Three Counties Showground for the annual Malvern Autumn Show. Feature gardens, plant shop, floral art, vintage vehicles, and country pursuits are all among the program of events.

Sunday – We head to Trentham Garden Centre in North Staffordshire, time to wander and enjoy lunch. We travel home arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ STOURPORT MANOR is a country house hotel set within 23 acres of grounds near Kidderminster. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron and ironing board and Wi-Fi. There is a health and leisure club with indoor swimming pool, hot tub, and gym. There is a lift to some floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – free entry to British Ironworks Centre and entry Malvern Autumn Show



BRITISH IRONWORK CENTRE

Kent & The Garden of England

5 DAYS | 29 SEPTEMBER-3 OCTOBER

£569

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £100.00

The county of Kent has an irresistible charm and is home to some of the most attractive gardens in the UK, this tour shows some of the best Kent has to offer. Discover the cathedral city of Canterbury, visit Goodnestone House Gardens and Leeds Castle. We are pleased to have secured accommodation at the Best Western Plus Burlington Hotel, set in tranquil surroundings and overlooking the English Channel.

Sunday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Folkestone, Kent for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Best Western Plus Burlington Hotel.

Monday – We travel to Canterbury where the skyline is dominated by the Cathedral, parts of which date back to the 12th century. We continue to Goodnestone House Gardens described by various writers as 'the very heart of rural England' and 'one of the loveliest gardens in Kent'.

Tuesday – We visit Tenterden known as the 'Jewel of the Weald', before continuing to Rye via the interesting church in the village of Brookland. We return to Folkestone for free time in your home resort.

Wednesday – We include a visit to the breath-taking Leeds Castle with

its spectacular moat setting and 500 acres of beautiful parkland and formal gardens.

Thursday – We return home via the main roads and motorways, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ BEST WESTERN PLUS BURLINGTON HOTEL is a stylish, Victorian hotel ideally situated near the main town centre of Folkestone and set within its own grounds overlooking the English Channel. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and two bars. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entrance to Goodnestone House Gardens and Leeds Castle



GOODNESTONE HOUSE



ST AGNES

St Agnes, Cornwall

6 DAYS | 1-6 OCTOBER

£599

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Come to Cornwall with its golden sandy beaches, breath-taking views, quaint harbours, and picturesque villages. Our resort is St Agnes, on the rugged Atlantic Coast. Steeped in tin mining history, the village still retains a traditional friendly atmosphere, and we return once again to the Rosemundy House Hotel.

Tuesday – We journey to St Agnes for 5 nights half board accommodation at the Rosemundy House Hotel.

EXCURSIONS

- We travel to Marazion Bay to view St Michaels Mount before arriving in Penzance. Later we journey via St Just and Zennor to St Ives
- We visit Lanhydrock House and Gardens, a magnificent late Victorian country house with garden. In the afternoon we visit the lovely harbour town of Falmouth.
- We visit the bustling Market town of Wadebridge and the charming, fishing harbour of Padstow.
- A free day in St Agnes

Sunday – We depart for home, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★ ROSEMUNDY HOUSE HOTEL is set in secluded and sheltered gardens, yet close to the main street in the village of St Agnes. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Relax in the olde worlde atmosphere of the 'Tom Noggi' restaurant where you can dine on freshly prepared traditional fayre. There is an attractive licensed bar with an extensive wine list. There is no lift, but rooms are on the ground and first floor.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Lanhydrock House and Gardens



LANHYDROCK HOUSE & GARDEN



PORTSMOUTH HARBOUR

Hayling Island & Portsmouth

5 DAYS | 14-18 OCTOBER

£479

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £115.00

This tour, based in a peaceful waterside location on Hayling Island, features some of the highlights of the South Downs and Portsmouth. Join us as we explore beautiful coast and countryside including a Portsmouth Harbour cruise, the Weald & Downland Living Museum, West Dean Gardens, and the South Downs National Park.

Monday – We travel south to Hayling Island for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Langstone Quays Resort.

Tuesday – This morning we head to the Weald & Downland Living Museum, home to the BBC's 'The Repair Shop' series – please note it is a closed set. Enjoy a hands-on glimpse of England's rural life in bygone days. Later we head to Chichester, where you can explore the magnificent Cathedral or wander around the beautiful Bishops Palace Gardens.

Wednesday – Today we head to the coast for a Portsmouth harbour cruise, taking in views of the historic dockyard accompanied by an informative commentary. After disembarking at the historic dockyard, you are free to explore Portsmouth at your leisure.

Thursday – West Dean Gardens are our destination this morning.

Explore the magnificent 100 metre Edwardian pergola, the breath-taking sunken garden and impressive glass houses. We continue through the scenic South Downs National Park to the heritage town of Midhurst.

Friday – We depart Hayling Island, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★ LANGSTONE QUAYS RESORT is a contemporary hotel set beside the Langstone estuary, a short drive from Portsmouth. There is a bar, and the restaurant offers waterside views and a varied menu. There is a Leisure Club which includes an indoor heated swimming pool, sauna, jacuzzi, steam room gym and spa treatments, which can be pre-booked separately. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Weald & Downland Living Museum, West Dean Gardens and Portsmouth Harbour Cruise



BATSFORD ARBORETUM

Cotswold's in the Fall

5 DAYS | 17-21 OCTOBER

£509

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £120.00

The Cotswolds in the Autumn, the perfect season to visit one of the most beautiful areas in England. At this time of the year the countryside is illuminated by a burst of Autumn colours. We include a visit to Batsford Arboretum, Chavenage House and have time to explore the city of Bath.

Thursday – We travel south to Batsford Arboretum where the Japanese maples and Mountain Ash trees provide a magnificent Autumn display. After lunch we continue to Blunsdon, near Swindon for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Best Western Plus Blunsdon House Hotel.

Friday – Today we enjoy an 'Autumn Tints' tour of the beautiful Cotswold's Villages travelling via Northleach to Stow on the Wold, Stanway and Stanton to Broadway, another Cotswolds gem. After a lunch break, we continue via Moreton in the Marsh, Burford and Lechlade.

Saturday – We have a full day to visit Bath, with a morning guided tour of this great city. Later enjoy free time to explore the historic sights including the Roman Baths, ancient abbey, Georgian terraces and picturesque setting.

Sunday – We transfer to Chavenage House, which features as Trenwith House in the hugely popular Poldark. We include a fascinating guided tour around the Manor, virtually unchanged for 400 years.

Monday – We depart for home with a stop in Cheltenham. We arrive into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **BEST WESTERN PLUS BLUNSDON HOUSE HOTEL** is located on the outskirts of Swindon. It has very high standards and facilities include an indoor pool, spa and sauna. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, minibar, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. The restaurant offers delicious seasonal food and there are 3 bars to relax in. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Services of tour guide (Saturday morning)
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Batsford Arboretum & Chavenage House



BLACKPOOL ILLUMINATIONS

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Blackpool Illuminations

Private Illuminated Tram

2 DAYS | 20-21 OCTOBER

£205

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £25.00

This tour offers the perfect chance to view the wonderful 6-mile spectacle of the Blackpool Illuminations from the comfort of our own chartered illuminated tram, which we board directly opposite our hotel. Relax and enjoy a night away in one of the UK's most iconic locations.

Sunday – Morning departure we travel to Barton Grange Garden Centre before continuing to Blackpool for overnight half board accommodation at the Imperial Hotel. Enjoy tea/coffee as we check-in, then free time to relax and make use of the leisure facilities. This evening, following dinner, we board our very own illuminated tram outside the hotel which takes us on a magical journey through Blackpool's famous spectacle. Experience lasers, neon, floodlights, and searchlights from the comfort of our private themed tram.

Monday – Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before we enjoy a drive along the promenade to Cleveleys where we enjoy a short break. We continue to the classic seaside resort of St Anne's, with its unique Edwardian town centre and delightful promenade away from the hustle and bustle of Blackpool. Later we call at Dobbies Garden

Centre before departing for home mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **IMPERIAL HOTEL** is situated on the North Shore. Enjoy meals in the Palm Court restaurant and relax in the lounge areas. There is a health club with indoor swimming pool, jacuzzi, sauna and fitness centre. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 1 night dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS - Private trip on an illuminated tram



BLACKPOOL

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**NEW
ITINERARY**

BOWES MUSEUM

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TORQUAY

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Northern Borders

4 DAYS | 27-30 OCTOBER

£409

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £90.00

Join us for this lovely tour exploring some gems of the northern borders, where rugged scenery and historic towns abound! We include a visit to the fascinating Bowes Museum and a guided tour of the city of Newcastle plus time to explore Alnwick and Hexham. The stylish Derwent Manor Hotel is in the stunning Derwent Valley and provides a superb base for our stay.

Sunday – We travel to Barnard Castle and visit the Bowes Museum, home to a spectacular collection of art and sculpture all housed in a breath-taking French style chateau. There will also be free time to explore the town. Later we continue to the Derwent Manor Hotel, Allensford for 3 nights half board accommodation.

Monday – This morning we head to Otterburn Mill, a former heritage textile mill now retailing well known outdoor clothing and country wear brands. We continue via Rothley to historic Alnwick where you can explore the famous Barter Books and a whole host of independent shops and cafes. We return via the stunning Northumbrian coast.

Tuesday – The city of Newcastle is our destination today, where we will be joined by a local guide, who will take us on a fascinating tour of the city with the remainder of the day free for shopping and sightseeing.

Wednesday – We depart for historic Hexham, with its medieval Abbey and quirky independent stores, and take time to view Hadrian's Wall, before we travel home arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **BEST WESTERN DERWENT MANOR HOTEL** is a comfortable and well-appointed hotel offering excellent hospitality within quality modern surroundings. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. The hotel has a swimming pool, sauna, and gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Bowes Museum & guided tour of Newcastle



NEWCASTLE

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Torquay The English Riviera

5 DAYS | 28 OCTOBER-1 NOVEMBER

£489

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

Torquay, a traditional yet thriving seaside town set on Devon's English Riviera coast, with its iconic palm trees, busy harbour, international marina, sandy beach and wonderful array of continental style cafes, restaurants, and cocktail bars. Our base is the stylish Belgrave Sands Hotel & Spa, and our varied itinerary features a visit to the impressive Britannia Royal Naval College.

Monday – We journey via the main roads and motorways to Torquay for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Belgrave Sands Hotel & Spa.

Tuesday – We travel to Dartmouth to visit the impressive Britannia Royal Naval College, with free time also to explore the town. Please be aware tours are walking tours and approximately 2 ¼ hours in duration, with limited opportunities to sit.

Wednesday – This morning we drive along the South Devon coastline visiting the traditional seaside resorts of Dawlish and Teignmouth before returning to Torquay for a free afternoon.

Thursday – Today we visit Babbacombe Model Village in Torquay, and the market town of Totnes. Later we travel to Buckfast Abbey, a tranquil refuge set in a beautiful, wooded valley beside the River Dart.

Friday – We depart for home via the main roads and motorways, arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **BELGRAVE SANDS HOTEL & SPA** is a stylish, contemporary hotel situated a short walk from the beach. Seasons Restaurant serves a locally sourced seasonal menu and there is also a bar and outdoor terrace. Facilities include a spa with heated indoor pool, steam room, sauna, gym, and spa treatments. All bedrooms are en suite with walk-in shower, TV, tea making facilities, mini fridge, iron & ironing board, hairdryer, safe and Wi-Fi. There is a lift to most rooms.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Babbacombe Model Village, Buckfast Abbey (free entry) and Britannia Royal Naval College (please note: FOR ACCESS TO THE COLLEGE PHOTOGRAPHIC ID IS REQUIRED: i.e., PASSPORT, DRIVING LICENCE OR BUS PASS).



**NEW
ITINERARY**

CROOME COURT

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England's Heartland

5 DAYS | 28 OCTOBER–1 NOVEMBER

£589

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £72.00

Join us for this tour packed with interesting visits including Croome Court, guided tours of the Morgan Motor Car Factory and Westons Cider Mill and the British Ironworks Centre plus time in Worcester and Tewkesbury. Our accommodation is at the Abbey Hotel, where a warm welcome awaits.

Monday – We travel to Worcester, with its half-timbered buildings and pretty riverside location on the banks of the River Severn. Later we continue to Great Malvern for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Abbey Hotel.

Tuesday – We drive to the attractive town of Upton on Severn, with its character buildings, medieval 'Pepperpot' church and foot bridge over the River Severn. Later we visit Croome Court, former home to the Earls of Coventry set in 'Capability' Brown landscaped parkland. Impressive art and ceramic collections, Croome was home to a secret RAF base during World War II and the Visitors Centre gives a glimpse of these secrets.

Wednesday – We travel to Westons Cider and take a guided tour of the cider mill, from picking the apples to packing the finished product and even a tasting too. Please wear suitable footwear. We return via Tewkesbury with its riverside location, medieval Abbey, and bustling traditional market.

Thursday – We visit the Morgan Motor Car Factory, who have been building sports cars for over 100 years. Enjoy the factory tour, followed by an included light lunch and free time to wander. We return to Malvern mid-afternoon.

Friday – We travel to Oswestry and the British Ironworks Centre. View the fantastic sculptures including the 'Knife Angel' and 'Manchester Bee', see artisans at work or take a break in the Forge Cafe. We continue our journey home, arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **ABBEY HOTEL** is set in landscaped gardens with views of the Malvern Hills and Vale of Evesham. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & board, and Wi-Fi. There is a comfortable lounge bar, and the Priory Restaurant serves seasonal British & Mediterranean cuisine. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast & 1 light lunch
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Croome Court, guided tour of Westons Cider, Morgan Motor Factory tour and free entry to British Ironworks Centre

Mystery Weekend (2 Dates)

3 DAYS | 16-18 AUGUST

£249

3 DAYS | 25-27 OCTOBER

£249

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £70.00

*Can't decide where to go?
Then let us decide for you.*

Always popular, these short breaks will appeal to those of you who have a 'Spirit of Adventure' and the sheer fun of simply not knowing; all we can divulge is the date and the price. We can guarantee a 3-star hotel, 3 course dinners, good company and one of our excellent tour drivers.

Friday – We depart this morning for our Mystery Destination including a stop on the way.

Saturday – After breakfast join us on a full day Mystery Excursion.

Sunday – Depart for home with a stop on the way, arriving back into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The **MYSTERY HOTEL** will be a minimum 3-star standard, offering superb facilities and excellent accommodation. All bedrooms will be en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. The hotel may not have a lift, but low floor rooms will be available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights dinner bed and breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees





LOCH LOMOND CRUISE



TRADITIONAL BURNS SUPPER

Post Hogmanay All Inclusive at The Winnock Hotel Loch Lomond

4 DAYS | 3-6 JANUARY

£259

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £54.00

We are pleased once again to offer this fantastic value for money holiday, a 'post Hogmanay' break which includes entertainment and a free drinks package (Terms & Conditions apply). Formerly a coaching inn, the Winnock has been lovingly restored and tastefully extended. It offers cosy lounges with open log fires, a restaurant and lounge bar. Join us for a few days away at the start of the new year.

Wednesday – We travel via the Burrell Collection near Glasgow, where you can explore the fascinating art and artefacts all set in a modern, interactive setting. Later we continue to Drymen for 3 nights 'All Inclusive' accommodation at the Winnock Hotel.

Thursday – Enjoy this stunning 'Lochs Tour' as we journey along Loch Lomond stopping at Luss, via Loch Long to historic Inveraray on Loch Fyne.

Friday – We take a drive via Aberfoyle, the Duke's Pass, Loch Achray, Loch Venachar to Callander where we take a break. We return via Stirling and the shores of Lake of Menteith.

Saturday – Travel via the Rosebank Garden Centre, Carluke. Arrive home early evening.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights All Inclusive Package
- ✓ 2 nights live entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ All Inclusive Package – welcome drink on arrival, packed/lunch provided and free bar (certain brands only with a maximum of £18.00 worth of alcoholic drinks per day as part of the package) from 7.30pm – 10.30pm each evening, glass of house wine with dinner, tea, or coffee after dinner and one Afternoon Tea
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



WINNOCK HOTEL

HOTEL

The ★★★ WINNOCK HOTEL in Drymen, takes centre stage on the village green. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but all rooms are located on the ground or first floor.

Disclaimer for All Inclusive with Free Bar

'Under the terms of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005, the supply of alcoholic drinks in our All-Inclusive Packages is not unlimited. Subject to our discretion in the case of drunkenness, patrons on an All-Inclusive Package shall be permitted a maximum of £18.00 worth of alcoholic drinks per day as part of the package.'

All Inclusive Burns Break at The Winnock Hotel Loch Lomond

4 DAYS | 2-5 FEBRUARY

£345

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £54.00

A fantastic All-Inclusive Burns Special at one of our favourite hotels which includes 3 nights traditional Scottish entertainment and a free drinks package (Terms & Conditions apply). Formerly a coaching inn, the Winnock has been lovingly restored and tastefully extended. It offers cosy lounges with open log fires, a restaurant and lounge bar.

Friday – We travel to Glasgow, where we visit the Burrell Collection. Later we continue to Drymen for 3 nights 'All Inclusive' accommodation at the Winnock Hotel.

Saturday – Enjoy a stunning 'Lochs Tour' as we journey along Loch Lomond stopping at Luss, via Loch Long to historic Inveraray on Loch Fyne.

Sunday – We take a drive via Aberfoyle, the Duke's Pass, Loch Achray, Loch Venachar to Callander where we take a break. We return via Stirling and the shores of Lake of Menteith.

Monday – Travel into Stirling for a stop (approx. 2 hrs), then our



onward journey, arriving home early evening.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights All Inclusive Package
- ✓ 3 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ All Inclusive Package – packed/lunch provided each day and free bar (certain brands only with a maximum of £18.00 worth of alcoholic drinks per day as part of the package) from 7.30pm – 10.30pm each evening, glass of house wine with dinner followed by tea or coffee.
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees.



