

DOOR TO DOOR COACH TOURS



Ellen Smith



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WELCOME

Welcome to our 2026 'Door-to-Door' holiday brochure.

We are pleased to report that 2025 has been another record-breaking year for bookings for our tours, thank you.

We do listen to our customers, and drivers, and as such we change our brochure each year to reflect this. Some hotels and locations aren't featured, and our Tours Manager has been diligently seeking out new locations, hotels, and attractions for your delight.

We are currently in the process of re-introducing our 'Customer Comment Forms'. These will be sent to all customers on carefully selected tours – for example when a new hotel is used. Please help us by completing and returning them to us – they're all on a 'Freepost' basis.

We've again included a small programme of Continental holidays with a repeat of the popular Desirable Dolomites complimenting a tour to Austria.

Look out for holidays to Potters Five Lakes Resort, new Babbacombe Hotel, and the return of the popular Merrion Hotel in Llandudno, plus many more.

Here seems a perfect place to thank our partners Grayway Coaches, Rothwell Coaches, and Town Taxis who, along with our superb staff, ensure that on every holiday you receive the full 'Ellen Smith' treatment, which in turn, ensures you trust us as your Coach Holiday supplier of choice.

Happy Holidays,

Paul Targett
Managing Director

Financial Security Statement



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; Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole.

Additionally, as required by law, Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd 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. Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd 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 member's insolvency, protects the clients' monies. Clients are recommended to inspect the current membership certificate at our registered office or alternatively go to <https://www.abtot.com/bch-abtot-members-directory/> 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 Regulations 2018 ([legislation.gov.uk](https://www.legislation.gov.uk))

Travel Insurance?

- Fully-flexible, comprehensive insurance
- Pre-existing medical conditions covers (for travel in the UK)
- Specialist cover for coach tours
- No upper age limit in the UK

Please ask our staff for more details (for summary of cover and premiums, please refer to page 159 of this brochure).



PERIOD	UK inc. Isle of Man	Europe, Channel Islands & R.O.I.
Up to 3 Days	£33	£70
Up to 5 Days	£35	£73
Up to 10 Days	£42	£86

Ellen Smith Tours – Price Promise

Peace of mind when you book an Ellen Smith Tours Coach Holiday.

- The price advertised in the brochure is the total amount you will pay for your holiday
- We will not impose any surcharge for fuel price increases
- In the case of currency fluctuation, we will absorb any additional costs
- We will not advertise or issue any general 'Money Off' vouchers
- Any supplement imposed by the hotel for extra single rooms will be the exact amount we charge our passengers
- We will not reduce the price of any tour to encourage bookings prior to the holiday departing. The first person to book will pay the same as the last one

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Coach Seating Plan

Please Note:

Due to the hiring in of coaches, we cannot guarantee that this will be the exact seating plan of the coach you will travel on.



OUR TEAM / DRIVERS

We have a small but perfectly formed Team here at Ellen Smith's, meet them below:



Paul

Hi, I'm Paul and I'm the MD. My main duties revolve around the overall operation of the business with particular emphasis on the website, marketing, and looking after the pennies! When not constantly checking my work's laptop, I do find time for a diverse range of interests from sailing & skiing to walking, swimming, and playing guitar. My family is my primary focus, especially my four grandchildren, Grace, James, Max & Isabel who most definitely keep me on my toes!



Pam

Hiya, I'm Pam and it's my job to put together our Tour Programme to keep you, our lovely customers travelling with us. I am always looking for new hotels & destinations for you to try, there's plenty in this brochure. I also look after the many Private Group Organisers who put their trust in us each year to look after their members, coming up with ideas and itineraries for their future trips. I have 2 children and 3 beautiful grandchildren, Raeyn, Miller & Dixie, who are my main focus when I'm not in work. They're always popping in for something or other as they live next door!



Zoe

Hello, I'm Zoe. My job is to look after the office, day excursion programme and holiday bookings admin. In my spare time I love spending time with family & friends, and with the arrival of Granddaughters Miya and Jorgie my focus is that of daft Nannie. I work part-time now, primarily to help out with childcare, but I feel some serious pottering about coming on.



Julie

Hi Everyone, My name's Julie. I've been with Ellen Smith for 34 years. How time flies when you're having fun! In my spare time I love walking with my Miniature Schnauzer Derek & my Hubby Andy, socialising with friends & family and squeezing in as many holidays here & abroad as I can.



Mark

Hello, I'm Mark and I take care of all transport requirements for the company. It's my job to ensure that everybody travels comfortably and safely on all our tours under the watchful eye of our experienced professional driving team. Now entering my 15th year with Ellen Smiths, it remains a pleasure to be a part of the companies' continuing success. On a personal note, I have recently tied the knot and as a family we enjoy spending time together and having some amazing holidays when we get the chance. We have also just become home boarders which we enjoy very much caring for a variety of different dogs whilst their owners are away on holiday.



Carole

Hello everyone, I'm Carole and I've worked at Ellen Smith since June '24. I was, in a previous life, a travel agent, working for the same company for 38 years. I have one grandchild, Bobby who is just the most adorable little boy. I love travelling around the world with my favourite destination being the Maldives. I also work in football hospitality at Burnley Football Club on matchdays, but my biggest love is my football team, Newcastle United (please don't judge).



Michelle

Hello everyone, I'm Michelle and I'm new to Ellen Smith, starting here in July 2025. I help Pam with the private group tours side of the business but will also become a familiar voice to all as I will also be taking bookings. When I'm not in work, I love spending time with my family and friends and looking after my son's dog, Milo. I'm also a big fan of travel and try to visit as many places as I can, both here in the UK and abroad.

Below, meet some of your Tour Drivers, always helpful, professional, and most of all friendly.



Darren



Richard



Carl



Yvonne



Brent



Alan

A BRIEF HISTORY...



Back in the 1890's Ellen Gilson would never have believed that her married name would adorn coach sides throughout the UK in 2026, with an accompanying tiger!



The story goes back to the elopement of Ellen and Lund to a farm in Littleborough. As an aside to their farming, they began to operate a haulage business using horse drawn vehicles that, in time, diversified into a passenger carrying operation around Rochdale. Following Lund Smith's death their children Miles, Fred, and Perry, along with Ellen, took control of the business. A son Harry died young and another, Lewis, was badly affected by shell shock following the Great War. Two daughters Gertie and Cissie were also involved.



Motorised vehicles were introduced in 1915, these were often multifunctional, haulage during the week and passengers at weekend.

Up to the outbreak of war in 1939 both sides of the business prospered, and Charabanc holidays were added into the mix. It is believed that Gracie Fields was a passenger on one of them.

During the war the company was contracted to transport POWs to their places of work, and many coaches were commandeered by the war department, some never to be seen again.

In 1946 the company took up where it left off, with more vehicle purchases and more diversity in the type of work undertaken. During this time the business was ably managed by Harry Smith, son of Miles, his wife Majorie, and Eric, son of Fred, alongside some dedicated and long serving drivers and mechanics. The standards they espoused, and their reputation amongst their rivals were exemplary, so, of course, passenger numbers grew! The Tiger, an amalgam of Leyland Vehicles and a cigarette card, designed by Jack Mills, vehicle painter, first appeared.

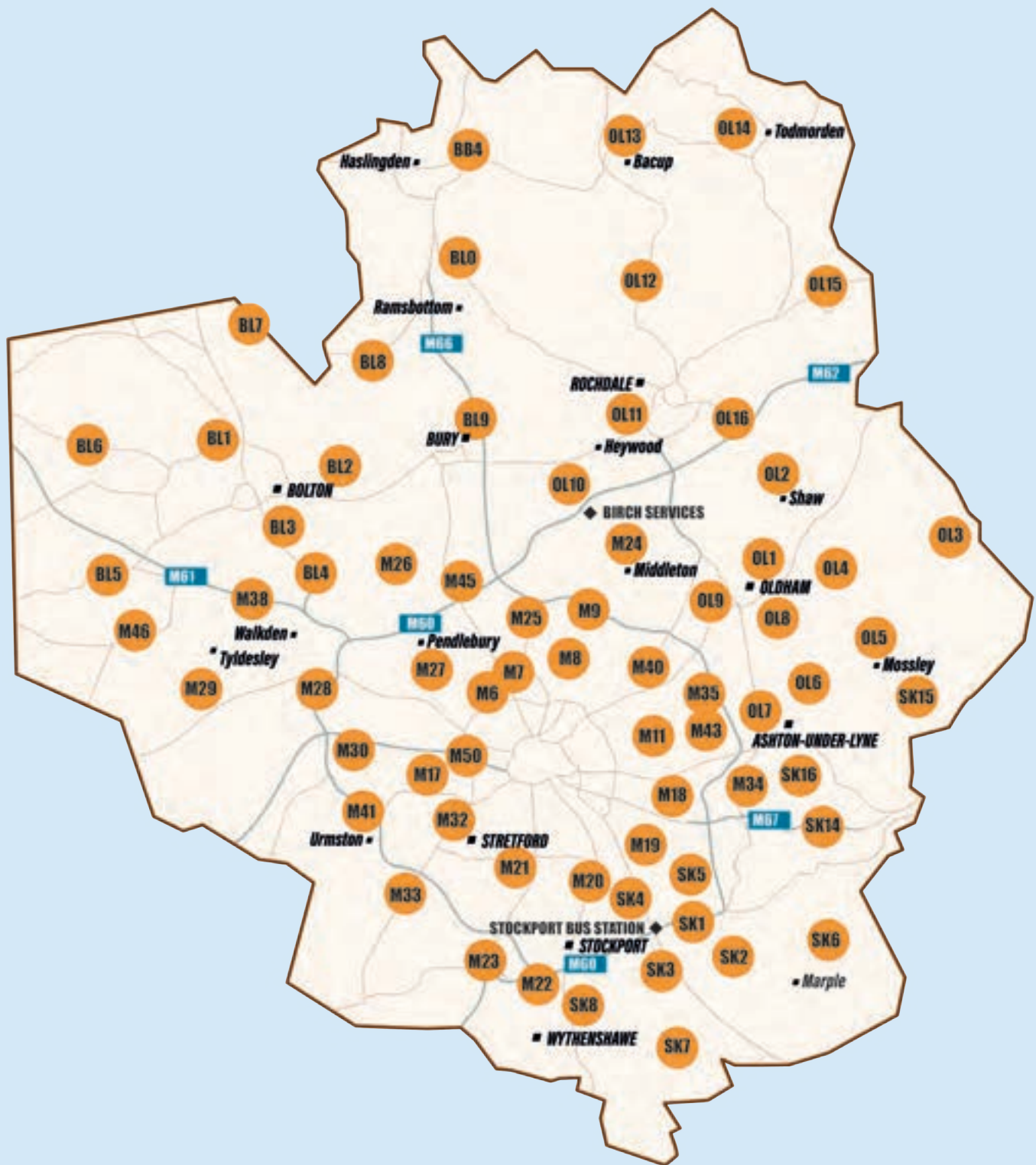


In 1988 Harry passed away, he had been actively involved for over 60 years. In 1991 the Smith family decided to sell the business and it was duly sold to Council owned Rossendale Transport Ltd in 1991.

Ellen Smith Tours Ltd operated as a subsidiary of Rossendale Transport and work was further diversified with continental tours to Europe, UK based tours, day excursions, works contracts and schools work, at one time the fleet size was 35 full sized coaches. However in 2002 the Council appointed non-executive directors of Rossendale Transport agreed to a management buyout of the tours element of the business to Paul Targett and John White, both Directors of Rossendale Transport Ltd.

Over the past 20 years there has been an ongoing rationalisation of the company's operations, gone are the five retail outlets to be replaced with an emphasis on telephone sales and a strong on-line presence. John retired from the business in 2008. Our small administrative team now operate from our Rochdale base, with customer satisfaction at our heart. Along with our business partners Grayways, Rothwells and Town Taxis, and our superb drivers, we believe we offer a service that is second to none.

'DOOR TO DOOR'



All of the holidays in this brochure include our **FREE 'DOOR TO DOOR' SERVICE**. This means that you will be picked up, by a taxi or mini-bus, from your home address on the morning of departure. You will then be transferred to meet your holiday coach.

On the return journey, following your holiday, a taxi or mini-bus will meet you at the coach and transport you back to your home address. This applies to all passengers who live within our pick-up area, see map above.

*If you live outside our pick-up area, please contact a member of staff who will advise you if it is possible to pick you up from home, however, there will be an additional cost for this.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Everything you need to know about booking a holiday with us – and some things you didn't know that you needed to know!

How can I book a holiday with you?

There are two methods. You can call our office on 01706 648126 Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm. You can also book via our website; this will result in a saving of £10 per passenger.

What Deposit will I have to pay?

A deposit of £75 per person needs to be paid at the time of booking for coach holidays to secure the holiday. For Jersey flight holidays the deposit is £200.

Is my coach seat reserved?

Yes. However, we do reserve the right to move you under certain circumstances. For example, to allow a couple to sit together. This rarely happens and you will be informed prior to travelling. Please note that the wearing of seatbelts is mandatory.

What's included in the price.

Our 'Door to Door' service, Dinner, Bed and Breakfast and all attractions as noted in the itinerary, unless mentioned otherwise.

Can I, and should I, take out travel insurance?

For holidays inside the UK, insurance is optional. Remember though, most claims are for cancellation of holidays prior to travel, so please ensure you have appropriate cover for monetary losses as well as medical. For travel outside the UK, you must have some form of travel insurance in place. We offer holiday insurance via Wrightsure, who provide our customers with an age-appropriate, fit to travel based policy. There are no exclusions for pre-existing medical conditions when travelling in the UK, however you should make sure that you read and can agree with the 'criteria' for all trips taken.

Can I travel with you if I live outside your defined pick-up area?

Yes, you can. There are two options. You can make your own way to one of our pickup hubs at an agreed time and we will give a discount for this option. The second option is for us to arrange to pick you up, but you will have to pay a supplement dependent on the distances involved.

Can I bring my wheelchair?

We accept folding wheelchairs and folding walkers. We do restrict the number of folding wheelchairs to two per coach for luggage space reasons. You must inform us at the time of booking if you intend to bring either of the aforementioned. We do not allow any form of motorised mobility aid to be carried.

Do I have to pay a Single Supplement if I travel alone?

For each tour we are allocated a number of single rooms. Some don't carry a supplement, others do. This is entirely dependent upon the policy of each individual hotel. Prior to the holiday some hotels, upon request, allow double or twins to be used as singles – but with a supplement. We will advise you of any additional costs at the time of booking. We don't add any additional costs to the supplement charged by the hotel.

Can I make special requests for my hotel stay?

Any special requests made at the time of booking will be passed on to the hotel prior to the coach's arrival. However, we will note that 'Any requests cannot be guaranteed' on your confirmation document. If your request needs to be guaranteed, then it is your responsibility to liaise with us to ensure this is the case.

What paperwork will I receive?

You will receive a booking confirmation detailing all aspects of your holiday booking. This needs to be carefully checked to ensure all is correct. Any amendments made later will incur an administrative charge. If you've taken insurance, you will also receive your policy documents.

When does my final balance become due?

Eight weeks prior to travel, earlier for Jersey flights. The balance due date is noted on your holiday confirmation document. You can either call us to pay your balance (we don't keep details of your Credit or Debit cards) or, if you booked online, you can pay your balance via your account on our website. We don't automatically take your balance payment.

Are your holidays financially secure?

Yes. All our tours are covered by the British Coach Holidays (BCH) Bond. Please see details on Page 2.

What happens if I cancel my holiday?

We will issue you with a Cancellation Invoice in accordance with our industry recognised terms and conditions. We will then refund you any sums due and you can use the invoice to submit a claim to your insurance company.

What happens if we cancel the holiday?

We review each tour on a weekly basis to ensure we have enough passengers booked on to make it viable, we do this as early as possible. If we decide to cancel the holiday, we will contact you and either offer you a full refund of all monies paid or offer you another appropriate tour and give you a £20 discount per person to transfer.

When will I need a passport or an identity document.

For travel to Ireland or the Channel Islands travellers need either a passport with 6 months validity or some form of photographic ID. This could be a current driving licence or a Bus Pass. For travel to the EU a full passport with 6 months validity is required.

When will I receive my Travel Documents?

About 8 to 10 days prior to travel. The envelope will contain a note of your collection time on the day of travel, an itinerary booklet giving day by day information for the duration of the tour and luggage labels.

Do you sell your holidays cheaper to fill rooms close to the departure date?

No. We believe that every customer on the coach should pay the same amount.

Do I need to leave Next of Kin (NOK) details?

Yes. We take the care of our passengers to an extra level. If you are taken ill whilst away on holiday with us, we will make contact with the designated NOK and advise them of your situation. We will then assist in any way possible.

What size suitcase should I bring?

For coach holidays each passenger should bring one suitcase weighing no more than 18 kgs (40lbs). If the tour has an overnight stop,

it is advisable to bring an overnight bag to avoid unpacking and re-packing. The allowance will be different for our flight holidays, please see information on your Travel Documents. Any important medications should be kept in personal hand luggage.

Where are your coach/taxi meeting hubs?

We have two coach meeting places Birch Services West and Viaduct Street in Stockport.

How does your 'Door to Door' service work?

We have been operating our 'Door to Door' service for many years now – suffice it to say that we're very good at it. Every customer is given a time that they will be picked up at on the first day of their holiday. A licensed taxi or minibus will turn up at the allotted time. We have an emergency telephone number in case of traffic delays or similar. The taxi / minibus then picks up other passengers en-route to the coach meeting point.

Are all your coaches the same?

All our coaches are modern executive coaches with all 'mod cons' including an onboard toilet. However, they are different makes and models and as such will have different window alignments and, as such, we cannot guarantee a 'full window' seat.

What about your drivers?

Our drivers are mature professional individuals with many years of experience. They are customer focused and will tend to your requirements whilst on holiday.

How often do you stop en-route?

Because we don't have long pickup routes, we can take a more leisurely approach on the outward journey. The driver will decide where to stop for lunch and comfort breaks ensuring an appropriate hotel arrival time.

Are there any additional costs whilst on holiday?

The only extra costs that you should incur are your lunches and drinks from the bar, and other personal purchases.

Is portorage included?

We do try to include Porterage for all of our holidays. However, not all hotels provide a Porter service. If for any reason, this service is not available at your hotel, and you are unable to manage your own case, please make your Driver or a member of hotel staff aware, and they will assist you.

Are breakfast and dinner always included?

On 99% of tours they are. On some more specialised tours, for example involving Ferries, there will be different arrangements – these will always be clearly stated on your itinerary.

What happens on the return day?

You will make your way home with suitable stops. For shorter distance holidays, your coach will come straight home after breakfast. The driver will arrange to have the taxis and minibuses waiting for you. Your luggage will be put into your taxi and you will be called off the coach to be taken home.

Will I want to travel with you again?

We like to think so. We have hundreds of customers who travel with us time and time again. Their returning business and recommendations are the best forms of advertising we have.

We look forward to seeing you on one of our tours.

PRIVATE GROUP TRAVEL

Did you know that as well as organising holidays and day trips through our brochures, we also put together bespoke packages for an increasing number of Private Groups. These include U3A, Probus, Retired Employee Associations, Friendship Groups, WI, Walking Groups, as well as special interest groups and clusters of friends. We take all the hard work away by booking hotels, attractions, guided themed breaks, transport, and even taking bookings on your behalf – and everything is covered by our comprehensive financial bonding. We can also offer Insurance on a fitness to travel basis with no upper age limit. Need lots of single rooms? No problem, we can also source hotels willing to offer a large number of sole occupancy rooms at a decent price.



How We Work With You

Step 1 - Tell us if you have a destination in mind. We can take you anywhere for any length of stay. If you are unsure of where you want to go, we can suggest destinations for you and send sample itineraries that have worked for other groups in the past.

Step 2 - Whatever your preference and budget, we can find a hotel to suit you. These range from 2-star budget properties to 5-star luxury brands, and from country house hotels to family-owned seaside hotels. We can arrange accommodation on a bed & breakfast only basis or include lunch or dinner – or both. Some hotels also have drinks packages on offer and entertainment for groups, just ask us for details.

Step 3 - Once you have decided on your destination and hotel, we work with you to plan your itinerary. We learn about your interests and any special requirements and then make suggestions for attractions and places to visit. These can include castles, houses & gardens, museums, guides themed breaks, shopping trips, rail journeys, lake cruises, restaurants, coffee stops, and much, much more.



So, if you are a member of a group that would like to enjoy a holiday, short break or day trip together, then please contact Pam or Michelle on 01706 648126.

We look forward to hearing from you.



South West England



Torquay & The English Riviera

An award-winning resort where elegant Victorian villas, a bustling harbour, and palm fringed beaches give the Riviera its well-earned name.



The Belgrave Sands Hotel

The Belgrave Sands has been totally transformed from top to bottom into a modern hotel with all new fixtures and fittings. En-suite bedrooms have a light and airy feel and all feature TV, mini-fridge, fresh milk, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel offers a fine-dining experience followed by entertainment. The hotel has a lift, bar, lounge, indoor swimming pool, sauna, and steam room.



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EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit the beautiful town of Dartmouth, situated on the banks of the picturesque River Dart. Immerse yourself in Dartmouth's rich history with its historic houses and fortified castles. The town centre boasts an array of shopping spots, galleries, and artisanal crafts, perfect for leisurely strolls and window shopping. The town is renowned for its seafood with many of its cafes, pubs and restaurants serving the local catch of the day. On our way back to Torquay, we make a stop at Paignton for a delicious Cream Tea at the Palace Hotel.
- ◆ We travel to Exmouth for our cruise on the calm and sheltered waters of the beautiful River Exe. See the stunning scenery, wildlife and nature of the Exe Estuary. Our circular cruise departs from Exmouth Marina, travelling the peaceful waters of the river, up near Powderham Castle and along to where the river opens out into the English Channel, on Exmouth's traditional seafront. Following our cruise, there will be free time to explore the lively town of Exmouth. Explore 2 miles of sandy beach, hop from shop to local eatery, or find a quiet spot to watch the world go by.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Dartmouth & Palace Cream Tea
- ◆ Exmouth River Cruise & Exmouth

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 5th January 2026	5 Days	£399 pp	Nil	£35
Monday, 26th January 2026	5 Days	£409 pp	Nil	£35

Cornish Winter Warmer

Cornwall is in the far west of Great Britain on a peninsula tumbling into the vast Atlantic Ocean, almost completely surrounded by the sea.

Cornwall is loved for its dramatic coastline, captivating fishing harbours, and of course, its pasties and cream teas!



The Rosemudy House Hotel

This elegant hotel is set in over 4 acres of secluded gardens and woodlands, and yet only 100 yards from the main street in the quaint village of St Agnes. The Queen Ann style hotel is family run and has been tastefully extended and converted. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant, lounge, bar, and some evening entertainment. Sorry, there is no lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ St Ives & Marazion
- ◆ Falmouth & Cream Tea
- ◆ Sherry Reception, 1 Afternoon Cream Tea, Glass of Wine with Dinner on Last Evening

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make our way to the ancient market town of Marazion for a short stop for magnificent views of St Michale's Mount, one of the oldest chartered towns in the UK. Take a stroll along the main street running parallel to the sea and discover a variety of gift and craft shops along with art galleries showing established and upcoming local artists and plenty of places to eat and drink. We continue to St Ives – the dazzling jewel in Cornwall's crown and a picturesque fishing harbour and seaside town. Wander through the maze of narrow cobbled streets, browse independent shops, and discover fishermen's cottages in the heart of St Ives. St Ives has been attracting artists for decades and is a seemingly subtropical oasis where the beaches are golden, the vegetation is lush and the light piercingly bright.
- ◆ Falmouth is based around a thriving harbour and is the gateway to the beautiful Fal River. Falmouth's maritime heritage and coastal culture is a huge part of its charm. The bustling town centre has a wide range of shops and some superb cafes and restaurants with access to top quality, fresh, local produce. On our way back to St Agnes, we make a stop at the stunning Royal Duchy Hotel for a delicious Cream Tea.

Golden Shores of Cornwall - All Inclusive

Join us on a perfect all-inclusive escape to Cornwall's stunning coastline, mild climate and charming villages, where the rhythmic waves of the Atlantic invite you to pure relaxation. Wake up to a full breakfast, enjoy leisurely lunches and savour indulgent 3-course dinners in a restaurant with breath-taking views of golden sands. As the sun sets, unwind with nightly entertainment and a complimentary bar from 6pm-9pm (selected brands only).



The Esplanade Hotel

Located overlooking the renowned Fistral Beach in Newquay, the Esplanade Hotel is a 4-star property offering breath-taking views of the Atlantic Ocean. Its facilities include a lift, an indoor pool, sauna, spa, spa bath, and cinema room. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Daily
- ◆ Complimentary Bar each evening 6-9pm - Selected Brands
- ◆ Evening Entertainment
- ◆ Lanhydrock House
- ◆ Eden Project

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Journey through time at Lanhydrock House, a magnificent Victorian mansion in the heart of Cornwall. Set within 1,000 acres of landscaped gardens and woodlands, it offers a glimpse into the lives of a wealthy family and their servants. Explore over 50 meticulously restored rooms, from the grand Great Hall to the detailed servants' quarters. Marvel at the ornate furnishings, authentic Victorian tools, and beautifully restored kitchens.
- ◆ The Eden Project is a breath-taking global garden in the heart of Cornwall, where giant biomes house the world's largest indoor rainforest and a stunning Mediterranean paradise. Wander through lush landscapes, discover fascinating eco-exhibits, and experience the wonders of nature up close. More than just a visitor attraction, it's an inspiring celebration of sustainability, biodiversity, and human creativity.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 20th February 2026	5 Days	£419 pp	NIL	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 2nd March 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	£80	£35

Bournemouth All Inclusive

With seven miles of golden sands and sparkling sea, the vibrant cosmopolitan town of Bournemouth has it all – a vast variety of shops and restaurants, endless countryside offering peace and relaxation, and beautiful, award-winning gardens.



© Bournemouth Tourism

The Suncliff Hotel

The Suncliff Hotel is nestled on Bournemouth's prestigious East Overcliff Drive, just minutes from the vibrant town centre. The hotel boasts a traditional yet contemporary design and offers warm hospitality, comfortable rooms and a range of amenities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and swimming pool. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Lymington & Lyndhurst
- ◆ Athelhampton House & Poole
- ◆ 2 x Packed Lunches, 11-course Hot Lunch, Inclusive Bar 6pm-9pm Daily (Selected House Brand Spirits & Soft Drinks)



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EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The Georgian town of Lymington is set on the coast in the beautiful New Forest National Park. Famous for its sailing history, there are two large marinas filled with fishing boats and yachts, and the town's narrow streets are lined with pretty period cottages and houses, as well as plenty of local pubs and restaurants. Expect a right royal welcome in the village of Lyndhurst in the heart of the New Forest. Wander the long high street for some shopping, exploring and relaxing, and enjoy delicious food and drink in the local pubs and cafes.
- ◆ At Athelhampton House marvel at the historic Tudor Great Hall with more than 20 historic rooms to visit, with antique furniture, heraldic stained glass and architectural details. Wander the 5 acres of award-winning gardens, including four walled formal gardens, each with pools and fountains, and explore the broader gardens, with over 1000ft of deep herbaceous borders and mature trees. Later, we visit Poole with its historic quayside.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 2nd March 2026	5 Days	£469 pp	Nil	£35

Beautiful South Downs - Drinks Package

One of the UK's most diverse counties, West Sussex covers both coast and the South Downs National Park, encompassing hills, harbours, farmland, and market towns. From stately homes to breath-taking beaches, the area is full of gems to discover.



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The Beachcroft Hotel

This renovated hotel is proudly located on the beach front, in the seaside resort of Bognor Regis. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, beach terrace, and swimming pool. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. The hotel offers a 50% Bar on draught beer, draught soft drinks, and house wine each evening between 18:00 and 22:00.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Goodwood House & Chichester
- ◆ Worthing & Brighton
- ◆ 50% Bar on Draught Beer, Draught Soft Drinks, and House Wine each evening between 6pm-10pm
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Goodwood House has been the home of the Dukes of Richmond for over three centuries. Set at the heart of the 11,000-acre estate, the magnificent Regency interiors form the backdrop to one of the country's finest art collections. Our tour of the State Apartments offers a unique insight into the history of Goodwood House. Later, we visit Chichester, a Roman cathedral city and the only city in West Sussex. The city is mostly pedestrianised making for a safe and spacious shopping experience.
- ◆ Wide open with far reaching views, Worthing Seafront provides a wonderful natural playground for all ages. There's vintage finds quirky independents and specialist outlets here to explore. We continue to cosmopolitan Brighton, with its blend of modern culture and exotic architecture. Ever since royal party animal George IV fell in love with Brighton back in the 18th century, the city has been a magnet for visitors. With its majestic Regency squares and crescents, iconic Royal Pavilion and famous piers, today Brighton has plenty to offer visitors.



Isle of Wight - Mock Cruise

Boasting award-winning beaches, unspoilt and spectacular scenery, and a rich, historical heritage, the Isle of Wight has something for everyone to enjoy. Discover picturesque villages, spectacular cliffs, and sandy beaches. This break offers you the opportunity to sail the high seas and travel the world without leaving the comfort of the hotel.



The Trouville Hotel

Situated centrally on Sandown's seafront, opposite the golden beach, and with views over the sweep of Sandown & Shanklin Bay, is the Trouville Hotel. Well-appointed, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, ballroom, function room, and some entertainment during your stay.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ryde & East Cowes
- ◆ Godshill, Alum Bay & The Needles
- ◆ Mock Cruise Theme (Destinations to be Confirmed)
- ◆ Cabaret Entertainment
- ◆ Daily Activities 'On Deck'
- ◆ Formal Evening with Meet the Captain Drinks Reception
- ◆ Daily Drinks Specials
- ◆ Quizzes & Bingo

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit Ryde. Paul McCartney recently confirmed what the town already 'knew' The Beatles hit Ticket to Ride was inspired by a trip to Ryde made by Macca and John Lennon in the early sixties! It's a fantastic place that combines shopping centres, golden sands, and creative hearts. We also visit East Cowes, home to the oldest and biggest sailing regatta in the world. Stroll through the vibrant town and enjoy independent shops and well-known yachting clothing stores, sit at a pavement café, or have lunch and people watch.
- ◆ Godshill is the quintessential English village and boasts some of the oldest architecture on the Isle of Wight. With its delightful medieval church and main street lined with traditional tea rooms, Godshill is as picturesque as it is popular. We also visit Alum Bay for views of The Needles, one of the most photographed groups of rocks in the world.



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Monday, 9th March 2026	5 Days	£419 pp	£47	£35

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Monday, 9th March 2026 2026	5 Days	£419 pp	Nil	£35

Torquay & The English Riviera - Cosy Break

An award-winning resort where elegant Victorian villas, a bustling harbour, and palm fringed beaches give the Riviera its well-earned name.



Easter Time in Newquay

Newquay is Cornwall's favourite holiday destination, boasting some of the finest sandy beaches in the country. The town with its shops, restaurants and picturesque harbour is just a short stroll away from our hotel.



The Headland Hotel

An elegant hotel, the Headland sits majestically on the headland, looking out to sea, with 2 acres of lovely grounds and stunning views across Torbay. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift to most floors, a lounge, bar, restaurant, and entertainment. The Headland Hotel offers a complimentary 'taxi' service into town on your free day.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Brixham & Palace Hotel Cream Tea
- ◆ Dartmouth & River Cruise
- ◆ Bucks Fizz on 1st Evening
- ◆ Tea/Coffee & Bingo 1 Afternoon
- ◆ Tea/Coffee & Quiz 1 Afternoon
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Brixham is a quintessential English harbour town, but it isn't just about fishing. It is still one of the busiest fishing ports in the UK and is a working town, but it is also a place where you can discover a range of arts and culture, excellent local food, and some unique attractions. On our way back to Torquay, we make a stop at Paignton for a delicious Cream Tea at the Palace Hotel.
- ◆ Dartmouth is a beautiful historic town situated on the west bank of the stunning River Dart in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Whilst here, we enjoy a circular cruise, sailing the lower part of the River Dart viewing the castles at the estuary, Britannia Royal Naval College, and towards Agatha Christie's Greenway Estate.



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The Esplanade Hotel

The Esplanade Hotel overlooks the famous Fistral Beach in Newquay which is famed for its laid-back beach vibe. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, indoor swimming pool, and some entertainment during your stay. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, fridge and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Lost Gardens of Heligan
- ◆ St Ives
- ◆ 2-Course Easter Lunch
- ◆ Easter Egg for Everyone

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ St Ives is the dazzling jewel in Cornwall's crown. This picturesque fishing harbour and seaside town boasts a quartet of golden beaches. Wander through the maze of narrow cobbled streets where independent shops link together with fisherman's cottages, and sample some of the tastiest award-winning restaurants, cafes and bars in the Southwest.
- ◆ Unearth the story of the Lost Gardens of Heligan, a Victorian garden in its glory, lost to the brambles of time when its gardeners answered the call to fight for King and country. A chance discovery thirty years ago led to England's finest garden restoration, in the name of those lost. Over 200 acres of historic gardens and estate now await, inspiring all generations as it protects wildlife, supports biodiversity and shares stories of nature's regeneration. We also visit the beautiful village of Mevagissey with its quaint streets and amazing places to eat.
- ◆ Free time this morning to explore Newquay before returning to the hotel for a delicious, 2-course, Easter Lunch.



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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 23rd March 2026	5 Days	£409 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 30th March 2025	5 Days	£629 pp	£96	£35

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The Belgrave Sands Hotel

The Belgrave Sands has been totally transformed from top to bottom into a modern hotel with all new fixtures and fittings. En-suite bedrooms have a light and airy feel and all feature TV, mini-fridge, fresh milk, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel offers a fine-dining experience followed by entertainment. The hotel has a lift, bar, lounge, indoor swimming pool, sauna, and steam room.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Dartmouth & Palace Cream Tea
- ◆ Exmouth River Cruise & Exmouth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit the beautiful town of Dartmouth, situated on the banks of the picturesque River Dart. Immerse yourself in Dartmouth's rich history with its historic houses and fortified castles. The town centre boasts an array of shopping spots, galleries, and artisanal crafts, perfect for leisurely strolls and window shopping. The town is renowned for its seafood with many of its cafes, pubs and restaurants serving the local catch of the day. On our way back to Torquay, we make a stop at Paignton for a delicious Cream Tea at the Palace Hotel.
- ◆ We travel to Exmouth for our cruise on the calm and sheltered waters of the beautiful River Exe. See the stunning scenery, wildlife and nature of the Exe Estuary. Our circular cruise departs from Exmouth Marina, travelling the peaceful waters of the river, up near Powderham Castle and along to where the river opens out into the English Channel, on Exmouth's traditional seafront. Following our cruise, there will be free time to explore the lively town of Exmouth. Explore 2 miles of sandy beach, hop from shop to local eatery, or find a quiet spot to watch the world go by.

Bournemouth

With seven miles of golden sands and sparkling sea, the vibrant cosmopolitan town of Bournemouth has it all – a vast variety of shops and restaurants, endless countryside offering peace and relaxation, and beautiful, award-winning gardens.



The Marsham Court Hotel

The excellent Marsham Court Hotel offers high-quality accommodation in a wonderful location edging the beautiful Dorset coastline and sparkling sea at Bournemouth. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, iron, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and swimming pool.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Compton Acres & Poole Quay
- ◆ Cruise from Poole to Swanage

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The gardens at Compton Acres are laid out in a circular route, rather like jewels on a necklace, allowing you to discover each of the gardens in turn. Highlights include The Italian Garden with luxurious water fountains, The Wooded Valley with winding pathways and dramatic waterfalls, and The Japanese Garden which encompasses the unique elegance and incomparable beauty of Japanese horticulture. We continue to Poole's historic quayside. Look out for tall ships, fishing vessels, and luxury Sunseeker power boats, and sample the delicious food and drink on offer in one of the many restaurants, café bars or traditional pubs whilst enjoying splendid views across the harbour.
- ◆ Back to Poole this morning where we join Coastal Cruises for our 70-minute cruise to the Victorian resort of Swanage, passing Brownsea Island, the beaches of Studland Bay, Old Harry Rocks and the opening cliffs of the Jurassic Coast. The rest of the stay is free to explore Swanage. The town has kept much of its Victorian charm with a magnificent heritage pier and clifftop castle. Our coach will meet us here for the journey back to Bournemouth.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 6th April 2026	5 Days	£489 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 6th April 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

Sandbanks

Sandbanks, a small peninsula on the Dorset coast contains some of the most expensive houses and land in the country. In fact, Sandbanks is becoming as famous for its well-known residents and lavish lifestyles of some of its occupants as it is for its beach.



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Sandbanks Hotel

Perched in one of England's most enviable seaside locations, the Sandbanks Hotel is a relaxed place to stay, with direct access to the world-famous Sandbanks Beach with seven miles of prestigious Blue Flag awarded sand to get between your toes! The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Exbury Gardens & Steam Railway & Lymington
- ◆ Coastal Cruise from Poole to Swanage

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Exbury Gardens and Steam Railway, celebrates more than 100 years of horticultural excellence. The glorious gardens, designed and curated by the de Rothschild family, have the power to delight and inspire in equal measure. This spectacular collection of landscaped woodland, herbaceous, contemporary, formal and wildflower gardens provide an ever-changing palette of colour that will entice you back to witness the seasons unfold. During our visit, we experience the sights and sounds of a working narrow-gauge steam railway by stepping aboard The Rhododendron Line. The beautiful narrow-gauge engines depart from replica Victorian station Exbury Central and travel through a tunnel, over a bridge, around the Dragonfly Pond and through the Summer Lane Garden. On our return to Bournemouth, we make a stop at Lymington, a colourful coastal town with an ancient seaport and rich maritime history.
- ◆ We travel to Poole this morning where we join Coastal Cruises for our 70-minute cruise to the Victorian resort of Swanage, passing Brownsea Island, the beaches of Studland Bay, Old Harry Rocks and the opening cliffs of the Jurassic Coast. The rest of the day is free to explore Swanage. The town has kept much of its Victorian charm with a magnificent heritage pier and clifftop castle. Our coach will meet us here for the journey back to Bournemouth.

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The Derwent Hotel

Situated close to the seafront, The Derwent Hotel offers easy access to the town centre via the promenade. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. As part of the Torquay Leisure Hotel Group, guests at The Derwent can take advantage of a range of leisure facilities. The hotel has a lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Brixham & Palace Hotel Cream Tea
- ◆ Exmouth & Exe Estuary Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Brixham is a quintessential English harbour town, but it isn't just about fishing. It is still one of the busiest fishing ports in the UK and is a working town, but it is also a place where you can discover a range of arts and culture, excellent local food, and some unique attractions - from the life-size pirate ship museum, the Golden Hind, that sits in the middle of the harbour, to the stunning views from the old Napoleon fort at Berry Head. Brixham is fast becoming a cultural hub of Devon, with fantastic art murals covering many of the buildings throughout the town. Can you find the angel wings, the pirate map and the Leaning Tower of Pisa? With over 10 beautiful and huge murals to find throughout the town, it will keep you busy! On our way back to Torquay, we make a stop at Paignton for a delicious Cream Tea at the Palace Hotel.
- ◆ Exmouth is reputedly the oldest seaside resort in Britain and is the perfect place to promenade on the idyllic Esplanade. Hop from shop to café with its pedestrianised streets, café culture and friendly locals. Enjoy award-winning fish & chips whilst taking in the unique vistas. Later, we join Stuart Line Cruises for a relaxing cruise on the calm and sheltered waters of the beautiful River Exe.



© Stuart Line Cruises

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 20th April 2026	5 Days	£699 pp	£48	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 20th April 2026	5 Days	£369 pp	Nil	£35

Smugglers in the West Country

Our early season tour provides a unique tour to Plymouth and Cornwall, offering many attractions depicting the county's history - from shipwrecks to smuggling, and more!



The Duke of Cornwall Hotel

The Duke of Cornwall Hotel is a landmark hotel built in 1863, which has endured at the heart of this maritime city for over a century. Surviving two World Wars and radical changes in its surrounding environment, the hotel stands as a strong and steadfast connection to days gone by. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Poldark Country
- ◆ Charlestown Shipwreck Museum
- ◆ Jamaica Inn Smuggling Museum
- ◆ Mevagissey & Looe
- ◆ Tintagel & Port Isaac – 'Doc Martin' Country

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Our first visit is to the Grade II listed port of Charlestown, featured in TV's popular drama series 'Poldark'. The harbour was built in the 18th Century to support the China clay and copper mining industries. Here, we visit the Shipwreck, Rescue and Heritage Centre, telling the story of the port, its ships and the wrecks along this part of the coast. For our lunch stop, we move on to Mevagissey with a maze of narrow streets around the harbour. This afternoon, we make our way to Looe. The popular seaside town of Looe can keep visitors entertained all year round, retaining its character as bustling fishing harbour.
- ◆ The day is free for you to explore the historic, maritime city of Plymouth. Take a stroll around the famous Hoe, visit The Barbican and the famous Mayflower Steps, or browse around the city centre shops. The Box, an award-winning museum and art gallery with free entry, is also well worth a visit.
- ◆ For our final outing, we drive to rugged Bodmin Moor and stop at Jamaica Inn with its Daphne Du Maurier associations and a museum filled with smuggling artefacts collected over many years. From here, we travel to the North Cornwall coast and Tintagel with its dramatic castle ruins, and the pretty harbour at Port Isaac, the setting for TV's Doc Martin.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 27th April 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

Sidmouth

Sidmouth is probably the most unspoilt resort in the country and undoubtedly one of the most beautiful. Quiet and unhurried, Sidmouth has preserved the natural beauty of the countryside with colourful gardens, open spaces, and tree-covered hills.



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The Royal York & Faulkner Hotel

The hotel is a fine example of Regency architecture and forms a modern, spacious hotel. Situated in an unrivalled position at the centre of the Esplanade, the Royal York & Faulkner directly overlooks the sea and is adjacent to the picturesque shopping centre. En-suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, Aspara Spa with Hydrotherapy Pool, sauna & steam cabin, and some evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Donkey Sanctuary
- ◆ Seaton & Seaton Tramway
- ◆ Exmouth & Sidmouth Bay Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ First stop today is the Donkey Sanctuary, a tranquil corner of the Jurassic Coast where hundreds of donkeys are waiting to meet you. We continue to the charming seaside town of Seaton with its long pebble beach, traditional promenade and calm waters. The seafront is lined with cafes and shops offering everything from fish & chips to ice cream. Later, we join the Seaton Tramway for a 3-mile journey through East Devon's glorious Axe Valley, travelling alongside the River Axe estuary through two nature reserves and giving an unrivalled view of the abundant wading bird life.
- ◆ Exmouth is reputedly the oldest seaside resort in Britain and is situated on the east coast of Devon just where the majestic River Exe meets the sea. We spend the morning here before returning to Sidmouth to join our cruise, setting sail from Sidmouth beach. Our 50-minute cruise takes you out to Lyme Bay before returning back to the beach in Sidmouth. This Sidmouth Bay Cruise is the perfect introduction to the Jurassic coastline where you can truly admire its sheer magnificence.



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Isle of Wight

Boasting award-winning beaches, unspoilt and spectacular scenery, and a rich, historical heritage, the Isle of Wight has something for everyone to enjoy. Discover picturesque villages, spectacular cliffs, and sandy beaches. Our base is Ryde, a vibrant coastal town whose quirky claim to fame is The Beatle's hit 'Ticket to Ryde'.



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The Royal Esplanade Hotel

The Royal Esplanade Hotel is a beautiful Victorian Grade II listed building dating back to 1845 which has been lovingly and sympathetically restored.

Maintaining its charm, yet offering warm and comfortable bedrooms, each with its own sense of character. The hotel has a lift serving most rooms, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Isle of Wight Steam Railway
- ◆ Hovertravel to Southsea
- ◆ Osborne House & Bembridge Cream Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We join the Isle of Wight Steam Railway for a nostalgic 10-mile Steam Train journey. Get ready to be transported back in time with the sights and smells of a bygone era that will charm, engage and captivate. This beautifully preserved railway creates the perfect backdrop for a special day out. We join at Ravenstreet, where you can also visit the Train Story Discovery Centre, museum, locomotive and carriage and wagon workshops, and refreshment rooms.
- ◆ We travel the short distance to Ryde Harbour to join our Hovertravel journey to Southsea. You then have free time in Southsea to explore the traditional waterfront with independent shops, and eateries before we re-join Hovertravel for our return journey to Ryde.
- ◆ 'It is impossible to imagine a prettier spot' said Queen Victoria of Osborne House, her palatial holiday home. Visit Victoria & Albert's private apartments, their bathing beach and children's play cottage for an intimate glimpse of royal family life. Stroll through the garden terraces where the stunning views across the Solent reminded Prince Albert of the Bay of Naples. On our way back to Sandown, we make a stop at Bembridge where we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 4th May 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 10th May 2026	6 Days	£719 pp	Nil	42

Cornish Delights

Cornwall is in the far west of Great Britain on a peninsula tumbling into the vast Atlantic Ocean, almost completely surrounded by the sea. Cornwall is loved for its dramatic coastline, captivating fishing harbours, and of course, its pasties and cream teas!



A Week in Torquay on The English Riviera

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The Rosemudy House Hotel

This elegant hotel is set in over 4 acres of secluded gardens and woodlands, and yet only 100 yards from the main street in the quaint village of St Agnes. The Queen Ann style hotel is family run and has been tastefully extended and converted. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant, lounge, bar, and some evening entertainment. Sorry, there is no lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Truro & Farmer's Market
- ◆ Cornish Seal Sanctuary
- ◆ Looe, Porthleven & Padstow
- ◆ Pencarrow House & Gardens with Cream Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Looe is a picturesque fishing harbour rich in maritime history and home of the BBC series Beyond Paradise. There are plenty of eateries and shops to browse, and lots of vantage points to sit and watch the world go by.
- ◆ Today, we visit Truro, a historic and lively city, and today is Market Day. Truro's Lemon Quay plays host to everything from grass-fed beef to sushi-grade fish, organic veg to freshly baked bread, a feast for the senses beneath green and white striped stalls. You can also hear tales of Truro on a guided walking tour or discover Cornwall's history and heritage at the Cornwall Museum & Art Gallery, and no trip to Truro is complete without a visit to the Gothic-style Cathedral where you can join a tour.
- ◆ We enjoy a visit to the Cornish Seal Sanctuary to see an array of amazing creatures including Common Seals, Grey Seals, Atlantic Puffins, and Paddock Animals. Helpful and knowledgeable staff will be on hand to answer any questions and offer amazing facts about the creatures you will see. Later, we visit Porthleven, the most southerly working port in the UK, boasting a picturesque harbour, with some interesting old buildings. Porthleven retains the character of an unspoilt fishing village with its granite harbour and pier, and famous clock tower.
- ◆ Pencarrow House & Gardens has been the friendly home of the Molesworth-St Aubyns for almost 500 years. Tucked away on the edge of Bodmin Moor, this fascinating Cornish Georgian gem offers plenty to do. The Gardens Range from formal landscaping to ancient woodlands and are beautiful whatever the season. Whilst here, we have a Guided Tour of the Mansion and enjoy a delicious Cream Tea. We also visit Padstow, a picturesque fishing port set amidst stunning beaches, made famous by Rick Stein over the last 30 years or so.

The Headland Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Brixham & Palace Hotel Cream Tea
- ◆ Exmouth & Exe Estuary River Cruise
- ◆ Powderham Castle & Exeter
- ◆ Dartmouth River & Rail
- ◆ Dawlish & Teignmouth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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- ◆ We travel to Paignton and join the Dartmouth Steam Railway & River Boat Company for our train journey to Kingswear. This is one of the finest steam train trips in the country along the coast of Torbay through stunning Devon countryside and overlooking the River Dart. At Kingswear, we join the ferry to Dartmouth for some free time before we rejoin our coach for the journey back to Torquay.
- ◆ At Powderham Castle, discover over six centuries worth of stories which embellish the history of the house, the country, and the county through the lives of the Earls of Devon and their families. From here, we continue to historic Exeter with its fascinating attractions, including its unique Underground Passages, magnificent Cathedral, and award-winning Royal Albert Memorial Museum where you can explore the city's 2,000-year history under one roof.
- ◆ Dawlish is a traditional seaside town with a golden sand beach and a nature reserve, and Teignmouth is renowned for its historic Georgian buildings, long sandy beaches and fresh local food.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday, 14th May 2026	7 Days	£729 pp	Nil	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 15th May 2026	8 Days	£779 pp	Nil	£42

Beautiful South Downs

One of the UK's most diverse counties, West Sussex covers both coast and the South Downs National Park, encompassing hills, harbours, farmland, and market towns. From stately homes to breath-taking beaches, the area is full of gems to discover.



The Beachcroft Hotel

This renovated hotel is proudly located on the beach front, in the seaside resort of Bognor Regis. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, beach terrace, and swimming pool. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Goodwood House & Chichester
- ◆ Parham House & Gardens & Worthing
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Goodwood House has been the home of the Dukes of Richmond for over three centuries. Set at the heart of the 11,000-acre estate, the magnificent Regency interiors form the backdrop to one of the country's finest art collections. Our tour of the State Apartments offers a unique insight into the history of Goodwood House. Later, we visit Chichester, a Roman cathedral city and the only city in West Sussex. The city is mostly pedestrianised making for a safe and spacious shopping experience.
- ◆ Parham House is home to a remarkable collection of paintings, furniture and needlework. Parham's tranquillity and timeless beauty have changed little over the centuries. The award-winning gardens consist of beautiful Pleasure Grounds and a four-acre Walled Garden containing diverse herbaceous borders, a vegetable garden, an orchard, an historic glass house and a Wendy House. Wide open with far reaching views, Worthing Seafront provides a wonderful natural playground for all ages. There's vintage finds quirky independents and specialist outlets here to explore.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 18th May 2026	5 Days	£359 pp	£96	£35

Steam, Crafts & Tipples of Somerset

Somerset boasts five areas of outstanding natural beauty and the Exmoor National Park, along with a varied coastline including long sandy beaches, rugged cliffs, and traditional harbours. Hidden gems are waiting to be found, and we hope you enjoy our pick of the best.



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Northfield Hotel, Minehead

The Northfield Hotel Minehead is located on the lower slopes of North Hill in Minehead in nearly 2 acres of landscaped gardens, reputed to have been laid out by Gertrude Jekyll. There are wonderful views from the coast to the Quantocks, Brendon Hills, and Exmoor itself. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, indoor heated swimming pool, gym, and steam room. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Dartington Crystal
- ◆ Sheppy's Cider
- ◆ Lynton & Barnstaple Railway

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ It is market day in Bideford. Browse amongst the farmer's market and enjoy free time exploring this town with its elegant Georgian buildings. Take some time to explore the narrow backstreets and alleyways linking the quay and the river, you'll find many antique shops scattered around. Later, we visit Dartington Crystal to enjoy a behind-the-scenes factory tour. Watch as skilled craftsmen demonstrate how they hand craft glass into luxury homeware items.
- ◆ We visit the county town of Taunton for a little free time. Taunton is a bustling, forward-looking town with a good selection of independent and high street shops, distinctive restaurants, cafes and attractions, and a wealth of history all whilst being surrounded by picturesque countryside. Later, we visit Sheppy's Cider who have been producing cider here since 1917. Enjoy a guided tour of the facility and learn what goes into producing this fine cider before sampling the goods for yourself.
- ◆ After a leisurely breakfast this morning, we travel west to visit the Victorian seaside resort of Ilfracombe, known as the jewel in the north Devon coast. Discover a quaint quayside and harbour, whitewashed villas, lovely beaches, coastal paths, and an abundance of cafes and shops. After lunch, we enjoy a steam ride on the Lynton & Barnstaple Railway. Board heritage carriages as you enjoy a traditional steam ride through the rolling countryside that offers picturesque views of the moorland and rugged coastline.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 25th May 2026	5 Days	£579 pp	Nil	£35

Delightful Dunster Village

Dunster is located in the Exmoor National Park's rolling hills and makes a great base for our holiday. The village is well-preserved to maintain its historic charm with over 200 listed buildings. Dunster is home to a variety of historical buildings, including the National Trust's Dunster Castle, an 11th-Century castle, and the Old Yarn Market located in the middle of the high street, once a hub for the Exmoor wool trade.



The Yarn Market Hotel

The Yarn Market Hotel is a family-run property offering warm hospitality, comfortable accommodation, and an unforgettable stay in one of Somerset's most picturesque locations. The hotel benefits from a prime location just moments from the iconic Dunster Castle, charming independent shops, and scenic walking trails. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Tour on our Coach of the Exmoor National Park
- ◆ West Somerset Railway – Bishop's Lydeard/Minehead

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We meet our guide for a tour on our coach of the Exmoor National Park. Our journey takes via Portock to Portock Weir where we enjoy a short stop. We then climb Portock Hill and make our way to Lynmouth. There is an optional visit on the Cliff Railway, (approx. £4.00pp) up to Lynton where the coach will be waiting. On rejoining the coach we travel to the Valley of the Rocks and admire the views before returning to the hotel via Simonsbath and Exford.
- ◆ We join the West Somerset Railway at Bishop's Lydeard for our journey along 20 miles of heritage railway through stunning Somerset countryside and coast to Minehead. The remainder of the day is free here to explore. There are beaches to explore, a fishing quarter and an historic harbour. There's a 14th Century church on the hill and the much-photographed historic church steps. Take a walk down the tree-lined Avenue and visit the selection of tea rooms, pubs and independent shops in the town centre.



Lost Gardens of Heligan & Cornish Coast

The Coast of Cornwall is world-renowned for its breath-taking beauty, and our tour provides you with just some of the highlights. We simply couldn't include everything, so you'll just have to come back!



The Esplanade Hotel

The Esplanade Hotel is situated in the seaside town of Newquay with stunning views overlooking the famous Fistral Beach. Facilities include a lift, indoor heated swimming pool, ocean view restaurant, Spa, and Cocktail Bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, fridge, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Free Day in Newquay
- ◆ St Ives & Penzance
- ◆ Cathedral City of Truro
- ◆ Lost Gardens of Heligan
- ◆ Padstow & Tintagel

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a scenic drive along the coast to the fishing village of Padstow – a charming Cornish fishing village, with colourful fishing boats, cobbled streets and variety of shops. Padstow is also a popular foodie destination and home to the fish restaurant of celebrity chef, Rick Stein. We continue up the coast to the village of Tintagel. According to legend, King Arthur was said to be born on Tintagel Island where the remains of the 13th Century castle stand today.
- ◆ This morning we visit the bustling city of Truro with its picturesque streets with 18th Century and 19th Century townhouses, flowing rivers and a magnificent cathedral that dominates the city. Later, we make our way to the Lost Gardens of Heligan – lost since the outbreak of WW1, this mysterious garden was re-discovered in 1991 and beautifully restored to its former glory. A horticultural paradise for plant lovers and garden romantics alike.
- ◆ Pretty St Ives is one of the most quaint and attractive towns in Cornwall. Its golden sandy beach, narrow cobbled streets and colourful granite cottages earn it the reputation of being an artist's paradise. We also visit the portside town of Penzance with its long sweeping promenade, pirate pubs and arty streets.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 1st June 2026	5 Days	£659 pp	£100	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 14th June 2026	6 Days	£819 pp	Nil	£42

Sandbanks

Sandbanks, a small peninsula on the Dorset coast contains some of the most expensive houses and land in the country. In fact, Sandbanks is becoming as famous for its well-known residents and lavish lifestyles of some of its occupants as it is for its beach.



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Sandbanks Hotel

Perched in one of England's most enviable seaside locations, the Sandbanks Hotel is a relaxed place to stay, with direct access to the world-famous Sandbanks Beach with seven miles of prestigious Blue Flag awarded sand to get between your toes! The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Exbury Gardens & Steam Railway & Lymington
- ◆ Coastal Cruise from Poole to Swanage

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Exbury Gardens and Steam Railway, celebrates more than 100 years of horticultural excellence. The glorious gardens, designed and curated by the de Rothschild family, have the power to delight and inspire in equal measure. This spectacular collection of landscaped woodland, herbaceous, contemporary, formal and wildflower gardens provide an ever-changing palette of colour that will entice you back to witness the seasons unfold. During our visit, we experience the sights and sounds of a working narrow-gauge steam railway by stepping aboard The Rhododendron Line. The beautiful narrow-gauge engines depart from replica Victorian station Exbury Central and travel through a tunnel, over a bridge, around the Dragonfly Pond and through the Summer Lane Garden. On our return to Bournemouth, we make a stop at Lymington, a colourful coastal town with an ancient seaport and rich maritime history.
- ◆ We travel to Poole this morning where we join Coastal Cruises for our 70-minute cruise to the Victorian resort of Swanage, passing Brownsea Island, the beaches of Studland Bay, Old Harry Rocks and the opening cliffs of the Jurassic Coast. The rest of the day is free to explore Swanage. The town has kept much of its Victorian charm with a magnificent heritage pier and clifftop castle. Our coach will meet us here for the journey back to Bournemouth.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 15th June 2026	5 Days	£759 pp	£58	£35

Isle of Wight

Boasting award-winning beaches, unspoilt and spectacular scenery, and a rich, historical heritage, the Isle of Wight has something for everyone to enjoy. Discover picturesque villages, spectacular cliffs, and sandy beaches.