OBAN

Oban

5 DAYS | 19-23 FEBRUARY

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £64.00

We travel to the 'Gateway to the Hebridean Isles,' Oban, described as one of the most scenic travel destinations. Our stay is at the centrally located Royal Hotel with Scottish hospitality at the top of the agenda. Half board accommodation with a drink's reception on the first night. Two nights entertainment including a Scottish themed dinner with singing and dancing, all contribute to what will be a memorable break.

Monday – We travel north, via Loch Lomond to Oban, for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Royal Hotel. Settle into your room before enjoying a drink before your first nights evening meal.

Tuesday – A full day excursion to Fort William, taking in Neptunes Staircase, Loch Eil and the Glenfinnan Monument.

Wednesday – A short excursion to Seil Island and the Atlantic Bridge, returning to the hotel and enjoy free time in the town.

Thursday – This morning we visit Lochgilphead, Loch Fyne and Inveraray where you can visit the famous whisky shop and taste the national drink. Further free time again before enjoying our final evening.

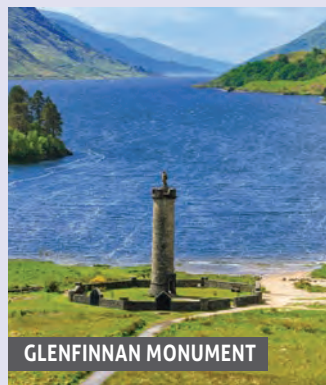
Friday – Departing after breakfast, we return via Crianlarich and Moffat, arriving home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ ROYAL HOTEL dominates the town square in the very heart of Oban. It was built in 1895 and offers traditional Scottish hospitality within quality modern surroundings. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and hairdryer. There is Wi-Fi in the public areas. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 2 nights of entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



GLENFINNAN MONUMENT



INVERNESS

Inverness Palace Hotel

'Diamond Inclusive Package'

5 DAYS | 26 FEBRUARY-1 MARCH

£479

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £112.00

An early Spring holiday with an inclusive package at the Palace Hotel in Inverness. Another top seller, the break offers great value for money and there is a programme of half day tours to enjoy the Highland scenery.

are free to relax and enjoy the hotel facilities or take a stroll around Inverness.

Friday – We travel home, arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ BEST WESTERN PALACE HOTEL & SPA is situated on the banks of the River Ness opposite Inverness Castle. There is a Leisure Club & Spa. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, radio, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift in the main house.

PLEASE NOTE: Some bedrooms are across the courtyard, a short walk from the main house.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast with 'Diamond Inclusive' Package
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees

Diamond Inclusive Package:

- A welcome cocktail reception on the first evening
- Complimentary wine with evening meals
- Complimentary bar between 7pm - 10pm every night (certain brands)
- Superb buffet breakfast
- Lunch each day
- Entertainment programme with Highland hospitality and 2 nights live entertainment
- Delicious 3 course dinners with 3 fresh choices
- Tea and coffee at any time of the day
- Afternoon tea with cream scones
- Free leisure club membership

Monday – We travel to Inverness for 4 nights All Inclusive accommodation at the Best Western Palace Hotel & Spa.

EXCURSIONS

• **Tuesday-Thursday** – As lunch is included, the driver will offer an interesting morning excursion each day, returning to the hotel mid-day/early afternoon. Then you



PALACE HOTEL

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**NEW
TOUR**



PITLOCHRY

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Snowdrops & Capital

The Great Tapestry of Scotland

3 DAYS | 1-3 MARCH

£279

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £42.00

We are pleased to visit the Great Tapestry of Scotland, Galashiels. One hundred and sixty panels bring to life the history and culture of this vibrant nation. We also visit the Cambo Estate, the home of Cambo Snowdrops located near St Andrews. The 70 acres of woodland making up a vast part of the estate is carpeted in snowdrops and aconites in early March. There are over 300 dazzling displays of specialist snowdrops plus a natural woodland. We also enjoy time at the Royal Botanic Garden in Edinburgh.

Friday – We travel north with suitable stops before arriving in Galashiels. Following time for lunch, we visit the Great Tapestry of Scotland, displayed in a magnificent purpose-built contemporary gallery and visitor's centre. Later in the day we continue to Dunfermline and the Best Western Pitbauchlie House Hotel for 2 nights half board accommodation.

Saturday – This morning we travel to the Cambo Estate where we have arranged a guide to show you the wonderful collection of snowdrops and aconites that carpet the estate. There will be some time to visit the gift shop and tearoom before we head along the coast to St Andrews,

famed for its golf course and university.

Sunday – We travel into Edinburgh and visit the Royal Botanic Garden, with its winter display of rare snowdrops. We depart early afternoon arriving home early evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★ BEST WESTERN SURE COLLECTION PITBAUCLIE HOUSE HOTEL** is a comfortable and modern hotel set in 3 acres of ornamental gardens and woodland. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is a lounge bar and the restaurant, overlooking the gardens, serves a varied bistro style menu. There is no lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to the Great Tapestry of Scotland, the Cambo Estate (including guide) and Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh (free)

Springtime in the Highlands

Based in Pitlochry

5 DAYS | 11-15 MARCH

£495

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £80.00

The Fishers Hotel in the centre of picturesque Pitlochry in the heart of the Scottish Highlands. We enjoy Spring in this beautiful region. En route we call at the historic city of Stirling and during our stay we include visits to Crieff, Aberfeldy and Dundee.

Monday – We travel to Stirling famous for its castle and Wallace Monument. We continue to Pitlochry for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Fishers Hotel.

Tuesday – A ride down the banks of Loch Tay, calling at the Falls of Dochart and Loch Earn. We continue to Crieff followed by a visit to Aberfeldy, made famous by the Scottish poet Robert Burns.

Wednesday – We journey to Dundee with opportunity to visit the V&A museum before we return to Pitlochry for free time.

Thursday – We make our way to Killiecrankie, and the visitor centre before we continue to Queens View, one of Scotland's most famous views of Loch Tummel and Highland Perthshire.

Friday – We depart travelling via the Scottish Borders and Gretna Green. Arrive home early evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★★ FISHERS HOTEL** is in the heart of the Victorian town of Pitlochry. It offers excellent comfort and Scottish hospitality. There is a resident's bar serving a wide range of Gins and Malt Whisky, and the Castle restaurant serving locally sourced produce. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



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FORT WILLIAM

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PEEBLES

NEW TOUR NEW HOTEL

Fort William Tartan Taster

5 DAYS | 11-15 MARCH

£419

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £64.00

Fort William, lying in the shadow of Ben Nevis will be our base as we explore and enjoy this stunning coastline. We visit Scotland's seafood capital of Oban, enjoy the stunning scenery of the Highlands, and spend free time in Fort William.

Monday – We depart early and travel north to Fort William for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Alexandra Hotel. Bubbly drinks reception on arrival.

Tuesday – Spectacular scenery as we travel via Spean Bridge and Loch Garry to Fort Augustus. We return early afternoon to Fort William.

Wednesday – We travel south along the shores of Loch Linnhe to Oban, known as the 'Seafood Capital of Scotland'. We return via Kinlochleven.

Thursday – A free day in Fort William. Optional morning visit to Neptune's staircase and the Nevis Gondolas.

Friday – We depart after breakfast and travel home arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ ALEXANDRA HOTEL is in the centre of Fort William, a short walk from Loch Linnhe. There is a lovely lounge with open fire and the restaurant serves locally sourced Scottish produce. There is free use of the leisure facilities at the Ben Nevis Hotel. Due to the age and nature of this grand old building all bedrooms are individual in size and shape but all are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Bubbly drinks reception on arrival
- ✓ Scottish theme dinner including singing and dancing
- ✓ 2 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



FORT AUGUSTUS

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Springtime in the Borders

5 DAYS | 18-22 MARCH

£469

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £100.00

Join us for this lovely new tour of the scenic Scottish borders, as the countryside wakes from its winter slumber and fresh spring colours burst through! Our base is the historic town of Peebles, on the banks of the River Tweed, and we explore some highlights of this beautiful and fascinating region.

Monday – We travel via the main roads and motorways before checking in for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Tontine Hotel, Peebles.

Tuesday – This morning we take a short drive to Galashiels, the heart of the Scottish textile industry, and visit the Great Tapestry of Scotland. Created by 1,000 stitchers, this masterpiece depicts the history, people, and landscape of Scotland in a purpose-built visitor centre. Later we travel via Scotts View to spend time in the pretty town of Melrose.

Wednesday – Today we head to Edinburgh and are joined by a guide for a coach tour around this magnificent city. Later enjoy free time to explore the culture, history,

and first-class shopping at your leisure.

Thursday – We travel to the captivating and historic Rosslyn Chapel, as featured in the Dan Brown novel and film 'The Da Vinci Code'. Discover the unique symbolism behind the extensive and impressive carvings. Later we return to Peebles for free time.

Friday – We travel home via St Mary's Loch and the stunning scenery of the Borders region, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ TONTINE HOTEL, set in the heart of Peebles offers a warm Scottish welcome in a lovely character building. Enjoy local, seasonal produce in the restaurant and relax in the comfortable lounge. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Great Tapestry of Scotland, Rosslyn Chapel, and guided coach tour of Edinburgh



ROSSLYN CHAPEL

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NEW
TOUR



ISLE OF ARRAN

Ayrshire & The Isle of Arran (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 24-28 MARCH

£419

5 DAYS | 13-17 OCTOBER

£419

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £100.00

Join us for this new tour as we travel to the stunning Ayrshire coast of Scotland from where we explore the stunning scenery of Loch Lomond, spend a day discovering the breath-taking beauty of the Isle of Arran and enjoy time in the vibrant city of Glasgow.

Sunday – Departing our local area we travel to Kirkcudbright, a harbour town on the Solway coast that has always been popular with artists. We continue along the Ayrshire coast to the outskirts of Irvine for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Riverside Lodge Hotel.

Monday – A scenic day of Lochs and Mountains as we travel via Largs where you can enjoy the magnificent views of the Isle of Cumbrae. Later we continue to Greenock, Helensburgh and then onto the shores of Loch Lomond. We visit Luss and Loch Lomond Shores visitor attraction.

Tuesday – A full day on the Isle of Arran described as 'Scotland in miniature'. We enjoy a journey around the islands spectacular coastline taking in some of the most sublime views in Scotland. A packed lunch is included today.

Wednesday – We begin the day with a visit to the newly opened Burrell Collection, which tells the story of Sir William Burrell and his family through a modern and interactive exhibition of antiques, art & collectables. Free time in Glasgow follows, with time to explore this vibrant city.

Thursday – Our journey home takes us via Wanlockhead, Ledhills and onwards to Moffat, where we take a break. Arrival home late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **RIVERSIDE LODGE HOTEL**, Irvine offers contemporary accommodation, comfortable lounges, a superb restaurant, and friendly staff. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, ironing facilities and Wi-Fi. The hotel does not have a lift, but ground floor rooms are available.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus 1 packed lunch
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Return ferry travel to Arran
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to the Burrell Collection (free entry)



FALKIRK WHEEL

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Victorian Steam in the Scottish Highlands

5 DAYS | 14-18 APRIL

£539

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £76.00

We return to the beauty of Loch Lomond and the popular **Winnock Hotel** to embark upon a **Victorian Steam Journey**. Our tour contains specially arranged rides on various modes of steam transport providing a nostalgic mix of rail, loch, and canal. Journeys include a cruise on Loch Katrine, a ride on the **Falkirk Wheel** and a train journey on the **Bo'Ness & Kinneil Steam Railway**.

Sunday – We travel to Glasgow and visit the Riverside Museum (free entry), home to some of the world's finest cars, bicycles, ship models, trams, and locomotives. We continue to Drymen for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Winnock Hotel.

Monday – We travel via Aberfoyle to the Trossachs, we continue to Loch Katrine for a 2-hour cruise aboard Steam Ship 'Sir Walter Scott'. After disembarkation we take lunch in the Restaurant on the loch side and then have free time in Callander.

Tuesday – We head for the Falkirk Wheel, the worlds' first and only rotating boat lift. Later we embark upon the Bo'Ness & Kinneil railway for a nostalgic steam train journey and a delightful cream tea.

Wednesday – We travel to Luss on Loch Lomond (coffee stop) then we go via Shantron to view Faslane Bay and Gare Loch. We continue to Inveraray (lunch stop) then via Tyndrum and Crianlarich back to our hotel.

Thursday – We travel home via Moffat, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **WINNOCK HOTEL** in Drymen, takes centre stage on the village green. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but a few ground floor rooms are available, all other rooms are on the first floor.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 2 night's entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS - cruise on Loch Katrine, ride on the Falkirk Wheel, ride on the Bo'Ness & Kinneil Steam Railway (with cream tea), lunch at a Lochside restaurant



JACOBITE STEAM RAILWAY

Fort William, Skye & The Jacobite Railway (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 28 APRIL-2 MAY **£579**

5 DAYS | 18-22 OCTOBER **£579**

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £64.00

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Strongly recommended

Fort William, lying in the shadow of Ben Nevis will be our base as we explore and enjoy this stunning coastline. We include a train journey on the famous 'Jacobite' steam railway, a scenic day onto the picturesque Isle of Skye, a free day in Fort William and dramatic highland scenery on our outward and return journeys. A true 'Taste of Scotland'.

Day 1 – We depart early and travel north to Fort William for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Alexandra Hotel.

EXCURSIONS

- A memorable day as we board the Jacobite Steam Train (also known as The Hogwarts Express) for a journey past some of Britain's highest mountains and deepest lochs.
- A scenic day as we visit the Isle of Skye, travelling via Kyle of Lochalsh, Skye Bridge and onwards to Portree.
- A free day to enjoy the delights of Fort William. Optional morning tour to Neptune's Staircase and Nevis Range Gondolas.

Day 5 – We depart after breakfast and arrive home early evening.



FORT WILLIAM

HOTEL

The ★★★ **ALEXANDRA HOTEL** is in the centre of Fort William, a short walk from Loch Linnhe. There is a lovely lounge with open fire and the restaurant serves locally sourced Scottish produce. There is free use of the leisure facilities at the Ben Nevis Hotel. Due to the age and nature of this grand old building all bedrooms are individual in size and shape but all are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – train journey on the Jacobite Steam Railway



ISLE OF SKYE

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NEPTUNE'S STAIRCASE (OPTIONAL)



Exploring Orkney & the Isle of Hoy

'A World Apart'

7 DAYS | 12-18 MAY

£999

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - £315.00

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Strongly recommended

Explore Orkney's stunning archaeology, wildlife, and landscapes on this wonderful trip to the Northern Isles. Nowhere in northern Europe is there such a dramatic concentration of spectacular archaeological sites. Stone circles, burial mounds, a stone age village, iron age forts...almost everywhere you turn there are more traces of our early ancestors. We visit Skara Brae, the best-preserved Neolithic settlement in Western Europe, Broch of Gurness, an Iron Age broch village and the stunning Italian Chapel. We also visit the unique island of Hoy, with its vertical cliffs, vast swathes of wilderness and abundance of wildlife. Join as us we explore this magical place.

Sunday – We journey north via main roads and motorways to Inverness for overnight half board accommodation at the Best Western Palace Hotel.

Monday – We travel north to Gills Bay for our early afternoon ferry sailing to St Margaret's Hope on Orkney (sailing time approximately 1hr). We disembark and include a visit to the interesting Italian Chapel, a beautiful Roman Catholic chapel in Lamb Holm which was constructed by Italian POW's during the Second World War. Later we transfer to Kirkwall and check in for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Ayre Hotel.



Tuesday – Today we visit the Island of Hoy. We take the ferry from Houton to Lyness, where we are joined by a qualified guide who will bring this fascinating island to life. Hoy is unique, and very different from the Orkney mainland and other isles. The vertical cliffs are the highest in

the British Isles, there are vast swathes of wilderness, an abundance of wildlife, with a history stretching from the Neolithic era to modern day. At approximately 16.40 hrs we board the return ferry.

Wednesday – Once again we are joined by a local guide who will take us on a 'Heart of Neolithic Orkney Tour'. In the afternoon he will bring to life the 'Scenic South Isles Tour'.

Thursday – A free morning to enjoy your base of Kirkwall, the principal town of Orkney. A visit to the stunning cathedral of St Magnus is a must for those who wish to. Early afternoon we will be joined by a local guide who will take us on a walking tour of Kirkwall, exploring the old town, telling tales about the people, customs and events that shaped the towns history.

Friday – We make the short journey to St Margaret's Hope for our late morning ferry crossing to Gill's Bay (sailing time 1hr). We disembark and journey south to Newtonmore for overnight half board accommodation at the Highlander Hotel.

Saturday – After breakfast we journey home making suitable stops along the way, arriving back into our local area early evening.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **BEST WESTERN PALACE HOTEL & SPA** is situated on the banks of the River Ness opposite Inverness Castle. There is a Leisure Club & Spa. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, radio, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift in the main house.

The ★★★ **HIGHLANDER HOTEL** is situated right in the heart of the Scottish Highlands, and you can be sure of a true Scottish welcome. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and well stocked bar. The hotel does not have a lift, but most bedrooms are on the ground and first floor.

The ★★★ **AYRE HOTEL** is situated overlooking Kirkwall harbour, where the ferries to the North Isles dock. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift to all floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 6 nights dinner, bed, and breakfast
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Luxury coach with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ Ferry travel
- ✔ Services of a local guide for 2½ days
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Italian Chapel, Broch of Gurness & Skara Brae



LOCH KATRINE CRUISE

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Rail & Sail in the Western Highlands (2 Dates)

6 DAYS | 27 MAY-1 JUNE

£779

6 DAYS | 23-28 SEPTEMBER

£859

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £105.00

We return to Loch Lomond and the popular Winnock Hotel to embark upon a Rail & Sail break. Our tour includes a superb selection of specially arranged trips on some of Scotland's finest boats and trains including cruises on Loch Lomond & Loch Katrine, a ride on the Falkirk Wheel and a train journey on the Bo' Ness & Kinneil Steam Railway.