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The Trouville Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cowes & Two Ports Cruise
- ◆ Godshill, Alum Bay & The Needles
- ◆ Osborne House & Bembridge Cream Tea
- ◆ Isle of Wight Steam Railway & Ryde

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We join the Isle of Wight Steam Railway for a nostalgic 10-mile Steam Train journey. Get ready to be transported back in time with the sights and smells of a bygone era that will charm, engage and captivate. This beautifully preserved railway creates the perfect backdrop for a special day out. We also visit Ryde, a fantastic place that combines shopping centres, golden sands, and creative hearts.
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- ◆ 'It is impossible to imagine a prettier spot' said Queen Victoria of Osborne House, her palatial holiday home. Visit Victoria & Albert's private apartments, their bathing beach and children's play cottage for an intimate glimpse of royal family life. Stroll through the garden terraces where the stunning views across the Solent reminded Prince Albert of the Bay of Naples. On our way back to Sandown, we make a stop at Bembridge where we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday, 17th June 2026	8 Days	£799 pp	Nil	£42

Sidmouth

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The Royal York & Faulkner Hotel

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EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ First stop today is the Donkey Sanctuary, a tranquil corner of the Jurassic Coast where hundreds of donkeys are waiting to meet you. We continue to the charming seaside town of Seaton with its long pebble beach, traditional promenade and calm waters. The seafront is lined with cafes and shops offering everything from fish & chips to ice cream. Later, we join the Seaton Tramway for a 3-mile journey through East Devon's glorious Axe Valley, travelling alongside the River Axe estuary through two nature reserves and giving an unrivalled view of the abundant wading bird life.
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- ◆ We visit Bicton Park Botanical Gardens, with over 64 acres to explore. Spanning nearly 300 years of gardening history, the park is home to many rare and beautiful species, collected from around the world. Later, we continue to Exeter, a small city that packs a big punch! Pre-dating the arrival of the Romans in AD50, Exeter's history is rich and long, and this is reflected in its visitor attractions, which include its unique Underground Passages, free Red Coat Guided Tours, magnificent Cathedral, imposing Roman wall and beautiful Quayside.

A Week in Torquay on The English Riviera

An award-winning resort where elegant Victorian villas, a bustling harbour, and palm fringed beaches give the Riviera its well-earned name.



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The Derwent Hotel

Situated close to the seafront, The Derwent Hotel offers easy access to the town centre via the promenade. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. As part of the Torquay Leisure Hotel Group, guests at The Derwent can take advantage of a range of leisure facilities. The hotel has a lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Brixham & Palace Hotel Cream Tea
- ◆ Exmouth & Exe Estuary Cruise
- ◆ Powderham Castle & Exeter
- ◆ Dartmouth River & Rail
- ◆ Dawlish & Teignmouth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Brixham is a quintessential English harbour town, but it isn't just about fishing. It is still one of the busiest fishing ports in the UK and is a working town, but it is also a place where you can discover a range of arts and culture, excellent local food, and some unique attractions. On our way back to Torquay, we make a stop at Paignton for a delicious Cream Tea at the Palace Hotel.
- ◆ Exmouth is reputedly the oldest seaside resort in Britain and is the perfect place to promenade on the idyllic Esplanade. Hop from shop to café with its pedestrianised streets, café culture and friendly locals. Enjoy award-winning fish & chips whilst taking in the unique vistas. Later, we join Stuart Line Cruises for a relaxing cruise on the calm and sheltered waters of the beautiful River Exe.
- ◆ We travel to Paignton and join the Dartmouth Steam Railway & River Boat Company for our train journey to Kingswear. This is one of the finest steam train trips in the country along the coast of Torbay through stunning Devon countryside and overlooking the River Dart. At Kingswear, we join the ferry to Dartmouth for some free time before we rejoin our coach for the journey back to Torquay.
- ◆ At Powderham Castle, discover over six centuries worth of stories which embellish the history of the house, the country, and the county through the lives of the Earls of Devon and their families. From here, we continue to historic Exeter with its fascinating attractions, including its unique Underground Passages, magnificent Cathedral, and award-winning Royal Albert Memorial Museum where you can explore the city's 2,000-year history under one roof.
- ◆ Dawlish is a traditional seaside town with a golden sand beach and a nature reserve, and Teignmouth is renowned for its historic Georgian buildings, long sandy beaches and fresh local food.

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Thursday, 18th June 2026	6 Days	£719 pp	Nil	£42

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Sunday, 21st June 2026	8 Days	£679 pp	Nil	£42

Dorset & A Steam Train Adventure

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The Marsham Court Hotel

The excellent, family-run Marsham Court Hotel offers high-quality accommodation in a wonderful location edging the beautiful Dorset coastline and sparkling sea at Bournemouth. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, iron, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and swimming pool.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Return Cruise Poole Harbour to Swanage
- ◆ Swanage Railway – Swanage to Corfe Castle & Return
- ◆ Lymington & Lyndhurst
- ◆ Salisbury & Shaftesbury
- ◆ Compton Acres & Poole Quay

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The gardens at Compton Acres are laid out in a circular route, rather like jewels on a necklace, allowing you to discover each of the gardens in turn. Highlights include The Italian Garden with luxurious water fountains, The Wooded Valley with winding pathways and dramatic waterfalls, and The Japanese Garden which encompasses the unique elegance and incomparable beauty of Japanese horticulture. We continue to Poole's historic quayside. Look out for tall ships, fishing vessels, and luxury Sunseeker power boats, and sample the delicious food and drink on offer in one of the many restaurants, café bars or traditional pubs whilst enjoying splendid views across the harbour.
- ◆ The highlight of our tour – our coach will take us to Poole for our cruise through Poole Harbour, down the Jurassic Coast to the Victorian Pier and town of Swanage. Walk through the beautiful town of Swanage to the train station in time to catch the steam train on the Swanage Railway, taking us through picturesque Purbeck and on to the idyllic village of Corfe. Enjoy a little free time before we take the train back to Swanage, then the boat to Poole Harbour where we re-join our coach.
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- ◆ Lymington is a colourful coastal town with an ancient seaport and rich maritime history. Later, we visit Lyndhurst, known as the 'capital of the New Forest'. Along the High Street you will find a variety of independent shops, many offering souvenirs or local crafts.

Barnstaple, Bude & Bideford

North Devon is a breath-taking destination known for its dramatic coastlines, rolling countryside, and charming villages. Indulge in Devon's famous cream teas, fresh seafood, and traditional pub meals. From award-winning restaurants to beachside cafes, North Devon's food scene showcases the best of local produce and coastal flavours.



The Royal Hotel

The luxurious Royal Hotel stands as a beacon of comfort and hospitality, where history and modern comfort intertwine seamlessly. Nestled by Bideford Bridge with breath-taking views of the River Torridge, this unique hotel boasts a rich heritage dating back to the bustling 17th Century port days of Bideford. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Bude & Barnstaple
- ◆ Coldharbour Mill & Tiverton

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today we travel over the border into Cornwall and visit the seaside resort of Bude. Bude has been a thriving seaside resort since Victorian times and boasts award-winning beaches, the famous Bude Sea Pool, rugged cliffs, and wide-open spaces. There's a nice selection of independent shops for you to explore and places to eat, giving a quiet, laid-back feel to the town. On our way back to Bideford, we make a stop in Barnstaple, a wonderful town featuring a range of great bars and high street shops.
- ◆ Coldharbour Mill is one of the oldest woollen mills in the UK having been in continuous production since 1797. Originally owned by world-renowned textile producers Fox Brothers, the Mill took fleece from all over the world and transformed it into yarn, cloth and textiles. Today the rich heritage lives on as one of the finest working wool museums where visitors are not just able to relive the sights and sounds of the Industrial Revolution but also see crafts men and women making traditional textiles, beautiful knitting yarn and hand-woven rugs. Later, we visit Tiverton, steeped in history, this quaint town offers something special for everyone to explore.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 21st June 2026	8 Days	£899 pp	Nil	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 21st June 2026	5 Days	£589 pp	£80	£35

Paignton

Paignton is a traditional seaside resort, compact, with the seafront and town centre shops all within close proximity, making it a perfect spot for our Summer break.



The Palace Hotel

Set in beautiful grounds, The Palace Hotel enjoys a prime location on the Esplanade – directly opposite Paignton Seafront and just a short walk from the town centre on the English Riviera. The hotel has a lift to most floors, restaurant, lounge, fully equipped gym, indoor heated swimming pool, and beauty treatment rooms. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Paignton Zoo
- ◆ Coleton Fishacres & Brixham
- ◆ Torquay

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ After breakfast today, we make the short journey to Paignton Zoo. With over 2,000 animals and countless amazing plants across 80 acres of beautiful, spacious grounds, you're in for a fantastic day out. All of the animals live in natural-themed exhibits, and the zoo is passionate about conserving their future and protecting them from extinction. Explore the Botanical Gardens during your visit and discover a passion for plants that not only makes Paignton Zoo look beautiful but also helps to provide important habitats for native wildlife.
- ◆ Coleton Fishacre is the country home of the D'Oyly Carte family which will take you back in time to the Jazz Age. This most evocative of country homes was built in the Arts & Crafts style and is imbued with Art Deco elegance. A light, joyful atmosphere fills the rooms and music plays, echoing the family's Gilbert and Sullivan connections. You can get an insight into 1920's life 'upstairs and downstairs' from the glamorous Saloon and the airy servant's rooms. Later, we visit the quintessential harbour town of Brixham for time at leisure to explore.
- ◆ We spend the day in Torquay, a 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, Torquay is the perfect spot to spend the day.

Weston-Super-Mare, Glastonbury & Bath

Somerset offers a perfect blend of natural beauty, rich history, and local flavours. From our base in Weston-Super-Mare, we explore the magic of Glastonbury, the beauty of Wells and the charm of the Georgian City of Bath.



The Royal Grosvenor Hotel

The Royal Grosvenor is situated on Weston-Super-Mare's seafront providing stunning views of Steep Holm, Fist Holm, and Brean Down. The hotel is approximately 10 minutes' walk from the Grand Pier and Weston Museum, and only five minutes' walk from the Sovereign Shopping Centre. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Seafront Hotel
- ◆ City of Wells
- ◆ Glastonbury with Guided Tour of the Abbey
- ◆ Georgian City of Bath
- ◆ Visit to No. 1 Royal Crescent

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Enjoy a free day at leisure in Weston-Super Mare. Steeped with Victorian history and dominated by a long stretch of glorious beach, there is plenty to do and see here. Why not visit the Grand Pier and enjoy the sea views or head to the Helicopter Museum and explore the world's largest dedicated collection of Rotorcraft. The town also holds an indoor market which is located right in the centre.
- ◆ Wells is our first call today. Perhaps visit the historic Cathedral, famous for being one of the first Gothic-styled cathedrals in Britain and home to a large collection of stained glass. Take a stroll down Vicars Close, believed to be England's only complete Medieval Street left intact. There is also the Bishop's Palace and Gardens, home to the Bishops of Bath and Wells for over 800 years. Next stop is Glastonbury, where we visit the town itself before enjoying a guided tour of Glastonbury Abbey. Located in the heart of the centre, the site covers 36 acres of beautiful grounds, a museum, living history guides, and historic ruins. Our Guide will complement our visit with knowledge and stories of the abbey and its history.
- ◆ We journey to the beautiful Georgian city of Bath where you have time to explore at leisure this morning. Perhaps visit the famous Roman Baths or the Jane Austen Centre. This afternoon, we visit No. 1 Royal Crescent. Step back in time as you explore this restored Georgian town house and gain an insight to how people lived in 18th Century Bath. The Museum is decorated and furnished to give you the best experience possible, there are a variety of pictures, objects, and film to enhance your visit.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 5th July 2026	6 Days	£639 pp	Nil	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 13th July 2026	5 Days	£439 pp	Nil	£35

Cornish Delights

Cornwall is in the far west of Great Britain on a peninsula tumbling into the vast Atlantic Ocean, almost completely surrounded by the sea. Cornwall is loved for its dramatic coastline, captivating fishing harbours, and of course, its pasties and cream teas!



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The Rosemudy House Hotel

This elegant hotel is set in over 4 acres of secluded gardens and woodlands, and yet only 100 yards from the main street in the quaint village of St Agnes. The Queen Ann style hotel is family run and has been tastefully extended and converted. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant, lounge, bar, and some evening entertainment. Sorry, there is no lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Truro & Farmer's Market
- ◆ Cornish Seal Sanctuary
- ◆ Looe, Porthleven & Padstow
- ◆ Pencarrow House & Gardens with Cream Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Looe is a picturesque fishing harbour rich in maritime history and home of the BBC series Beyond Paradise. There are plenty of eateries and shops to browse, and lots of vantage points to sit and watch the world go by.
- ◆ Today, we visit Truro, a historic and lively city, and today is Market Day. Truro's Lemon Quay plays host to everything from grass-fed beef to sushi-grade fish, organic veg to freshly baked bread, a feast for the senses beneath green and white striped stalls. You can also hear tales of Truro on a guided walking tour or discover Cornwall's history and heritage at the Cornwall Museum & Art Gallery, and no trip to Truro is complete without a visit to the Gothic-style Cathedral where you can join a tour.
- ◆ We enjoy a visit to the Cornish Seal Sanctuary to see an array of amazing creatures including Common Seals, Grey Seals, Atlantic Puffins, and Paddock Animals. Helpful and knowledgeable staff will be on hand to answer any questions and offer amazing facts about the creatures you will see. Later, we visit Porthleven, the most southerly working port in the UK, boasting a picturesque harbour, with some interesting old buildings. Porthleven retains the character of an unspoilt fishing village with its granite harbour and pier, and famous clock tower.
- ◆ Pencarrow House & Gardens has been the friendly home of the Molesworth-St Aubyns for almost 500 years. Tucked away on the edge of Bodmin Moor, this fascinating Cornish Georgian gem offers plenty to do. The Gardens Range from formal landscaping to ancient woodlands and are beautiful whatever the season. Whilst here, we have a Guided Tour of the Mansion and enjoy a delicious Cream Tea. We also visit Padstow, a picturesque fishing port set amidst stunning beaches, made famous by Rick Stein over the last 30 years or so.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Tuesday, 14th July 2026	7 Days	£759 pp	Nil	£42

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Donkey Sanctuary
- ◆ Seaton & Seaton Tramway
- ◆ Exmouth & Sidmouth Bay Cruise
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Sunday, 26th July 2026	6 Days	£729 pp	Nil	£42

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 2nd August 2026	8 Days	£939 pp	Nil	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday, 13th August 2026	6 Days	£619 pp	Nil	£42

Gin, Shopping & A Ticket to Ryde

Our super leisurely tour makes the most of Hampshire's premium shopping outlet, Gunwharf Quays, and a morning in historic Winchester. These are complemented with a nostalgic hovercraft journey to the Isle of Wight and a guided Tour of the iconic Bombay Sapphire Distillery.



Langstone Quays Hotel

The modern Langstone Quays Resort is located on the northern shore of Hayling Island, just 8 miles from Portsmouth city centre. The hotel offers stunning views over Langstone and Chichester Harbour. En-suite bedrooms are spacious and beautifully decorated, and feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel offers a restaurant which overlooks Langstone Harbour & Estuary, a bar and lounge, indoor swimming pool, jacuzzi, sauna and steam room. Sorry, the hotel does not have a lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entrance to the Spinnaker Tower
- ◆ Guided Tour of Bombay Sapphire Distillery
- ◆ Return Hovercraft Crossing from Southsea to Ryde
- ◆ 'Meet the Pilot' Experience on the Hovercraft

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit the uniquely positioned Gunwharf Quays. Situated in a cultural harbour front location in the heart of Portsmouth, Gunwharf Quays is the South's leading designer shopping outlet. With over 90 brands offering up to 50% off original retail prices and over 30 restaurants, bars and coffee shops, you really can shop 'till you drop or just sit and watch the world go by! This afternoon, we experience the dizzy heights of Spinnaker Tower, which stands at 170 meters tall. We enjoy the breathtaking 23-mile views over Portsmouth Harbour, the city, the Solent, the South Downs and the Isle of Wight.
- ◆ This morning, we visit the historic city of Winchester. Here we can explore the medieval cathedral with its fascinating 17th Century Morley Library, the Norman crypt and the Winchester Bible dating back to the 12th century. Later, we head to rural Hampshire to enjoy a guided tour of the Bombay Sapphire Gin Distillery, where we discover the Glasshouses, the Botanical Dry Room and the Dakin Still House before enjoying a drink suited to our personal taste in the Mill Bar.
- ◆ Today we have a real treat in store as we head to Southsea to catch the Hovercraft to the Isle of Wight, not just for the crossing but for an exciting Hovertravel Experience, during which the hovercraft capabilities will be demonstrated. On arrival in Ryde, we meet the pilot for a tour and inside look at the hovercraft. We have free time for lunch before returning to mainland via hovercraft once more.

Sidmouth

Sidmouth is probably the most unspoilt resort in the country and undoubtedly one of the most beautiful. Quiet and unhurried, Sidmouth has preserved the natural beauty of the countryside with colourful gardens, open spaces, and tree-covered hills.



The Royal York & Faulkner Hotel

The hotel is a fine example of Regency architecture and forms a modern, spacious hotel. Situated in an unrivalled position at the centre of the Esplanade, the Royal York & Faulkner directly overlooks the sea and is adjacent to the picturesque shopping centre. En-suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, Aspara Spa with Hydrotherapy Pool, sauna & steam cabin, and some evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Donkey Sanctuary
- ◆ Seaton & Seaton Tramway
- ◆ Exmouth & Sidmouth Bay Cruise
- ◆ Bicton Park Botanical Gardens & Exeter

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ First stop today is the Donkey Sanctuary, a tranquil corner of the Jurassic Coast where hundreds of donkeys are waiting to meet you. We continue to the charming seaside town of Seaton with its long pebble beach, traditional promenade and calm waters. The seafront is lined with cafes and shops offering everything from fish & chips to ice cream. Later, we join the Seaton Tramway for a 3-mile journey through East Devon's glorious Axe Valley, travelling alongside the River Axe estuary through two nature reserves and giving an unrivalled view of the abundant wading bird life.
- ◆ Exmouth is reputedly the oldest seaside resort in Britain and is situated on the east coast of Devon just where the majestic River Exe meets the sea. We spend the morning here before returning to Sidmouth to join our cruise, setting sail from Sidmouth beach. Our 50-minute cruise takes you out to Lyme Bay before returning back to the beach in Sidmouth. This Sidmouth Bay Cruise is the perfect introduction to the Jurassic coastline where you can truly admire its sheer magnificence.
- ◆ We visit Bicton Park Botanical Gardens, with over 64 acres to explore. Spanning nearly 300 years of gardening history, the park is home to many rare and beautiful species, collected from around the world. Later, we continue to Exeter, a small city that packs a big punch! Pre-dating the arrival of the Romans in AD50, Exeter's history is rich and long, and this is reflected in its visitor attractions, which include its unique Underground Passages, free Red Coat Guided Tours, magnificent Cathedral, imposing Roman wall and beautiful Quayside.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 17th August 2026	5 Days	£669 pp	£201	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday, 16th September 2026	6 Days	£719 pp	Nil	£42

The Isle of Wight

Boasting award-winning beaches, unspoilt and spectacular scenery, and a rich, historical heritage, the Isle of Wight has something for everyone to enjoy. Discover picturesque villages, spectacular cliffs, and sandy beaches.



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The Brunswick Hotel

The Brunswick Hotel is set within a stunning location nestled on the coastal path overlooking the English Channel in the seaside resort of Shanklin on the Isle of Wight. Enjoy the Keats green garden with panoramic sea views and the Brunswick Hotel also boasts an outdoor and indoor heated pool, conservatory for relaxing, and a friendly professional team to ensure your stay is a memorable one. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cowes & Two Ports Cruise
- ◆ Godshill, Alum Bay & The Needles
- ◆ Isle of Wight Steam Railway & Ryde

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We join the Isle of Wight Steam Railway for a nostalgic 10-mile Steam Train journey. Get ready to be transported back in time with the sights and smells of a bygone era that will charm, engage and captivate. This beautifully preserved railway creates the perfect backdrop for a special day out. We also visit Ryde, a fantastic place that combines shopping centres, golden sands, and creative hearts.
- ◆ Godshill is the quintessential English village and boasts some of the oldest architecture on the Isle of Wight. With its delightful medieval church and main street lined with traditional tea rooms, Godshill is as picturesque as it is popular. We also visit Alum Bay for views of The Needles, one of the most photographed groups of rocks in the world.
- ◆ Departing from Thetts Wharf terminal in Cowes, our 2½ hour cruise begins with a tour of Cowes Harbour, the yachting capital of the UK, out into The Solent with fantastic views of the Island coastline, Queen Victoria's Osborne House, and Norris Castle. We then cruise on across the eastern Solent with views over the Solent Sea forts and into the Portsmouth Naval Base, home to the Royal Navy, past and present. There will also be time at leisure in Cowes.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 20th September 2026	6 Days	£679 pp	£55	£42

Barnstaple, Bude & Bideford

North Devon is a breath-taking destination known for its dramatic coastlines, rolling countryside, and charming villages. Indulge in Devon's famous cream teas, fresh seafood, and traditional pub meals. From award-winning restaurants to beachside cafes, North Devon's food scene showcases the best of local produce and coastal flavours.



The Royal & Fortescue Hotel

Nestled in the heart of Barnstaple is the beautiful Georgian building which houses the Royal & Fortescue, a historic hotel in North Devon. Ancient meets modern at this relaxed and comfortable town centre hotel with its boutique styling and warm, friendly ambience. Smart lounges, a sleek bar and a stunning bistro enhance your experience. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Bude & Bideford
- ◆ Coldharbour Mill & Tiverton

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today we travel over the border into Cornwall and visit the seaside resort of Bude. Bude has been a thriving seaside resort since Victorian times and boasts award-winning beaches, the famous Bude Sea Pool, rugged cliffs, and wide-open spaces. There's a nice selection of independent shops for you to explore and places to eat, giving a quiet, laid-back feel to the town. On our way back to Barnstaple, we make a stop in Bideford, once Britain's third largest port and while it still has maritime connections, it is more widely known as being a thriving shopping centre.
- ◆ Coldharbour Mill is one of the oldest woollen mills in the UK having been in continuous production since 1797. Originally owned by world-renowned textile producers Fox Brothers, the Mill took fleece from all over the world and transformed it into yarn, cloth and textiles. Today the rich heritage lives on as one of the finest working wool museums where visitors are not just able to relive the sights and sounds of the Industrial Revolution but also see crafts men and women making traditional textiles, beautiful knitting yarn and hand-woven rugs. Later, we visit Tiverton, steeped in history, this quaint town offers something special for everyone to explore.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 27th September 2026	5 Days	£529 pp	£80	£35

Isle of Wight

Boasting award-winning beaches, unspoilt and spectacular scenery, and a rich, historical heritage, the Isle of Wight has something for everyone to enjoy. Discover picturesque villages, spectacular cliffs, and sandy beaches.



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The Trouville Hotel

Situated centrally on Sandown's seafront, opposite the golden beach, and with views over the sweep of Sandown & Shanklin Bay, is the Trouville Hotel. Well-appointed, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, ballroom, function room, and some entertainment during your stay.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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- ◆ Isle of Wight Steam Railway & Ryde

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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A Week in Torquay on The English Riviera

An award-winning resort where elegant Victorian villas, a bustling harbour, and palm fringed beaches give the Riviera its well-earned name.



The Headland Hotel

An elegant hotel, the Headland sits majestically on the headland, looking out to sea, with 2 acres of lovely grounds and stunning views across Torbay. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift to most floors, a lounge, bar, restaurant, and entertainment. The Headland Hotel offers a complimentary 'taxi' service into town on your free day.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Brixham & Palace Hotel Cream Tea
- ◆ Exmouth & Exe Estuary River Cruise
- ◆ Powderham Castle & Exeter
- ◆ Dartmouth River & Rail
- ◆ Dawlish & Teignmouth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Brixham is a quintessential English harbour town, but it isn't just about fishing. It is still one of the busiest fishing ports in the UK and is a working town, but it is also a place where you can discover a range of arts and culture, excellent local food, and some unique attractions. On our way back to Torquay, we make a stop at Paignton for a delicious Cream Tea at the Palace Hotel.
- ◆ Exmouth is reputedly the oldest seaside resort in Britain and is the perfect place to promenade on the idyllic Esplanade. Hop from shop to café with its pedestrianised streets, café culture and friendly locals. Enjoy award-winning fish & chips whilst taking in the unique vistas. Later, we join Stuart Line Cruises for a relaxing cruise on the calm and sheltered waters of the beautiful River Exe.
- ◆ We travel to Paignton and join the Dartmouth Steam Railway & River Boat Company for our train journey to Kingswear. This is one of the finest steam train trips in the country along the coast of Torbay through stunning Devon countryside and overlooking the River Dart. At Kingswear, we join the ferry to Dartmouth for some free time before we rejoin our coach for the journey back to Torquay.
- ◆ At Powderham Castle, discover over six centuries worth of stories which embellish the history of the house, the country, and the county through the lives of the Earls of Devon and their families. From here, we continue to historic Exeter with its fascinating attractions, including its unique Underground Passages, magnificent Cathedral, and award-winning Royal Albert Memorial Museum where you can explore the city's 2,000-year history under one roof.
- ◆ Dawlish is a traditional seaside town with a golden sand beach and a nature reserve, and Teignmouth is renowned for its historic Georgian buildings, long sandy beaches and fresh local food.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 5th October 2026	5 Days	£439 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 5th October 2026	8 Days	£739 pp	Nil	£42

Autumn Colours of Cornwall

Cornwall is in the far west of Great Britain on a peninsula tumbling into the vast Atlantic Ocean, almost completely surrounded by the sea. Cornwall is loved for its dramatic coastline, captivating fishing harbours, and of course, its pasties and cream teas!



The Rosemudy House Hotel

This elegant hotel is set in over 4 acres of secluded gardens and woodlands, and yet only 100 yards from the main street in the quaint village of St Agnes. The Queen Ann style hotel is family run and has been tastefully extended and converted. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant, lounge, bar, and some evening entertainment. Sorry, there is no lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Truro & Farmer's Market
- ◆ Looe & Padstow
- ◆ Pencarrow House & Garden with Cream Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Looe is a picturesque fishing harbour rich in maritime history and home of the BBC series Beyond Paradise. There are plenty of eateries and shops to browse, and lots of vantage points to sit and watch the world go by.
- ◆ Today, we visit Truro, a historic and lively city, and today is Market Day. Truro's Lemon Quay plays host to everything from grass-fed beef to sushi-grade fish, organic veg to freshly baked bread, a feast for the senses beneath green and white striped stalls. You can also hear tales of Truro on a guided walking tour or discover Cornwall's history and heritage at the Cornwall Museum & Art Gallery, and no trip to Truro is complete without a visit to the Gothic-style Cathedral where you can join a tour.
- ◆ Pencarrow House & Gardens has been the friendly home of the Molesworth-St Aubyns for almost 500 years. Tucked away on the edge of Bodmin Moor, this fascinating Cornish Georgian gem offers plenty to do. The Gardens Range from formal landscaping to ancient woodlands and are beautiful whatever the season. Whilst here, we have a Guided Tour of the Mansion and enjoy a delicious Cream Tea. We also visit Padstow, a picturesque fishing port set amidst stunning beaches, made famous by Rick Stein over the last 30 years or so.

A Tipple in Weston & A Walk in Wells

Somerset offers a perfect blend of natural beauty, rich history, and local flavours. From our base in Weston-Super-Mare, we grab a bargain in Street, explore the beauty of Wells, discover the charm of the village of Cheddar.



The New Ocean Hotel

The New Ocean Hotel is a family run hotel situated opposite Weston-Super-Mare's famous Marine Lake, offering panoramic views over Weston Bay and beyond. It is in an unrivalled position on the promenade, just a few minutes' stroll to the town centre. The hotel has a lift, a restaurant serving freshly prepared food and a well-stocked bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Visit to Clarks Village & Street
- ◆ The City of Wells
- ◆ Evening Entertainment
- ◆ Free Bar on Selected Drinks between 6pm & 10pm daily

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today, we visit Street, home to the ever-popular Clarks Village. Opened in 1993 on the site of the old C&J Shoe Factory, it is a hub of shopping and eateries. Then take a short stroll along the High Street in the town, which is filled with little boutique shops, restaurants and bars. Later, we return to Weston-Super-Mare for time at leisure. Weston boasts great sandy beaches, fantastic walks, and a huge gallery of stunning street art – as well as Banksy's pinwheel! There are indoor and outdoor attractions including the famous Grand Pier, the world's largest helicopter museum, and of course, the lovely donkeys. With plenty of pubs and tasty restaurants, there's some to suit every taste and budget.
- ◆ This morning, we start our journey by travelling through the Somerset countryside and the Mendips to the beautiful city of Wells. The city has been a hub of religion for over 800 years and is packed with little cafes, quirky shops, and its Cathedral dominates the skyline. On our way back to the hotel, we make a stop in the village of Cheddar, with its gentle riverside walks, quaint tearooms, and variety of restaurants and cafes. Cheddar village boasts ancient architecture including the remains of a Saxon palace, old market cross and Minster Church as well as charming gift shops.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday, 8th October 2026	6 Days	£599 pp	Nil	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 16th October 2026	4 Days	£419 pp	Nil	£35

Torquay & The English Riviera

An award-winning resort where elegant Victorian villas, a bustling harbour, and palm fringed beaches give the Riviera its well-earned name.



Bournemouth

With seven miles of golden sands and sparkling sea, the vibrant cosmopolitan town of Bournemouth has it all – a vast variety of shops and restaurants, endless countryside offering peace and relaxation, and beautiful, award-winning gardens.



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The Belgrave Sands Hotel

The Belgrave Sands has been totally transformed from top to bottom into a modern hotel with all new fixtures and fittings. En-suite bedrooms have a light and airy feel and all feature TV, mini-fridge, fresh milk, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel offers a fine-dining experience followed by entertainment. The hotel has a lift, bar, lounge, indoor swimming pool, sauna, and steam room.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Dartmouth & Palace Cream Tea
- ◆ Exmouth River Cruise & Exmouth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit the beautiful town of Dartmouth, situated on the banks of the picturesque River Dart. Immerse yourself in Dartmouth's rich history with its historic houses and fortified castles. The town centre boasts an array of shopping spots, galleries, and artisanal crafts, perfect for leisurely strolls and window shopping. The town is renowned for its seafood with many of its cafes, pubs and restaurants serving the local catch of the day. On our way back to Torquay, we make a stop at Paignton for a delicious Cream Tea at the Palace Hotel.
- ◆ We travel to Exmouth for our cruise on the calm and sheltered waters of the beautiful River Exe. See the stunning scenery, wildlife and nature of the Exe Estuary. Our circular cruise departs from Exmouth Marina, travelling the peaceful waters of the river, up near Powderham Castle and along to where the river opens out into the English Channel, on Exmouth's traditional seafront. Following our cruise, there will be free time to explore the lively town of Exmouth. Explore 2 miles of sandy beach, hop from shop to local eatery, or find a quiet spot to watch the world go by.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 19th October 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

The Marsham Court Hotel

The excellent Marsham Court Hotel offers high-quality accommodation in a wonderful location edging the beautiful Dorset coastline and sparkling sea at Bournemouth. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, iron, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and swimming pool.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Compton Acres & Poole Quay
- ◆ Cruise from Poole to Swanage

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The gardens at Compton Acres are laid out in a circular route, rather like jewels on a necklace, allowing you to discover each of the gardens in turn. Highlights include The Italian Garden with luxurious water fountains, The Wooded Valley with winding pathways and dramatic waterfalls, and The Japanese Garden which encompasses the unique elegance and incomparable beauty of Japanese horticulture. We continue to Poole's historic quayside. Look out for tall ships, fishing vessels, and luxury Sunseeker power boats, and sample the delicious food and drink on offer in one of the many restaurants, café bars or traditional pubs whilst enjoying splendid views across the harbour.
- ◆ Back to Poole this morning where we join Coastal Cruises for our 70-minute cruise to the Victorian resort of Swanage, passing Brownsea Island, the beaches of Studland Bay, Old Harry Rocks and the opening cliffs of the Jurassic Coast. The rest of the day is free to explore Swanage. The town has kept much of its Victorian charm with a magnificent heritage pier and clifftop castle. Our coach will meet us here for the journey back to Bournemouth.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 26th October 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

Babbacombe

Perched high on the red sandstone cliffs of South Devon’s English Riviera, Babbacombe is a peaceful village that blends seaside relaxation, rich heritage, and stunning natural surroundings. Just minutes from Torquay, this coastal gem offers panoramic views, hidden beaches, and a perfect escape from the bustle.



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The Babbacombe Hotel

The Babbacombe Hotel enjoys a level position directly on the seafront overlooking the famous Babbacombe Downs with far reaching views across Lyme Bay. The hotel has a lift to most rooms, and stunning views from the bar, restaurant, and function room. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.



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EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ After breakfast today, we make the short journey to Paignton Zoo. With over 2,000 animals and countless amazing plants across 80 acres of beautiful, spacious grounds, you’re in for a fantastic day out. All of the animals live in natural-themed exhibits, and the zoo is passionate about conserving their future and protecting them from extinction. Explore the Botanical Gardens during your visit and discover a passion for plants that not only makes Paignton Zoo look beautiful but also helps to provide important habitats for native wildlife.
- ◆ Coleton Fishacre is the country home of the D'Oyly Carte family which will take you back in time to the Jazz Age. This most evocative of country homes was built in the Arts & Crafts style and is imbued with Art Deco elegance. A light, joyful atmosphere fills the rooms and music plays, echoing the family’s Gilbert and Sullivan connections. You can get an insight into 1920’s life ‘upstairs and downstairs’ from the glamorous Saloon and the airy servant’s rooms. Later, we visit the quintessential harbour town of Brixham for time at leisure to explore.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Paignton Zoo
- ◆ Coleton Fishacres & Brixham

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 26th October 2026	5 Days	£379 pp	£20	£35

South East England



Eastbourne - Half Price Bar

Eastbourne is a town with grace and elegance that has something for everyone – a landscaped, pedestrianised town centre bordered by a large range of shops, a clean, well-managed beach and seafront renowned for its three-tier flower decked promenade.



Charming East Sussex

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The Haddon Hall Hotel

The Haddon Hall Hotel is enviably situated at the seafront end of Devonshire Place, a broad tree-lined avenue which links the main promenade with the town centre. The Bandstand is located across the road from the hotel. Well-furnished, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, spacious lounge, ballroom, cocktail bar, and some entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Half Price Bar in the Ballroom Between 7:30pm & 10:30pm (Selected Drinks)
- ◆ Alfriston & Lewes
- ◆ Rye & Battle

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Alfriston is a 'must-visit' village on the banks of the Cuckmere River, at the foot of the beautiful South Downs. The medieval narrow, twisting high street has a surprising wealth and variety of shops, and many places to eat and drink. Later, we visit Lewes, a small town with a big heart! Lewes is a great place to shop with lots of independent, antique, and quirky shops. There's the perfect place to grab a bite to eat or drink, and there's even a working brewery situated in the heart of the town.
- ◆ Battle is the site of the most famous battle in English history. The beautiful town is built around the abbey, which was erected on the site of the battle in 1066. Later, we visit the Cinque Port of Rye, a medieval citadel huddled against invaders and the sea, with cobbled streets, historical buildings, and lovely independent shops. The town of Rye was, in its past, involved with smuggling, was a shipyard and dockyard, and was once an island! The Mermaid Inn was built in 1156 and is thought to be connected by a secret passageway to the Olde Bell Inn.



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The Langham Hotel

The Langham Hotel is situated along Royal Parade on Eastbourne's magnificent seafront, with spectacular views across the bay and towards the pier. The hotel restaurant has fantastic sea views, and the bar is the perfect place to relax and unwind. The hotel has a lift. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Kent & East Sussex Railway
- ◆ Scotney Castle
- ◆ The British Tea Museum

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a drive along the coast to historic Hastings for free time at leisure. Perhaps enjoy a walk through the Warrior Square Gardens, along the seafront, or maybe visit Hastings Pier. Later, we are in for a treat as we visit The British Tea Museum. Enjoy a talk on the social history of tea in Britain and taste two teas accompanied by scones with cream and jam.
- ◆ Our day starts with a ride through the pleasant Sussex countryside to the village of Bodiam. Here, we join the Kent & East Sussex Railway for a delightful steam train ride to Tenterden. Across the 'border' in Kent, Tenterden is a lovely little town with tea rooms, ideal for lunch. Later, we visit Scotney Castle, a romantic garden with a 14th Century moated castle and Victorian mansion – all in a beautiful, wooded estate. Discover the delights of the country mansion with its secrets and stories, relax in the gardens, or pop into the visitor shop for tasty local produce.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 13th February 2026	5 Days	£329 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 13th April 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	Nil	£35

Eastbourne

Eastbourne is a town with grace and elegance that has something for everyone – a landscaped, pedestrianised town centre bordered by a large range of shops, a clean, well-managed beach and seafront renowned for its three-tier flower decked promenade.



Windsor, Hampton Court Palace & Wisley

Berkshire plays host to a wealth of towns, villages, and countryside waiting to be explored. This is a county with unique connections to the Royal Family, where you will find the River Thames meandering along its northern edge and beautiful parks and gardens ablaze with colour.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Great Dixter House & Gardens & Rye
- ◆ Alfriston & Lewes

The London Staines Thames Lodge Hotel - A Sunday Hotel

Set on the banks of the River Thames. The London Staines Thames Lodge Hotel is ideally located within walking distance of the town centre. Guests can enjoy a carefully prepared meal in the Riverside Restaurant which serves local British cuisine with a stunning river view. The traditionally decorated, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, ironing facilities, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ RHS Garden Wisley
- ◆ Hampton Court Palace
- ◆ Royal Windsor

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Great Dixter is an historic house, a garden, a centre of education, and a place of horticulturists from across the world. One of the pleasant features about the gardens is that they lie all around the house – make a circuit of the house and you have made a circuit of the house exterior. The town of Rye was, in its past, involved with smuggling, was a shipyard and dockyard, and was once an island! The Mermaid Inn was built in 1156 and is thought to be connected by a secret passageway to the Olde Bell Inn.
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EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ RHS Garden Wisley is the flagship garden of the Royal Horticultural Society and one of the great gardens of the world. The mixed borders are probably the most iconic and celebrated area of the garden, originally designed by celebrated horticulturalist Graham Stuart Thomas. Other highlights include The Glasshouse, the World Food Garden, the Wellbeing Garden, and the Wildlife Garden. We also visit the riverside town of Guildford, which boasts a stunning High Street with historic setts and beautiful architecture.
- ◆ Today, we discover the home of Henry VIII, Hampton Court Palace. Experience the public dramas and private lives of Henry VIII, his wives and their children in the world of the Tudor court. Admire Henry’s Great Hall and Tudor Kitchens and discover the spectacular Baroque Palace built for William III and Mary II. Explore 60 acres of magnificent gardens and the popular Magic Garden adventure playground.

We also spend some time in the historic town of Kingston-Upon-Thames, known as the coronation site of as many as 7 Saxon Kings and the birthplace of England.
- ◆ This morning, we travel to Windsor, crowned by Windsor Castle and linked by the River Thames, with its rich mix of history, culture, heritage and fun. Enjoy free time here before we return to the bustling market town of Staines, with its excellent range of shops available on the High Street and variety of food and drink outlets enhanced by its riverside location.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 4th May 2026	5 Days	£419 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 17th May 2026	5 Days	£529 pp	£100	£35

Greenwich Teatime

With so much to see and do in Greenwich, we have put together a two-night short break featuring just a few of the highlights, including The Royal Greenwich Museum, the famous Cutty Sark and Old Naval College.



Novotel London Greenwich

This 4-star hotel is the perfect base for our short break, with the National Maritime Museum and the Royal Observatory nearby and world-class restaurants and beautiful parks on the doorstep. The hotel has a lift, fully equipped gym and sauna, onsite restaurant, and atmospheric bar. Please note the hotel does not accept cash. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron, laptop safe, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Royal Museums Greenwich Day Pass
- ◆ Afternoon Tea at the Cutty Sark
- ◆ Entrance to the Old Royal Naval College

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We arrive at our hotel in the mid-late afternoon with time to explore Greenwich and possibly the famous Greenwich market, which is full of a fantastic mix of stalls, all under cover.
- ◆ We spend today at the Royal Museums in Greenwich. The Royal Observatory is home to the world-famous Meridian Line and Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) where we can stand astride the historic Meridian Line. Then, climb aboard the famous Cutty Sark and admire the towering masts and 11 miles of rigging. Enjoy fabulous views of the River Thames, followed by Afternoon Tea under the very ship built to bring tea to Britain! We also have time to visit the National Maritime Museum and Queen's House. (Please note small parts of the Royal Observatory may be closed for refurbishment).
- ◆ After breakfast, we make our way to the Old Royal Naval College, the centrepiece of Maritime Greenwich, where we enjoy a film tour & experience. Here we learn about this former royal palace, designed by Christopher Wren, which was initially built as the Royal Navy's Hospital and between 1869-1998 served as a training facility. We then make our way home.

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Friday 22nd May 2026	3 Days	£479 pp	£150	£33

Eastbourne

Eastbourne is a town with grace and elegance that has something for everyone – a landscaped, pedestrianised town centre bordered by a large range of shops, a clean, well-managed beach and seafront renowned for its three-tier flower decked promenade.



The Haddon Hall Hotel

The Haddon Hall Hotel is enviably situated at the seafront end of Devonshire Place, a broad tree-lined avenue which links the main promenade with the town centre. The Bandstand is located across the road from the hotel. Well-furnished, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, spacious lounge, ballroom, cocktail bar, and some entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Great Dixter House & Gardens & Rye
- ◆ Alfriston & Lewes
- ◆ Battle Abbey & Hastings
- ◆ Brighton Pavilion & Brighton

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Great Dixter is an historic house, a garden, a centre of education, and a place of horticulturists from across the world. One of the pleasant features about the gardens is that they lie all around the house. The town of Rye was, in its past, involved with smuggling, was a shipyard and dockyard, and was once an island! The Mermaid Inn was built in 1156 and is thought to be connected by a secret passageway to the Olde Bell Inn.
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- ◆ Battle is the site of the most famous battle in English history. The beautiful town is built around the abbey, which was erected on the site of the battle in 1066. We enjoy a Guided Tour of the Abbey before we continue to Hastings. Wander the preserved Old Town's winding streets and tiny twittens, crammed with Tudor houses and flower-bedecked cottages, and inhale the hard-working fishing quarter with its towering net huts and ramshackle huts on the beach.
- ◆ At Brighton Pavilion, experience a fantasy palace fit for a king. Bask in Regency splendour, inside & out! Later, there will be free time to explore Brighton with its majestic Regency squares and crescents and famous piers.

Winchester & The New Forest

A new hotel means a new tour. Winchester offers visitors world-class attractions and architecture, unrivalled shopping and delicious dining. Explore the medieval streets of Winchester, spend a day with a local guide exploring the New Forest and its stunning towns, and visit Beaulieu with its stately home, world-famous motor museum and 13th Century Abbey.



The Winchester Royal Hotel

The Winchester Royal Hotel is a 16th Century hotel located in Winchester City Centre offering a perfect blend of modern and traditional, the perfect place to stay whilst exploring England's ancient capital. Overlooking the beautiful walled garden, the award-winning Garden Restaurant serves a modern European menu. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel doesn't have a lift, but ground floor rooms are available on request.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Winchester
- ◆ Guided Tour of the New Forest
- ◆ Beaulieu

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Enjoy a day free to explore the delights of Winchester. Explore the medieval streets of Winchester and perhaps admire the history of Winchester Cathedral, Wolvesey Castle, and Winchester City Mill before strolling along the River Itchen to The Hospital of St. Cross.
- ◆ Our Guide will join us at the hotel to take us on an exploration of the New Forest, on our coach, stopping off in key locations around the Forest. Escape to a world a million miles away from your everyday life where ponies, cattle, donkeys, and deer roam free. Discover the cobbled streets of wonderful towns & villages. Fall in love with the forest's idyllic glades, ancient woodland, open moors, heathland, and cliff tops.
- ◆ We head back into the New Forest for our included visit to Beaulieu. See over 285 vehicles at the world-famous National Motor Museum, from F1 cars and land speed record breakers to incredible examples of pioneering motoring. Get a fascinating look into the Montagu family home at Palace House, where costumed guides give you a flavour of what it would've been like in Victorian times. Walk in the footsteps of medieval monks who lived in Beaulieu Abbey over 800 years ago, the conserved ruins of this once vast abbey include an exhibition on its history. Lose yourself in Beaulieu's serene grounds and gardens, from the wild nature of the Millpond Walk to the beautifully designed flower gardens and topiary.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Saturday, 6th June 2026	8 Days	£749 pp	Nil	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 5th July 2026	5 Days	£529 pp	£120	£35

ABBA Voyage

Blending cutting-edge technology, spectacular lighting, and some of the most beloved songs ever written, ABBA take to the stage in a whole new way. In a stunning, purpose-built arena, one of the most popular groups in history appear as digital avatars in a 'ground-breaking' concert that really 'needs to be seen to be believed'.

ABBA Voyage



The Holiday Inn Express Royal Docks

This smart, convenient London Docklands hotel, is the ideal base for our short break. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, iron & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities. Breakfast on day of departure consists of scrambled eggs, bacon, baked beans and sausages, or continental items like fruit, and yoghurt.



EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ ABBA Voyage is located at Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, London, the arena is purpose-built for ABBA's never before-seen concert. The location offers local shops and plenty of food and drink options. We make suitable stops along the way and go straight to Olympic Park. Later, we take our seats for the highlight of our trip. Agnetha, Bjorn, Benny, and Anni-Frid have created the kind of concert they always wanted, performing for their fans at their very best: as digital versions of themselves backed by today's finest musicians. Blurring the lines between the physical and digital, see the magic of ABBA brought to life using the latest in motion capture technology. It's the greatest ABBA performance the world has ever seen. Until now. The concert is 90 minutes long and there is no interval. Doors open 1 hour 45 minutes before the concert. Following the concert, our coach will return us to the hotel for our overnight and breakfast. Please note: no dinner is included on this break.
- ◆ We return home making a stop for lunch and a little sightseeing at Stratford-upon-Avon before continuing hotel.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Seated Tickets for ABBA Voyage
- ◆ Bed & Breakfast Only

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 19th July 2026	2 Days	£279 pp	£58	£33

A Right Steaming Tea

Our tour, based in the traditional seaside resort of Eastbourne, features The British Tea Museum, where we gain an insight into the history of great British tea! We also enjoy a ride along the Bluebell Line of the Bluebell Railway and explore the seaside town of Hastings.



The Best Western York House Hotel

An elegant hotel that enjoys a laid-back, relaxed seafront location just 20 yards from the sea and a pleasant stroll from Eastbourne's pier and town centre. The hotel has a lift, open-air verandah, restaurant, bar, lounge, and indoor heated swimming pool. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entry & Cream Tea at The British Tea Museum
- ◆ Return Journey on the Bluebell Railway
- ◆ Visits to Lewes and Hastings

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel through the Sussex countryside to Sheffield Park Station, where we meet our train for the return journey along the Bluebell Line. The Bluebell Railway runs steam trains across 11 miles between Sheffield Park and East Grinstead in Sussex. It was one of the first preserved heritage lines in the country, commencing train services in August 1960. This afternoon we spend some time in Lewes, known for its medieval streets, independent shops, and thriving culture. Lewes offers a delightful mix of history, nature, and local charm, and is famous for its Norman castle, Georgian architecture, and as the birthplace of the radical philosopher Thomas Paine.
- ◆ We make our way to Hastings for our visit to The British Tea Museum. The Museum celebrates the customs and manners of British Tea Time. Journey through the social history of tea and discover the rules and behaviour of the British tea table. Whilst here, we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the seaside town of Hastings where the three mile seafront stretches from the fishing fleet at the eastern end through the hustle and bustle of the arcades and funfair rides, to the pier and unique double-decker promenade Bottle Alley, arriving finally at peaceful Grosvenor Gardens.



Southern Splendour

Experience the epitome of an English country estate getaway on a royal Tudor journey. Stay in a charming 4-star country manor and explore grand Tudor estates - 16th Century Loseley Park and 15th Century Dorney Court, both still lived in today.



© Dorney Court

Wooton House

Nestled in the heart of the Surrey Hills, Wooton House is a stunning 17th Century estate set within 13 acres of landscaped gardens. Just a short drive from Dorking, this

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Loseley Park & Head Gardener Tour
- ◆ Dorney Court with Private House Tour

elegant hotel offers stylish rooms and contemporary amenities. Guests can explore the Grade II listed Italian gardens, complete with ornamental temples and a 17th Century grotto. The hotel also features a heated indoor swimming pool, fitness centre, and walking trails. The hotel has a lift on one side of the building where most of the rooms are located. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, laptop safe, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Discover the centuries of dedication behind one of England's finest gardens with the Head Gardener of Loseley Park, set within 1,400 acres of glorious rolling countryside. Wander through five exquisite garden rooms, where neatly trimmed box hedges contrast with the vibrant hues of 1,000 rose bushes. Visit the historic herb garden, supplying the 16th Century Tudor manor house for 500 years since it was rebuilt to host Queen Elizabeth I. Step inside the Grade I listed home still inhabited by the More-Molyneux family, preserved to feel as it did centuries ago. Walk halls built with stone from England's first Cistercian abbey, hear tales of royal visits and shifting family fortunes, and admire the gilded ceiling and a rare painting of Anne Boleyn. Later, we visit the charming market town of Dorking, nestled in the Surrey Hills, known for its stunning countryside views and vibrant cultural scene.
- ◆ Step behind the scenes of Bohemian Rhapsody, Elizabeth: The Golden Age, and Bridgerton on a private guided tour of Dorney Court, one of England's most exquisite Tudor manor houses. Discover why this Grade I listed home is recognised as an outstanding example of architectural and historical significance, with its remarkable collection of furniture and portraits that recount over six centuries of family heritage and tradition. Later, we visit Windsor, steeped in royal history, a picturesque town famous for its iconic castle, scenic riverside views, and charming historic streets.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 20th July 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 26th July 2026	4 Days	£539 pp	£150	£35

Hertfordshire Stately Homes & De Havilland Pioneer

This tour takes us to Hertfordshire, where we visit two fine stately homes - Hatfield House and Knebworth House, both have featured in a variety of films, most recently Netflix's The Crown. We are staying in the unique Comet Hotel, named after the famous de Havilland Comet (first commercial airplane). So, it's only right that we pay a visit to the de Havilland Aircraft Museum to explore the impact Geoffrey De Havilland had on British aviation during a guided tour of the museum.



The Comet Hotel

The stylish Comet Hotel is located in Hatfield, Hertfordshire, and is named after the iconic de Havilland Comet aircraft. Art Deco interior design makes this a unique property to stay in. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Hatfield House
- ◆ De Havilland Aircraft Museum
- ◆ Knebworth House
- ◆ St Albans – Market Day

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We head to Hatfield House, a fine Jacobean House and Garden in a spectacular countryside setting. Explore the various historical and interesting rooms within the house, enjoy the parkland, or keep an eye out for memories of your favourite films as Hatfield House is a popular filming location! Highlights include The Rainbow Portrait – perhaps the most colourful Tudor portrait, The Marble Hall with its wonderfully extravagant oak carving by John Bucke, and The Armory. Later, time permitting, we visit Hertford, with its independent retailers and array of independent delis, cafes and coffee shops.
- ◆ This morning, we travel to the de Havilland Aircraft Museum to see the famous Comet aircraft our hotel is named after. We enjoy a guided tour with tea/coffee and biscuits provided on arrival. Learn the incredible contribution that de Havilland made to British Aviation for over 80 years. Later, we visit St Albans, known for its impressive Cathedral. This used to be a major Roman city, and there is evidence of this throughout the city. Today is Market Day so enjoy free time to browse.
- ◆ Today, we visit Knebworth House, home to generations of the Lytton Family. Enjoy a guided tour to learn the stories and histories and explore 500 years of history and treasures of this impressive Grade II listed stately home. Discover the romantic façade of turrets, domes and gargoyles, and precious heirlooms that reflect the family's contribution to literature, politics, and foreign service. Later, we visit the village of Welwyn, famous for the remains of well-preserved Roman Baths.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday 30th July 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	£96	£35

Surprising London

We explore some of our Capital City's most iconic attractions. We visit probably the most famous Botanic Garden in the UK and enjoy some magnificent sightseeing during a cruise on the iconic River Thames.



The Delta by Marriott Heathrow-Windsor Hotel

The Delta by Marriott hotel is newly renovated and is ideally located for our tour. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and state-of-the-art fitness centre. All ensuite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Buckingham Palace
- ◆ St Paul's Cathedral Guided Tour
- ◆ Houses of Parliament Tour
- ◆ Kew Gardens
- ◆ River Thames Boat Trip

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Buckingham Palace is the official London residence of the King and serves both as a home and office. Visit the magnificent State Rooms, lavishly furnished with some of the greatest treasures from the Royal Collection. There are 19 State Rooms at Buckingham Palace, designed to be on public view and used by the Royal Family when welcoming guests on official state and ceremonial visits. Paintings by the grand masters and acclaimed artists adorn the walls, as well as sculpture and furniture by the finest craftsmen in the world are all available to view and admire.
- ◆ We visit the Houses of Parliament for a fun and informative guided tour of the Palace of Westminster, the Chamber of the House of Lords, the House of Commons, and Westminster Hall.
- ◆ Enjoy a delightful 90-minute cruise on the River Thames from Westminster Pier to Kew Gardens, where we spend the afternoon. From the vast Arboretum to an Alpine rock garden, there's something for everyone to see around every corner. Discover the world of science behind the botanical collections, with over 50,000 living plants to be found across this UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- ◆ We have a fascinating guided tour of historic St Paul's Cathedral, standing at the heart of the City of London – and of the British Nation. Created in the 17th Century by Sir Christopher Wren, the Cathedral is a landmark the world over, a place of celebration as well as remembrance.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 3rd August 2026	5 Days	£709 pp	£120	£35

London's Royal Jewels

This new London tour includes visits to some of the Capital's famous royal landmarks, allows you to experience one of London's more recent art attractions - Frameless, and relax and shop at the more recent leisure attraction of Battersea Power Station.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Battersea Power Station
- ◆ Buckingham Palace
- ◆ Camden Market
- ◆ Frameless – Immersive Art Experience
- ◆ Tower of London

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We head to Battersea Power Station where we spend the morning exploring one of London's new shopping and leisure sites. The Grade II listed building has been regenerated into a place to shop, eat, drink, live, work, and play. The site also offers 'Lift 109' – this unique chimney lift takes you all the way to the top of the Northwest Chimney to experience 360-degree views of London's breathtaking skyline. Later, we visit Buckingham Palace, official London residence of The King, serving both as a home and an office. Visit the magnificent State Rooms, lavishly furnished with some of the greatest treasures from the Royal Collection.
- ◆ We travel to Camden and its famous market. Diverse, inspired, and brimming with energy, the market offers visitors a unique experience of shopping, eating and relaxing. Later, we visit Frameless. This immersive art experience is the largest permanent multi-sensory experience in the UK. Technology now allows us to get closer to an artist's work through our senses and go beyond the usual way of enjoying art. Covering 30,000 square feet, you can visit the galleries at your leisure and in any order. The site also has a café bar to relax and reflect and a gift shop to perhaps purchase the perfect gift.
- ◆ We travel to the Tower of London where we spend time discovering one of London's iconic castles, with its secure fortress, royal palace, and infamous prison. Don't forget a visit to the Tower of London would not be complete without seeing the Crown Jewels. We then have time to explore the surrounding area independently – top visitor sites include the famous Borough Market, The Shard, Tate Modern, London Bridge, and HMS Belfast.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 10th August 2026	5 Days	£659 pp	£120	£35

Surprising London

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Monday 24th August 2026	5 Days	£709 pp	£120	£35

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Saturday, 29th August 2026	8 Days	£779 pp	Nil	£42

Windsor, Hampton Court Palace & Wisley

Berkshire plays host to a wealth of towns, villages, and countryside waiting to be explored. This is a county with unique connections to the Royal Family, where you will find the River Thames meandering along its northern edge and beautiful parks and gardens ablaze with colour.