Monday – We travel to the Summerlee Museum of Scottish Industrial Life before continuing to Drymen for 5 nights half board accommodation at the Winnock Hotel.

Tuesday – Today we travel via Aberfoyle and through the Trossachs, to Loch Katrine for a 2-hour cruise aboard Steam Ship "Sir Walter Scott". After disembarkation we take lunch in the Restaurant on the loch side before free time in Callander.

Wednesday – We visit the Falkirk Wheel for a trip on the worlds' first and only rotating boat lift. Later we embark upon the Bo'Ness & Kinneil railway for a nostalgic steam train journey and a delightful cream tea.



FALKIRK WHEEL

Thursday – We head to the pretty town of Inveraray, on the shores of magnificent Loch Fyne, via Shantron, Faslane Bay and Gare Loch. We return via Tyndrum and Crianlarich.

Friday – Today we explore Loch Lomond with a stop on the shores for free time before we take a 2-hour cruise on the loch, discovering its hidden islands as we take in the spectacular scenery.

Saturday – We travel home via Glasgow, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ WINNOCK HOTEL takes centre stage on the village green. In the restaurant enjoy the best of local produce and the bar offers a range of 40 speciality malt whiskies. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available upon request.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 2 nights entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS - cruises on Loch Katrine & Loch Lomond, lunch at a Lochside restaurant, ride on The Falkirk Wheel, journey on Bo'Ness & Kinneil railway including afternoon tea



BO'NESS & KINNEIL RAILWAY

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GLAMIS CASTLE

A Royal Discovery

5 DAYS | 24-28 JUNE

£579

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £96.00

A tour packed full of Scottish highlights and Royal connections. Join us for fascinating visits to the Royal Yacht Britannia, Palace of Holyroodhouse and the RRS Discovery. We also include a Forth River cruise and visit to Glamis Castle. This tour really does have something for everyone!

Monday – We travel North to Dunfermline and the Pitbauchlie Hotel for 4 nights half board accommodation.

Tuesday – Today we head to South Queensferry and enjoy a 90-minute Three Bridges River cruise, taking in the spectacular views of the Firth of Forth and Edinburgh skyline. Later we take some free time to explore the pretty town itself with plenty of restaurants, cafes and of course more stunning views of the river and its bridges.

Wednesday – This morning we travel to Glamis Castle for self-guided tour of the childhood home of HM Queen Elizabeth Queen Mother and the birthplace of HRH Princess Margaret. Later we return to Dundee and board RRS Discovery, the first ship purpose built in Dundee for Antarctic scientific expedition and home to Captain Scott, Ernest Shackleton, and their brave crew. Discover how they lived and worked on their historic voyage.

Thursday – We head to Edinburgh and visit two of its highlights as we explore the Royal Yacht Britannia and gain a fascinating glimpse into life on board this floating royal residence. Back on dry land, we head to the Palace of Holyroodhouse and take in the treasures and magnificent state rooms of the late Queen Elizabeth II and HM King Charles III official Scottish palace.

Friday – We depart our hotel, arriving home late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **BEST WESTERN SURE COLLECTION PITBAUCHLIE HOUSE HOTEL** is set in 3 acres of ornate gardens and woodland. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – Forth river cruise, entry to Glamis Castle, RRS Discovery, Royal Yacht Britannia & Palace of Holyroodhouse



ROYAL YACHT BRITANNIA



NEW ITINERARY

KITCHEN COOS & EWES

Farming Tales of Dumfries & Galloway

5 DAYS | 1-5 JULY

£539

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £120.00

A new itinerary for our Dumfries & Galloway tour featuring a fascinating visit to Kitchen Coos & Ewes, where we enjoy a behind the scenes tour of High Airyolland Farm. Our accommodation is the Northwest Castle Hotel, an excellent base for exploring the beautiful area of South West Dumfries and Galloway.

Monday – Morning departure via Gretna Green and onwards to Threave Garden. The garden is divided into a series of smaller gardens to highlight distinctive styles, including a rose garden, rockery, and walled garden. We continue to Stranraer for 4 nights half board accommodation at the North West Castle Hotel.

Tuesday – An interesting day today, enjoying coastal views as we travel to the Isle of Whithorn, one of the most southerly villages and seaports in Scotland. We continue to the fascinating village of Garlieston where during World War II, the harbour and close by Rigg Bay were selected as the trial site for the D-Day Mulberry Harbours. We continue to Wigtown for a lunch break before including a visit to Bladnoch Distillery. Here, we discover how Bladnoch and Pure Scot Whiskies are crafted and include a tasting.

Wednesday – We head north, travelling along the eastern shore of Loch Ryan to Culzean Castle, a beautiful castle in tremendous grounds with stunning views. We return via the Electric Brae, a gravity defying stretch of road that is an optical illusion.

Thursday – Logan Botanic Garden is our first destination today, Scotland's most exotic garden, where you can discover plant treasures rarely seen in the UK. Early afternoon we make our way to Kitchen Coos & Ewes at Airyolland Farm for an exclusive tour where you can see Highland cows and Beltex sheep in their natural farm environment. We complete the afternoon with a delicious cream tea in the farmhouse kitchen.

Friday – We depart after breakfast travelling via the vibrant fishing town of Kirkcudbright. Arrive home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **NORTH WEST CASTLE HOTEL** is a family owned and run hotel and is located opposite Stranraer harbour, a short walk to the town centre. All bedrooms are en suite (no walk-in showers available) with TV, telephone, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Leisure facilities include a curling ice rink, an indoor pool, sauna, spa bath and a gym. The hotel has a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed, and breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Threave Garden, Bladnoch Distillery tour and tasting, entry to Culzean Castle, Logan Botanic Garden, guided visit of Kitchen Coos & Ewes (including cream tea).



JOHN O'GROATS



KYLE OF LOCHALSH STATION

Scotland's Far North

6 DAYS | 6-11 JULY

£729

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £104.00

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Strongly recommended

We travel to the far north of Scotland and experience the dramatic coastline with visits to the remote Castle of Mey and John O'Groats together with a full day's visit to Orkney. The Norseman Hotel is in Wick. Its history stretches back at least to the time of the Vikings, when it was called "Vik", the Norse word for bay. Wick is famous for its fishing. While nowadays the harbour is used more for commercial trade than fish and has turned into a popular destination for yachts in the summer, you can still relive its history in an enjoyable tour at the Wick Heritage Centre.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a demanding touring holiday. None of the hotels have a lift; please decide if this will be suitable for you before booking.

Saturday – We travel to Newtonmore in the Scottish Highlands. Arriving at the Highlander Hotel for our overnight half board accommodation.

Sunday – We journey north, travelling via the Cairngorms & Inverness, arriving in Wick at the Norseman Hotel for 3 nights half board accommodation.

Monday – We visit Her Majesty The Queen Mother's beloved Castle of Mey in Caithness. It has been kept just as it was when she was alive. We can explore the Castle and Gardens before returning for a free afternoon in Wick.

Tuesday – The morning ferry from John O'Groats to Orkney, met by a local coach for an excursion around

the island. You will view Scapa Flow, Ring of Brodgar, the Italian Chapel and Kirkwall (admission not included).

Wednesday – We journey south via Dingwall, Aviemore and Pitlochry before arriving in Dunfermline for our overnight half board accommodation at the Pitbauchlie House Hotel.

Thursday – We travel home, arriving late afternoon.

HOTELS

The ★★★ **HIGHLANDER HOTEL** is situated in the heart of the Scottish Highlands. All bedrooms are en suite with showers only (no bath), TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but bedrooms are on the ground and first floor.

The ★★★ **NORSEMAN HOTEL** is in the town of Wick. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift but ground floor rooms.

The ★★★ **BEST WESTERN PITBAUCLIE HOUSE HOTEL** is in Dumfermline. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 5 nights dinner, bed, and breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Service of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Ferry travel
- ✓ Guided tour of Orkney
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Castle of Mey

The Scottish Highlands from the Highlander

5 DAYS | 7-11 JULY

£519

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £80.00

Join us for this new tour exploring some of the highlights of the magnificent Scottish Highlands. We visit stunning Loch Ness and Inverness, take a breath-taking train journey to the Kyle of Lochalsh & Skye and explore the impressive scenery of the Cairngorms National Park. A fantastic tour based at the comfortable Highlander Hotel, a real Bibbys favourite!

Sunday – We travel north to Newtonmore and the Highlander Hotel for 4 nights half board accommodation.

Monday – This morning we take in the breath-taking scenery of Loch Ness, famous worldwide for the mythical monster 'Nessie', before arriving in the beautiful city of Inverness, capital of the highland region. Enjoy free time to explore this stunning city with its cathedral, impressive castle and characterful old town.

Tuesday – Enjoy a spectacular single train journey on the Kyle Line, as we travel from Inverness to the Kyle of Lochalsh. Take in the dramatic views of the Torridon Peaks, impressive herds of deer and the stunning Isle of Skye. After re-joining our coach, we travel onto the island for some more sightseeing.

Wednesday – Today we visit the Highland Wildlife Park, located in the Cairngorms National Park, where you can see native Scottish wildlife and species from further afield including polar bears!! Later we travel to the town of Aviemore, known for its year-round outdoor activities with plenty of shops, cafes, and restaurant to discover.

Thursday – We depart our hotel, travelling south and arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **HIGHLANDER HOTEL** is situated right in the heart of the Scottish Highlands, and you can be sure of a true Scottish Welcome. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant and well stocked bar. The hotel does not have lift, but most bedrooms are on the ground and first floor.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – single train journey on Kyle Line and entry to Highland Wildlife Park



CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK

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LOGAN BOTANIC GARDEN

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Dumfries & Galloway Weekend

3 DAYS | 2-4 AUGUST

£289

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £60.00

Let the landscape and atmosphere of this inspiring corner of Scotland work its spell on you and join us for a wonderful weekend break. Our accommodation is the North West Castle Hotel, an excellent base for exploring the beautiful area of South West Dumfries and Galloway.

Friday – We depart and travel north via Moffat and Alloway, continuing to Stranraer for 2 nights half board accommodation at the North West Castle Hotel.

Saturday – This morning we head to Scotland's National Book Town of Wigtown where you will find a fantastic selection of independent book shops as well as cafes and bustling market. Later we continue down the stunning Machars Peninsula to Isle of Whithorn, the most southerly village in Scotland.

Sunday – We depart and head to Logan Botanic Garden, Scotland's most exotic Garden, where we

discover plant treasures rarely seen in the UK. We continue our journey, travelling via the vibrant fishing town of Kirkcudbright, arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★ NORTH WEST CASTLE HOTEL is a family owned and run hotel and is located opposite Stranraer harbour, a short walk to the town centre. All bedrooms are en suite (no walk-in showers available) with TV, telephone, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Leisure facilities include a curling ice rink, an indoor pool, sauna, spa bath and a gym. The hotel has a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed, and breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Logan Botanic Garden



PORTPATRICK HARBOUR STRANRAER

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EDINBURGH TATTOO

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Edinburgh Tattoo (2 Dates)

3 DAYS | 4-6 AUGUST

£409

3 DAYS | 19-21 AUGUST

£409

DEPOSIT: £20.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £48.00

Against the magnificent backdrop of Edinburgh Castle, join us once again to experience the Edinburgh Tattoo's unique blend of music, ceremony, entertainment, and theatre. This is a chance to witness the enthralling spectacle which draws thousands of people year after year with its magical atmosphere, featuring the world-famous massed pipes and drums, military bands, highland dancers, and the haunting sound of the lone piper, once seen never forgotten. There will be free time in Edinburgh, and we visit Melrose on our return.

PLEASE NOTE: When this brochure went to print Tattoo, Tickets were not on sale. There is a huge demand so please note, tickets are subject to availability. Also, the itinerary may have to be changed to accommodate ticket allocations. The Coach drop off point for the Tattoo is quite a walk from the event. There is a steep cobbled incline to the castle area and steps to climb to the seating area.

Day 1 – We travel north and visit Callander, Aberfoyle, and The Trossachs National Park before we transfer to Dunfermline for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Best Western Sure Collection Pitbauchlie House Hotel.

Day 2 – We spend the day in Edinburgh, where you are free to explore the Scottish capital. We return to the hotel for an early evening meal before we transfer to the Castle for the 9.30pm performance of the Tattoo.

Day 3 – We return via the Scottish Borders with a 2 hour stop in Melrose. We continue south arriving home late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★ BEST WESTERN SURE COLLECTION PITBAUCHLIE HOUSE HOTEL is set in 3 acres of ornate gardens and woodland. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – Edinburgh Tattoo Ticket





ORKNEY

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Orkney & Shetland Mini Cruise

6 DAYS | 21-26 AUGUST

£995

DEPOSIT: £60.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - £200.00

Outside 2 berth cabin on Northlink Ferry - £10.00 per cabin

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Strongly recommended

Explore Shetland and Orkney's stunning archaeology, wildlife, and landscapes on this wonderful mini cruise to the Northern Isles. Expect dramatic rugged coastlines and fascinating wildlife, ancient history, and a unique blend of Scottish and Scandinavian cultures. We visit Skara Brae, the best-preserved Neolithic settlement in Western Europe and the stunning Italian Chapel on Orkney. We also include the Iron Age broch on the Island of Mousa and Jarlshof, Shetland's most impressive archaeological site. A trip that will live long in the memory!

Wednesday – We journey north via main roads and motorways to Grantown on Spey for overnight half board accommodation at the Craiglynn Hotel.

Thursday – We continue north, via the stunning city of Inverness, and travel to Castletown near Thurso for 2 nights half board accommodation at the Castletown Hotel.

Friday – Today we explore Caithness, taking in views of the Castle of Mey, former royal residence of the Queen Mother, before continuing along the stunning coastline to John o'Groats, the most northerly point of the UK mainland. There will be time to explore the village and take in the stunning scenery.



JARLSHOF

Saturday – After a leisurely breakfast we travel to Scrabster for our early afternoon ferry to Stromness on Orkney. After disembarking we are joined by a local guide and visit the ancient settlement of Skara Brae. Discovered in 1850 and older than Stone Henge, it offers a unique insight into prehistoric life. We also include a visit to the interesting Italian Chapel, a beautiful Roman Catholic chapel in Lamb Holm which was constructed by Italian POWs during the Second World War. We continue to the Albert Hotel for a 3-course dinner with tea & coffee before boarding our ferry for the overnight crossing from Kirkwall to Lerwick on Shetland.

Sunday – After a continental breakfast on board we disembark and are joined by a local guide for the day. We visit a local jewellery workshop before exploring the Shetland Museum & Archive. Enjoy some free time for lunch before we continue to the Iron Age Broch on the island of Mousa and Jarlshof, Europe's largest archaeological ranging from the Neolithic up to the 1600's. Later we board our ferry for dinner and the overnight crossing from Lerwick to Aberdeen.

Monday – After a hot breakfast we disembark in Aberdeen and begin our journey home, making suitable stops along the way and arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTELS

The **★★★ CRAIGLYNNE HOTEL** is an impressive building set in its own grounds a short walk from the centre of Grantown on Spey. There is a cosy bar and spacious restaurant. The comfortable bedrooms offer en suite facilities with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and hairdryer with Wi-Fi in public areas. There is a lift.

The **★★★ CASTLETOWN HOTEL** is located in the centre of Castletown and offers a warm welcome and spotless accommodation. There is a cosy lounge bar and restaurant serving tasty food. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast plus 1 dinner in hotels as stated
- ✓ 2 nights bed & breakfast plus 1 dinner on Northlink Ferry in 4 berth inside cabins
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ Luxury coach with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✓ Services of local guides for 1½ days
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Italian Chapel, Skara Brae, Shetland Museum & Archives, Iron Age Broch at Island of Mousa and Jarlshof



BRAEMAR GATHERING

Courtesy Braemar Royal Highland Society



DUMFRIES HOUSE

Flickr - New Lanark World Heritage Site

NEW TOUR NEW HOTEL

The Braemar Gathering

4 DAYS | 5-8 SEPTEMBER

£499

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £60.00

Braemar's premier cultural and sporting event is the Braemar Gathering, the most famous and best-attended Highland Games in Scotland. Royal patronage began with Queen Victoria in 1848 and continues today with regular attendance by many of the Royal Family, the late Queen Elizabeth II and his Majesty the King. Soak up the atmosphere, pageantry, and spectacle of the Games with massed pipe bands, the tossing of the Braemar caber and the inter services tug of war, just some of the highlights not to miss.

Thursday – We travel north to Stirling famous for its castle and Wallace Monument. We continue to Pitlochry for 3 nights half board accommodation at the Fishers Hotel.

Friday – A ride down the banks of Loch Tay this morning, calling at the Falls of Dochart and Loch Earn. We continue to the market town of Crieff followed by a visit to Aberfeldy, made famous by the Scottish poet Robert Burns.

Saturday – The highlight of our tour today as we spend the full day at

the Braemar Gathering, the most famous and best highland games in the world. The unforgettable show features the finest pipe bands, Highland dancers, and athletes. We have reserved seats in the covered Grandstand area.

Sunday – We depart and travel via the Helix Visitor Centre, home to the famous Kelpies, the world's largest equine statues. Arrive home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ FISHERS HOTEL is situated in the heart of the beautiful highland town of Pitlochry and offers excellent comfort and Scottish hospitality. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry and Grandstand covered seating at the Braemar Gathering



ABERFELDY

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Bonnie Scotland

& the Great Tapestry

5 DAYS | 9-13 SEPTEMBER

£599

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £136.00

This new Scottish tour features some of its historical and cultural highlights as we include visits to Dumfries House, the Great Tapestry of Scotland, and New Lanark World Heritage site plus time to explore the vibrant cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow. Our base is the contemporary Radstone Hotel, which offer superb hospitality in stylish surroundings.

Monday – We travel north, calling at Dumfries House, an 18th century house and estate which was saved by the patronage of HM King Charles III. We include a 1 hr guided tour and refreshments. We continue to Larkhall for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Radstone Hotel.