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The London Staines Thames Lodge Hotel - A Sunday Hotel

Set on the banks of the River Thames. The London Staines Thames Lodge Hotel is ideally located within walking distance of the town centre. Guests can enjoy a carefully prepared meal in the Riverside Restaurant which serves local British cuisine with a stunning river view. The traditionally decorated, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, ironing facilities, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ RHS Garden Wisley
- ◆ Hampton Court Palace
- ◆ Royal Windsor

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ RHS Garden Wisley is the flagship garden of the Royal Horticultural Society and one of the great gardens of the world. The mixed borders are probably the most iconic and celebrated area of the garden, originally designed by celebrated horticulturalist Graham Stuart Thomas. Other highlights include The Glasshouse, the World Food Garden, the Wellbeing Garden, and the Wildlife Garden. We also visit the riverside town of Guildford, which boasts a stunning High Street with historic setts and beautiful architecture.
- ◆ Today, we discover the home of Henry VIII, Hampton Court Palace. Experience the public dramas and private lives of Henry VIII, his wives and their children in the world of the Tudor court. Admire Henry's Great Hall and Tudor Kitchens and discover the spectacular Baroque Palace built for William III and Mary II. Explore 60 acres of magnificent gardens and the popular Magic Garden adventure playground. We also spend some time in the historic town of Kingston-Upon-Thames, known as the coronation site of as many as 7 Saxon Kings and the birthplace of England.
- ◆ This morning, we travel to Windsor, crowned by Windsor Castle and linked by the River Thames, with its rich mix of history, culture, heritage and fun. Enjoy free time here before we return to the bustling market town of Staines, with its excellent range of shops available on the High Street and variety of food and drink outlets enhanced by its riverside location.

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Sunday 20th September 2026	5 Days	£529 pp	£100	£35

Charming East Sussex

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The Langham Hotel

The Langham Hotel is situated along Royal Parade on Eastbourne's magnificent seafront, with spectacular views across the bay and towards the pier. The hotel restaurant has fantastic sea views, and the bar is the perfect place to relax and unwind. The hotel has a lift. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Kent & East Sussex Railway
- ◆ Scotney Castle
- ◆ The British Tea Museum

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a drive along the coast to historic Hastings for free time at leisure. Perhaps enjoy a walk through the Warrior Square Gardens, along the seafront, or maybe visit Hastings Pier. Later, we are in for a treat as we visit The British Tea Museum. Enjoy a talk on the social history of tea in Britain and taste two teas accompanied by scones with cream and jam.
- ◆ Our day starts with a ride through the pleasant Sussex countryside to the village of Bodiam. Here, we join the Kent & East Sussex Railway for a delightful steam train ride to Tenterden. Across the 'border' in Kent, Tenterden is a lovely little town with tea rooms, ideal for lunch. Later, we visit Scotney Castle, a romantic garden with a 14th Century moated castle and Victorian mansion – all in a beautiful, wooded estate. Discover the delights of the country mansion with its secrets and stories, relax in the gardens, or pop into the visitor shop for tasty local produce.



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Jane Austen, Thames River Cruise & Denbies Wine Estate

Hampshire is the perfect blend of city, coast and country, blessed with the natural beauty of two National Parks. It is also the birthplace of Jane Austen so we couldn't visit the area without calling at Chawton House. We also enjoy a cruise along the mighty River Thames and enjoy a wine tasting at Denbies Estate.



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The Elvetham Hotel

Located in North Hampshire, the Elvetham Hotel is a historic 19th Century mansion set within 35 acres of gardens. Retaining many of its period features, this charming hotel has an impressive Orangery Restaurant that offers picturesque views out into the grounds. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel does not have a lift, but ground floor rooms are available on request in the annex.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Henley-on-Thames River Cruise
- ◆ Denbies Vineyard Tour & Tasting
- ◆ Chawton House – Jane Austen's 'Great House'

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel through the rolling Surrey countryside to the county town of Guildford with its magnificent cathedral and cobbled high street. Explore this riverside town with its historic setts and beautiful architecture, fabulous shops, and array of pubs and restaurants. Later, we visit Denbies Wine Estate where we enjoy a Vineyard Train Tour. This 50-minute tour takes us at a leisurely pace to some of the most beautiful viewing points in the vineyard. A recorded commentary enhances your trip making this an informative and comfortable way to experience the magnificent panoramic views of the Denbies Estate and the North Downs.
- ◆ Chawton House is famously known as the residence of Jane Austen. Explore the house where you can see original examples of Austen's writing, and the original family dining room, and relax in the tranquil gardens. Later, we have free time in the historic city of Winchester with its cathedral and medieval streets.
- ◆ We have a short drive taking in some beautiful Berkshire countryside as we head for Henley-on-Thames – famous for its annual regatta. There will be a little time to explore the town before we board our boat for our 1-hour river cruise along the Thames. Afterwards, we travel to Royal Windsor for free time for lunch and to explore the quaint streets and many shops.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 5th October 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 12th October 2026	5 Days	£679 pp	£140	£35

East England



Kent, Pearl of the Southeast - REUNION

Discover Kent, the Garden of England, with its stunning beaches, castles, culture and food with us on our annual Reunion Tour. Fully escorted by Pam & Zoe, and driven by Brent & Richard, there'll be prize quizzes on the coach, evening entertainment, and a Prize Raffle during our stay.



Bridgewood Manor Hotel & Spa

This charming spa hotel is located near Rochester, the perfect base for our Kent Tour. With beautiful rooms, a luxurious spa and well-equipped gym, you can rest assured you'll leave relaxed and well-rested. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, open-plan lounge, relaxing bar, and Squires Restaurant.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Kentish Village of Chilham & Medieval Walled City of Canterbury
- ◆ Seaside Resorts of Margate, Herne Bay & Whitstable
- ◆ Isle of Sheppey – Blue Town Heritage Centre Guide, Tour & Talk, Afternoon Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make a stop at the Kentish Village of Chilham, renowned for its beauty and charm, which lies high above the valley of the River Stour in the picturesque Kent Downs. Surrounding this medieval gem are timber-framed houses of Tudor origin, the 16th Century Church and the imposing Chilham Castle, with its exceptional views across the Stour Valley. After a short stop here, we continue to the medieval walled city of Canterbury which has been hosting visitors for over 1,000 years. You can shop at a huge mix of independent and high street retailers, dine at award-winning restaurants, breweries and cafes, or find a cosy spot to curl up and watch the world go by.
- ◆ The Seaside is our focus today as we visit Margate, a retro seaside town with a world-class art gallery, historic attractions, and stylish spots to eat and drink. We also visit Herne Bay, a hot spot with visitors since the Victorian era, boasting a bandstand, fragrant seafront gardens, distinctive 80ft Clock Tower, and plethora of shops and restaurants. Time permitting, we also visit the bohemian town of Whitstable, famous for its oysters and shingle beaches. This charming port has been dubbed the Pearl of Kent and is brimming with seafood restaurants, picturesque lanes, artisanal bakeries, boutique shops, and art galleries.
- ◆ A highlight today as we visit the Isle of Sheppey and the Blue Town Heritage Centre, where we meet our Guide for tour of The Isle. We return to the Centre for a Talk & Tour of this community cinema, music hall, museum and show destination, entirely run by volunteers. The centre has a number of displays showing the vast historical significance of the area. Whilst here, we enjoy a delicious Afternoon Tea and our Prize Raffle Draw.

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Monday 23rd March 2026	5 Days	£469 pp	£80	£35

Codebreakers & Cambridge

Cambridge is a vibrant, modern city with a colourful history that attracts visitors from around the world. Combined with our visit to Bletchley Park, home of the Codebreakers, you're sure to learn something new on this Cambridgeshire long weekend.



Delta Hotels by Marriott Huntingdon Hotel

Located in the heart of picturesque Cambridgeshire, the Delta by Marriott Hotel Huntingdon is the ideal base for our tour. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar and lounge. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Bletchley Park
- ◆ Guided Tour of Cambridge

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Discover the incredible achievements of Britain's World War II Codebreakers in the place where it happened, Bletchley Park. Once the top-secret home of WW2 Codebreakers, Bletchley Park is now a vibrant heritage attraction. Immersive films, interactive displays, museum collections and faithfully recreated WW2 rooms will guide you on a journey to discover the past Bletchley Park. Exhibitions, set within the beautifully restored historic buildings, tell the story of this top-secret operation. Find out more about the brilliant minds and complex machines that made this vital work possible and discover the global impact Bletchley Park had on the outcome of WW2.
- ◆ We join our Guide this morning for a tour on our coach of Cambridge. Our route takes in a good number of famous sights, Queen's College and its Mathematical Bridge, Darwin College, Pembroke College, Emmanuel College, the River Cam, Jesus Green, and the University's Botanic Garden. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the picturesque city, known for its rich history, punts and university. Away from the museums and beautiful green spaces, the city has a booming shopping scene with plenty of independent stores, alongside familiar brands. Pop into St Mary's Passage to browse the range of traditional-style satchels at the Cambridge Satchel Company, visit the Cambridge Distillery, or go punting along the River Cam.



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Potters Resort - All Inclusive

Join us on this All-Inclusive break to Potters Resort Five Lakes in beautiful Essex countryside. There's so much included at this fabulous hotel, you won't want to leave.



Potters Resort Five Lakes

Nestled in 320 acres, this five-star Fully Inclusive Resort has lots to offer. On this adult-only break you'll enjoy daytime entertainment and West End quality shows, reconnect with friends as you enjoy your favourite drinks, tickle your tastebuds with delicious food, and relax with countless activities and facilities. The hotel has a lift. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Tiptree Museum & Tea Rooms
- ◆ RHS Garden Hyde Hall
- ◆ Breakfasts, Lunches & Evening Meals Each Day
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Thursday 16th April 2026	4 Days	£389 pp	£111	£35

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Monday 20th April 2026	5 Days	£659 pp	£100	£35

Burghley House & Cambridge

Cambridge has inspired academics, philosophers, historians and economists throughout history, from John Milton to Charles Darwin and Stephen Hawking. Let it inspire you too, with its grand college buildings, medieval churches, museums, galleries, gardens and parks, and punting on the Cam along the Becks. We enhance our tours with visits to Burghley House and The American Cemetery.



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Delta Hotel by Marriott Peterborough

The Delta by Marriott Peterborough is located in the tranquil countryside on the outskirts of Peterborough. Its rural setting gives easy access to the countryside and all the attractions on this tour. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. All bedrooms are on the ground or first floor only.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Tour of Cambridge
- ◆ Burghley House
- ◆ The American Cemetery

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit the famous University City of Cambridge. The city has many fascinating attractions, not least of which are the many colleges. We start by meeting our Guide for a Tour of the City, and end with a visit to the American Cemetery. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore independently. There's something for everyone to enjoy in Cambridge – you can go Punting on the River Cam, discover world-class collections of art and antiques at Cambridge University's Fitzwilliam Museum, browse some of the finest independent boutiques around, or explore local pubs and lavish eateries that cater to every gastronomic taste.
- ◆ First stop today is historic Stamford and a chance to look around the town. This lovely market town boasts quaint streets with mellow limestone buildings and delicious food and drink. Later, we move on to Melton Mowbray, home to the famous pork pie, but also well-known for its cheeses- Stilton and Red Leicester.
- ◆ We make our way to Oakham, County town of Rutland, England's smallest county. We have time to look around and explore the lovely little shops and boutiques. Later, we visit Burghley House, a 13,000-acre working Lincolnshire estate on the outskirts of Stamford. Built between 1555 and 1587, this is a wonderful example of the great Elizabethan 'prodigy' houses built to honour the Queen. Explore the stunning state rooms filled with awe-inspiring works of art and priceless treasures. Find hidden trails, imaginative planting, and Elizabethan trickery in the beautiful gardens. There's also an orangery restaurant, shop, and café to visit.

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Thursday, 7th May 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	£134	£35

The Orida Maidstone Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Hall Place Gardens
- ◆ Sissinghurst Gardens
- ◆ Wine Tasting & Tour at Balfour Winery
- ◆ Light Lunch at Balfour Winery

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit Hall Place; a Grade I listed country house built in 1537. A rare example of its type, many of the original features remain today. These include the beautiful 17th Century red-brick courtyard and the spectacular plaster ceiling in the Great Chamber added around the same time and explore the grounds that are set within a 65-hectare estate offering some outstanding examples of horticulture and wildlife. Whatever the season, there is always a spectacular show on in the award-winning gardens so watch out for squirrels, wagtails, geese, exotic ring-necked parakeets and even the resident Kingfisher.
- ◆ Sissinghurst Castle Garden was the backdrop for a diverse history; from the astonishing time as a prison in the 1700s, to being a home to the women's land army. It was also a family home to some fascinating people who lived here or came to stay. Don't miss the vast panoramic views from the top of the Tower, the working farm and the 450-acre wider estate. Later, we visit Balfour Winery for a light lunch and vineyard tour. Along with world-class English wines, beers, and ciders, Balfour Winery is home to some of England's most vibrant flora and fauna. For nature and wine lovers alike, the Estate offers an unparalleled experience. Take a stroll through beautiful vineyards, apple orchards and ancient oak woodlands, with an expert-led tour & tasting.
- ◆ We take a short hop to Canterbury where we have the day at leisure to explore this stunning cathedral city and its many gardens. One of the key gardens is the Franciscan Gardens – an oasis of tranquillity and one of Canterbury's best-kept secrets! This medieval walled city has been hosting visitors for more than 1,000 years.

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Monday 11th May 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	£130	£35

Captivating Kent Coast

Uncover the hidden story of Kent's coastal villages and towns, from secret smugglers to royal connections and the poignant memories of both World Wars.



The Burlington Hotel, BW Premier Collection by Best Western

A grand Victorian seaside hotel, beautifully refurbished, set in Folkestone's elegant West End just steps from the lovely Leas Promenade. The hotel has a lift to all floors, a restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, safe, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ 'Kent's Mainline in Miniature' – Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway
- ◆ Margate & Broadstairs
- ◆ Deal & Walmer Castle & Gardens

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Discover the Cinque Port of Hythe, from its promenade to unique high street shops, before enjoying a nostalgic journey on 'Kent's Mainline in Miniature', the Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway. Travel across Romney Marsh to Dungeness, the eerie home to a host of artists and the 'listening walls' built for early signs of enemy aircraft. We continue into East Sussex, to the picturesque town of Rye, with its cobbled streets, historical buildings and past links to smuggling.
- ◆ Head to the fascinating Isle of Thanet, home to 16 beautiful bays and beaches, with a scenic drive to Margate, home to a thriving artistic community and setting for many famous film conditions. Continue to genteel Broadstairs, Charles Dickens' favourite seaside resort with its picture-perfect sweeping bay, topped by Bleak House itself. Browse a delightful range of independent shops in the traditional high street or dine in a wide variety of restaurants and bars.
- ◆ We head to White Cliffs country to the pretty coastal town of Deal. Take a leisurely stroll along the pier and look back at a view that has hardly changed in a century. Discover Deal's history and explore the maze of narrow streets and alleyways, renowned for smuggling during the 18th Century. We also visit Walmer Castle & Gardens where we explore more than eight acres of award-winning gardens in the grounds of a Tudor fortress turned country house. There's plenty to enjoy in the glorious gardens with flower-filled borders, a kitchen garden, wildflower meadows, shady woodland walks, the restored glen garden and the striking yew cloud hedge in the Broadwalk.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 1st June 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	£80	£35

Soaring Spires, Dad's Army & Georgian Finery

Spend time in scenic Norfolk, visiting the county's famous attractions from the ancient city of Norwich with its soaring cathedral spire, the second highest in England to fictional Dad's Army film location of Walmington-on-Sea. For breathtaking grandeur, we visit the opulent home of Sir Robert Walpole, Houghton Hall and enjoy the beautifully ornate gardens of Bressingham. What a perfect combination.



Wensum Valley Hotel

Wensum Valley Hotel Golf & Country Club is situated in the village of Taverham on the outskirts of Norwich. En-suite bedrooms are traditionally furnished and feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. There is no lift but plenty of ground-floor rooms are available on request. The Valley Restaurant is blessed with lovely views, while the lounge and bar are comfortable spots to relax. There is a pleasant patio area overlooking the Wensum Valley, and guests enjoy complimentary use of the leisure facilities, which include an indoor swimming pool, sauna, steam room, spa bath, and gym.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Tour of Norwich
- ◆ Entrance to Houghton Hall House & Gardens
- ◆ Entrance to Bressingham Steam & Gardens

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ This morning, we enjoy a half-day guided tour of Norwich, on our coach, visiting some of the eclectic mixture of old and new attractions within this delightful city. Don't miss Elm Hill, surrounded by lovely old Tudor buildings which now house appealing independent shops and cafes. There is also the spectacular Cathedral and castle as well as a host of shopping opportunities in the conveniently pedestrianised centre.
- ◆ Today, we have a full day visit to Houghton Hall, the house and gardens of the first British Prime Minister, Sir Robert Walpole (Earl of Orford) who commissioned the magnificent and elaborate house of today. Boasting opulent and rich décor, the State Rooms are a testament to the refined Georgian era with painted ceiling and gilded furniture, designed to impress guests and showcase Walpole's prized art collection. Highlights include the Great Staircase, Stone Hall, The Saloon, the Embroidered Bed Chamber, and the Tapestry Dressing Room. We can explore the restored 5-acre walled garden which combines imaginative planting, charming sculptures and stunning blooms, as well as the medieval St Martin's Church, before visiting the Stables Café or browsing in the gift shop.
- ◆ Today, we travel to Thetford and fictional location of iconic TV series, Dad's Army's 'Walmington-on-Sea'. We have a little free time here to view some of the familiar places where filming took place. Afterwards, we travel a short distance to the magnificent Bressingham Steam & Gardens where we spend the rest of the day. We have free time to visit the neighbouring Garden Centre for lunch before our stroll around the beautiful gardens. Totalling over 17 acres, the fabulous gardens, woodlands and countryside display stunning plant combinations to admire across six distinct gardens.

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Monday 8th June 2026	5 Days	£599 pp	£131	£35

Constable Country & Scenic Suffolk

Charming Suffolk is home to rural villages, lush green meadows, and sandy heathlands depicted by the famous painters Constable and Gainsborough. On this tour, we enjoy a Constable-inspired guided tour, a visit to historic Bury St Edmunds with its connections to Dickens, and a relaxing cruise on the River Deben.



The Best Western Priory Hotel

The Priory Hotel is situated close to the town centre of Bury St Edmunds, nestled behind the historic walls of an old priory.

En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant and bar. Sorry, there is no lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Tour of Constable Country
- ◆ Flatford Mill & The Vale of Dedham
- ◆ River Deben Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We discover the idyllic villages of Constable Country on a guided tour on our coach. We include visits to East Bergholt – the birthplace of the famous painter himself – an unspoiled village with many fine old houses and cottages, Dedham, where Constable used to attend school, and the little hamlet of Flatford Mill. All these locations were favoured subjects in his paintings with one of his works being named after the mill. Later, we visit Colchester, once Britain's first city and the former capital of Roman Britain. The historic centre is ripe for exploring, with important heritage sites to be found around every corner.
- ◆ We journey the short distance to the historic town of Bury St Edmunds, famous for its Abbey Gardens and the Angel Hotel, where Dickens had Mrs Pickwick stay. Today is market day so browse the market together with a great mix of independent shops and fantastic eateries.
- ◆ A drive east takes us to Waldringfield where we enjoy a relaxing 2-hour cruise on the River Deben, one of the most beautiful spots on the east coast. The habitat provides for a great number of wading and migratory birds. Afterwards, we visit Woodbridge, a charming small town on the banks of the river. Perhaps visit the famous tide mill or browse the shops on the high street.

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Monday 8th June 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	£40	£35

Great Yarmouth

Based in Norfolk's premier seaside resort, this is a holiday of many contrasts, from the hustle and bustle of a busy seaside resort to the relaxing calm of The Broads, to the historic City of Norwich and the quieter resorts and towns of the region.



The Palm Court Hotel

The family owned and run Palm Court Hotel stands in a quiet location on Great Yarmouth's seafront, overlooking the sea. All en-suite bedrooms are pleasantly decorated and feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, 2 bars, a good range of seating areas, and an indoor swimming pool. There will be some evening entertainment during your stay.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Norfolk Broads Cruise
- ◆ Bressingham Gardens
- ◆ Blickling Estate

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We begin the day with a visit to Wroxham and the charming Norfolk Broads where we enjoy a cruise around the picturesque Broads. A full commentary from the Skipper will ensure you don't miss a thing. Later, we head west into Norwich. A visit to the cathedral is a must, along with cobbled Elm Hill and the Castle Mall shopping complex.
- ◆ Today's excursion takes us first down the coast and into Suffolk to the timeless village and delightful resort of Southwold, little changed since Victorian times. Later, we head inland to Diss and the Blooms of Bressingham Garden Centre. Here we visit the nearby Bressingham Gardens and Steam Museum. The gardens are renowned the world over for their excellence.
- ◆ Our first visit today is to Blickling Estate, one of England's great Jacobean Houses. It is famed for its spectacular Long Gallery and collections of furniture, pictures, books, and tapestries. The gardens are full of colour throughout the year and the extensive parkland has a lake with beautiful woodland and lakeside walks. We have chance to explore and maybe enjoy a drink and bite to eat before we visit the coastal resort of Cromer for a leisurely afternoon by the sea.
- ◆ We begin with a drive south to Oulton Broad and Lowestoft, with the chance to obtain lunch and explore, before heading back to Great Yarmouth.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 5th July 2026	6 Days	£799 pp	Nil	£42

Hoo Fancies Scenic Suffolk

Suffolk in Summer - the perfect time to step back in time and delve into the county's incredible millennium-old history when the countryside is bursting with colour. Discover Suffolk's rolling landscapes, thatched pink cottages and ancient market towns with visits to the stunning Tudor mansion of Kentwell Hall, the famous Anglo Saxon royal burial ground of Sutton Hoo, and the charming coastal town of Aldeburgh.



Salthouse Harbour Hotel

This contemporary, boutique hotel is set on the beautiful Ipswich waterfront. Each of the modern bedrooms has been individually designed with a personal touch, with plenty of warm and welcoming tones and contemporary furnishings. Rooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The sleek and stylish public areas, including the Salthouse Eaterie, bar and lounge areas, feature contemporary décor dotted with pieces of art. The hotel has a lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entrance to St Edmundsbury Cathedral
- ◆ Entrance to Sutton Hoo
- ◆ Entrance to Kentwell Hall & Gardens

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a full day in Bury St Edmunds including a Guided Tour of St Edmundsbury Cathedral. Steeped in 1,000 years of history, the town of Bury St Edmunds is the home of Saint Edmund, the original patron Saint of England. We also have time to explore the award-winning Abbey Gardens, 14 acres of colourful and attractive displays as well as the ruins of Bury St Edmunds Abbey. An appealing choice of independent shops, local breweries, and a well-known foodie scene, make this historic town an enjoyable place to visit.
- ◆ This morning, we visit Suffolk's charming coastal town of Aldeburgh on Suffolk's Heritage Coast. Once the home of Benjamin Britten, we have free time to see the pretty pastel-coloured houses and browse the variety of clothes boutiques and art shops. Later, we drive to Sutton Hoo for free time and a guided tour. The world-famous Anglo-Saxon royal burial site of Sutton Hoo is a 255-acre estate, home to one of the greatest archaeological discoveries of all time. We discover the story of the ship burial of an Anglo-Saxon king and explore the award-winning exhibition including a full-size reconstruction of the burial chamber.
- ◆ We enjoy a wonderfully scenic drive through Dedham Vale, an Area of Natural Outstanding Beauty, to Lavenham, considered to be Britain's best-preserved medieval village. We then arrive in Suffolk's ancient market town of Sudbury set on the River Stour for free time for lunch before a visit to Kentwell with guided visit to the House & Gardens. Surrounded by stunning gardens and parkland in the beautiful Suffolk village of Long Melford, Kentwell Hall is a mellow redbrick house dating back to the early 16th Century with 500 years of history and fascinating stories to discover.

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Houses & Gardens of Norfolk

Explore Norfolk and discover a county with more than 90 miles of stunning coast, beautiful countryside, forest, heath and fens, the unique Broads National Park, seaside resorts, and historic, vibrant towns and villages. Our themed tour takes in some of the most beautiful Houses & Gardens the county has to offer.



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The Dunston Hall Hotel

Tucked away in rural Norfolk, Dunston Hall's woodland setting makes for an ideal base for our tour. This Elizabethan-style country retreat dates back to 1859 and boasts a lift, restaurant, bar, and health club with gym and swimming pool. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Thetford Market & Oxburgh Estate
- ◆ Houghton Hall & Gardens and Old Hunstanton
- ◆ Blickling Estate & Cromer

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Thetford is a town full of history with a picturesque, river-side setting. Old timber-framed houses sit happily beside more recent brick-built ones and the flint, much of it mined locally, is very much in evidence in shops, houses, churches, and many other buildings. Shopping can be enjoyed in the town today, and Tuesday is Market Day. Later, we visit Oxburgh Estate. It's hard not to fall in love when you catch your first glimpse of the imposing brick manor house reflected in the tranquil moat. Step inside to discover the legacy of the 6th Baronet who created much of what you see today, from the Victorian Gothic interiors to the ornate architectural additions that reflect a romantic view of Oxburgh's medieval past. Outside, the gardens are a mixture of formal and wilderness with the kitchen garden, orchard, and herbaceous border adding colour.
- ◆ Built for Britain's first Prime Minister, Sir Robert Walpole in the 1720s, Houghton Hall is now home to the 7th Marquess of Cholmondeley – a descendant of Sir Robert Walpole – and his family. The Hall is set in extensive parkland, with its famous white fallow deer, an award-winning Walled Garden, Model Soldier Museum (the largest private collection of model soldiers in the world), café and Gift Shop. Later, we visit Hunstanton – the only west-facing resort on the east coast of England.
- ◆ Nobody ever forgets their first sight of Blickling. The breath-taking Jacobean mansion and ancient yew hedges sit at the heart of a magnificent garden and historic park in the beautiful Bure Meadows. Surrounding the house, the formal garden is the result of three centuries of inspired planting. Later, we visit Cromer, home to an unspoilt pier, Cromer Museum, and the 14th Century Church of St Peter and St Paul.

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- ◆ Sissinghurst Castle Garden was the backdrop for a diverse history; from the astonishing time as a prison in the 1700s, to being a home to the women's land army. It was also a family home to some fascinating people who lived here or came to stay. Don't miss the vast panoramic views from the top of the Tower, the working farm and the 450-acre wider estate. Later, we visit Balfour Winery for a light lunch and vineyard tour. Along with world-class English wines, beers, and ciders, Balfour Winery is home to some of England's most vibrant flora and fauna. For nature and wine lovers alike, the Estate offers an unparalleled experience. Take a stroll through beautiful vineyards, apple orchards and ancient oak woodlands, with an expert-led tour & tasting.
- ◆ We take a short hop to Canterbury where we have the day at leisure to explore this stunning cathedral city and its many gardens. One of the key gardens is the Franciscan Gardens – an oasis of tranquillity and one of Canterbury's best-kept secrets! This medieval walled city has been hosting visitors for more than 1,000 years.

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Monday 17th August 2026	5 Days	£589 pp	£180	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 7th September 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	£130	£35

Steeped in Lincolnshire Tradition

Revel in grand estates, historic cathedrals, and scenic landscapes on this escape to Lincolnshire. Discover a stunning example of Elizabethan design, explore over 900 years of history and craftsmanship, and journey through rolling landscapes and picturesque villages of the Lincolnshire Wolds.



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Brackenborough Lakes Resort Hotel

Brackenborough Lakes Resort is an independently run boutique hotel that sits within 30 acres of Lincolnshire Wolds countryside, offering peaceful views and easy access to the coast. The in-house restaurant, The Lounge, serves a thoughtfully curated seasonal menu that showcases the best of locally sourced ingredients, making it a favourite of both guests and locals like. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel operates a cashless system. Sorry, there is no lift, but the hotel has some ground floor rooms which may be available on request. All other rooms are on the first floor up 1 flight of stairs.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Doddington Hall & Gardens
- ◆ Lincon Cathedral
- ◆ Stokes Tea & Coffee!
- ◆ Lincolnshire Wolds & Coast Guided Tour

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Doddington Hall is a stunning example of Elizabethan design and is set amidst 5 acres of formal and kitchen gardens. On a guided tour, discover over 100 paintings, 17th-Century Flemish tapestries, and furniture collected over 400 years of family ownership. Then, step into the walled gardens to learn about the ambitious wilding project aimed at restoring nature to the estate. There's also an award-winning Farm Shop and eateries, the Home Store, Farrow & Ball and the Country Clothing Store. Later, we visit the picturesque market town of Louth, known as the 'Capital of the Wolds'.
- ◆ We enjoy a fascinating tour and tasting combined with an amazing story of eco-friendly refurbishment, at the former 'Lincoln Lunatic Asylum'; now home to Stokes Tea & Coffee. Alongside the best coffee in Lincoln and amazing tea varieties, Stokes is an impressive blend of surprising artefacts and imaginative modern design, where you will enjoy a behind-the-scenes spectacular, witnessing masters at work as you learn the secrets of a perfect brew from a fourth-generation business. Later we visit Lincoln Cathedral, a stunning example of Gothic architecture which dominates the city skyline with its towering spires and intricate stonework.
- ◆ This morning we discover rolling landscapes and charming villages of the Lincolnshire Wolds, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, on our half-day guided coach tour. We journey through gently undulating hills, picturesque market towns, and lush farmland, as our expert guide shares fascinating stories of the region's history, heritage, and wildlife. Admire the unspoiled scenery before heading towards the stunning coastline. The rest of the day is at leisure in Skegness, a classic seaside resort known for its sandy beaches and lively promenade.

Constable Country & Scenic Suffolk

Charming Suffolk is home to rural villages, lush green meadows, and sandy heathlands depicted by the famous painters Constable and Gainsborough. On this tour, we enjoy a Constable-inspired guided tour, a visit to historic Bury St Edmunds with its connections to Dickens, and a relaxing cruise on the River Deben.



The Best Western Priory Hotel

The Priory Hotel is situated close to the town centre of Bury St Edmunds, nestled behind the historic walls of an old priory. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant and bar. Sorry, there is no lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Tour of Constable Country
- ◆ Flatford Mill & The Vale of Dedham
- ◆ River Deben Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We discover the idyllic villages of Constable Country on a guided tour on our coach. We include visits to East Bergholt – the birthplace of the famous painter himself – an unspoiled village with many fine old houses and cottages, Dedham, where Constable used to attend school, and the little hamlet of Flatford Mill. All these locations were favoured subjects in his paintings with one of his works being named after the mill. Later, we visit Colchester, once Britain's first city and the former capital of Roman Britain. The historic centre is ripe for exploring, with important heritage sites to be found around every corner.
- ◆ We journey the short distance to the historic town of Bury St Edmunds, famous for its Abbey Gardens and the Angel Hotel, where Dickens had Mrs Pickwick stay. Today is market day so browse the market together with a great mix of independent shops and fantastic eateries.
- ◆ A drive east takes us to Waldringfield where we enjoy a relaxing 2-hour cruise on the River Deben, one of the most beautiful spots on the east coast. The habitat provides for a great number of wading and migratory birds. Afterwards, we visit Woodbridge, a charming small town on the banks of the river. Perhaps visit the famous tide mill or browse the shops on the high street.

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Monday, 7th September 2026	5 Days	£599 pp	£140	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 21st September 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	£40	£35

Norfolk Broads, Holkham & Historic Railways

Big skies, sweeping sands and the tranquil Norfolk Broads help make picturesque Norfolk a great destination to visit. Our gently paced tour to this enchanting county reveals them all and more, with two steam railway journeys, a cruise on the Broads, and visits to Great Yarmouth and historic Holkham Hall.



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Codebreakers & Cambridge

Cambridge is a vibrant, modern city with a colourful history that attracts visitors from around the world. Combined with our visit to Bletchley Park, home of the Codebreakers, you're sure to learn something new on this Cambridgeshire long weekend.



Wensum Valley Hotel

Wensum Valley Hotel Golf & Country Club is situated in the village of Taverham on the outskirts of Norwich. En-suite bedrooms are traditionally furnished and feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. There is no lift but plenty of ground floor rooms are available on request. The Valley Restaurant is blessed with lovely views, while the lounge and bar are comfortable spots to relax. Other hotel facilities include a snooker room, swimming pool, sauna, steam room, and spa bath.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Single Journey on the Bure Valley Railway
- ◆ 90-minute Circular Cruise on the Norfolk Broads
- ◆ One-way Journey on the North Norfolk Railway
- ◆ Entrance to Holkham Hall

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Our day starts with a visit to the Bure Valley Railway and a 45-minute journey by steam train through the picturesque Norfolk countryside from Aylsham to Wroxham. On arrival, we disembark and take a leisurely 15-minute stroll to Wroxham Bridge, where we enjoy time for lunch. Later, we enjoy the next stage of our journey, a 90-minute circular cruise on the Norfolk Broads.
- ◆ We have free time this morning to enjoy Norfolk's classic seaside town of Great Yarmouth, famed for its sandy beach. Aside from the Leasure Beach amusement park, you can visit the Time & Tide Museum to chronicle local history, or the Nelson Museum, which charts the life of Admiral Lord Nelson. If the weather allows, we can also stroll around the miniature Merrivale Model Villages. Next, we travel to Norwich with time for lunch and to explore. This lovely medieval city has plenty of interest, from its ornately cloistered cathedral and medieval city gates leading to its Saxon-era marketplace to the Museum of Norwich and some fabulous shopping.
- ◆ We journey to the Victorian seaside resort of Sheringham to board the North Norfolk Railway for a one-way, 5.5-mile journey to the Georgian town of Holt. Sit back and absorb the views as our steam train chugs through the county's stunning scenery. After arriving in Holt, we make our way north for our visit to Holkham Hall, set like a jewel in one of England's greatest agricultural estates. This imposing, 18th Century Palladian house is home to the Earls of Leicester, and consists of a glorious Marble Hall, state rooms, and art galleries. We spend time exploring the house and its gorgeous walled garden, which houses a greenhouse, vinerias, and kitchen garden.

Delta Hotels by Marriott Huntingdon Hotel

Located in the heart of picturesque Cambridgeshire, the Delta by Marriott Hotel Huntingdon is the ideal base for our tour. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar and lounge. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Bletchley Park
- ◆ Guided Tour of Cambridge

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Discover the incredible achievements of Britain's World War II Codebreakers in the place where it happened, Bletchley Park. Once the top-secret home of WW2 Codebreakers, Bletchley Park is now a vibrant heritage attraction. Immersive films, interactive displays, museum collections and faithfully recreated WW2 rooms will guide you on a journey to discover the past Bletchley Park. Exhibitions, set within the beautifully restored historic buildings, tell the story of this top-secret operation. Find out more about the brilliant minds and complex machines that made this vital work possible and discover the global impact Bletchley Park had on the outcome of WW2.
- ◆ We join our Guide this morning for a tour on our coach of Cambridge. Our route takes in a good number of famous sights, Queen's College and its Mathematical Bridge, Darwin College, Pembroke College, Emmanuel College, the River Cam, Jesus Green, and the University's Botanic Garden. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the picturesque city, known for its rich history, punts and university. Away from the museums and beautiful green spaces, the city has a booming shopping scene with plenty of independent stores, alongside familiar brands. Pop into St Mary's Passage to browse the range of traditional-style satchels at the Cambridge Satchel Company, visit the Cambridge Distillery, or go punting along the River Cam.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 25th September 2026	5 Days	£629 pp	£131	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday 1st October 2026	4 Days	£389 pp	£111	£35

Middle England



Warwickshire & Shakespeare's England

Warwickshire, Shakespeare's England, comes with a story to tell, vibrant towns, surrounded by charming countryside, it has its own unmistakable identity.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Shakespeare's Schoolroom & Stratford-Upon-Avon
- ◆ Tewkesbury Abbey & Broadway
- ◆ Alcester & Packwood Tudor House

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ During our visit to Shakespeare's Schoolroom, immerse yourself in sixteenth century Stratford-upon-Avon and explore the very room where William Shakespeare sat in the 1570s and where he wrote his first works. Discover the space where young William saw plays performed by the finest actors of the day. Enjoy a fun and engaging Tudor style school lesson with Shakespeare's last schoolmaster and you may leave having learnt a little Latin! The rest of the day will be at leisure in Stratford-upon-Avon, a market town with more than 800 years of history, containing not only many buildings that survive today and would have been familiar to Shakespeare, but also a thriving community offering a variety of shopping and dining experiences.
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Monday, 1st June 2026	5 Days	£489 pp	£109	£35

The Heart of England

The Heart of England is a place steeped in history, art, and culture. Based in Great Malvern with the beautiful Malvern Hills overlooking the town, we take you on a lovely sightseeing holiday, showcasing some of the very best the region has to offer.



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The Abbey Hotel

A firm favourite of our customers, the setting of the Abbey Hotel is by far one of the most perfect in the country, situated right in the heart of the countryside at the foot of the Malvern Hills. The hotel has a lift, Priory View Restaurant, 1848 Lounge Bar, and Courtyard Café. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, ironing centre, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Whitlunge Tea Room Cream Tea & Stourport-on-Severn
- ◆ Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway
- ◆ Sudeley Castle & Gardens

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to Cheltenham Racecourse where we join the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway for our steam or diesel heritage train journey through some of the most spectacular scenery in the Cotswolds. The line commands wonderful views of the nearby sleepy hamlets and villages, with outstanding outlooks across to the Malvern Hills and beyond. We alight at the quaint, picture-postcard village of Broadway, where you will have time to explore the historic high street.
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- ◆ Stourport-on-Severn is our focus today, a lively town which sits on the banks of the River Severn. With independent shops, cafes, and restaurants, and the riverside for relaxing strolls, you're sure to find something to keep you busy. Later, we visit Whitlunge Tea Room & Gardens where we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea.

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Monday, 1st June 2026	5 Days	£539 pp	£80	£35

Britain's Heritage - Aviation Pioneers, Codebreakers & Country Estates

Join us on a fascinating tour to learn more about Britain's early aviation pioneers and their incredible 'flying machines' combined with visits to one of the country's best preserved historic country estates. We also find out about the wartime secrets of Alan Turing and the codebreakers. All this topped off with a relaxing river cruise along the scenic River Great Ouse.



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The Mercure Bedford Centre Hotel

Overlooking the River Great Ouse in the heart of the market town of Bedford, this hotel offers modern and comfortable accommodation. Its stylish rooms are decorated in bold colours with sleek furnishings. The hotel has a lift, Riverside Restaurant, and Riverside Bar. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Shuttleworth Collection
- ◆ John Bunyan River Cruise
- ◆ Waddesdon Manor
- ◆ Bletchley Park

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ This morning we travel to the Shuttleworth Collection for a guided tour including tea/coffee. A treasure trove of early 20th Century aircraft, discover more about the daring bravery of the pilots who flew these early light aircraft. Explore the 1930s grass airfield, 9-acre Regency Swiss Garden and Grade II Victorian mansion of Shuttleworth House and Woodland Walk and Sculpture Trail. Afterwards we enjoy a scenic 2-hour round trip river boat cruise aboard the John Bunyan Community Boat from Sovereign's Quays to Kempston with a delicious cream tea box included.
- ◆ Today we visit Waddesdon Manor, the impressive French-Renaissance-style chateau built by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild in the 1800s to house his fine art collection with stunning views of Oxfordshire and the Chiltern Hills. The ornate rooms display exquisite pieces of furniture, paintings and works of art and beautiful Victorian style gardens include the Rose Garden, Water Garden, and Rococo-style Aviary
- ◆ We visit Bletchley Park once the base of Britain's WWII codebreakers. Now a fascinating heritage attraction with immersive films, interactive displays and exhibitions set within beautifully restored historic buildings, it tells the story of the brilliant minds and complex machines headed by Alan Turing which helped crack Germany's Enigma Code.

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Monday 22nd June 2026	5 Days	£589 pp	£120	£35

Wye Valley & The Royal Forest of Dean

Experience this magical borderland on a scenic river cruise, a relaxing train ride, and visits to historic towns. This is a place where you can recharge your batteries, get off the beaten track, and escape the everyday.



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Bells Hotel & Country Club

The Bells Hotel & Country Club make up the largest leisure complex in the Forest of Dean. Bells Hotel is a place to relax & unwind and enjoy the pleasant surroundings. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, and some evening entertainment. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. **Please note:** The bedroom block is an approximate 25 yard outside walk away from the clubhouse, which is home to all public areas including the bar, lounge, and restaurant.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cruise on the River Wye
- ◆ Dean Forest Railway
- ◆ Hereford & Ross-on-Wye

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We cross the border into Wales to the Georgian market town of Monmouth, famous for its unique 13th Century Monnow Bridge. Monmouth is also renowned for its independent shops – don't miss Bees for Development, Fingal Rock, Atelier Gilmar, and Salt & Pepper. It has restaurants to suit all tastes and plenty of opportunities for a coffee in a café in a quiet courtyard. We return to England for a relaxing cruise along the River Wye from Symonds Yat, which has long been one of the most spectacular stretches of the Wye Valley.
- ◆ We follow the twists and turns of the Wye Valley, passing the magnificent ruins of Tintern Abbey before continuing to the historic walled border town of Chepstow, which is dominated by the oldest surviving stone castle in Britain, on the banks of the River Wye. Later, we return to the delightful Royal Forest of Dean for a relaxing round trip on the Dean Forest Railway. This 4½ mile line runs through beautiful woodland and countryside offering a chance to experience the gentle pace of a typical country branch line.
- ◆ Hereford sits right at the heart of the county, on a loop of the River Wye. The golden-stone cathedral, with its medieval Mappa Mundi and Chained Library, is a huge draw – but you can also wander among half-timbered houses and stroll along the Wye. Browse independent shops across the city, they're clustered along quirky Church Street – and explore the Old Market, transformed into an open-air destination for shopping, dining and cinema. We also make a stop at Ross-on-Wye, perched on a sandstone cliff above the River Wye.

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The County of Shropshire

Along the upper reaches of the River Severn and the borders between England and Wales, the countryside of Shropshire shelters some of the most beautiful landscapes and unspoilt towns that you can imagine.



The Mercure Telford Hotel

The Mercure Telford is centrally located and an ideal base for this tour. After a busy day, guests have complimentary access to onsite leisure facilities which include a gym and indoor swimming pool. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. All en-suite bedrooms are stylish and spacious, boasting fresh, vibrant colours and fabrics, and feature TV, ironing facilities, complimentary Wi-Fi, laptop safe, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ludlow
- ◆ Shrewsbury & River Severn Cruise
- ◆ Beautiful Georgian Bewdley
- ◆ Blists Hill Victorian Town
- ◆ Stokesay Castle

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Stokesay Castle is the finest and best-preserved medieval manor house in England. Discover the great hall, unchanged for over 700 years. Spot characters carved in the timbers of the 17th Century gatehouse and climb to the top of a fairy-tale tower for breath-taking views of the Shropshire Hills. We also visit historic Ludlow, a medieval town with an imposing castle at the top of the town square. There is no shortage of good eating places in and around Ludlow, at all levels to suit all tastes and budgets.
- ◆ This morning it is Shrewsbury that catches our attention – packed with timber framed black and white buildings amongst narrow alleyways and surrounded by the River Severn. Shrewsbury is full of finds to be discovered and the café culture, the castle, and the churches that dominate the famous skyline are a must. Whilst here, we enjoy a cruise on the River Severn, passing the Welsh Bridge, Theatre Severn, Shrewsbury Castle, and The Leap.
- ◆ We head south to Bridgnorth, where we join the famous Severn Valley Railway for a delightful ride along the beautiful Severn Valley, passing through lovingly restored stations on the way to Kidderminster. Enjoy some free time to explore this market town, once a key location to make speeches with a young Winston Churchill, Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin, explorer Earnest Shackleton and women's rights campaigner Emmeline Pankhurst all having spoken at the famous town hall. Later we have a short ride to the lovely Georgian Severn-side town of Bewdley with its wealth of listed buildings and attractive shopping and riverside area to explore.

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Monday, 24th August 2026	5 Days	£539 pp	£80	£35

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Monday 24th August 2026	5 Days	£579 pp	£148	£35

Warwickshire & Shakespeare's England

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Severn Valley Railway, Safari & Shire Counties of the West Midlands

From beautiful gardens and fairytale castles to spectacular ruins and Roman cities, the West Midlands region is packed with things to do. Our tour includes the magical West Midlands Safari Park, the Cathedral City of Worcester, The Severn Valley Railway and a selection of the Ironbridge Gorge Museums.



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The Mercure Birmingham West Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ West Midlands Safari Park
- ◆ Black Country Living Museum
- ◆ Cathedral City of Worcester
- ◆ RAF Cosford Aerospace Museum
- ◆ Coalport China Museum
- ◆ Severn Valley Railway

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We head north to visit the Coalport China Museum, housing an exquisite collection of Coalport and Caughley China. The Museum is located in the magnificent, listed buildings that were home to the factory until 1926. From here, we make our way to the Aerospace Museum at RAF Cosford. This excellent exhibition has 70 aircraft dating back to wartime, memorabilia from over the years, and the National Cold War Exhibition gives an insight into life behind the Iron Curtain.
- ◆ Enjoy the morning at leisure to explore the delights of Worcester. Perhaps see the impressive Cathedral and the scenic River Severn flowing through the city and obtain lunch. Later, we have a drive along the delightful Severn Valley. In Bewdley, we visit the West Midlands Safari Park and enjoy tea/coffee and cakes before a Safari Drive with our knowledgeable Park Guide.
- ◆ We ride to Kidderminster and join the Severn Valley Railway for our journey along the valley to Bridgnorth, passing through delightfully restored stations on the way. Later, we visit the Black Country Living Museum in time for lunch. If you're a fan of 'Peaky Blinders', you may recognise the museum as many scenes are filmed here.



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Monday 21st September 2026	5 Days	£489 pp	£104	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 28th September 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	£112	£35

Northern England & Yorkshire



Morecambe

Stroll along Morecambe's award-winning promenade with an ice cream before visiting the Eric Morecambe Statue, and the Tern Project, a series of public art installations inspired by the birdlife of Morecambe Bay.



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The Auckland Hotel

Having been a family-run hotel for nearly 40 years, the Auckland Hotel understands the needs of holidaymakers, from great food to a good night's sleep as they strive to make sure your stay is as good as possible. Located in the heart of Morecambe and close to shops and restaurants, the hotel offers spectacular views over the Bay to the Lake District Hills. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and some evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Carnforth Station & Leighton Hall
- ◆ Kendal
- ◆ £2.00 Bar Each Evening Between 5:30pm & 9:00pm
- ◆ Cream Tea in the Hotel on the Free Day
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We arrive at Carnforth Station for morning coffee in the iconic Refreshment Room where the movie 'Brief Encounter' was set. Next, take a look around the Carnforth Heritage Visitor Centre and enjoy a light lunch of soup and a sandwich. Then it's on to Leighton Hall for a House Tour with time in the gardens, weather permitting and a hot drink in the tearoom before we leave. Leighton Hall has been a much-loved family home and the centre of an agricultural estate since medieval times. Enjoy the famous collection of Gillow furniture and objets d'art during our visit.
- ◆ Kendal is no ordinary market town. Full of character, explore interweaving alleyways and cobbled yards, delve into farm shops, discover local bakers and brewers or browse for local delicacies at the weekly market.

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Monday, 23rd February 2026	5 Days	£359 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 15th March 2026	5 Days	£479 pp	Nil	£35

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UPGRADES AVAILABLE

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Monday, 16th March 2026	5 Days	£359 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 6th April 2026	5 Days	£359 pp	Nil	£35

Vintage Variety Weekend

We don't travel too far from home on this trip to Yorkshire for a weekend of vintage-fuelled entertainment. It's all about the activities which include a Murder Mystery on the Haworth Express, a Vintage Variety performance and Musical Singing performance.



© Embsay & Bolton Steam Railway

The Cedar Court Hotel

The Cedar Court Hotel is located high in the Pennines between Huddersfield & Halifax in West Yorkshire. It is an ideal centre for our weekend and hotel facilities include a lift, restaurant, bar, and fitness centre. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The JDs Rockin' Good Nite Band
- ◆ Good Old Days Variety Show
- ◆ Murder on the Embsay & Bolton Abbey Railway
- ◆ The Lipsticks – 1940s & 1950s Classy Ladies Trio



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EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We have a later start this morning and make our way to Holmfirth. Sitting in the heart of the breathtaking Holme Valley, this picture-postcard town is the renowned location of the TV classic Last of the Summer Wine. We continue to Huddersfield, arriving at the Cedar Court Hotel with time to check-in and settle into our rooms. After enjoying dinner this evening, our first night of entertainment begins with the JDs Rockin' Good Nite performance – a four-piece boyband playing hits from the 60s and 70s on guitar and keyboards.
- ◆ After breakfast, this morning we make our way to the spa town of Harrogate. Make sure to visit the famous the famous Betty's Tearooms, founded in 1919 by a Swiss confectioner. There is also the Royal Pump Rooms Museum where you will be able to find out why Charles Dickens said that 'Harrogate in the queerest place with the strangest people in it, leading the oddest lives!'. After dinner tonight we enjoy an evening of live entertainment in the form of a 'Vintage Variety Show'. Comedy numbers, jugglers, singers, and dancers, all help create moments of joy and laughter.
- ◆ We enjoy a relaxing morning before making our way to board the Embsay & Bolton Abbey Railway for a 1920s-style Murder Mystery. As we journey through the Yorkshire Dales a bespoke, live-action story will unfold. Are you going to be able to solve the case and discover who committed the murder? We then make our way back to the hotel to enjoy dinner. The final night of entertainment comes from 'The Lipsticks'. This trio of classy ladies will be playing hits from the 1940s and 1950s, rounding off our weekend of vintage entertainment in style.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 20th March 2026	4 Days	£499 pp	£75	£35

Beautiful Lake District

The Lake District is England's largest National Park and UNESCO World Heritage Site. Discover spectacular landscapes, picturesque villages, a warm welcome and a rich cultural heritage.



Fantastic Beasts & Seaside Treats

Go wild for the Yorkshire Wildlife Park with a full day spent exploring – home to England's largest collection of polar bears – with time to browse the complex's numerous independent shops and boutique stores. We also enjoy a visit to Lincoln Cathedral and a journey on one of Britain's oldest seaside miniature railways complete with fish & chips for lunch!



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The Lakeland Kendal Hotel, Sure Collection by Best Western

Our hotel is nestled in the heart of Kendal and serves as our gateway to the breath-taking Lake District. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Grasmere & The Gingerbread Shop
- ◆ Keswick & Ullswater Steamer

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Grasmere is perhaps best-known as being the home of William Wordsworth, a place he once described as 'the most loveliest spot that a man hath found'. Whilst here, we visit the famous Gingerbread Shop for a talk which brings to life Cumbria's culinary history and the story of Sarah Nelson. As you would expect, with the mouth-watering aroma of sweet ginger hanging in the air, everyone receives a freshly baked piece of Grasmere Gingerbread, an oatcake spread with delicious hand-made Cumberland Rum Butter, and a cup of tea or coffee. From here, we continue to Ambleside for time at leisure.
- ◆ We travel through some spectacular scenery as we make our way to Glenridding to join Ullswater Steamers for our cruise to Pooley Bridge. Experience iconic mountain views from a truly unique perspective. Later, we continue to Keswick, a small town with a pedestrianised centre, Moot Hall, contemporary shops and galleries. After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



Hex Hotel

The Hex Hotel is uniquely located in The Yorkshire Hive, a shopping, dining, and entertainment complex which also includes Yorkshire Wildlife Park. All en-suite bedrooms are decorated to a superb standard with most offering walk-in showers. All feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. Meals are served in the main Brasserie & Bar area. Please note, due to the unique set-up of this complex, the reception, bedrooms, brasserie, and bar are in separate buildings within the Yorkshire Hive and are a few minutes' walk from one another. The hotel has a lift.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entrance to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
- ◆ Entrance & Guided Tour of Lincoln Cathedral
- ◆ Return Journey on Cleethorpes Coast Light Railway with Fish & Chips

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make the most of our unique location with a visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park. As the UK's number one walkthrough wildlife experience, we're in for a 'roarsome' day out with around 475 animals to meet! Among the 60 different species, highlights include Project Polar, home to the only polar bears in England; magnificent African Lions in the seven-acre Lion Country; a family of Californian sea lions in the largest purpose-built habitat of its kind in the world; and the 300-meter raised walkway above Land of the Tigers. Other critters to look out for include rhinos, giraffes, red pandas, leopards, monkeys, lemurs, zebras, and many more.
- ◆ We visit magnificent Lincoln Cathedral. One of Europe's finest Gothic buildings, dating back to the 11th Century, our visit includes a 1-hour Floor Tour where an expert guide takes us on a journey revealing hundreds of years of history. We have free time for lunch and time to explore the city at leisure in the afternoon.
- ◆ We hop on the Cleethorpes Coast Light Railway for a journey along the picturesque Humberside Coast. The journey takes you on a 2-mile return journey around Cleethorpes Boating Lake, joining the seafront path with views of the picturesque Lincolnshire Coast before winding in-land over the splendid viaduct. The trip includes a delicious lunch of Fish & Chips plus a visit to the smallest pub on the planet, the Signal Box Inn! We also enjoy some time at leisure to relax in the Victorian seaside resort of Cleethorpes.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 19th April 2026	5 Days	£479 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 20th April 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	£71	£35

Yummy Yorkshire

The people of Yorkshire are immensely proud of their county and especially of their food and drink. Today, some of the best meat, cheese, beer, and baked goods can be found in Yorkshire and there's no better way to enjoy them than on this culinary adventure based in York.



Skipping Through Skipton

What's not to love about Skipton and the surrounding area? Immense history, a rich culture, independent shops, food & drink places galore, an iconic castle, stunning countryside and, perhaps most of all, friendly and passionate Yorkshire people.



The Burn Hall Hotel

Nestling in glorious Yorkshire countryside, this Victorian manor house is packed full of personality, with well-furnished bedrooms. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Black Sheep Brewery Tour & Tasting
- ◆ Wensleydale Creamery Experience
- ◆ York Cocoa House Experience
- ◆ Yorkshire Afternoon Tea
- ◆ Single Rail Journey – Pickering to Whitby
- ◆ Fish Tea in Whitby

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Travel to Ripon and the Black Sheep Brewery. First opened in 1992 the tour will tell you the tales of how the brewery started to the present day. Visit the Brewhouse and sample a range of delicious beers. Next up, journey into the heart of the Yorkshire Dales to Wensleydale Creamery. The centre takes you on the journey of the art of cheesemaking through the years. Travel back through Settle and Skipton, 'The Gateway to the Dales'.
- ◆ From Rowntree's to Terry's some of the most famous names in confectionary were founded in York. York Chocolate House, established in 2011, tells the story of York chocolate and what it has become today. Have a go at making the sweet stuff yourself and enjoy the all-important taste test. Afterwards, Afternoon Tea will showcase some of Yorkshire's best produce before we enjoy free time to explore.
- ◆ First stop is Pickering before hopping aboard the Yorkshire Moors Railway for a relaxing journey to Whitby. Pickering Station is a must-see 1930's themed station that will transport you back in time to the steam era. A highlight is the magnificent roof structure which was recently re-instated to the same design of the original, built in 1847 by GT Andrews. The station itself is a great place to pick up a souvenir. At Whitby, overlooking the North Sea, the ruined gothic Whitby Abbey was Bram Stoker's inspiration for 'Dracula'. Steeped in history, Whitby is also known for its quirky narrow streets and bustling harbour. No visit to Whitby would be complete without trying its famous fish & chips. We have booked you tables in Whitby's most famous chippy.