Tuesday – Today we visit the pretty border towns of Peebles and Galashiels, situated at the heart of Scotland's historic textile industry. We include entry to the Great Tapestry of Scotland, in Galashiels. One hundred and sixty breathtaking panels, created by 1,000 stitchers, bring to life the colourful history and culture of this vibrant nation all displayed in a magnificent purpose-built contemporary gallery and visitor's centre.

Wednesday – We travel to the pretty village of South Queensferry with its magnificent views of the Forth bridges, before making our way into the cosmopolitan city of Edinburgh. Explore all that the capital city has to offer - the impressive Castle, the bustling Royal Mile, the Palace of Holyrood House and not forgetting fantastic

shopping, restaurants, art galleries and museums.

Thursday – This morning we head to Scotland's largest city, Glasgow. With its stunning architecture, impressive Cathedral, fascinating museums and fantastic shopping areas on Buchanan and Sauchiehall Streets, there is plenty to discover.

Friday – We depart our hotel and call at New Lanark World Heritage site where you can explore the restored textile mill, village store, mill shop & café. Later we continue our return, arriving into our local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ RADSTONE HOTEL at Larkhall is a modern and stylish property set in landscaped gardens with a sun terrace. There is a spacious bar and lounge, and the Opal Restaurant serves a tasty and varied menu. All the contemporary bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – Dumfries House guided tour & refreshments, entry to Great Tapestry of Scotland and New Lanark Heritage site



LLANDUDNO



PORT SUNLIGHT

SINGLES SPECIAL

'Mock Cruise'

At The Tynedale Hotel Llandudno

5 DAYS | 15-19 FEBRUARY

£529

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

We present the famous Tynedale Hotel's 'Landlubbers Luxury Mock Cruise.' Experience life on the High Seas with a programme of food, entertainment and that all important feeling of having actually been at sea on a cruise ship. The hotel has recently received a 4th star and recognition in the top 25 UK hotels, which is a fantastic accolade.

Thursday – We travel to Liverpool, continuing to Llandudno for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Tynedale Hotel. We check in and enjoy afternoon tea, receive our passports and pass-through immigration. Welcome reception followed by introduction to the cruise before our first themed dinner. Entertainment followed by a late-night finger buffet.

Friday – A mystery excursion, then back on board for coffee and cake. Themed entertainment prior to dinner, on board entertainment followed by a late-night finger buffet.

Saturday – A leisurely drive before returning for afternoon tea and cake. Duty free bar before dinner followed by entertainment and a late-night finger buffet.

Sunday – Free day in Llandudno before Afternoon Tea and deck games. Captain's dinner party. An evening of entertainment and our final late-night finger buffet.

Monday – We travel via Boundary Mill, Colne, arriving home late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ **TYNEDALE HOTEL** is an excellent hotel overlooking the promenade. As befits all Victorian buildings, the en suite bedrooms are all shapes and sizes. They have TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a café bar and restaurant serving delicious food and you will enjoy top class entertainment each night. There is a lift to most bedrooms.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ 'Landlubbers Luxury Cruise' Programme
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees

Singles Special in North Wales

5 DAYS | 3-7 MARCH

£399

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Always a popular choice with our single travellers, we are pleased to offer this break again, with no single supplement added to the selling price. We travel down to Flintshire in North Wales and the Beaufort Park Hotel, set in Welsh countryside close to Mold.

Sunday – We travel to Southport en route to Mold for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Beaufort Park Hotel.

Monday – We take a scenic drive via Ruthin and Corwen to Betws-y-Coed, gateway to the Snowdonia National Park and a bustling village full of independent shops and cafes. Later we continue to the Victorian splendour of Llandudno, with its traditional pier and promenade.

Tuesday – Today we head south to the British Ironworks Centre at Oswestry. Follow the sculpture trail with its impressive mix of metal artworks, take in one of the free artisan demonstrations or browse the quirky gifts and ironmongery. Later we call at Llangollen.

Wednesday – This morning we travel to historical Chester, with its medieval Rows, impressive city walls and Roman museum. Later we head to Port Sunlight where a guide will join us on the coach to bring the history of the village to life. We

also include entry to the Museum, which features a new recreation of an Edwardian workers cottage, and you can explore the Lady Lever Art Gallery (free entry).

Thursday – Travelling home via Liverpool, we spend time in this vibrant city with its many attractions. We arrive back into the local area late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **BEAUFORT PARK HOTEL** is a modern hotel set in lovely gardens a short drive from the Welsh market town of Mold. The Arches Bar has a relaxing atmosphere, and the Orchard Restaurant serves tasty meals using many locally sourced ingredients. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press, and Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but rooms are on the ground or first floors.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – museum entry and guided tour of Port Sunlight and entry to British Ironworks Centre (free)



TENBY

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TYNEDALE HOTEL

Tenby (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 8-12 APRIL

£469

5 DAYS | 2-6 SEPTEMBER

£539

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

Visit Pembrokeshire, southwest Wales with its spectacular scenery, quality of life and warm welcome. Our base is the harbour town of Tenby, as it looks down on its sandy beaches so picturesque you simply cannot leave without taking a photograph. Enjoy the 'Happy Hour' House Bar (as detailed below) at the Clarence House Hotel.

Monday – We journey to Tenby for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Clarence House Hotel.

Tuesday – Today we are joined by a local guide, who will bring the area to life and include a folk tale or two. We visit St David's, Britain's smallest city, home to the famous cathedral. In the afternoon we visit Dyfed Shire Horse Centre, where we learn about the history and meet these incredible animals. This is the birthplace of two of the Household Cavalry drum horses, Juno, and Apollo.

Wednesday – We visit the Pembroke Dock Heritage Centre, which incorporates the Sunderland T9044 Flying Boat Centre. This recalls Pembroke Dock's long connections with flying boats, from biplanes to the mighty Sunderland. We have time for lunch in Pembroke before we make our way to 'The Lovespoon Workshop' where we enjoy a talk and demonstration on the 17th century tradition continuing in Wales today (free entry).

Thursday – A free day in our resort, explore the 13th-century town walls and the sandy shoreline, including Castle Beach, Tenby Castle and exhibits at the Tenby Museum and Art Gallery are worth a visit. The Tudor Merchant's House recreates domestic life in 1500, with a merchant's shop and working kitchen. Lots to see and do.

Friday – We leave Tenby and journey home, arriving early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★ CLARENCE HOUSE HOTEL is family run and superbly situated in the centre of the Esplanade. There is a restaurant, lounge, and a bar with sea views. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. As befits this type of 2-star coastal hotel all rooms are different shapes and sizes. The Hotel has a reputation with Bibby's clients for good food and service. There is a lift although some rooms have a few steps to them.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Hotel 'Happy Hour' House Bar every day 5.30-6.30pm & 8-9pm on selected drinks
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – Local guide on Tuesday, entry to Dyfed Shire Horse Centre and Pembroke Dock Heritage Centre

Welsh Gourmet Weekend

at the Tynedale Hotel, Llandudno

4 DAYS | 19-22 APRIL

£425

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

We are delighted to repeat this Welsh Weekend Break at the superb Tynedale Hotel, recently awarded a 4th star rating and recognition in the top 25 hotels in the UK. Relax and enjoy all that Llandudno has to offer, taking in the magnificent views from the Victorian pier and promenade. Enjoy the hotel programme for this gourmet weekend including a delicious 8 course Welsh tasting menu and afternoon tea.

PLEASE NOTE: The driver will not be staying in the hotel on Saturday or Sunday.

Friday – We make our way to Llandudno with a suitable stop along the way. We arrive at the Tynedale Hotel mid-afternoon for 3 nights half board accommodation.

Saturday – A free day to explore all that Llandudno has to offer. Following your evening meal relax in the lounge and enjoy the included entertainment.

Sunday – Relax and enjoy Sunday in Llandudno. Once again after dinner there will be entertainment for your enjoyment.

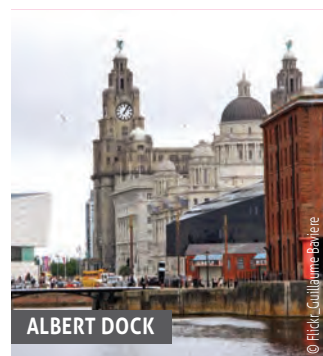
Monday – Our route home takes us via Liverpool where you can spend a few hours exploring the Albert Dock or some retail therapy in Liverpool One. We depart mid-afternoon, arriving home early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ TYNEDALE HOTEL is a stylish, family run hotel overlooking the promenade. As befits all Victorian buildings the rooms are all shapes and sizes with no two being the same. All the contemporary bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, ironing facilities and Wi-Fi. There is a café bar and restaurant, with daily changing menu. There is a lift to most bedrooms, and some have a couple of steps.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ 1 Afternoon Tea
- ✔ 3 nights of entertainment including a Welsh male voice choir and local brewery talk & tasting
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



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SNOWDONIA

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PLAS NEWYDD HOUSE

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Snowdonia & Llanberis (3 Dates)

5 DAYS | 22-26 APRIL £519

5 DAYS | 22-26 JULY £519

5 DAYS | 7-11 OCTOBER £519

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

We travel into North Wales to enjoy the stunning scenery of the Snowdonia National Park from our base in Llanberis. The Royal Victoria Hotel is set at the foot of Mount Snowdon in 30 acres of formal gardens, ancient woodland and even a 12th century castle ruin. A truly scenic Welsh break!

Monday – We travel via the North Wales coast to Llanberis for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Royal Victoria Hotel.

Tuesday – We enjoy Snowdonia, travelling via the Llanberis Pass to Betws-y-Coed. We continue to Llangollen, returning via the Horseshoe Pass to enjoy the views across the Dee Valley.

Wednesday – This morning we join the Welsh Highland Railway to experience a journey from Porthmadog through the spectacular Snowdonia National Park. We disembark in the picturesque village Beddgelert where you will have time for a coffee. Rejoining our coach, we continue to the unique Italianate style village of Portmeirion, where the stunning houses and pavilions overlook the sea at Cardigan Bay.

Thursday – We visit Caernarfon with its magnificent castle. Later we cross the Menai Straits for a visit to Beaumaris and Llanfair PG.

Friday – We spend time in historic Chester, then journey home, arriving late afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★ ROYAL VICTORIA, LLANBERIS is a welcoming hotel offering stunning views. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea making facilities. Wi-Fi is available in public areas. There is a restaurant and a relaxing bar and lounge area. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – single journey on Welsh Highland Railway and entry to Portmeirion



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Luxury in Llandudno

5 DAYS | 16-20 JUNE £579

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - None

Llandudno is a Victorian-era seaside resort situated on the picturesque north coast of Wales, which retains an old-world charm that sets it aside from other British seaside resorts. We return to the superb Tynedale Hotel, where you will find quality accommodation with great food, high standards of service and top-class evening entertainment.

Sunday – We travel to Llandudno with a suitable refreshment break en route. We check in for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Tynedale Hotel with afternoon tea served on arrival.

Monday – We travel through the Vale of Conwy visiting Betws-y-Coed and continuing over the Pass of Llanberis, taking in views of Snowdonia.

Tuesday – This morning we visit Tacla Taid, the Anglesey Transport Museum, for a trip down memory lane. Later we visit Plas Newydd House and Garden, set on the shores of the Menai Strait amidst breathtakingly beautiful scenery.

Wednesday – Enjoy a free day in Llandudno to explore all the attractions on offer in this lovely resort.

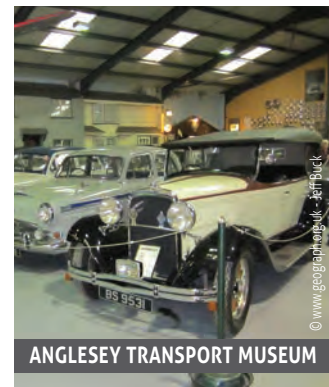
Thursday – We travel home returning into our local area mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ TYNEDALE HOTEL is a family run hotel overlooking the promenade. As befits all Victorian buildings the bedrooms are all shapes and sizes with no two being the same. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a café bar and restaurant serving delicious food. There is a lift to most bedrooms although some still have steps to climb.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ 4 nights entertainment
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Plas Newydd House and Gardens and Anglesey Transport Museum



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LLANGOLLEN RAILWAY

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LLANDUDNO

Llandrindod Wells & the Heart of Wales

5 DAYS | 16-20 SEPTEMBER

£499

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £48.00

A tour to experience the beauty of the Cambrian Mountains. We include visits to Ludlow, Gigrin Farm Red Kite Feeding Centre, the Brecon Beacons, Aberystwyth, and a train ride on the Llangollen railway. Our base is the Spa Town of Llandrindod Wells, ideal for our diverse selection of excursions.

Monday – We journey to Ludlow, one of the most attractive towns in England. Later we transfer to Llandrindod Wells for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Metropole Hotel.

Tuesday – A free morning in Llandrindod Wells. Mid-afternoon we visit Gigrin Farm Red Kite Feeding Centre, we view the 3pm feeding of hundreds of Red Kites. It is a truly breath-taking spectacle.

Wednesday – We journey to the coast and visit the university town of Aberystwyth, with free time to explore. Later we return via the Elan Valley.

Thursday – A circular tour, a coffee break in Llandovery before a meandering route through the Black Mountains to Ystradgynlais. We continue through the Brecon Beacons National Park to Brecon, where we take a lunch break, and have time to explore this pretty cathedral city.

Friday – We travel to Llangollen and board the railway for a return journey to Corwen. Then we depart for home, arriving late afternoon/early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ METROPOLE HOTEL is in the town centre, ideal for an evening stroll. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, trouser press, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. Leisure facilities include an indoor swimming pool, spa, sauna, steam room and a fully equipped gym. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 1 night entertainment
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Gigrin Farm Red Kite Feeding Centre and a train journey on the Llangollen Railway



GIGRIN FARM

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Tynedale Hotel, Llandudno Variety Break

5 DAYS | 30 SEPTEMBER - 4 OCTOBER

£559

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement - None

The Tynedale Hotel Llandudno offers quality accommodation with great food and high standards of service and has a superb reputation with Bibby's and their customers. We offer the 'Variety Themed Break' with 4 nights of entertainment, late night buffets and afternoon tea on one day. Llandudno is situated on a sweeping sandy bay, with the mountains of Snowdonia towering in the background. One of its best features is its wide, flat Victorian promenade and attractive gardens.

Monday – We travel to Llandudno for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Tynedale Hotel.

EXCURSIONS

- We head up the Vale of Conwy visiting Betws-y-Coed continuing over the Pass of Llanberis enjoying views of Snowdonia. We continue to the National Slate Museum, returning via Conway.
- We journey over the Menai Strait to the Isle of Anglesey. We visit Halen Môn, the Anglesey Sea Salt Company. We enjoy a behind the scenes tour where we learn of salt's place in our history, culture, food and in what makes Halen Môn Sea Salt PDO the world's finest seasoning. We return via Llanfair PG.

- On the last day there will be a free day in Llandudno to enjoy the facilities of this lovely resort.

Friday – Depart after breakfast we travel home arriving mid-afternoon.

HOTEL

The ★★★★★ TYNEDALE HOTEL is a family run hotel overlooking the promenade. As befits all Victorian buildings the comfortable bedrooms are all shapes and sizes with no two being the same. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a café bar and restaurant serving delicious food. There is a lift to most bedrooms although some still have steps to climb.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Variety Break which includes 4 nights of entertainment, late night buffets and afternoon tea on one day
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – The National Slate Museum (free entry) and entry & guided tour of the Anglesey Sea Salt Company



NEW
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CARDIGAN BAY

Cardigan Bay

5 DAYS | 21-25 OCTOBER

£469

DEPOSIT: £30.00 per person EXTRAS: Single supplement - £48.00

Enjoy a Welsh Autumn break based at The Cliff Hotel & Spa, Cardigan Bay, located on the rugged coast of Ceredigion, West Wales. The stylish, contemporary hotel is family-owned, offering a warm welcome and spectacular coastal views. The area around Cardigan Bay is renowned for its golden sands, dramatic cliffs, tiny ports and pretty harbours and we include several excursions to highlight this.

Monday – We travel into the heart of Wales and onwards to the Welsh coast, for 4 nights half board accommodation at The Cliff Hotel & Spa, Cardigan.

Tuesday – Today we enjoy an excursion to the interesting port and resort of Fishguard and then onwards to St David's, Britain's smallest cathedral city. Explore the splendour of the ancient Cathedral, the ruined gothic Bishops Palace or take a break at one of the many cafes and eateries.

Wednesday – This morning we enjoy a scenic coastal drive to Aberaeron, with its colourful Georgian houses and pretty fishing harbour. Later, we visit Llanerchaeron, a National Trust Georgian villa virtually unchanged for 200 years, with a beautiful walled garden and working farmyard. We return to Cardigan for

free time to explore the towns Guildhall Market, galleries, independent shops, and cosy cafes.

Thursday – We head to the charming seaside resort of Tenby where you can explore the medieval town walls, castle ruin, bustling town centre and take in the breath-taking coastal views.

Friday – We depart for home, arriving into our local area early evening.