The Skipton Hotel

This award-winning waterside hotel is located on banks of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal in Skipton, the 'Gateway to the beautiful Yorkshire Dales'. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge and terrace. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Journey on the Embsay & Bolton Railway
- ◆ Admission to Skipton Castle
- ◆ Journey on the Skipton Canal with Cream Tea
- ◆ RHS Garden Harlow Carr

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today we join the Embsay & Bolton Abbey Steam Railway for a return journey on this dales line. Breathe in the evocative smells of a real steam railway while your eyes and ears thrill to the puffing and hissing of the steam engine. Settle back in beautifully restored Victorian and Edwardian carriages and enjoy a unique view of some of Yorkshire's finest countryside. Later, we continue our journey onto Skipton Castle. Over 900 years old, Skipton Castle is one of the most complete and best-preserved medieval castles in England and is well worth a visit. Explore every corner of this impressive history-rich castle, which withstood a three-year siege during the Civil War.
- ◆ This morning, we travel to the quaint town of Ilkley. From the serene Riverside Gardens to the bustling town centre filled with independent shops, cafes, restaurants, serving local delicacies, Ilkley is the perfect spot to spend some time. Later, we return to Skipton to join our boat for a cruise along the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, enjoying a yummy Cream Tea along the way.
- ◆ We make our way to Harrogate and RHS Harlow Carr. This Royal Horticultural Society property, with wildflower meadows, herbaceous borders, a magical kitchen garden, alpinists and seasonal displays, there is something for everyone, whatever time of year. The rest of the day is at leisure in Harrogate, where the streets buzz with vibrant shops and eateries. Harrogate is known for its stunning historic buildings, lush gardens, and natural springs.

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 20th April 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	£100	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 26th April 2026	5 Days	£469 pp	£140	£35

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The Isle of Man

This beautiful island, 32 miles long and 14 miles wide, lies in the Irish Sea, approximately equidistant from Britain and Ireland. It is dominated by Snaefell Mountain, rising to over 3,000ft. The island is well away from it all yet so close to home and it's where life is simple and undemanding, the pace easy and relaxed, a fabulous destination to enjoy that well-deserved break.



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Photo courtesy SHOWTOWN

The Ramsey Park Hotel

This luxurious, contemporary hotel is set in one of the most scenic parts of the Isle of Man. Situated beside Mooragh Lake, and with views over the sea towards Cumbria, Ramsey Park makes a stunning setting for your stay on the Island. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Manx Electric Railway & Snaefell Mountain Railway
- ◆ Port Erin & Cregneash
- ◆ Manx Aviation & Military Museum & Castletown
- ◆ Douglas

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We have a little free time in the small town of Ramsey before we join the Manx Electric Railway for our train journey to the pretty village of Laxey. Upon arrival in Laxey, we climb aboard the Snaefell Mountain Railway and journey up to the summit of Snaefell Mountain for stunning views of the island, before making the journey back down.
- ◆ On a plateau overlooking the Calf of Man, Cregneash is the oldest open-air folk museum in Britain. Cregneash Village was one of the last strongholds of the Manx language and today you can step back in time to see how crofters used to live and work in a farming community on the island. Inside traditional Manx cottages, you will experience some of the stories, skills and craft demonstrations and outside, you can explore the farm, gardens and country walks in stunning scenery and natural surroundings. We also visit the picturesque seaside resort of Port Erin.
- ◆ The Manx Military & Aviation Museum is dedicated to the Manx men and women who served their island in the cause of freedom. The museum does not cover just military history, a part of it is devoted to Manx civil aviation in general and has a display of gathered artifacts and memorabilia to help convey the rich heritage of this part of the Island's history. We continue to Castletown, the ancient capital of Mann, made up of small winding streets, picturesque fishing cottages along the harbour, and a Viking castle that towers over the centre of the town.
- ◆ Enjoy a free day in the Capital of Man, Douglas. Take a walk along Douglas Promenade and discover its fascinating history, from the Victorian era through to the present day. From one of the finest examples of a Victorian theatre still in existence to the only horse tram service still in use in the northern hemisphere, there's lots to discover.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 27th April 2026	5 Days	£379 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 3rd May 2026	6 Days	£759 pp	£200	£42

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Sunday, 10th May 2026	8 Days	£529 pp	Nil	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 10th May 2026	5 Days	£519 pp	Nil	£35

Cumbrian Cavalcade

Most people think of the Lake District when you mention Cumbria but there is life away from the Lakes. Some of the earliest stone circles in Britain, the remains of the Roman Empire, abbeys and priories, ancient churches, castles, and peel towers, as well as spectacular scenery, can all be found in this beautiful part of the country.



Hidden Corners of Yorkshire

This tour covers a splendid variety of magnificent scenery and contrasting countryside, with quaint Yorkshire towns and villages. We also feature a ride on the Wensleydale Railway, which re-opened after 50 years. Re-live rural railway travel as it used to be all those years ago! We also include a boat trip on the Tees to Yarm.



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The Crown & Mitre Hotel

The Crown & Mitre Hotel stands in the centre of Carlisle and offers the perfect mix of Edwardian grandeur and beautiful original features, including an elegant sweeping staircase, and all the modern comforts of home to create a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. Hotel facilities include a lift, swimming pool, jacuzzi, bar, and restaurant. All en-suite bedrooms have TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway – L'al Ratty
- ◆ The Cumbrian Coastal Line
- ◆ Settle to Carlisle Railway
- ◆ Spectacular Yorkshire Dales Scenery
- ◆ Kielder Water and Forest National Park

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today we head for Longtown and drive along Liddesdale as we make our way to picturesque Kielder Water and Forest Park. We take a break at the visitor centre before continuing to Bellingham and Hexham, dominated by the abbey overlooking the market square. Stunning architecture, picturesque parks, and a bloody history are all waiting to be explored in Hexham. Immerse yourself in stories about The Vikings, historical criminal families or 'Border Reivers', and the Anglo Saxon Abbey. This afternoon we return along the path of Hadrian's Wall, which stretches some 76 miles from the Tyne to the Solway.
- ◆ We start our first train journey of the day in Carlisle. The line follows the Cumbrian coastline through Maryport and Whitehaven and the stunning sea views stay with us until Ravenglass. Here, we join the Ravenglass and Eskdale Railway – known as L'al Ratty Steam Train – running from the coast to the foothills of England's highest mountains. Seven miles of steam in the Lake District National Park!
- ◆ We travel into the Yorkshire Dales to Kirkby Lonsdale, where we find the weekly market in full swing. We travel on, past the immense Ribbleshead Viaduct, through charming Horton-in-Ribblesdale to Settle. In the afternoon, we take in the most spectacular train journey on a mainline railway in the whole of England – the famous Settle to Carlisle line. Towering viaducts, bridges, long deep tunnels and lovingly kept station gardens, all help to make this one of the best-loved lines in the country. We travel along the whole line through majestic scenery back to our base of Carlisle.

Blackwell Grange Hotel

The Blackwell Grange Hotel is a stunning 17th Century mansion, which enjoys an enviable setting in the beautiful County Durham countryside. The hotel is nestled in wooded parkland in Darlington, located between the North Yorkshire Moors and the Pennines. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, heated indoor swimming pool, spa, and sauna. All en-suite bedrooms have TV, radio, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ North Yorkshire Moors Railway
- ◆ Wensleydale Railway
- ◆ Teesside Princess River Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel over the moors, across Blakey Ridge, through picturesque Hutton-Le-Hole to Pickering. Here, we join the North Yorkshire Moors Railway for a steam train journey through rugged moorland to Whitby, passing through Goathland (featured as 'Aidensfield' in TV's Heartbeat). Whitby is a maritime town, bursting with character and quite unique. Wander the alleyways and narrow streets or climb the 199 steps up to Whitby Abbey.
- ◆ We begin with a drive to historic Richmond, on the River Swale. Here you will find a castle, the Green Howards Museum and the Richmondshire Museum housing the set from 'All Creatures Great & Small'. Leaving Richmond, we head for the Wensleydale Railway for a nostalgic ride through rural scenery from Leyburn to Leeming Bar. We rejoin the coach and head to Thirsk, home of James Herriott. Enjoy free time to explore the town before returning to the hotel.
- ◆ Our first visit today is to Preston Park and Hall Museum. Set in attractive parkland, the museum houses a delightful collection of memorabilia from times gone by. Take a walk back in time through the cobbled Victorian street and imagine life as it was in times past. At Preston Hall, we join the Teesside Princess and take a gentle cruise on the River Tees through beautiful countryside to the cobbled town of Yarm, famous for its location within a horseshoe bend on the river and awe-inspiring railway viaduct. Later, we drive through Bilsdale, known as 'Little Switzerland', past the Sun Inn, which has had the same landlord for 200 years! We then pass Rievaulx Abbey and drop into Helmsley with its 12th Century castle. On our way back to the hotel we journey over the spectacular Sutton Bank, giving you fantastic views of the moors and the Vale of York.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 11th May 2026	5 Days	£599 pp	£60	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 25th May 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	£120	£35

Beautiful Lake District

The Lake District is England's largest National Park and UNESCO World Heritage Site. Discover spectacular landscapes, picturesque villages, a warm welcome and a rich cultural heritage.



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The Lakeland Kendal Hotel, Sure Collection by Best Western

Our hotel is nestled in the heart of Kendal and serves as our gateway to the breath-taking Lake District. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Grasmere & The Gingerbread Shop
- ◆ Keswick & Ullswater Steamer

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Grasmere is perhaps best-known as being the home of William Wordsworth, a place he once described as 'the most loveliest spot that a man hath found'. Whilst here, we visit the famous Gingerbread Shop for a talk which brings to life Cumbria's culinary history and the story of Sarah Nelson. As you would expect, with the mouth-watering aroma of sweet ginger hanging in the air, everyone receives a freshly baked piece of Grasmere Gingerbread, an oatcake spread with delicious hand-made Cumberland Rum Butter, and a cup of tea or coffee. From here, we continue to Ambleside for time at leisure.
- ◆ We travel through some spectacular scenery as we make our way to Glenridding to join Ullswater Steamers for our cruise to Pooley Bridge. Experience iconic mountain views from a truly unique perspective. Later, we continue to Keswick, a small town with a pedestrianised centre, Moot Hall, contemporary shops and galleries. After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



St Annes on Sea

St Annes on Sea, on the Fylde Coast, offers a gentle and peaceful way of life. St Annes boasts a beautifully restored Victorian Pier, promenade with views across to North Wales, multi award-winning beach huts, a wide-open sandy beach, plenty of places to eat, and wonderful seaside charm.



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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 21st June 2026	5 Days	£479 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 22nd June 2026	5 Days	£399 pp	Nil	£35

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The Rutland Hotel

The Rutland is located on the seafront of Douglas, close to the quiet Queens Promenade, a pleasant walk to the many local bars, restaurants, and retail area. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Manx Electric Railway & Snaefell Mountain Railway
- ◆ Isle of Man Steam Railway & Port Erin
- ◆ Douglas

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We have a little free time in the small town of Ramsey before we join the Manx Electric Railway for our train journey to the pretty village of Laxey. Upon arrival in Laxey, we climb aboard the Snaefell Mountain Railway and journey up to the summit of Snaefell Mountain for stunning views of the island, before making the journey back down.
- ◆ We join the Isle of Man Steam Railway for our train journey from Douglas to Port Erin. This is the longest narrow gauge steam line in Britain that still uses its original locomotives and carriages. We journey along the beautiful Manx countryside. The rest of the day is at leisure in Port Erin – the village grew up along the shore of the lovely horseshoe shaped bay which looks out to the mountains of Mourne in Northern Ireland.
- ◆ We enjoy a free day in the Capital of Man, Douglas. Take a walk along Douglas Promenade and discover its fascinating history, from the Victorian era through to the present day. From one of the finest examples of a Victorian theatre still in existence to the only horse tram service still in use in the northern hemisphere, there's lots to discover.



York Short Break

York is a city where ancient walls surround incredible attractions, shops and eateries. York is unlike any other English city - there's thirty world-class museums for a start!



Radisson Hotel York

Overlooking the meandering River Ouse, Radisson Hotel York is conveniently located close to the city's main attractions, within walking distance of York's station and shopping streets. The hotel's onsite restaurant and bar – The Paddle Room, offers surrounding views of the River Ouse. Please note, there are 5 unavoidable steps down into the restaurant. The hotel has a lift. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, iron and ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Historic City of York

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ You'll love shopping at Shambles Market in the heart of York. From exquisite quality gifts and fresh flowers to artisan crafts and stylish handbags, Shambles offers a delightful variety of choices. If you're a food enthusiast, don't miss the vibrant Shambles Food Court located at the heart of the market, where you can savour a delectable array of street food delights. Discover one of the world's most magnificent cathedrals, a masterpiece in stained glass and stone and a sacred space which has been at the centre of Christianity in the north of England since the 7th Century. Visit the National Railway Museum, not only home to icons of the railway and thousands of railway related objects, but also interactive experiences. Discover the Original Viking Encounter at JORVIK Viking Centre with its world-famous ride taking visitors around the sights, sounds and smells of Viking-age York. Enjoy a cruise on the River Ouse with an informative and entertaining commentary. Visit York's Chocolate Story, the ultimate destination for chocolate lovers, offering you an exciting and educational journey through the fascinating history of chocolate, complete with tastings! Whatever your interest, you'll be sure to find it in York.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 22nd June 2026	5 Days	£589 pp	£68	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 28th June 2026	3 Days	£319 pp	£85	£33

Skipping Through Skipton

What's not to love about Skipton and the surrounding area? Immense history, a rich culture, independent shops, food & drink places galore, an iconic castle, stunning countryside and, perhaps most of all, friendly and passionate Yorkshire people.



© Embsay & Bolton Steam Railway

The Skipton Hotel

This award-winning waterside hotel is located on banks of the Leeds and Liverpool Canal in Skipton, the 'Gateway to the beautiful Yorkshire Dales'. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge and terrace. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Journey on the Embsay & Bolton Railway
- ◆ Admission to Skipton Castle
- ◆ Journey on the Skipton Canal with Cream Tea
- ◆ RHS Garden Harlow Carr

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today we join the Embsay & Bolton Abbey Steam Railway for a return journey on this dales line. Breathe in the evocative smells of a real steam railway while your eyes and ears thrill to the puffing and hissing of the steam engine. Settle back in beautifully restored Victorian and Edwardian carriages and enjoy a unique view of some of Yorkshire's finest countryside. Later, we continue our journey onto Skipton Castle. Over 900 years old, Skipton Castle is one of the most complete and best-preserved medieval castles in England and is well worth a visit. Explore every corner of this impressive history-rich castle, which withstood a three-year siege during the Civil War.
- ◆ This morning, we travel to the quaint town of Ilkley. From the serene Riverside Gardens to the bustling town centre filled with independent shops, cafes, restaurants, serving local delicacies, Ilkley is the perfect spot to spend some time. Later, we return to Skipton to join our boat for a cruise along the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, enjoying a yummy Cream Tea along the way.
- ◆ We make our way to Harrogate and RHS Harlow Carr. This Royal Horticultural Society property, with wildflower meadows, herbaceous borders, a magical kitchen garden, alpine and seasonal displays, there is something for everyone, whatever time of year. The rest of the day is at leisure in Harrogate, where the streets buzz with vibrant shops and eateries. Harrogate is known for its stunning historic buildings, lush gardens, and natural springs.

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Sunday 5th July 2026	5 Days	£519 pp	£140	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 19th July 2026	6 Days	£759 pp	£200	£42

Sailing, Steaming & Dreaming in the Lake District

The sheer beauty of the Lake District has inspired poets and artists for centuries and on this holiday, we will paint a picture that will last in your memory for years to come. From our base, we explore the dramatic landscapes of the Lakes.



Morecambe

Stroll along Morecambe's award-winning promenade with an ice cream before visiting the Eric Morecambe Statue, and the Tern Project, a series of public art installations inspired by the birdlife of Morecambe Bay.



The Shap Wells Hotel

The Shap Wells Hotel is set in tranquil surroundings amongst the Lakeland Fells and is an ideal base from which to explore this beautiful corner of England. Set in 20 acres of grounds, the hotel offers a lift, well-stocked bar, lounges, and spacious restaurant. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Northern Lakes & Fells by Mountain Goat
- ◆ Ambleside & Lake Windermere Cruise
- ◆ Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway
- ◆ Ullswater Cruise
- ◆ Kirkstone Pass & Windermere Village

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We head to Kendal for our morning break, the Lakeland store has its largest outlet here, with everything you need for the home, kitchen and more. Our next stop is Windermere Village with its little shops and great range of cafes and pubs for lunch. Later, we head over the rugged Kirkstone Pass, with its lonely Inn and the summit before continuing to Glenridding where we enjoy a sail on board the 'Lake Steamer' along to Pooley Bridge.
- ◆ Today, we ride via St John's Vale and Lake Thirlmere to the lovely village of Grasmere where we take a break. Grasmere was the home of William Wordsworth and his family, along with other artists. Perhaps sample the famous gingerbread from the local shop before we head for Ambleside for a delightful cruise along Lake Windermere to Lakeside. Here, we join the Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway for a nostalgic steam train ride to round off the day.
- ◆ We head west to Keswick, the heart of which is the Market Square, ringed round with shops and hotels. There are no cars in the pedestrianised area which makes for a very pleasant shopping experience. This afternoon, we have an adventure with The Mountain Goat! The Mountain Goat minibuses take us where larger coaches cannot go. We start with a scenic journey along the shore of Derwentwater to Ashness Bridge and Borrowdale, continuing over Honister Pass to Buttermere Village. After a break, we pass Crummock Water and Loweswater on our way to the Whinlatter Pass Visitor Centre for a break before heading back to Keswick where we re-join our coach.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 20th July 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	£112	£35

The Auckland Hotel

Having been a family-run hotel for nearly 40 years, the Auckland Hotel understands the needs of holidaymakers, from great food to a good night's sleep as they strive to make sure your stay is as good as possible. Located in the heart of Morecambe and close to shops and restaurants, the hotel offers spectacular views over the Bay to the Lake District Hills. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and some evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Lakes Rail & Sail
- ◆ Lune Aqueduct Cruise with Fish & Chip Lunch

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to Haverthwaite where we board the Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway for our train journey to Lakeside. Travel back in time and experience a distant memory of bygone years as our steam engine hauls traditional 1950s carriages through the countryside scenery of the Leven Valley. At Lakeside, we join Windermere Lake Cruises for our relaxing cruise to Bowness-on-Windermere where the rest of the day is at leisure to explore.
- ◆ We make the short journey to Lancaster where the morning is spent at leisure. Shop in quirky boutiques and independent galleries and then relax in one of Lancaster's wealth of cafes and coffee shops. We then join Kingfisher Cruises for our cruise across the picturesque Lune Aqueduct. On departing, you will be served Fish & Chips as we cruise past the refurbished mills and then into Lancashire countryside, stopping at the Aqueduct for photos and a stroll if you wish.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 3rd August 2026	5 Days	£469 pp	Nil	£35

North Yorkshire - Harrogate, York & Richmond

Yorkshire is England's largest county, and we visit the heart of the North. Spa towns, historic cathedral cities, picturesque market towns, and riverside retreats come together to create an unforgettable experience.



The Cedar Court Hotel

Located in the heart of historic Harrogate, the Cedar Court Hotel offers exceptional accommodation overlooking 200 acres of the pristine Stray parkland. The hotel is a historical site, dating back to 1671, and is the town's first ever hotel. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar and lounge. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ York & Cruise on the Ouse
- ◆ Knaresborough Market
- ◆ Richmond

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ York is a vibrant city with Roman roots and a Viking past, a city where ancient walls surround attractions, shops and eateries, with exciting events everyday and inspiring festivals every month of the year. Visit the National Railway Museum or York's Chocolate Story, hop on an open-top bus, or marvel at the stunning architecture of iconic York Minster. Before exploring all that York has to offer, we enjoy a sightseeing cruise on the River Ouse to discover the city from a different perspective.
- ◆ Wednesday in Knaresborough is Market Day. The marketplace fills with stalls and traders offering a range of goods, the perfect addition to Knaresborough's existing range of specialist shops, galleries and incredible food and drink. We continue to Richmond, nice and compact with lots of hidden corners to explore. Clustered around the picturesque, cobbled marketplace, with its landmark Norman Castle, there are a host of independent shops, cafes, pubs, museums, walks and many other attractions within walking distance.

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 10th August 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	£120	£35

Yummy Yorkshire

The people of Yorkshire are immensely proud of their county and especially of their food and drink. Today, some of the best meat, cheese, beer, and baked goods can be found in Yorkshire and there's no better way to enjoy them than on this culinary adventure based in York.



© Black Sheep Brewery

The Burn Hall Hotel

Nestling in glorious Yorkshire countryside, this Victorian manor house is packed full of personality, with well-furnished bedrooms. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Black Sheep Brewery Tour & Tasting
- ◆ Wensleydale Creamery Experience
- ◆ York Cocoa House Experience
- ◆ Yorkshire Afternoon Tea
- ◆ Single Rail Journey – Pickering to Whitby
- ◆ Fish Tea in Whitby

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Travel to Ripon and the Black Sheep Brewery. First opened in 1992 the tour will tell you the tales of how the brewery started to the present day. Visit the Brewhouse and sample a range of delicious beers. Next up, journey into the heart of the Yorkshire Dales to Wensleydale Creamery. The centre takes you on the journey of the art of cheesemaking through the years. Travel back through Settle and Kipton, 'The Gateway to the Dales'.
- ◆ From Rowntree's to Terry's some of the most famous names in confectionary were founded in York. York Chocolate House, established in 2011, tells the story of York chocolate and what it has become today. Have a go at making the sweet stuff yourself and enjoy the all-important taste test. Afterwards, Afternoon Tea will showcase some of Yorkshire's best produce before we enjoy free time to explore.
- ◆ First stop is Pickering before hopping aboard the Yorkshire Moors Railway for a relaxing journey to Whitby. Pickering Station is a must-see 1930's themed station that will transport you back in time to the steam era. A highlight is the magnificent roof structure which was recently re-instated to the same design of the original, built in 1847 by GT Andrews. The station itself is a great place to pick up a souvenir. At Whitby, overlooking the North Sea, the ruined gothic Whitby Abbey was Bram Stoker's inspiration for 'Dracula'. Steeped in history, Whitby is also known for its quirky narrow streets and bustling harbour. No visit to Whitby would be complete without trying its famous fish & chips. We have booked you tables in Whitby's most famous chippy.

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Monday 17th August 2025	5 Days	£559 pp	£100	£35

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Sunday, 30th August 2026	6 Days	£759 pp	£200	£42

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Monday, 31st August 2026	5 Days	£369 pp	Nil	£35

Vintage Variety Weekend

We don't travel too far from home on this trip to Yorkshire for a weekend of vintage-fuelled entertainment. It's all about the activities which include a Murder Mystery on the Haworth Express, a Vintage Variety performance and Musical Singing performance.



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Cumbrian Cavalcade

Most people think of the Lake District when you mention Cumbria but there is life away from the Lakes. Some of the earliest stone circles in Britain, the remains of the Roman Empire, abbeys and priories, ancient churches, castles, and peel towers, as well as spectacular scenery, can all be found in this beautiful part of the country.



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The Cedar Court Hotel

The Cedar Court Hotel is located high in the Pennines between Huddersfield & Halifax in West Yorkshire. It is an ideal centre for our weekend and hotel facilities include a lift, restaurant, bar, and fitness centre. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The JDs Rockin' Good Nite Band
- ◆ Good Old Days Variety Show
- ◆ Murder on the Haworth Express
- ◆ The Lipsticks – 1940s & 1950s Classy Ladies Trio

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We have a later start this morning and make our way to Holmfirth. Sitting in the heart of the breathtaking Holme Valley, this picture-postcard town is the renowned location of the TV classic Last of the Summer Wine. We continue to Huddersfield, arriving at the Cedar Court Hotel with time to check-in and settle into our rooms. After enjoying dinner this evening, our first night of entertainment begins with the JDs Rockin' Good Nite performance – a four-piece boyband playing hits from the 60s and 70s on guitar and keyboards.
- ◆ After breakfast, this morning we make our way to the spa town of Harrogate. Make sure to visit the famous Bety's Tearooms, founded in 1919 by a Swiss confectioner. There is also the Royal Pump Rooms Museum where you will be able to find out why Charles Dickens said that 'Harrogate in the queerest place with the strangest people in it, leading the oddest lives!'. After dinner tonight we enjoy an evening of live entertainment in the form of a 'Vintage Variety Show'. Comedy numbers, jugglers, singers, and dancers, all help create moments of joy and laughter.
- ◆ We enjoy a relaxing morning before making our way to board the Haworth Express for a 1920s-style Murder Mystery. As we journey through the Yorkshire Dales a bespoke, live-action story will unfold. Are you going to be able to solve the case and discover who committed the murder? We then make our way back to the hotel to enjoy dinner. The final night of entertainment comes from 'The Lipsticks'. This trio of classy ladies will be playing hits from the 1940s and 1950s, rounding off our weekend of vintage entertainment in style.

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The Crown & Mitre Hotel

The Crown & Mitre Hotel stands in the centre of Carlisle and offers the perfect mix of Edwardian grandeur and beautiful original features, including an elegant sweeping staircase, and all the modern comforts of home to create a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. Hotel facilities include a lift, swimming pool, jacuzzi, bar, and restaurant. All en-suite bedrooms have TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway – L'al Ratty
- ◆ The Cumbrian Coastal Line
- ◆ Settle to Carlisle Railway
- ◆ Spectacular Yorkshire Dales Scenery
- ◆ Kielder Water and Forest National Park

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today we head for Longtown and drive along Liddesdale as we make our way to picturesque Kielder Water and Forest Park. We take a break at the visitor centre before continuing to Bellingham and Hexham, dominated by the abbey overlooking the market square. Stunning architecture, picturesque parks, and a bloody history are all waiting to be explored in Hexham. Immerse yourself in stories about The Vikings, historical criminal families or 'Border Reivers', and the Anglo Saxon Abbey. This afternoon we return along the path of Hadrian's Wall, which stretches some 76 miles from the Tyne to the Solway.
- ◆ We start our first train journey of the day in Carlisle. The line follows the Cumbrian coastline through Maryport and Whitehaven and the stunning sea views stay with us until Ravenglass. Here, we join the Ravenglass and Eskdale Railway – known as L'al Ratty Steam Train – running from the coast to the foothills of England's highest mountains. Seven miles of steam in the Lake District National Park!
- ◆ We travel into the Yorkshire Dales to Kirkby Lonsdale, where we find the weekly market in full swing. We travel on, past the immense Ribbleshead Viaduct, through charming Horton-in-Ribblesdale to Settle. In the afternoon, we take in the most spectacular train journey on a mainline railway in the whole of England – the famous Settle to Carlisle line. Towering viaducts, bridges, long deep tunnels and lovingly kept station gardens, all help to make this one of the best-loved lines in the country. We travel along the whole line through majestic scenery back to our base of Carlisle.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 4th September 2026	4 Days	£499 pp	£75	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 7th September 2026	5 Days	£629 pp	£60	£35

Beautiful Lake District

The Lake District is England's largest National Park and UNESCO World Heritage Site. Discover spectacular landscapes, picturesque villages, a warm welcome and a rich cultural heritage.



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The Lakeland Kendal Hotel, Sure Collection by Best Western

Our hotel is nestled in the heart of Kendal and serves as our gateway to the breath-taking Lake District. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Grasmere & The Gingerbread Shop
- ◆ Keswick & Ullswater Steamer

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Grasmere is perhaps best-known as being the home of William Wordsworth, a place he once described as 'the most loveliest spot that a man hath found'. Whilst here, we visit the famous Gingerbread Shop for a talk which brings to life Cumbria's culinary history and the story of Sarah Nelson. As you would expect, with the mouth-watering aroma of sweet ginger hanging in the air, everyone receives a freshly baked piece of Grasmere Gingerbread, an oatcake spread with delicious hand-made Cumberland Rum Butter, and a cup of tea or coffee. From here, we continue to Ambleside for time at leisure.
- ◆ We travel through some spectacular scenery as we make our way to Glenridding to join Ullswater Steamers for our cruise to Pooley Bridge. Experience iconic mountain views from a truly unique perspective. Later, we continue to Keswick, a small town with a pedestrianised centre, Moot Hall, contemporary shops and galleries. After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



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The Doric Hotel

Situated on the Queen's Promenade, with breath-taking views over the Irish Sea, Morecambe Bay, and the Isle of Man, The Doric is a firm favourite. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, indoor & outdoor swimming pools, poolside bar, and incredible entertainment every night. A pool of highly professional entertainers awaits you at The Doric. A full all-year-round entertainment programme with tribute acts, performances and fabulous vocal talent all waiting in the spotlight to entertain you.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Blackpool Illuminations

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 13th September 2026	5 Days	£479 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 14th September 2026	5 Days	£399 pp	Nil	£35

The Isle of Man

This beautiful island, 32 miles long and 14 miles wide, lies in the Irish Sea, approximately equidistant from Britain and Ireland. It is dominated by Snaefell Mountain, rising to over 3,000ft. The island is well away from it all yet so close to home and it's where life is simple and undemanding, the pace easy and relaxed, a fabulous destination to enjoy that well-deserved break.