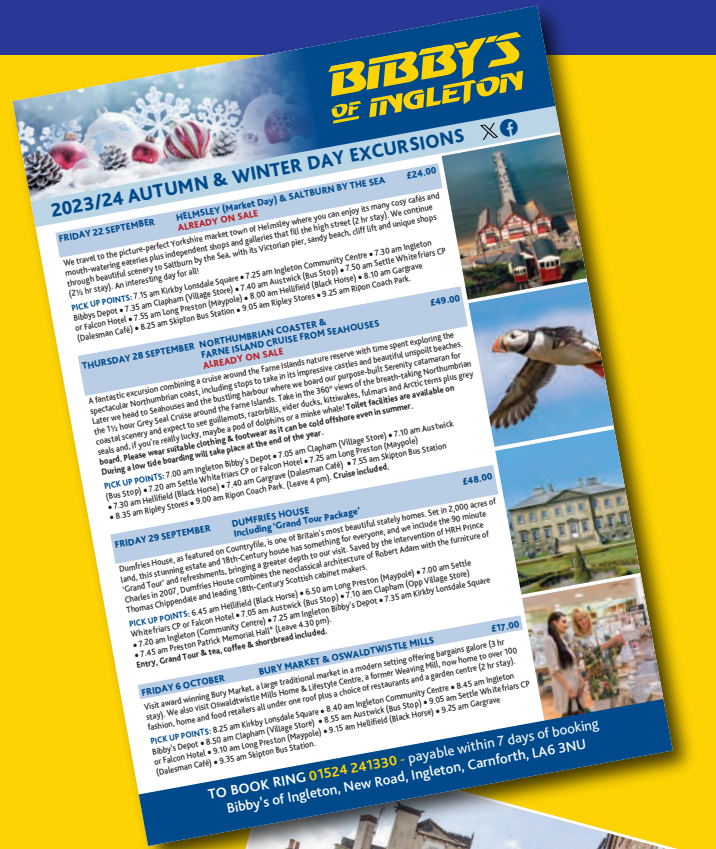
HOTEL

The **★★★ CLIFF HOTEL & SPA, CARDIGAN** is a lovely hotel with spectacular views of Cardigan Bay. All rooms are en suite with TV, telephone, hairdryer, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. The restaurant offers a delicious choice of dishes and leisure facilities include an indoor swimming pool, jacuzzi, sauna, gym, and spa treatments. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ 2 nights entertainment, 1 live
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – entry to Llanerchaeron

Don't forget to view the enclosed Autumn & Winter Day Excursion Leaflet





GIANT'S CAUSEWAY

Glens of Antrim & the Donegal Coast

5 DAYS | 21-25 APRIL

£579

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - £115.00

CURRENCY: Euro

PASSPORT: Not required BUT photographic ID is required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

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Join us as we return to one of our most popular Irish destinations of Letterkenny where we once again soak up the Irish charm at the Clanree Hotel. We have added a slight twist to the itinerary by adding an overnight stay at the fabulous Ballygally Castle Hotel, a stunning 17th Century Castle which overlooks the golden sands of Ballygally Bay and enjoys views across the Irish Sea. Our itinerary takes us via the scenic Antrim coast, includes the awe-inspiring Giants Causeway, the pretty towns of Donegal and Adara and we include a memorable lunch with live music at the famous Leo's Tavern.

Sunday – We travel via Loch Ryan and take the late morning ferry to Belfast. Our route from Belfast takes us via the scenic Antrim coast road to the village of Ballygally where we check in for overnight half board accommodation at the Ballygally Castle Hotel.

Monday – We depart Ballygally and follow the coastal route on the edge of the Antrim glens to the impressive Giants Causeway, a geological wonder and home to a wealth of history and legend. Later in the day we travel to Letterkenny for 3 nights half board accommodation at the Clanree Hotel.



BLOODY FORELAND DONEGAL



FANAD HEAD LIGHTHOUSE DONEGAL

Tuesday – A scenic day as we travel to Donegal Town, an attractive vibrant town overlooking Donegal Bay with a backdrop of the Bluestack Mountains on the Wild Atlantic Way. We continue via Muckcross Head to the town of Adara, home to the famous Donegal Tweed. We return via Glenties and Fintown.

Wednesday – We travel via Dunfanaghy and the Bloody Foreland (known locally as the Hill of Blood). We include a light lunch (and traditional Irish Music) in Leo's Tavern, set in the attractive village of Meenaleck. Our return route takes us via Glenveagh National Park.

Thursday – We transfer to Belfast for the late morning sailing to Loch Ryan. Arriving back into the local area early evening.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **BALLYGALLY CASTLE HOTEL** is perched on the tip of the famous Causeway Coastal Route, a stunning 17th Century Castle which overlooks the golden sands of Ballygally Bay and has uninterrupted views across the Irish Sea. All rooms have ensuite facilities, offer free Wi-Fi, TV, radio, tea/coffee making facilities and hairdryer. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **CLANREE HOTEL** is conveniently located near Letterkenny town centre and features a restaurant, bar and a relaxing health and leisure club with gym, swimming pool, jacuzzi, steam room and sauna. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ 1 light lunch
- ✔ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ Ferry travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Giant Causeway Visitors Centre



LOUGH ERNE FERMANAGH

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Fermanagh Lakelands (2 Dates) & Sunset Dinner Cruise

5 DAYS | 12-16 MAY

£659

5 DAYS | 6-10 OCTOBER

£659

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - £100.00

CURRENCY: Euro

PASSPORT: Not required BUT photographic ID is required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

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A new Irish tour for 2024 offering the choice of two dates to the fabulous Fermanagh Lakelands, filled to the brim with an abundance of sparkling lakes, gentle rivers, and weaving waterways. We are delighted to have secured accommodation at the Manor House Country Hotel, a stunning 19th century manor house offering luxury accommodation. Visits include Belleek Pottery, Ulster American Folk Park, and a special visit with guided tour of the Blessingbourne Estate. A real treat for this holiday will be an evening sunset cruise on board the 'Lady of the Lake', a relaxing two-hour cruise whilst being served a delicious 3-course meal.

Sunday – We travel via Loch Ryan and take the late morning ferry to Belfast. Our route from Belfast takes us via Enniskillen and onto the shores of Lough Erne, Fermanagh, where we check in for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Manor House Country Hotel.

Monday – We drive to the north shore of Lough Erne to Belleek and step back in history with a visit to the famous pottery museum which contains pieces dating back to when the pottery was started in 1857. We continue to the west coast via Mullaghmore and then onto Drumcliffe, where Ireland's



BELLEEK POTTERY

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ULSTER AMERICAN FOLK PARK

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famous poet WB Yeats is buried. We take a break in Sligo and return via the Glencar Valley.

Tuesday – Today we transfer to Omagh and visit the Ulster American Folk Park which tells the story of Ulster people's emigration to North America in the 18th and 19th centuries. This evening we enjoy a two-hour sunset cruise on board the 'Lady of the Lake'.

Wednesday – This morning we head for Blessingbourne Country Estate for a guided tour of the house and gardens with its fascinating history, led by the lady of the manor. At the end of the tour, we enjoy included refreshment of tea and cakes. On our return to the hotel we offer free time in the town of Enniskillen, built on a natural island that splits upper and lower Lough Erne.

Thursday – We transfer to Belfast for the late morning sailing to Loch Ryan. Arriving back into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The **★★★★ MANOR HOUSE COUNTRY HOTEL** is set on the shores of Lough Erne, a popular 19th century manor house offering luxury accommodation combining traditional elegance with modern facilities. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, hairdryer, tea making facilities, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. There is an indoor leisure centre with pool. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast (1 evening meal is part of the sunset evening cruise with a restricted menu choice of 1 starter, 2 choice main course, assiette of desserts and tea/coffee)
- ✔ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ Ferry travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Belleek Pottery, Ulster American Folk Park, and Blessingbourne Estate (guided tour of the Manor House, Carriage and Costume Collection followed by homemade tea and cakes)



WESTPORT

Westport

7 DAYS | 9-15 JUNE

£779

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - £164.00

CURRENCY: Euro

PASSPORT: Not required BUT Photographic ID is required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

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Join us for this fantastic tour featuring some of the highlights of Ireland's West Coast, as we explore County Mayo and Connemara from our base in the lively town of Westport. Take in the spectacular scenery of coast and countryside as we visit Killary Fjord and Achill Island. A breath-taking scenic holiday with superb accommodation at the Castlecourt Hotel, one of the best hotels in our portfolio.

Sunday – We journey to Holyhead to board the early afternoon Irish Ferries to Dublin. We disembark and travel to Enfield for overnight half board accommodation at the Johnstown Estate (formerly Johnstown House Hotel).

Monday – This morning we make our way to Castlebar and the National Museum of Ireland - Country Life, set in the spectacular grounds of Turlough Park the Museum treats visitors to a taste of how our ancestors lived their daily lives. Later we continue to Westport, arriving late afternoon for 4 nights half board accommodation at the stunning Castlecourt Hotel.

Tuesday – Our first visit this morning is to the National Famine Memorial, commemorating the people of Ireland who died in the Great Irish Famine,



ACHILL ISLAND

a striking sculpture crafted by John Behan. We continue through the attractive town of Louisburgh and enjoy the dramatic scenery of Killary Fjord and Leenane village. Our return route takes us into Connemara where we view the spectacular lakes and mountains with a stop at Kylemore Abbey.

Wednesday – We stay local today with free time to explore or take advantage of the hotel's leisure facilities. There will be an optional visit to the historic Westport House set in a stunning 400-acre estate.

Thursday – This morning we travel via stunning Clew Bay to Achill Island, a remote corner of Ireland with towering sea cliffs and a rugged beauty.

Friday – We depart Westport and travel to the lovely village of Cong where you will have time to explore. Later we continue via Athlone, to the outskirts of Dublin for overnight half board accommodation at the Talbot Hotel.

Saturday – We depart our hotel and transfer to Dublin for our early morning sailing to Holyhead (breakfast included on-board). Travelling through North Wales, we arrive back into the local area late afternoon.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **JOHNSTOWN ESTATE** is set within 120 acres of stunning parkland, a luxurious 4-star resort. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **CASTLECOURT HOTEL** is a luxurious family run hotel, located in the heart of the bustling town of Westport. There is nightly entertainment in the traditional bar and the stylish restaurant serves a varied Irish and continental menu. Leisure facilities include a gym, indoor pool, jacuzzi, sauna, steam room and spa treatments (please pre-book). All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary toiletries, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **TALBOT HOTEL** is situated on the south side of Dublin, a few minutes' drive from the port. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press or iron and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Entertainment (Main hotel only)
- ✔ Ferry travel (including breakfast on board on return)
- ✔ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



DINGLE

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The Kingdom of Kerry Killarney & The Dingle Peninsula

7 DAYS | 28 JULY-3 AUGUST

£809

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – £146.00

CURRENCY: Euro

PASSPORT: Not required BUT photographic ID is required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

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Kerry casts a magical spell over its visitors. Generations have been enchanted by its exceptional landscape of mountain ranges, mirrored lakes, and ancient forests, woven together by an intricate coastline. This favoured corner of Ireland fires the imagination and gently soothes the soul. Our base is Castleisland, the gateway to the Kingdom of Kerry and our excursions include the Dingle Peninsula, a local day around Killarney and the lakes, a visit to Bunratty Castle & Folk Park Museum, a boat trip around Dingle Bay and the chance to visit Muckross House & Gardens. We also explore the Ring of Kerry, truly Ireland's most beautiful coastline.

Sunday – We journey to Holyhead to board the early afternoon Irish Ferries to Dublin. We then transfer to Stillorgan for overnight half board accommodation at the Talbot Hotel.

Monday – We travel via Roscrea and Limerick to Bunratty Castle & Folk Park Museum where 19th century life is re-created, set in the grounds of a medieval fortress featuring over 30 buildings in a 'living' village and rural setting. We continue to Castleisland for 4 nights half board accommodation at the River Island Hotel.



BUNRATTY CASTLE

Tuesday – Today we visit County Kerry, calling at Killorglin (coffee stop) before continuing around the world-famous Ring of Kerry with its dramatic, rugged seascapes and glorious countryside. Our route takes us via Sneem and Molls Gap to view the Lakes of Killarney with its scenic views. A day to remember!

Wednesday – Our excursion takes us on a scenic tour below the Slieve Mish Mountains around the spectacular Dingle Peninsula where we enjoy dramatic coastal views of an area steeped in history. We include a boat trip from Dingle Bay with full commentary, bringing to life this fascinating part of Ireland. You will learn the story of Dingle, it's people and their way of life in times gone by.

Thursday – We visit the traditional Irish town of Killarney, situated in beautiful countryside, which makes Killarney a very special place indeed, a must visit destination for any traveller. Brim full of history, heritage, activities, and world class hospitality, it has recently won Ireland's tidy town competition. Enjoy a tour of the town by Jaunting Car or visit Muckross House & Gardens (price not included).

Friday – We depart Castleisland and travel via Adare, a designated Heritage Town, one of the prettiest and friendliest in Ireland. We retrace our journey to the outskirts of Dublin for overnight half board accommodation at the Talbot Hotel.

Saturday – We depart our hotel and transfer to Dublin for our early morning sailing to Holyhead (breakfast included on board). Travelling through North Wales, we're back into the local area late afternoon.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **TALBOT HOTEL** is situated on the south side of Dublin, a few minutes' drive from the port. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press or iron and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

The ★★★ **RIVER ISLAND HOTEL** is a family run hotel located on the lower main street of the town of Castleisland, ideal for a relaxing stroll after dinner. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press, safe and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast with 1 complimentary drink (glass of wine, beer, or soft drink) with dinner each evening at our main hotel
- ✔ Entertainment (Main hotel only, 1 night live)
- ✔ Ferry travel (including breakfast on board on return)
- ✔ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – entry to Bunratty Castle & Folk Park Museum and Dingle Bay boat trip

BANTRY BAY

Ireland's Emerald Coast

West Cork & The Gulf Stream

Based in Bantry Bay

7 DAYS | 8-14 SEPTEMBER

£865

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person**EXTRAS:** Single supplement - £194.00**CURRENCY:** Euro**PASSPORT:** Not required BUT Photographic ID is required**TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Required

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Ireland's popularity continues and we are pleased to repeat this tour based in the pretty market town and fishing port of Bantry. The rich farmland and river valleys of County Cork contrast with a coastline where rocky peninsulas stretch like bony fingers into the Atlantic. Bantry overlooks one of the world's finest natural harbours and a circular tour around the Beara Peninsula reveals brightly painted fishing villages overlooking broad bays. We travel along the shores of Glengarrif and enjoy a boat trip to Garnish Island, see Mizen Head, Ireland's most southerly point and visit the charming town of Kenmare.

Sunday – We journey to Holyhead to board the early afternoon Irish Ferries to Dublin. We disembark and travel to Portlaoise for overnight half board accommodation at the Midlands Park Hotel.

Monday – After breakfast we travel to the Rock of Cashel, iconic in its historic significance, possessing the most impressive cluster of medieval buildings in Ireland. Later we continue via the rugged scenery of West Cork to Bantry for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Maritime Hotel.

EXCURSIONS

- A morning excursion to the dramatic Mizen Head, Ireland's most southerly point. We continue via Schull Peninsula, returning to Bantry for free time.
- A scenic excursion via the charming town of Castletownbere and the Beara Peninsula, one of Ireland's most compelling and beautiful locations. We continue via the colourful food town of Kenmare.
- A morning visit to Glengarrif with its great variety of shops, galleries, restaurants, and bars. From here we take a boat from the harbour to Garnish Island with its famous Italian Garden.

Friday – We depart West Cork and travel via Cork, Cashel, and Dublin, continuing to County Louth for overnight half board accommodation at the Carrickdale Hotel.

Saturday – Morning transfer to Belfast for the mid-day sailing to Loch Ryan. Arriving back into the local area late afternoon.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **MIDLANDS PARK HOTEL** is an imposing building in the centre of Portlaoise in County Laois. There is an indoor pool with hot tub, spa, and sauna. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press with iron & ironing board and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **MARITIME HOTEL** offers stylish, contemporary accommodation overlooking Bantry Bay. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities and Wi-Fi. Relax in the Club Maritime Leisure Centre with its swimming pool, jacuzzi, sauna and steam room or enjoy a spa treatment in the hotel spa. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **CARRICKDALE HOTEL** in Dundalk with views of the Cooley Mountains and Slieve Gullion. There is a spa pool, hot tub, sauna, and fitness centre. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, hairdryer, tea making facilities, iron, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✓ Ferry travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – a boat trip and admission to Garnish Island



GARNISH ISLAND ITALIAN GARDEN

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KILLARNEY LADIES VIEW

Killarney Autumn Colours

South-West Ireland's Coast, Lakes and Mountains

7 DAYS | 20-26 OCTOBER

£739

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – £156.00

CURRENCY: Euro

PASSPORT: Not required BUT photographic ID is required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

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For centuries, the Killarney Valley has been recognised far and wide as Ireland's most beautiful destination – casting a magical spell over its visitors. Prepare to be enchanted by its exceptional landscape of mountain ranges, mirrored lakes, and ancient forests, woven together by an intricate coastline. This most favoured corner of Ireland fires the imagination and gently soothes the soul. Our base is the excellent Killarney Towers Hotel which occupies a prime position in the town. We include a full day touring the 'Ring of Kerry', a mystical and unspoilt region of Ireland, and the dramatic Dingle Peninsula, another 'gem of the emerald isle'.

Sunday – We journey to Holyhead to board the early afternoon Irish Ferries sailing to Dublin. We then transfer to Carlow for overnight half board accommodation at the Seven Oaks Hotel.

Monday – We depart after breakfast via Waterford and Cork to the southwest corner of Ireland. We continue to the town of Killarney for 4 nights half board accommodation at the Killarney Towers Hotel. Welcome reception with tea/coffee on arrival.



BOG VILLAGE

Tuesday – A full day tour to experience the 'Ring of Kerry' with our starting point being the town of Killorglin where we have time to soak up the atmosphere and sample some fresh Irish coffee at the Bog Village. We continue around the famous tourist trail visiting the 'Ladies View' a popular beauty spot, overlooking the Killarney valley, and named in honour of Queen Victoria's ladies-in-waiting, who visited it during the royal visit to Muckross House, Killarney in 1861. We also include the Macgillycuddy's Reeks Mountains and the peaceful and romantic village of Sneem.

Wednesday – Today we travel via Castlemaine and Annascaul onto the scenic and dramatic Dingle Peninsula, another of the south-west's 'mountain fingers' clawing at the wild Atlantic Ocean and once cited as 'the most beautiful place on earth' by the National Geographic Magazine.

Thursday – Enjoy a free day in Killarney, brim full of history, heritage, activities, and world class hospitality.

Friday – We depart after breakfast and travel via Adare en route to Stillorgan for overnight accommodation and evening meal at the Talbot Hotel.

Saturday – We depart our hotel and transfer to Dublin for our early morning sailing to Holyhead (breakfast included on-board). Travelling through North Wales, we arrive back into the local area late afternoon.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **SEVEN OAKS HOTEL** enjoys an enviable reputation and is only 3 minutes-walk from the town centre. It offers the best in traditional Irish food featuring the finest local produce. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. There is a leisure centre with swimming pool and jacuzzi. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **KILLARNEY TOWERS HOTEL** is superbly appointed occupying a prime position in Killarney. It enjoys a reputation for fine cuisine and high standards of comfort and service. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and Wi-Fi. Leisure facilities at the hotel include indoor pool, spa, hot tub, and gym. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **TALBOT HOTEL** is situated on the south side of Dublin, a few minutes' drive from the port. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, trouser press or iron and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Main Hotel package includes one free drink (wine, beer, or soft drink) per person with dinner each evening and entertainment.
- ✔ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ Ferry travel (including breakfast on board on return)
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



PORT SOIF GUERNSEY

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Multi Channel Islands Guernsey & Jersey – By Air

7 DAYS | 28 JUNE – 4 JULY

£1399

DEPOSIT: £250.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – £183.00

Sea View Supplement - £36.00 per room (Guernsey only)
(Sea view rooms are on request and subject to availability)

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

PASSPORT: Not required But Photographic ID is required

PLEASE NOTE THE FINAL BALANCE ON THIS TOUR IS DUE 12 WEEKS BEFORE TRAVEL TO SECURE THE FLIGHTS.

The Channel Islands are geographically closer to France but remain loyal to the British crown. This tour offers a delightful blend of France and England, featuring both Jersey and Guernsey, the islands have a character all of their own with beautiful beaches, cliff paths, busy fishing harbours and a warm climate. Enjoy a continental atmosphere but without any of the problems associated with travelling abroad – no currency or language problems. Excellent for walking, join a guided walk or do your own thing using the excellent bus services to visit the many places of interest and superb beaches. Car hire is another good way to explore these great islands, but island coach tours are included, and we also take a trip to Sark. We travel by air from Manchester Airport and coach transfers are included.

Friday – Coach transfer from your local area to Manchester Airport for your flight to Guernsey. Local coach transport and a meet & greet service will be waiting to take you to the Peninsula Hotel for 3 nights half board accommodation.

- A half day trip to Herm, including ferry crossings
- A full day trip to Sark, including ferry crossings and a 2-hour carriage ride

Monday – Coach transfer with guide from the Peninsula Hotel to the ferry port for the 1-hour crossing to Jersey where a coach will be waiting to take you to the Merton Hotel for 3 nights half board accommodation.



CORBIERE LIGHTHOUSE

- A full day 'round the Island' tour of Jersey is included.

Thursday – Coach transfer from the Merton Hotel to Jersey airport. Our coach will be waiting at Manchester Airport to transport you home.

HOTELS

The **★★★ PENINSULA HOTEL** is set in 5 acres of grounds in a prominent sea front position. It is located on the Vale of Peninsula, in a residential area and overlooks 2 sleepy fishing bays. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, hairdryer and tea making facilities. The restaurant serves a 3-course dinner and buffet breakfast using fresh local ingredients. There is an outdoor swimming pool, heated in the summer months. There is level access throughout the public area and a lift serves all rooms. Wi-Fi is available in the hotel lobby. Entertainment is generally provided twice a week throughout the summer season. A local bus service operates to St. Peter Port from near the hotel (approx. 4 per hour). Please note St Peter Port is built on a hill so walking around the town can be challenging.

The **★★★ MERTON HOTEL** is a 10-minute walk from St Helier town centre and the nearest beach. Contemporary in style, it has a choice of bars and restaurants and excellent facilities including sun terraces and gardens, outdoor and indoor pools with water slides, fitness centre, sauna, steam room and jacuzzi. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, ironing board & iron and Wi-Fi. There is entertainment most evenings. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Return coach transport from your area to Manchester Airport
- ✔ Flights from Manchester Airport to Guernsey & return from Jersey to Manchester Airport
- ✔ 1 item of checked baggage per person (23 kg)
- ✔ All transfers between airports, hotels and ferry ports
- ✔ Meet & Greet service in Guernsey
- ✔ All passenger airport taxes and security charges
- ✔ Single ferry crossing from Guernsey to Jersey
- ✔ 2 full day & 1 half day excursions (excluding any admission fees)

There will be no seat allocation when booking and no staff from Bibby's of Ingleton will be accompanying this tour.

At the time this brochure went to print we are departing from Manchester Airport. Please note this could change before departure.

Important: All passengers will be required to present photographic identification upon check in for all flights to Guernsey & from Jersey.

The following ID will be accepted: Valid passport, Valid photographic driving licence, Citizen ID card, Valid student card, Valid airport/airline employee's security ID pass, Valid police warrant card/badge, Valid photographic forces ID card, Valid photographic bus pass ID card.

This tour is arranged by Norman Allen Group Travel (ATOL3683) for whom we act as agents. All bookings are subject to their booking conditions which we will supply upon request.



ST AUBIN'S HARBOUR AND VILLAGE

Jersey By Air

7 DAYS | 21-27 SEPTEMBER

£1069

DEPOSIT: £250.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – £233.00

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

PASSPORT: Not required But Photographic ID is required

PLEASE NOTE THE FINAL BALANCE ON THIS TOUR IS DUE 12 WEEKS BEFORE TRAVEL TO SECURE THE FLIGHTS.

Only 150 miles south of the British Mainland lies Jersey, the largest of the Channel Islands. A blend of France and England, the island has a character of its own with superb sandy beaches, secluded coves, busy fishing harbours, beautiful, wooded countryside and a warm climate. Jersey enjoys a continental atmosphere but without any of the problems associated with travelling abroad – no currency or language problems. This is an excellent island for walking, join a guided walk, do your own thing using the bus service available or relax and enjoy the superb sandy beaches. Car hire is another good way to explore, although a full day island coach tour is included. We travel by air from Manchester Airport and coach transfers are included. An island like no other is waiting to welcome you! This holiday is arranged by Norman Allen Group Travel (ATOL 3683) for whom we are acting as agents. All bookings are subject to their booking conditions which we will supply on request.

Saturday – Coach transfer from your local area to Manchester Airport for your flight to Jersey. Local coach transport will be waiting to take you to the Merton Hotel.

Included Excursion

- A full day tour around the beautiful coastline, with several stops at interesting places.

Friday – Coach transfer from your hotel to the airport. Our coach will be waiting at Manchester Airport to transport you home.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **MERTON HOTEL** is in St Saviour, a 15-minute walk from St Helier town centre. Contemporary in style, it has a choice of bars and restaurants and excellent facilities including sun terraces and gardens, outdoor and indoor pools with water slides, fitness centre, sauna, steam room and jacuzzi. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, radio, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. There is entertainment most evenings. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Return coach transport from your area to Manchester Airport
- ✓ Return flights from Manchester Airport to Jersey
- ✓ 1 item of checked baggage per person (20 kg)
- ✓ Return transfers from Jersey Airport to your hotel
- ✓ Meet & Greet on Jersey
- ✓ All passenger airport taxes and security charges
- ✓ 1 full day excursion (excluding any admission fees)

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Important: All passengers will be required to present photographic identification upon check in for all flights to Jersey.

The following ID will be accepted: Valid passport, Valid photographic driving licence, Citizen ID card, Valid student card, Valid airport/airline employee's security ID pass, Valid police warrant card/badge, Valid photographic forces ID card, Valid photographic bus pass ID card.

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RIVER CRUISE

Paris Cruise (2 Dates)

5 DAYS | 10-14 MARCH

£549

5 DAYS | 3-7 NOVEMBER

£549

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement – £170.00

Upper Deck Cabin - £80.00 per person

CURRENCY: Euro

PASSPORT: Required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

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Always popular, we are repeating this 3-night break on board a prestigious floating hotel moored in central Paris. This is a wonderful experience to discover the renowned sights and attractions of France's delightful capital city. Paris is a true crossroads of culture and art, bursting with monuments and museums. Once in Paris, this break is on a FULL BOARD basis and includes guided excursions and a Paris by Night cruise.

Sunday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Maidstone for overnight half board accommodation at the Orida Hotel.

Monday – We transfer to Dover for the short ferry crossing to Calais. We continue our journey to Paris arriving late afternoon to board our "floating hotel" at the mooring point in the capital. Dinner on board this evening is followed by a cabaret show.

Tuesday – After breakfast on board a morning panoramic guided tour of Paris. Your coach will take you past famous places including the Louvre, the Pyramide, Opéra Garnier, Place Vendôme, Concorde, the Champs Elysées, the Arc de Triomphe, Les Invalides and the Trocadero. Return to ship for lunch, the rest of the day to explore at leisure. Evening cruise towards Le Pecq. Night stop.

Wednesday – Early departure towards Paris. We sail through the Suresnes lock and pass the famous Defense neighbourhood during breakfast. Arrive approx. 8.00am and depart for a guided visit of Old Montmartre by coach. Return to ship for lunch, followed by a free afternoon. Tonight, we have a gala dinner on board and Paris by night cruise.

Thursday – Breakfast on board before disembarkation around 9.00am. We travel to Calais for the short ferry crossing to Dover. We continue north via the main roads and motorways, arriving home mid to late evening.

All boat excursions are subject to correct water and tide levels.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **ORIDA MAIDSTONE** is conveniently located close to the M20 motorway. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, hairdryer, and Wi-Fi. The property has an indoor pool and a well-equipped gym. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **MS BOTTICELLI** is berthed in Paris. All the cabins have LOWER BERTHS, picture windows and are equipped with shower, washbasin and toilet, TV, safe and Wi-Fi. There is a lounge bar with dance floor, bar, sundeck, library, and gift shop. There is no lift and no cabins equipped for the disabled.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 3 nights on board MS BOTTICELLI in 2 berth cabins with breakfast, lunch and dinner included – please note the meals are all based on a set menu (DRINKS NOT INCLUDED)
- ✔ 1 night dinner, bed & breakfast in overnight hotel
- ✔ Ferry travel (please note that this may be amended to Eurotunnel TBA)
- ✔ Luxury coach travel
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Excursions - Panoramic Paris guided tour, Montmartre guided visit, Gala dinner and Paris by Night Cruise



BRUGES

Ostend, Ypres & Bruges

Belgian Coast & City's

5 DAYS | 8-12 APRIL

£539

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement – £72.00

CURRENCY: Euro **PASSPORT:** Required **TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Required

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Join us as we cross the English Channel to the Belgian coast and the vibrant city of Ostend. Along its wide white-sand beach is a spacious promenade surveyed by an interesting mix of midrise architecture and cosy seafront cafes. From here we explore the Belgian Coast, the Flanders region of Belgium, and the cities of Ypres & Bruges.

Monday – We journey to Dover for the afternoon sailing to France. The short drive east takes us to Ostend and the Ostend Hotel, located close to the city centre and a short distance from promenade.

Tuesday – A visit to Belgium is not complete without a visit to the stunning city of Bruges, distinguished by its canals, cobbled streets, and medieval buildings. We spend the day here, offering you the opportunity to explore the many museums, shops, and cafes at leisure.

Wednesday – We drive to the Ypres Salient, the scene of some of the biggest battles in World War I. We enjoy free time in the city centre before we visit a selection of sites to help us appreciate the sheer magnitude of war and the effect it had on Ypres.



OSTEND

Thursday – A free day in Ostend, where a weekly market takes place. The city has a wealth of beautiful art deco architecture, fascinating museums, and a mix of café/restaurants.

Friday – Early departure for the mid-morning crossing to Dover. We travel home, arriving into the local area early evening.

HOTEL

The ★★★ **OSTEND HOTEL** is a modern hotel centrally located in the city of Ostend, close to the beach, cafes, and restaurants. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, minibar, and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✓ Luxury coach travel
- ✓ Return ferry travel
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees



OSTEND



YPRES



LAKE MISURINA, DOLOMITES

Spring Delights in the Dolomites

Drinks Inclusive*

10 DAYS | 1-10 MAY

£1049

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement – £215.00

Outside cabin single occupancy - £60.00 return

Outside cabin supplement - £45.00 per person return

Lower Berth supplement - £35.00 per person return

(Cabin subject to availability)

Return dinner & breakfast package on P & O Ferries - £75.00 per person in the Kitchen Restaurant

CURRENCY: Euro **PASSPORT:** Required **TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Required

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The Sud Tyrol region of Northern Italy is largely unspoilt and our base for this tour features a new hotel, located in the delightful village of Fai da Paganella, surrounded by gentle rolling hills, deep woods, and the mighty mountains of the Dolomites. The family-owned Hotel Paganella offers a traditional warm welcome, a Drinks Inclusive Package* (T&Cs apply) entertainment, wine tasting evening and a farewell Trentino evening with music. We enjoy a full day circular tour around the Dolomite Massif, visit the stunning Lake Garda and the spa town of Merano.

Wednesday – Late morning transfer to Hull for the overnight ferry crossing to Rotterdam (Meals not included).

Thursday – We journey through the Netherlands into Germany, via the main roads and motorways to the attractive town of Wurzburg for overnight half board accommodation at the Maritim Hotel.

Friday – We travel via Ulm, over the Fern Pass into Austria, via the Brenner motorway into Italy. We continue to Fai della Paganella for 5 nights half board accommodation at the Hotel Paganella. A warm welcome awaits with a glass of prosecco or non-alcoholic drink. Set menu this evening.

EXCURSIONS:

- A local day at leisure to simply relax and enjoy the mountain scenery or join Fausto, the hotel owner, for a guided walk of the village and surrounding countryside, a picnic lunch with wine is included.
- A full day to Lake Garda an idyllic destination with charming waterside villages and resorts sheltered in a panoramic bowl by a backdrop of stunning mountain scenery. We spend time in the lakeside resort of Riva del Garda.

▪ Full day circular tour around the Dolomite Massif – including the spectacular 4 passes. The stunning autumn scenery will take your breath away.

▪ We travel north to the spa town of Merano in the Southern Tyrol region which was once part of Austria. Also known as the 'City of Flowers', the Merano promenades offer beautiful floral displays and the pedestrianised centre, with its 14th century cathedral and colourful architecture, is a pleasure to wander around.

Wednesday – We retrace our steps via Austria and into Germany for overnight half board accommodation at the Mercure Sindelfingen Hotel.

Thursday – We travel via the main roads and motorways to Rotterdam for the overnight ferry to Hull (Meals not included).

Friday – Hull to local area. Arrive home lunchtime.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **MARITIM HOTEL WURZBURG** enjoys a riverside location with lovely views of the Marienberg Fortress. There are two restaurants, a cocktail bar, wine bar, indoor swimming pool, sauna, and gym. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, minibar, safe, hairdryer and Wi-Fi. There is a lift.

The ★★★ **HOTEL PAGANELLA** is a friendly, family-owned hotel located in the village of Fai della Paganella. All of the comfortable bedrooms are well appointed with satellite TV, telephone, and hairdryer. The hotel features a cosy bar, a traditional restaurant serving home cooked Italian food, a comfortable lounge and seating area, plus a wellness centre with sauna, jacuzzi, and Turkish bath. Wi-fi available in public areas. There is a lift.

The ★★★★★ **MERCURE SINDELINGEN HOTEL** is easily accessed from the motorway. All the en suite bedrooms have flat screen TV, air conditioning, safe, telephone and Wi-Fi. There is a lovely restaurant and cocktail bar. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 2 nights aboard NS ferries in 2 berth inside cabins (meals not included)
- ✔ 7 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- ✔ Service of experienced tour driver/s
- ✔ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – excluding any entry fees

*Hotel Paganella package includes: Welcome drink on arrival, wine and water with evening meal, tea/coffee after evening meal, free bar each night from 18:00hrs – 22:30hrs on beer, wine, soft drinks & national spirits. Entertainment includes a quiz/games night, a Grolla evening, a wine tasting evening and a farewell candlelit Trentino dinner with music.



VANNES

Southeast Brittany The Gulf of Morbihan

Escorted by Anthony Peregrine

9 DAYS | 21-29 JUNE

£TBC

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person

EXTRAS: Single supplement - £TBC

Outside cabin single occupancy - £TBC

Outside cabin supplement - £TBC

Lower Berth supplement - £TBC

CURRENCY: Euro

PASSPORT: Required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

Important note: As we are unable to confirm ferry travel and the cost of visits prior to our brochure print we require you to complete your included booking form to register your interest for this tour. Once our prices are confirmed we will contact you to advise of the final cost and take a deposit payment if you wish to go ahead. Please register your interest early as Anthony's tours do sell out quickly.

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We return to south-east Brittany in June 2024 but for a longer stay – six nights on site rather than four – the better to get to grips with a compelling region. As you'll maybe know, Brittany has a strong regional identity fashioned by rocks and the sea, savoury pancakes, cider and the swirl of Celtic culture. And there are strong links with Britain. In fact, the Bretons are basically us, with one vowel changed and more berets. Post-Romans, in the fifth and sixth centuries, our people – mainly Cornish and Welsh – hurtled across the sea fleeing Norse invaders. We settled, changed the region's name to "Brittany" and the local language to something like Welsh. So, we've a lot in common. Brittany finally joined up with the rest of France in 1532 – but its own anthem is still the Breton version of Land of My Fathers and thousands speak Breton. We'll be diving headlong into all this from a lovely base in Vannes, a former capital of the region. Our sphere of activity will be mainly around the Gulf of

Morbihan – a 15 square mile bay of great beauty, many oysters and some drama. Over the few days, we'll take in an oyster boat outing, the Europe's most intense stone-age site, a second world war U-boat base, France's loveliest island, one of its most beautiful villages – and cider, of course.

Friday – We depart early morning and travel south to Portsmouth for our 20:15hrs overnight Brittany Ferries sailing to St Malo (tbc).

Saturday – We arrive into St Malo at approx. 8am and enjoy some free time to walk the ramparts around the old town. We continue via the delightful village of La Gacilly for a short break, before continuing to the beautiful walled town of Vannes where we meet up with Anthony at the Golfe Hotel, located on the outskirts of town, our base for the next 6 nights. Accommodation has been arranged on a half board basis.

Sunday – A gentle start, as we take a mini-train tour of our host city, Vannes, to get our bearings. Within medieval ramparts, it's a fine old town – it's been going for 2000 years - of mansions and half-timbered buildings. It's both venerable and lively with bars, festivals and a market-hall which spills out onto the streets on Wednesday and Saturday mornings. The port and marina lead to the Morbihan gulf, so there's also a seaside air to the place. After an included lunch in town, we hop on a boat for a cruise round the Gulf of Morbihan ("Morbihan" simply means "small sea") which has apparently been scooped out with a stick, leaving a chaotic scattering of 40 small islands behind. We return to land in time for an evening meal.

Monday – We travel 45 minutes inland to Rochefort en Terre, one of France's most beautiful villages, elegant with flowers, 16th and 17th-century stone houses along cobbled streets, a 12th-century château and memories of Naïa, a witch who, at the turn of the 20th century, had the gift of ubiquity – she could be in two places at one time – even though, apparently, she never ate. The village has a Museum of the Fantastic in her honour. Included lunch is in a farmhouse restaurant, before we move on to the Gorvello distillery and orchards to learn about, and taste, Breton cider and eau-de-vie.

Tuesday – We drive down the Quiberon peninsula to Quiberon itself to take the ferry across the Belle Isle. There we'll join up with a local coach company for a tour of the island's highlights. These include the holiday home of Sarah Bernhardt – the sulphurous French actress and perhaps the world's first international star of stage. She had affairs with countless men, including the future Edward VII. She toured the US and Britain and, after having a leg amputated in 1915, continued acting sitting down. Included lunch is in the



QUIBERON

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pretty little port of Sauzon before the tour continues, taking in the Port Coton headland which so mesmerised the Impressionist painter Monet that he painted it 39 times. We later take the ferry back to the mainland.

Wednesday – Oyster Day today. We drive out to Baden on the Gulf of Morbihan to take a trip out on a flat-bed boat to the oyster beds. We'll see how they're cultivated, learn the key facts and return to land for a tasting of the shellfish, with added white wine. In the past, people initially reticent about tackling oysters have joined in with gusto. The wine probably helps. Following an included lunch in a nearby restaurant, we take another boat to the island of Gavrinis, one of the most exceptional prehistoric sites in France: a monumental funerary architecture of dry stone. At 6000 years old, it predates the Egyptian pyramids. The cairn of Gavrinis is remarkable for its dimensions: more than 50 m in diameter, 6 m high, and for its ornamentations. It offers a profusion of engravings of rare finesse, which are not found anywhere in the world. Axes, bows, spirals... are represented, but what do they symbolize? Why did Neolithic men erect such a monument? Lots of people claim to know but no-one knows for sure.

Thursday – We start the day by continuing the pre-historic theme with a visit to the extraordinary, world-famous site of Carnac. More than 3000 standing stones are laid out in roughly parallel lines over two-and-a-half miles. There's nothing even slightly like this anywhere else. Again, no-one is sure of the site's significance. The effect is of a neolithic expressway to wherever stone age man needed to be in a hurry. But this seems unlikely. We'll tour the site on a mini-train and then leave for the 50-minute drive to Lorient. This great port was the Germans' main submarine base during the last war. They parked the U-boats in three vast bunkers, built with a million cubic metres of concrete. That was a quarter of all the concrete used by Germans for the defence of France. Allied bombing made little impact of these concrete monsters, though it made a mess of the surrounding town. We have lunch by the port before a guided visit of the enormous bunkers. Later, we board a real (French) submarine for an insight into submarine life. We finish at the splendid submarine museum.



CARNAC MONOLITH

Friday – An early start, we bid farewell to Anthony and travel north to St Malo for the late morning Brittany Ferries crossing to Portsmouth. We arrive into Portsmouth early evening and check in at the Marriott Hotel on the outskirts of town for overnight bed and breakfast accommodation. We suggest taking an evening meal whilst on board the ferry (not included).

Saturday – We depart after breakfast and make our way home, arriving into our local area early evening.

HOTELS

The ★★★ **GOLFE HOTEL** is a modern hotel located on the edge of Vannes, close to the Parc de Golfe, a 20–25-minute walk along the river to the centre of town. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, Wi-Fi, mini-bar, and tea making facilities. There is a restaurant, open plan bar, plus a terrace. There is no lift but there are ground floor rooms.

The ★★★★★ **PORTSMOUTH MARRIOTT HOTEL** is situated just 4 miles from Portsmouth. All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone, tea making facilities, minibar, and Wi-Fi. The Cast Iron Bar & Grill serves a creative evening menu. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✔ 1 night aboard Brittany Ferries overnight sailing to St Malo in 2 berth inside cabins (meals not included)
- ✔ Return ferry travel St Malo to Portsmouth
- ✔ 6 nights dinner, bed, and breakfast in main hotel
- ✔ 1 night bed and breakfast in overnight hotel
- ✔ 5 lunches
- ✔ Services of experienced tour driver
- ✔ Services of excellent guide/travel writer in Brittany
- ✔ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✔ EXCURSIONS – including a mini-train tour of Vannes, boat cruise round the Gulf of Morbihan, entry to Gorvello distillery and orchards, Belle Isle ferry and local coach transport, Oyster boat trip, boat trip to the island of Gavrinis, mini-train transport around the megaliths of Carnac, guided visit of U-boat bunkers and entry to submarine museum

Please note that this is a demanding tour with several visits on foot and boat travel and is therefore not suitable for people who have mobility issues.



CALELLA DE PALAFRUGELL COSTA BRAVA

Roses on the Costa Brava

11 DAYS | 12-22 OCTOBER

£899

DEPOSIT: £80.00 per person **EXTRAS:** Single supplement – £280.00

Outside cabin single occupancy - £60.00 return

Outside cabin supplement - £45.00 per person return

Lower Berth supplement - £35.00 per person return

(Cabin subject to availability)

Return dinner & breakfast package on P & O Ferries - £75.00 per person in the Kitchen Restaurant

CURRENCY: Euro **PASSPORT:** Required

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Required

WE REQUIRE FULL NAME, DATE OF BIRTH, PASSPORT NUMBER AND COUNTRY OF ISSUE. PLEASE PROVIDE THESE DETAILS WHEN BOOKING.

We once again offer an Autumn sunshine tour, based in the delightful Spanish resort of Roses. The main attraction on the Costas of Catalonia are the beaches and the mild climate. The Costa Brava has retained much of its original charm and this beautiful region is well worth a visit. Roses is a delightful resort nestled in a bay with a lovely sandy beach whilst still retaining an historic 'old town' feeling. The Citadel is an interesting visit, offering views across the bay, and other attractions include the Sunday morning market, various boat trips and land train excursions. We enjoy some magnificent coastal and mountain scenery with a full day excursion into the magnificent Pyrenees Mountains and a day to the ancient city of Girona. We return to the Mediterraneo Park Hotel.

Saturday – Late morning transfer to Hull for the overnight ferry crossing to Rotterdam (Meals not included).

Sunday – We journey through France making suitable refreshment breaks en route to our overnight hotel where bed and buffet breakfast accommodation has been arranged at the Novotel Dijon Sud.

Monday – We continue our journey following the Rhone Valley South. With the Pyrenees in sight, we cross the border into Spain and then continue the short distance to our hotel in Roses where accommodation has been arranged for 6 nights in the Mediterraneo Park Hotel.

EXCURSIONS:

- A full day tour via the rugged coastline of the Costa Brava with its magnificent sea views. We continue through Portbou and over the border into France to the pretty village of Collioure, once a fortified port and favourite haunt of Bohemian from both past and present. Dali and Picasso

have both worked here and today young artists paint the quaint colourful harbour and the Royal Palace.

- Full day into the magnificent Pyrenees. We visit the picturesque village of Castellfollit de la Roca, the small town of Camprodon and the wonderful medieval town of Besalu.
- A short excursion to the pretty fishing village of Cadaques where Salvador Dali painted some of his most famous coastal scenes.
- Join us on an excursion to the medieval city of Girona, Northern Catalonia's largest city, packed with museums, galleries, and Gothic churches, strung around a tangle of cobbled lanes and medieval walls.
- There will be a free day to enjoy Roses.

Sunday – We retrace our journey into France for overnight bed and buffet breakfast accommodation at the Novotel Dijon Sud.

Monday – Travel North into Holland for the overnight crossing from Rotterdam to Hull (Meals not included).

Tuesday – Hull to local area. Arrive home lunchtime.

HOTELS

The ★★★★★ **NOVOTEL DIJON SUD** lies on the outskirts of the town, 5.5km from Dijon Cathedral. It is a modern spacious hotel, all bedrooms are en suite with TV, air-conditioning, Wi-Fi, mini-bar, and tea making facilities. There is a restaurant, open plan bar, plus a terrace and outdoor pool. There is no lift but there are ground floor rooms.

The ★★★★★ **HOTEL MEDITERRANEO PARK** is set in lovely gardens with views of the beautiful mountains of L'Albera and is just a short walk from the golden sandy beach of Roses. All bedrooms are en suite with air conditioning, TV, telephone, hairdryer, safe, fridge, balcony/terrace, and Wi-Fi. You can enjoy the finest Mediterranean and international cuisine in the spacious restaurant overlooking the gardens and there are two bars serving drinks, cocktails and snacks. There are three outdoor swimming pools, a gym and a spa with indoor pool, sauna, steam room, jacuzzi and beauty treatments. There is a lift.

PRICE INCLUDES

- ✓ 2 nights aboard P&O Ferries in 2 berth inside cabins (meals not included)
- ✓ 2 nights bed & buffet breakfast in overnight hotels
- ✓ 6 nights dinner, bed, and breakfast in main hotel with table drinks (wine & water) & welcome drink on arrival
- ✓ Services of experienced tour driver/s
- ✓ Luxury coach travel with onboard toilet & facilities
- ✓ EXCURSIONS – excluding any admission fees

BCH ABTOT

TRADING CHARTER (AND BOOKING CONDITIONS)

FINANCIAL PROTECTION

Your contract is with Bibbys of Ingleton Ltd, New Road, Ingleton, Carnforth, LA6 3NU. When you book a holiday with us, which does not include a flight, the money you pay for the booking will be protected by Bonded Coach Holidays (BCH) and the Association of Bonded Travel Organisers Trust Limited (ABTOT), this is a Government approved consumer protection scheme. The scheme will also ensure your repatriation in the event the company becomes insolvent. Our Trading Charter and Booking Conditions set out clearly and simply the responsibility we have to you and in turn, you have with us, when a contract is made. Please see the Consumer Guarantee at www.abtot.com/bch-abtot-members-directory/. There is no financial protection if you purchase just transport or accommodation-only from us. We fully comply with the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018. The combination of travel services offered to you is a package holiday within the meaning of the Regulations. Therefore, you will benefit from all rights applying to package holidays. Bibbys of Ingleton Ltd will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the holiday and providing assistance if you are in difficulty. Your key rights will be in the details of the tour which will be provided prior to booking.

BOOKING AND PAYMENT

When a booking is made, the 'lead name' on the booking guarantees that he or she is 18 or over and has the authority and accepts on behalf of the party the terms of these booking conditions and pays the deposit indicated in the brochure and as confirmed in the pre-contract information. After we receive your booking and all appropriate payments, if the arrangements you wish to book are available, we will send you a confirmation invoice within 14 days. This confirmation will include any special requests we have agreed. A binding agreement will come into existence between us when we dispatch this invoice to the 'lead name'. Please check the confirmation carefully to ensure all the information is correct. This contract is governed by English Law, and the jurisdiction of the English Courts. Single occupancy of rooms, when available, may be subject to a supplementary charge and these will be shown in the brochure. You can book by paying a deposit for each person named on the booking but our commitment is always conditional upon the balance being paid as below:

Before paying the deposit you will be asked if you have read the Terms & Conditions in the brochure and have fully read and understood the tour itinerary. A note will be made on our system to confirm that you have been made aware of this.

Deposits required:

UK – 2/3 days £20.00 per person; 4/5 days £30.00 per person; 6/8 days £60.00 per person.
Republic of Ireland & Europe – £80.00 per person

Jersey by Air – £250 per person.

The deposit may be higher if a theatre or concert ticket is included or if Air Travel is involved.
THE DEPOSIT IS NON REFUNDABLE.

The balance of the price of your holiday must be paid at least 6 weeks before your departure. (8 weeks before departure for certain Continental & Air Holidays). The balance due date will be stated on your booking form, if the balance is not paid on time we reserve the right to cancel your holiday and retain your deposit, and apply the cancellation charges set out in the paragraph below. The date of cancellation will normally be the date we receive your written confirmation that you intend to cancel or 15 days after the balance due date, whichever comes first. If you book within our balance due period, you will need to pay the total holiday cost at the time of booking. **A REMINDER WILL ONLY BE SENT IF THE BALANCE IS NOT PAID BY THE DUE DATE.** Payments can be made in cash, or cheque (payable to Bibbys of Ingleton Ltd) or you can pay by Mastercard/Visa.

Where optional items are purchased as part of the holiday, these are payable on the balance due date except where items, such as theatre tickets, have been specifically purchased for you. In this case the cost may be payable at a separate date notified to you and will not normally be refunded unless we obtain a refund from the supplier we use.

BROCHURE ACCURACY

Although Bibbys of Ingleton make every effort to ensure the accuracy of the brochure information and pricing, regrettably errors do sometimes occur. You must therefore ensure you check the price and all other details of your holiday with us at the time of booking and when you receive our confirmation invoice.

OUR PRICING POLICY

Bibbys of Ingleton endeavour to ensure that the most up to date and correct prices are shown in our brochure. Occasionally, an incorrect price may be shown, due to an error. When we become aware of any such error, we will endeavour to notify you at the time of booking (if we are then aware of the mistake) or as soon as reasonably possible. We reserve the right to cancel the booking if you do not wish to accept the price which is applicable to the holiday. Local Authorities in many towns and cities throughout Europe have introduced new tourist taxes which must be paid directly to the hotel by all guests in person. These taxes are not always included in our prices but we will notify you when applicable.

Holiday prices include all travel, hotel accommodation and meals as specified in the holiday description and VAT payable in the UK where applicable. The price of the holiday will not be subjected to any surcharges except those arising from exchange rate changes, transportation including the price of fuel, air & ferry operator fares and tolls, embarkation or disembarkation fees at terminals, duties and taxes (including the rate of VAT). Even in these cases we will absorb the cost equivalent to the cost of first 2% of the holiday price. Amounts more than this plus £1 administration fee and Travel Agents commission will be surcharged to you. If this

means the total cost of the holiday increases by more than 8% then you are entitled to cancel your holiday and receive a full refund of all monies paid except any insurance premium and amendment charges. We will communicate the options with you either through email or letter, with a reminder if necessary. If you exercise the right to cancel we must receive written notice within 20 days of the date of the surcharge invoice. The currency exchange rate used in the holiday costings are based on rates as at the publication date of this Charter.

IF YOU CHANGE YOUR BOOKING

If, after our confirmation has been issued, you wish to change to another of our holidays or change departure date, we will do our utmost to make the changes, but we cannot guarantee to do so. You will be asked to make a payment of £15.00 per booking to cover our administrative costs, plus any further costs we incur in making the amendment. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made, in particular once your balance becomes due. Alterations may not be able to be made within 8 weeks of departure and any such request for an alteration will be treated as a cancellation of the original booking and will be subject to the cancellation charges set out in paragraph below. Some arrangements cannot be changed without paying a cancellation charge of up to 100% of the ticket cost.

Please note, if you want to cancel and transfer to a different holiday you must cancel & transfer at the same time, you cannot cancel your booking and transfer the deposit at a later date. It is not possible to transfer any holidays to the following year or to subsequent brochures. If you wish to make a significant alteration after you have paid the balance (eg; change of departure date or destination) this will be treated as a cancellation and will be subject to our cancellation charges.

TRANSFERRING YOUR BOOKING

You can transfer your booking to somebody else but the person must satisfy all the conditions of the holiday and you must inform us either by letter or email no less than 7 days before departure. As all the pick up times will have been arranged the new passengers may not be able to board at their chosen departure point. You will remain responsible for ensuring payment. This is in addition to (and does not affect) the separate responsibility of the transferee to us.

IF YOU NEED TO CANCEL YOUR HOLIDAY

You or any member of your party may cancel your holiday at any time provided the cancellation is made by the lead person on the booking form and is communicated to us in writing. You must pay cancellation charges to cover our administration costs and to compensate for the risk of us not reselling the holiday. Your cancellation will take effect from the date on which we receive your written confirmation of your cancellation. You must also return any tickets or vouchers you have received. A reduction in room occupancy may increase the charges for the remaining passengers by the application of supplements for low occupancy of rooms. Where bought in supplies, such as ferries, hotel accommodation etc have been bought in on your behalf, and where the terms and conditions of the supplier are non-refundable, these products will be charged to you at the full retail rate. If this applies, the non-refundable items will be deducted from your holiday costs and the following scale of charges will be applied to the remainder:

CANCELLATION BY THE CLIENT

**If the client cancels more than
56 days prior to departure
THE DEPOSIT IS FORFEITED**

If the client cancels less than 56 days prior to departure the following scale of charges apply:

56/43 days = 25% cancellation charge

42/29 days = 35% cancellation charge

28/15 days = 50% cancellation charge

14/07 days = 65% cancellation charge

Under 7 days = 100% cancellation charge

In the event of unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances occurring at the place of destination of its immediate vicinity and which significantly affect – (a) the performance of the package or (b) the carriage of passengers to the destination. The traveller may terminate the package travel contract before the start of the package without paying any termination fee.

ALTERATIONS TO YOUR HOLIDAY BY US

We hope that we will not have to make any change to your holiday but, because our holidays are planned many months in advance, we sometimes do need to make minor changes. We reserve the right to do this at any time. We will let you know about any important changes as soon as possible, including the minimum number of passengers required on the trip. Sometimes changes are unavoidable, and we reserve the right to make them at any time. Most of these changes are likely to be minor and we will do our best to keep you informed.

If after booking, and before departure, we make a major change to your holiday, you will have the option of withdrawing from the holiday without penalty or transferring to another holiday without any charge. In either case, we will pay you compensation, according to the scale set below. A major change includes the time of your departure or return time by more than 12 hours, location of resort or type of hotel, a change in cross channel travel. If we tell you about any of these changes after we have confirmed your holiday booking (other than force majeure), you may either:

- accept the new arrangements offered by us; or
- accept a replacement holiday from us of equivalent or similar standard and price (at the date of the change), if we can offer you one; or
- cancel your holiday with us and receive a full refund of all monies

Either way, we will pay you compensation, using the Compensation table shown:

	Amount per person	
	Tours of 6 days or over	Tours of 5 days and under
More than 56 days	Nil	Nil
29 - 56 days	£10	Nil
15 - 28 days	£15	Nil
8 - 14 days	£20	£15
0 - 7 days	£25	£20

When we have notified you of the changes and options available, you must tell us your decision as soon as possible and within any timescale we may set bearing in mind the need to safeguard the booking arrangements of other customers.

IMPORTANT NOTE

Compensation will not be payable if the holiday is cancelled because the number of persons booked is less than the number required, or for events beyond our control, which include: war, threat of war, riots, civil disturbances, terrorist activity and its consequences, industrial disputes, natural and nuclear disasters, fire, epidemics, health risks and pandemics, unavoidable and unforeseeable technical problems with transport for reasons beyond our control or that of our suppliers; hurricanes and other actual or potential severe weather conditions, and any other similar events. You are also advised to check with The Foreign and Commonwealth Office Advice Unit regularly at www.fco.gov.uk/travel prior to travel.

All holidays operate if the minimum number of participants is met. However, in no case will we cancel your holiday less than 4 weeks before the scheduled departure date, except where you have failed to pay the final balance or because of force majeure (force majeure means an event which we or the suppliers of the services in question could not foresee or avoid and is therefore beyond our control)

OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO YOU

We will endeavour to ensure the holiday which you book with us is supplied as described in our publicity material and the services offered reach a reasonable standard and if you are in difficulty we will assist you. If any part of our holiday contract is not provided as promised, you may terminate the contract without paying a termination fee and we will pay you appropriate compensation if this has affected your enjoyment of your holiday. We will however, not be liable if there are any unforeseeable or unavoidable actions of a third party not connected with our travel services, or there were unavoidable or extraordinary circumstances, or the lack of conformity is due to a traveller in the party. We accept responsibility for the acts and/or omissions of our employees, agents and suppliers except where they lead to death, injury or illness. Our liability in all cases shall be limited to a maximum of twice the value of the original holiday cost (not including insurance premiums and amendment charges). We accept responsibility for death, injury, or illness caused by the negligent acts and/or omissions of our employees or agents together with our suppliers and sub-contractors, servants and/or agents of the same whilst acting within the scope of, or during their employment in the provision of your holiday. We will accordingly pay to our clients such damages as might have been awarded in such circumstances under English Law. In respect of carriage by air, sea, tunnel and rail and the provision of accommodation our liability in all cases will be limited in the manner provided by the relevant international convention. If we make any payment to you or any member of your party for death or personal injury or illness, you will be asked to assign to us or our insurers the rights you may have to act against the person or organisation responsible for causing the death, personal injury or illness. This clause does not apply to any separate contracts that you may enter for excursions or activities during or outside of your holiday. If you or any member of your party suffer death, illness or injury whilst overseas arising out of an activity which does NOT form part of your holiday, we may offer guidance and where legal action is contemplated and you want our assistance, you must obtain our written consent prior to any proceedings (We limit the cost of our assistance to you or your party to £5000 per party)

IF YOU HAVE A COMPLAINT

If you have a problem during your holiday, YOU MUST inform your Tour Manager, your Driver or the relevant Supplier/Resort Representative immediately who will endeavour to put things right. If your complaint cannot be resolved locally you must complete a Holiday Report Form which can be obtained from your driver or local representative, which you should keep. Our contact number, for unresolved complaints will be our office number on 015242 41330 (open in office hours). You must follow this up within 14 days of your return home by writing to Bibbys of Ingleton giving your original booking reference number and all other relevant information, including a copy of the Holiday Report Form. It is therefore a condition of this contract that you communicate any problem to the supplier of the services in question AND to our Representative whilst in resort. If you fail to follow this simple procedure, we cannot accept responsibility, as we have been deprived of the opportunity to investigate and rectify the problem. Should you wish to pursue the complaint further, BCH/ABTOT have an Alternative Dispute Resolution scheme and full details are available from them. Please contact them at ABTOT 117 Houndsditch London EC3A 7BT.

OUR COACHES – SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

We will always use our reasonable endeavours to provide a coach to the specification in our brochure or advert, but reserve the right to substitute an alternative vehicle should there be unforeseen circumstances. There is a seating plan but in some cases, operational reasons may require a coach with a different configuration. We reserve the right to alter a coach seating plan and allocate you different seats for operational reasons, other than those booked. Single passengers may be required to share a double seat with other single passengers to maximise the available seating. When your booking is confirmed, you will be given a choice of

seats that are available at that time. Specific seats will not be allocated on coaches/minibuses operating a feeder service between joining points and main holiday departure points or on coaches that carry out transfers between airports, seaports etc. Requests for particular seats can be made on most packages when booking but because allocations are made on a first come, first served basis you are recommended to book early. When your booking is confirmed you will be offered the best seats that are available at that time. If you know someone who may want to book later but sit near you please discuss this with the booking clerk at the time you make your booking. If you feel that you require two seats, then these must be purchased in advance at the time of booking. If you fail to do this and it transpires that the seat allocated is insufficient for your needs and there is no alternative seating available, then you will be refused access to the coach and any payments made will be liable to forfeiture.

HOTEL FACILITIES

Some hotel facilities and entertainment may be withdrawn for routine or emergency maintenance or be subject to seasonal availability and provision of the facilities cannot be guaranteed. Single occupancy of rooms may be subject to a supplementary charge.

HEALTH & SAFETY

In some foreign countries, standards of infrastructure, safety and hygiene may be lower than those to which we are accustomed in the UK. You should therefore exercise greater care for your own protection. There may be countries that we visit that have special medical requirements for tourists. These regulations are subject to change and our clients are responsible for complying with entry and current health requirements. If you are not sure of the health requirements for the country you are visiting, you are advised to check with your own GP before travelling. You are also advised to refer to the Department of Health leaflet "Health Advice for Travellers".

Some people may be at risk from discomfort or deep vein thrombosis (DVT) if they remain immobile on a journey for a long period of time. If you are planning to undertake a coach journey of more than 3 hours you should consult your doctor if you have ever had DVT or pulmonary embolism, a family history of clotting conditions, cancer or treatment for cancer, a stroke, heart or lung disease or if you have had major surgery in the past 3 months. We reserve the right to refuse any booking in the absence of a doctor's certificate confirming that you are fit to travel. During the journey we will provide comfort stops as frequently as possible. During these stops you are encouraged to get off the coach and walk around. Exercise reduces any discomfort which may be caused by periods of immobility. During any journey you should drink alcohol only in moderation as it leads to dehydration. Smoking is not allowed on our coaches (including E-Cigarettes).

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS, ITINERARY'S, PICK UP POINTS & PASSPORTS

When you have paid the balance we will forward to you all the necessary documents/labels/pick up information. You will receive coach holiday information approximately 21 days before departure and air holiday information approximately 10 days before departure. Certain documents such as flight tickets or theatre tickets will be retained by us and given to you on departure. You are responsible for ensuring you are at the correct departure point, at the correct time and with the correct documents. Bibbys of Ingleton reserve the right to modify itineraries to conform with requests from competent authorities both within the UK and abroad. For all Continental holidays, you will require a full 10-year British Passport (machine readable) valid for a further 6 months after your holiday. If you do not hold a full British Passport or you have any doubts about your status as a resident British subject, you must check with the Embassy or Consulates of the Countries to be visited to confirm the Passport or visa requirements when you book. We cannot accept responsibility if passengers are not in possession of the correct travel documents. For full details on passport requirements, please contact 'the identity and passport service' on 0300 222 0000 (www.gov.uk/browse/abroad/passports).

The E111 has been changed to the EHIC European Health Insurance Card, please make sure you are in possession of one when travelling abroad. You can obtain a free document by applying online www.ehic.org.uk.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

PLEASE NOTE: All hotel requests MUST be made with Bibbys of Ingleton and never with the hotel direct.

All special needs and requests if agreed, should be entered on the booking form and be included in the confirmation of the holiday. These cannot be guaranteed except where confirmed as part of our holiday commitment to you and are detailed on your holiday booking confirmation. We are keen to ensure that we plan the arrangements for your holiday so that special needs and requests can be accommodated as far as possible. If you will need assistance or may be unable to fully enjoy all aspects of your holiday you must tell us in advance so that we can maximise your enjoyment of the holiday. We will need to know if you will need special facilities in the hotel, taking part in the excursions or have difficulty boarding and travelling on the coach or other means of transport. Before booking your holiday, you should be sure that you and your party are both physically and mentally capable of completing the itinerary. If you need advice or further information, you should contact Bibby's of Ingleton. If you will require a special diet please tell us at the time of booking, or as soon as you are medically advised.

PASSENGER BEHAVIOUR

We want all our customers to have a happy and carefree holiday. But you must remember that you are responsible for your behaviour and hygiene and the effect it may have on others. If you or any member of your party is abusive or disruptive or behaves in a way which, in our reasonable opinion, could cause damage or injury to others or affect their enjoyment of their holiday, or which could damage property, we have the right, after reasonable consideration, to

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terminate your contract with us. If this happens we will have no further obligations or liability to you. The coach driver/representative, ship's captain, or authorised official of other means of transport is entitled to refuse you boarding if in their reasonable opinion you are unacceptably under the influence of drink or drugs or you are being violent or disruptive. If you are refused boarding on the outward journey we will regard it as a cancellation by you and we will apply cancellation charges according to the scale set out above. If the refusal is on the return journey we have the right to terminate the contract and will have no further obligations or liability to you. We also request that mobile telephones are not used on the coach save for exceptional circumstances.

SPECIAL NEEDS

We are pleased to carry your folding wheelchair or walking frame in the luggage compartment but you **MUST** notify us of your intention to bring one. We regret that due to health & safety we are unable to carry battery powered wheelchairs or mobility vehicles on our feeder minibuses and small coaches, we will only carry them on tour vehicles if there is sufficient space in the luggage compartment and a travelling companion is present to lift and handle the mobility vehicle. It is not the drivers responsibility to handle mobility vehicles. Mobility vehicles must be brought to our depot before you book a holiday so we can confirm if the vehicle is suitable to be transported in the luggage compartment of our vehicles. Passengers with these types of vehicles **MUST** board the coach at our depot in Ingleton and as space is limited only 1 **SMALL** mobility vehicle will be allowed per tour. Please do not be offended if a mobility vehicle is refused as we will not jeopardise the practicalities and smooth running of the tour.

We are keen to plan arrangements for your holiday so that special needs and requests can be accommodated as far as possible. If you will need assistance or special facilities in the hotel, or may have difficulties in taking part in excursions or boarding and travelling on the coach or other means of transport you must let us know in advance. Before booking your holiday, you should be sure that you and your party are both physically and mentally capable of completing the itinerary.

PASSENGERS WITH DISABILITIES

We want to ensure the arrangements for your package are suitable and appropriate. Not all the packages in this brochure may be suitable for you and if we reasonably consider we cannot provide what is required, we will not accept the booking. Should you or a member of your party have any medical condition or disability that may affect your/their holiday or that of other passengers, you must provide full written details to us at the time of booking so that we can advise you of the suitability of the holiday. This applies whether the booking is made, in person, in writing, or by telephone. If a particular issue is identified, we reserve the right to request a doctor's certificate confirming that the passenger is fit for travel and reserve the right to refuse any booking in the absence of such doctor's certificate being produced upon request. If a passenger requires personal assistance (for example but not limited to assistance with feeding/dressing/toileting/mobilising) then this passenger must travel with an able bodied companion/carer and written confirmation that such assistance will be provided for the entirety of the holiday is required at the time of booking. Coach drivers/tour managers are unable to offer such assistance. Whilst we will make every reasonable adjustment to do so, if we are unable to accommodate the needs of a passenger or believe that the medical condition or disability of a passenger is likely to adversely affect other passengers, we reserve the right to decline the booking. We also reserve the right to cancel any holiday and impose cancellation charges if we are not fully advised of any relevant disability or medical condition at the time the booking is made and subsequently decide that we are unable to accommodate this passenger. This applies whether we advise that we are unable to accommodate a passenger either before departure or during the holiday and if this occurs during the holiday then we will seek the additional costs of returning the passenger home. We want you to enjoy your package and will try to help you select an appropriate trip. If you need advice or further information please contact us.

IMPORTANT

You must tell us if you have an existing medical condition, disability or complex need that may affect your holiday or other group member's enjoyment of it, before you book your holiday. We reserve the right to request a doctor's certificate confirming that the passenger is fit for travel. If in our reasonable opinion, your chosen holiday is not suitable for your medical condition or disability, we reserve the right to refuse your booking. You are responsible for bringing with you the proper clothing and equipment, which we advise you about in our printed holiday information leaflet. We want you to enjoy your holiday and will help you select an appropriate trip.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

It is compulsory for passengers travelling to Europe, Ireland, the Channel Islands and Isle of Man to take out travel insurance. You will be required to provide us with your travel policy details and emergency 24-hour contact number. **IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED TO TAKE OUT TRAVEL INSURANCE, ESPECIALLY TO ANY DESTINATION WHICH INCLUDES FERRY TRAVEL, SUCH AS ISLE OF WIGHT OR SCOTTISH ISLANDS.** Bibbys of Ingleton will not accept responsibility or any liability due to the failure of any person to take out adequate insurance cover. The insurance should cover medical and repatriation costs, personal injury, loss of baggage and cancellation charges. If you do not have adequate insurance and require our assistance during your holiday, we reserve the right to reclaim from you any medical repatriation or other expenses which we may incur on your behalf which would otherwise have been met by insurers.

HOLIDAYS BY AIR

Holidays travelling by air are booked through an ATOL registered agent. They are subject to their booking conditions which we will supply on request.

LUGGAGE

All baggage and personal belongings are carried at owners risk and Bibbys of Ingleton will not accept any responsibility for loss or damage except where such loss or damage is caused by proven negligence of the company's employees. Due to the health and safety of our employees you must keep to one **MEDIUM** sized suitcase per person, maximum weight 18 kg (40 lb). We reserve the right to refuse to carry suitcases which exceed the weight limit and ask you to remove any excess weight. On tours where there is overnight hotels it is advisable to take in addition a small overnight bag and your main case can be left in the luggage hold. You can also take a small travel bag or handbag on board the coach. Please do not leave valuable items in your suitcase when left on the coach.

SINGLE ROOMS

Single rooms get booked very quickly, and we would suggest that if you are travelling alone you should book early to avoid disappointment. As each hotel only offers a limited number of single rooms, we would ask that where it is possible to share a twin room with a friend you are travelling with, that you show consideration to the single traveller by doing so. Some hotels make a single supplement charge which we must pass on to you. The payment of a single room supplement does not imply that any room allocated will be anything other than a single room.

EXCURSIONS & VISITS

Excursions which are included in the cost of your booking are detailed on the brochure page and refunds will not be made for excursions not taken. Optional excursions booked and paid for in resort do not form part of your booking. There will be no refunds or reductions when visiting National Trust or English Heritage properties if you are a National Trust or English heritage member. Admission to the property will be included in the holiday package.

DATA PROTECTION ACT

We comply with the GDPR 2018 Regulations, our data controller is Bibbys of Ingleton and our data protection policy can be found at Bibbys of Ingleton or you can request a copy from Bibbys of Ingleton, New Road, Ingleton, Carnforth, LA6 3NU.

FACE COVERINGS

We kindly ask passengers to bring their own hand sanitiser. Face coverings are recommended but not mandatory.

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HOTEL CLASSIFICATIONS

Any ratings shown are the official ratings of the country concerned and may differ from normal British standards. Please note in some European countries, especially Austria 'twin beds' can be two separate mattresses in a double frame with single duvets.

PETS

We do not allow pets or any other animals, although we accommodate registered assistance dogs, but not on overseas holidays.

GRATUITIES

Gratuities to our drivers are not included in the cost of the holiday. Any donations should reflect on the service you have been given by our representative. We also recommend that gratuities should be made on an individual basis rather than a group collection. Check with your driver regarding gratuities for hotel staff as each hotel has its own system.

DEPARTURE POINTS

We pick up at the following: Lancaster, A6/Forton, Morecambe, Carnforth, Heysham, Milnthorpe, Arnsdale, Grange over Sands, Kendal, Windermere, Ambleside, Ulverston, Kirkby Lonsdale, Settle, Skipton, Keighley, Cross Hills, Bingley, Shipley, Bradford, Harrogate, Pateley Bridge, Summerbridge, Dacre Banks, Darley, Birstwith, Hampsthwaite, Killinghall, Ripon, Starbeck, Knarborough, Ilkley and Barnoldswick. We may be able to pick up at some villages en route – please enquire. Another option is to leave your vehicle, free of charge, **IN OUR SECURE CAR PARK** at our Depot at Ingleton Industrial Estate.

Please do not change your pick up point without informing us first. You are responsible for ensuring that you are at the correct departure point at the correct time, and we cannot be liable for any loss or expense suffered by passengers because of their late arrival at any departure point.

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