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The Rutland Hotel

The Rutland is located on the seafront of Douglas, close to the quiet Queens Promenade, a pleasant walk to the many local bars, restaurants, and retail area. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Manx Electric Railway & Snaefell Mountain Railway
- ◆ Isle of Man Steam Railway & Port Erin
- ◆ Douglas

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We have a little free time in the small town of Ramsey before we join the Manx Electric Railway for our train journey to the pretty village of Laxey. Upon arrival in Laxey, we climb aboard the Snaefell Mountain Railway and journey up to the summit of Snaefell Mountain for stunning views of the island, before making the journey back down.
- ◆ We join the Isle of Man Steam Railway for our train journey from Douglas to Port Erin. This is the longest narrow gauge steam line in Britain that still uses its original locomotives and carriages. We journey along the beautiful Manx countryside. The rest of the day is at leisure in Port Erin – the village grew up along the shore of the lovely horseshoe shaped bay which looks out to the mountains of Mourne in Northern Ireland.
- ◆ We enjoy a free day in the Capital of Man, Douglas. Take a walk along Douglas Promenade and discover its fascinating history, from the Victorian era through to the present day. From one of the finest examples of a Victorian theatre still in existence to the only horse tram service still in use in the northern hemisphere, there's lots to discover.



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Sailing, Steaming & Dreaming in the Lake District

The sheer beauty of the Lake District has inspired poets and artists for centuries and on this holiday, we will paint a picture that will last in your memory for years to come. From our base, we explore the dramatic landscapes of the Lakes.



The Shap Wells Hotel

The Shap Wells Hotel is set in tranquil surroundings amongst the Lakeland Fells and is an ideal base from which to explore this beautiful corner of England. Set in 20 acres of grounds, the hotel offers a lift, well-stocked bar, lounges, and spacious restaurant. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Northern Lakes & Fells by Mountain Goat
- ◆ Ambleside & Lake Windermere Cruise
- ◆ Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway
- ◆ Ullswater Cruise
- ◆ Kirkstone Pass & Windermere Village

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We head to Kendal for our morning break, the Lakeland store has its largest outlet here, with everything you need for the home, kitchen and more. Our next stop is Windermere Village with its little shops and great range of cafes and pubs for lunch. Later, we head over the rugged Kirkstone Pass, with its lonely Inn and the summit before continuing to Glenridding where we enjoy a sail on board the 'Lake Steamer' along to Pooley Bridge.
- ◆ Today, we ride via St John's Vale and Lake Thirlmere to the lovely village of Grasmere where we take a break. Grasmere was the home of William Wordsworth and his family, along with other artists. Perhaps sample the famous gingerbread from the local shop before we head for Ambleside for a delightful cruise along Lake Windermere to Lakeside. Here, we join the Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway for a nostalgic steam train ride to round off the day.
- ◆ We head west to Keswick, the heart of which is the Market Square, ringed round with shops and hotels. There are no cars in the pedestrianised area which makes for a very pleasant shopping experience. This afternoon, we have an adventure with The Mountain Goat! The Mountain Goat minibuses take us where larger coaches cannot go. We start with a scenic journey along the shore of Derwentwater to Ashness Bridge and Borrowdale, continuing over Honister Pass to Buttermere Village. After a break, we pass Crummock Water and Loweswater on our way to the Whinlatter Pass Visitor Centre for a break before heading back to Keswick where we re-join our coach.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Tuesday, 15th September 2026	5 Days	£579 pp	£68	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 5th October 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	£112	£35

Scarborough

Scarborough enjoys an unrivalled position as one of Britain's premier coastal resorts yet also lies tantalisingly close to North Yorkshire's rugged national park. You can enjoy golden beaches, superb parks and gardens, and a wide range of leisure amenities, which have given Scarborough its justifiable reputation.



The Park Manor Hotel

A lovely hotel situated in one of Scarborough's areas of natural beauty overlooking Peasholm Park. Comfortable en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, lounge, bar, indoor swimming pool, bubbling spa, and steam room.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Whitby
- ◆ Pickering Market & Castle Howard

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Pickering's market dates back to King John and is held every Monday in the Market Place. Once you've explored the Market Place and surrounding streets, then Beck Isle Museum and St Peter & Paul's Church are all must-sees. Don't miss Pickering Station, a 1940s station that will transport you back to the steam era. This afternoon, we make our way to Castle Howard, home to the Howard family for more than 300 years. Explore iconic architecture and beautiful interiors, including the Great Hall which rises 70 feet into the air. The Gardens and Grounds include lakes, follies, woodland, temples, and statues.
- ◆ Just along the North Yorkshire Coast is Whitby, steeped in history with many attractions connected to the town's fascinating past. Many flock to Whitby for its boutique shops and quirky streets, where you will find unique Whitby jet jewellery and other fascinating items. A trip to Whitby would not be the same without climbing the 199 steps to Whitby Abbey, counting as you go, and exploring the beautiful ruins which tower over the town.



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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 11th October 2026	5 Days	£519 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 12th October 2026	5 Days	£399 pp	Nil	£35

Morecambe

Stroll along Morecambe's award-winning promenade with an ice cream before visiting the Eric Morecambe Statue, and the Tern Project, a series of public art installations inspired by the birdlife of Morecambe Bay.



The Auckland Hotel

Having been a family-run hotel for nearly 40 years, the Auckland Hotel understands the needs of holidaymakers, from great food to a good night's sleep as they strive to make sure your stay is as good as possible. Located in the heart of Morecambe and close to shops and restaurants, the hotel offers spectacular views over the Bay to the Lake District Hills. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and some evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Lakes Rail & Sail
- ◆ Lune Aqueduct Cruise with Fish & Chip Lunch

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to Haverthwaite where we board the Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway for our train journey to Lakeside. Travel back in time and experience a distant memory of bygone years as our steam engine hauls traditional 1950s carriages through the countryside scenery of the Leven Valley. At Lakeside, we join Windermere Lake Cruises for our relaxing cruise to Bowness-on-Windermere where the rest of the day is at leisure to explore.
- ◆ We make the short journey to Lancaster where the morning is spent at leisure. Shop in quirky boutiques and independent galleries and then relax in one of Lancaster's wealth of cafes and coffee shops. We then join Kingfisher Cruises for our cruise across the picturesque Lune Aqueduct. On departing, you will be served Fish & Chips as we cruise past the refurbished mills and then into Lancashire countryside, stopping at the Aqueduct for photos and a stroll if you wish.

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Yorkshire Delights

A tour to Yorkshire packed full of attractions, which includes a visit to Harewood House, a train ride on the Embsay & Bolton Abbey Railway, a Skipton Canal cruise, and a visit to an award-winning winery, Ryedale Vineyard. In addition, we include free time in Harrogate and the walled city of York.



Courtesy Skipton Boat Trips

The Cedar Court Harrogate

The Cedar Court Hotel Harrogate is a Grade II Listed Building and was Harrogate's first hotel. It enjoys a peaceful location on landscaped grounds close to the town centre and provides spacious and well-equipped accommodation. The hotel has a lift, an open-plan bar & lounge, and restaurant. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ryedale Vineyard
- ◆ Journey on the Embsay & Bolton Railway
- ◆ Harewood House
- ◆ Skipton Canal Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Our journey begins today with a visit to Skipton – 'Gateway to the Dales'. We take a cruise on the Skipton Canal with a rib-tickling commentary by Dave Spikey with tea & a biscuit included. After our cruise, we journey the short distance to Embsay where we join the Embsay & Bolton Abbey Steam Railway for a return journey on this dales line. Breathe in the evocative smells of a real steam railway while your eyes and ears thrill to the puffing and hissing of the steam engine. Settle back in beautifully restored Victorian and Edwardian carriages and enjoy a unique view of some of Yorkshire's finest countryside. Later, we visit Bolton Abbey, a ruined priory set in a beautiful and tranquil location alongside the River Wharfe, surrounded by moorland and woodland – a truly inspirational setting for many.
- ◆ After a leisurely breakfast, we head for Harewood House, one of the Treasure Houses of England in the heart of rural Yorkshire. The house holds an impressive art collection including Renaissance masterpieces, and exquisite Thomas Chippendale furniture, all combined with 100 acres of gardens and a renowned lakeside Bird Garden. Later, we return to Harrogate where the rest of the day is free for you to explore at leisure. Perhaps take a stroll through the beautiful Valley Gardens followed by some retail therapy in the delightful Victorian Westminister Arcade or the independent shops of the Montpellier Quarter. You could maybe even visit the famous 'Betty's Tearooms'.
- ◆ Our day takes us to the historic cathedral city of York, the capital of Yorkshire, and a particularly beautiful city to explore. You could wander through the Shambles and perhaps visit the National Railway Museum or even York Minster. This afternoon, we visit the Ryedale Vineyard, an award-winning winery at the foot of the Yorkshire Wolds. We enjoy a tour of the winery, learning how much dedication goes in to producing their wines. Our tour will end with a tasting.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 19th October 2026	5 Days	£449 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 19th October 2026	5 Days	£539 pp	£100	£35

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North East England



Weekend in Northumbria

This tour covers a variety of splendid scenery, contrasting countryside, historic towns, rugged coastlines, rolling hills, and quaint northern villages. The ancient Kingdom of Northumbria offers some of the most striking unspoilt beauty in England.



The White Swan Hotel

Set in the heart of the historic market town of Alnwick, the White Swan is a charming 300-year-old coaching inn that blends its unique heritage with superb accommodation. The hotel is probably best known for its Olympic Dining Suite which features the magnificent panelling, mirrors, and stained-glass windows from the Titanic's sister ship. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel does not have a lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request.

During your stay there will be one night Bingo and one night Quiz in the hotel bar area. You will also enjoy a 'Taste of Northumbria' – tasting local spirits, liquors, and beers, before dinner one evening.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Holy Island & Lindisfarne
- ◆ Beautiful Bamburgh
- ◆ Seahouses
- ◆ Historic Alnwick

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to the north of Northumberland across the causeway to Holy Island and the mysterious Lindisfarne Castle. Later, we return making a stop in Bamburgh, with its mighty castle on the beach. Perhaps visit the Grace Darling Museum.

Please note the crossing of the causeway to Holy Island is governed by tide times. It may be necessary to amend this excursion.

- ◆ After a leisurely breakfast, we journey along the Northumberland coast making our first stop in the pretty harbour of Seahouses. A long history of fishing makes this popular village both fascinating and beautiful. Experience local wildlife and gorgeous beaches, enjoy fresh fish & chips and crazy golf or take a scenic walk along the harbour. Later, we return to Alnwick where you have a little free time to relax or explore this traditional market town before dinner.



Northern (De)Lights

Follow in the footsteps of the mighty Romans at Hadrian's Wall, tower 150 feet above sea level at Bamburgh - England's finest coastal castle, and gaze at Northumberland's iconic coastline on a Farne Islands cruise, home to England's most abundant seabird and seal habitats.



Copthorne Hotel Newcastle

Located in Newcastle Quayside, right in the heart of this vibrant city, Copthorne Hotel Newcastle is the perfect base from which to explore. As the only hotel in Newcastle city with all rooms overlooking the River Tyne, there's nowhere better in the city to stay with a Quayside view. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, safe, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Farne Islands Wildlife Boat Tour
- ◆ Hadrian's Wall Guided Tour
- ◆ Bamburgh Castle Guided Tour
- ◆ Durham Cathedral Guided Tour

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Durham Cathedral is one of the great buildings of Europe. Set grandly on a rocky promontory next to the Castle with the medieval city huddled below and the river sweeping round, the profile of the World Heritage Site is instantly recognisable. Learn the incredible history of some wonderful artefacts, regarded as the relics of St Cuthbert, the North of England's greatest Saint whose remains rest at Durham Cathedral.
- ◆ Sitting proudly atop its basalt throne, Bamburgh reigns supreme over the surrounding landscape. With stunning views out to the Farne Islands and north to Lindisfarne, you can't fail to be impressed. The staterooms are filled with the finest porcelain, china, furniture and artworks. Later, feel as though you are David Attenborough as you embark on a nature and wildlife cruise around the rocky Farne Islands. Trace the resident Atlantic Grey Seal colony, seen on or around the islands anytime of the year! Try your hand at seabird spotting with the seasonal visitors. This experience is dependent on weather conditions as the boat can only sail in safe conditions.
- ◆ Our local guide will take us on an all-encompassing tour of Hadrian's Wall, a UNESCO World Heritage Site named one of the world's 35 must-see destinations by National Geographic. Travel the 73-mile-long defensive perimeter, unearthing its history at Chester's Roman Fort and Museum. Explore the best remaining example of the 'Broad Wall' at Heddon on the Wall, as you ascend the postcard worthy Steel Rigg. Wander the quaint market town of Corbridge, renowned for its intricate Roman masonry, followed by a stop at the magnificent Hexham Abbey.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 13th March 2026	4 Days	£349 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 25th May 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	£180	£35

Golden Age of Northumbria & Farne Island Puffins

We journey to Northumberland to explore the golden age of the Anglo-Saxons with a visit to one of the region's newest attractions, Ad Gefrin. We also enjoy a cruise to the Farne Islands with the chance to see puffins and take in the splendid scenery on a trip to Holy Island.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Farne Island Puffin Cruise
- ◆ Holy Island & Lindisfarne
- ◆ Ad Gefrin – Anglo-Saxon Museum & Whisky Distillery

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Enjoy a relaxing morning to explore our base of Alnwick. Later, we travel to Wooler to visit Ad Gefrin. This new attraction showcases life at an Anglo-Saxon Royal Court that was in Wooler. The immersive museum features a great hall with original artefacts telling the stories of the people who made up the Royal Court. Following our visit to the museum we enjoy a guided tour and tasting in the distillery. Barley strains dating back to the Anglo-Saxon times are used in the distilling process to recreate a heritage whisky of this area.
- ◆ Today we make our way to Seahouses where we have free time to explore at leisure. Browse the variety of stores featuring the National Trust gift store, a range of local food delis and make sure to have a look in Farne Gift Store for a wide range on interesting and unique products. At midday, we make our way to the harbour to board a 2-hour cruise to the Farne Islands. The cruise offers the chance to see a variety of wildlife including puffins and grey seals, as well as close-up views of the Grace Darling Light House.
- ◆ Today's excursion takes us across the causeway to Holy Island and the mysterious Lindisfarne Castle – visible in the distance from Bamburgh. Later, we visit Bamburgh for free time. Maybe visit the majestic castle on the beach or the Grace Darling Museum.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 5th July 2026	5 Days	£639 pp	£142	£35

Delightful Durham & Beamish

Durham is an amazing county in Northeast England, with breath-taking scenery and award-winning attractions. Seek out some hidden gems, relax and enjoy peaceful tranquillity, and refuel in award-winning eateries serving delicious local produce.



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The Redworth Hall Hotel

Redworth Hall is a stunning 17th Century Jacobean Manor House, situated in the blissful tranquillity of its own 26 acres of landscaped grounds. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and Retreat Spa with swimming pool, gym, and treatment rooms.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Raby Castle & Barnard Castle
- ◆ Beamish – Living Museum of the North
- ◆ Durham with River Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Raby Castle is one of England's finest medieval castles. It has a powerful exterior with a superb collection of art and artefacts. The 18th Century Walled Garden has been recently remodelled and is now a stunning 5-acre vision. The Vinery proudly presents handcrafted dishes and treats inspired by or sourced from the beautiful Raby Estate. Later, we visit the historic market town of Barnard Castle which takes its name from the castle around which it grew. A haven for discerning shoppers and treasure seekers, the town's many antiques shops and independent retailers provide a charming shopping experience.
- ◆ Beamish is a world-famous open-air museum, telling the story of life in North East England in the 1800's and 1900's. Explore the 1900's Town and see how families lived and worked in the years leading up to WW1. See what's cooking in the pit cottages, practise your handwriting in the school and visit the chapel. Don't forget to say hello to the pit ponies in their stables! Discover how life was on the Home Front during WW2 – look out for the Land Girls and the Home Guard. Enjoy traditional tasty treats, delicious snacks, cakes and drinks. Take home a unique reminder of your visit, shop Edwardian-style in The Town, or take a look in the museum shop at the entrance.
- ◆ Durham is a captivating city with winding cobbled streets and a prominent peninsula crowned with the dramatic Cathedral & Castle UNESCO World Heritage Site. Take some time out with a relaxing riverside walk or soak up the atmosphere with superb cafes, artisan workshops, boutiques, galleries and museums. Whilst here, we enjoy a Prince Bishop River Cruise offering spectacular views of historic Durham City, Cathedral, Castle and Bridges.

Kynren - An Epic Tale of England

This action-packed, live blockbuster performed by a cast and crew of 1,000, takes you on an amazing journey through 2,000 years of history, myth, and legend. Kynren is a world class show brought to life with magnificent sets, combat, stunts, horsemanship, stunning pyrotechnics, and amazing special effects, set to a thrilling original soundtrack. A truly captivating experience for all and must be seen to be believed.



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The Copthorne Newcastle

The Millennium Copthorne Hotel stands in one of the finest locations in Newcastle, on the banks of the River Tyne, just a short stroll from the city centre. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. All en-suite bedrooms have river views and feature TV, safe, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Kynren – Live Action Show
- ◆ Cathedral City of Durham
- ◆ Newcastle-Upon-Tyne

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today is free to explore Newcastle-Upon-Tyne at leisure from our centrally located hotel. Just a short walk from the hotel are bars, restaurants, and the famous Quayside where you could enjoy a river cruise on the Tyne. The city centre isn't far away either, with plenty of shopping or places to visit. Later, we return to the hotel for an early dinner before heading to Bishop Auckland for the highlight of our weekend, Kynren – An Epic Tale of England. Taking place on a vast landscaped stage with a huge lake at its centre hiding a host of surprises, you'll meet many of the characters and events that have shaped England. With 29 scenes encompassing the Roman occupation to World War Two, history will unfold in front of your eyes. Spectacular sets will appear as if by magic, mass choreography and fierce battles are illuminated with dazzling special effects, effervescent lighting, and pyrotechnics, set to a spine-tingling score which you'll experience in movie-like surround sound.
- ◆ We visit the Cathedral City of Durham where no visit is complete without exploring the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore the city with its many independent shops or the world-famous Durham Cathedral. Perhaps enjoy a river cruise to see the city from a different perspective or visit one of the various museums a short walk from the city centre.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 12th July 2026	5 Days	£509 pp	£140	£35

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Friday 14th August 2026	4 Days	£409 pp	£129	£35

Beautiful Northumbria

Northumberland is a land of big adventures, breath-taking beauty and unlimited possibilities. Discover romantically ruinous castles, barely visited beaches, bunting-strewn market towns, and enjoy endless experiences.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Beamish Open-Air Living Museum
- ◆ Holy Island & Bamburgh
- ◆ Alnwick Castle & Garden
- ◆ Seahouses & Seaham

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to the Beamish 'Living Museum of the North', where we step back in time and see how people lived and worked in the late 19th and early 20th century. Staff in period dress add to the amazing atmosphere as they tell their story and guide you through living history. Browse through the schoolhouse, have a peek in the newsagents, or even buy freshly baked goods in the bakery! Take the tram to Pockerley Manor and see what farm life was like in the 1820s. After all this excitement, you can even relax in the Sun Inn, a good old-fashioned pub or take a trip to the traditional tearoom.
- ◆ We take you on a journey along the Durham Heritage Coast – one of the finest coastlines in England – as we make our way to the lively harbour town of Seaham. We suggest visiting the Seaham Harbour Marina or perhaps grabbing an ice cream and walking along the coastal footpath enjoying breath-taking views. We return to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure in Newcastle.
- ◆ Today we take the road north, past Blythe and Ashington to Amble, Warkworth and historic Alnwick. We visit the magnificent Alnwick Castle, home to the Duke of Northumberland family dating back to 1309. The Castle has featured in Downton Abbey and several Harry Potter films. There is much to see, including the sumptuous State Rooms. The beautifully landscaped Alnwick Garden has many unique features, sculptures, the infamous Poison Garden and one of the largest tree houses in the world.
- ◆ We visit Seahouses on the North Northumberland Heritage Coast. Following miles of sandy dunes and unspoilt beaches we reach Bamburgh, home of Grace Darling, where the imposing castle looks out to sea. Subject to tidal conditions, we travel over the causeway to Lindisfarne (Holy Island), birthplace of Christianity.
Note: The crossing of the causeway to Holy Island is governed by tide times. It may be necessary to amend this excursion.

Delightful Durham & Beamish

Durham is an amazing county in Northeast England, with breath-taking scenery and award-winning attractions. Seek out some hidden gems, relax and enjoy peaceful tranquillity, and refuel in award-winning eateries serving delicious local produce.



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The Redworth Hall Hotel

Redworth Hall is a stunning 17th Century Jacobean Manor House, situated in the blissful tranquillity of its own 26 acres of landscaped grounds. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and Retreat Spa with swimming pool, gym, and treatment rooms.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Raby Castle & Barnard Castle
- ◆ Beamish – Living Museum of the North
- ◆ Durham with River Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Raby Castle is one of England's finest medieval castles. It has a powerful exterior with a superb collection of art and artefacts. The 18th Century Walled Garden has been recently remodelled and is now a stunning 5-acre vision. The Vinery proudly presents handcrafted dishes and treats inspired by or sourced from the beautiful Raby Estate. Later, we visit the historic market town of Barnard Castle which takes its name from the castle around which it grew. A haven for discerning shoppers and treasure seekers, the town's many antiques shops and independent retailers provide a charming shopping experience.
- ◆ Beamish is a world-famous open-air museum, telling the story of life in North East England in the 1800's and 1900's. Explore the 1900's Town and see how families lived and worked in the years leading up to WW1. See what's cooking in the pit cottages, practise your handwriting in the school and visit the chapel. Don't forget to say hello to the pit ponies in their stables! Discover how life was on the Home Front during WW2 – look out for the Land Girls and the Home Guard. Enjoy traditional tasty treats, delicious snacks, cakes and drinks. Take home a unique reminder of your visit, shop Edwardian-style in The Town, or take a look in the museum shop at the entrance.
- ◆ Durham is a captivating city with winding cobbled streets and a prominent peninsula crowned with the dramatic Cathedral & Castle UNESCO World Heritage Site. Take some time out with a relaxing riverside walk or soak up the atmosphere with superb cafes, artisan workshops, boutiques, galleries and museums. Whilst here, we enjoy a Prince Bishop River Cruise offering spectacular views of historic Durham City, Cathedral, Castle and Bridges.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 13th September 2026	6 Days	£619 pp	£215	£42

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 27th September 2026	5 Days	£509 pp	£140	£35

Mature Singles



Mature Singles - Sidmouth

Sidmouth is probably the most unspoilt resort in the country and undoubtedly one of the most beautiful. Quiet and unhurried, Sidmouth has preserved the natural beauty of the countryside with colourful gardens, open spaces, and tree-covered hills.



© Sidmouth Donkey Sanctuary

The Royal York & Faulkner Hotel

The hotel is a fine example of Regency architecture and forms a modern, spacious hotel. Situated in an unrivalled position at the centre of the Esplanade, the Royal York & Faulkner directly overlooks the sea and is adjacent to the picturesque shopping centre. En-suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, Aspara Spa with Hydrotherapy Pool, sauna & steam cabin, and some evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Exmouth & River Exe Cruise
- ◆ Donkey Sanctuary & Lyme Regis

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ First stop today is the Donkey Sanctuary, a tranquil corner of the Jurassic Coast where hundreds of donkeys are waiting to meet you. We continue to the pretty seaside town of Lyme Regis, boasting beautiful beaches, breath-taking scenery, fascinating history and picturesque harbour. Lyme has a feast of gastronomic delights to suit every taste, with many food shops, pubs, cafes, and tea rooms.
- ◆ Exmouth is reputedly the oldest seaside resort in Britain and is situated on the east coast of Devon just where the majestic River Exe meets the sea. Promenade on the idyllic Esplanade or enjoy award-winning fish & chips as you take in the unique vistas. Later, we join Stuart Line Cruises for our cruise which departs from Exmouth Marina and travels along the peaceful waters of the river towards Powderham Castle and along to where the river ends on Exmouth's traditional seafront. The indoor heated lower decks have large windows for great viewing and outside upper decks with plenty of fresh air and blankets.



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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Saturday, 21st February 2026	5 Days	£429 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Loch Lomond & The Trossachs

Scotland's first national park is packed with interesting corners for us to explore, each with its own character. There are 22 lochs, 39 miles of coastline, miles of rivers and paths, 21 Munros and acres of unspoilt land.



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The Rob Roy Hotel

The Rob Roy Hotel is wonderfully situated in idyllic countryside at the gateway to the glorious Trossachs. Named after the legendary folk hero Rob Roy McGregor, The Rob Roy offers excellent food, friendly staff, and good old-fashioned value for money. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Luss & Loch Lomond Cruise
- ◆ Stirling Old Town Jail & Stirling
- ◆ Crieff & Cream Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The picturesque village of Luss nestles on the western shores of Loch Lomond with breath-taking views. You'll also find a variety of lovely shops and eateries that add to its appeal. We continue to Tarbet where we join Cruise Loch Lomond for our 1-hour cruise sailing north past the waterfalls at Inversnaid and taking in the sprawling glens and rocky peaks of the Arrochar Alps.
- ◆ Opening in 1847, Stirling's New County Jail – known today as the Old Town Jail – was the last Reformed Prison built in Victorian Scotland. We have a tour that will have you begging for parole – or at least a second helping of criminal charm and prison reform wisdom! Visit the cells before heading to the Exercise Yard which of course is located on the roof! From here you will continue to the observation tower for breath-taking views of the Old Town, Ochils and the Trossachs. The rest of the day is at leisure in Stirling.
- ◆ We head into Perthshire today to the attractive town of Crieff, a traditional Scots market town set amidst Perthshire's stunning scenery. After some time to explore, we make our way to The Crieff Hydro Hotel where we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea before returning to the hotel.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 9th March 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Exploring the Scottish Highlands

You can lose yourself within the stunning scenery of The Highlands, with its majestic mountains, and mysterious lochs, as we journey through this beautiful land.



Mature Singles - Newcastle & Northumbria

Northumberland is a land of big adventures, breath-taking beauty and unlimited possibilities. Pass by romantically ruinous castles, barely visited beaches, and bunting-strewn market towns.



The Highlander Hotel

Set in the stunning location of the Cairngorm National Park, the Highlander Hotel is the ideal place to stay whether you're an outdoor enthusiast or just want to enjoy the spectacular scenery in the area.

Based in the village of Newtonmore, the Highlander Hotel offers a warm welcome and true highland hospitality. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, and some entertainment. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cairngorm Mountain Railway & Aviemore
- ◆ Fort William & Ben Nevis Distillery
- ◆ Loch Ness Cruise & Inverness

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a breath-taking trip on the Cairngorm Mountain Railway, Scotland's only funicular railway – the highest in the UK reaching the Ptarmigan building at over 1,097m above sea level. The 2km funicular takes passengers to the top of the slopes in around 5-8 minutes and once at the top, you can enjoy a unique visitor experience – Ptarmigan Restaurant with panoramic views, Cairngorm Gin Bar, viewing terrace, 270 degrees immersive exhibition, and the Shop at the Top serving a wide range of gifts, clothing, and local products. Later, we visit the village of Aviemore, with its great selection of shops, restaurants, cafes and bars, and beautiful scenery.
- ◆ Fort William is the largest town in The Highlands, located on the shores of beautiful Loch Linnhe. The pedestrianised main street is packed with independent shops and places to eat. We also visit the Ben Nevis Distillery, one of the oldest licensed distilleries in Scotland and home to The Legend of the Dew of Ben Nevis Visitor Centre. Established in 1825 and situated at the foot of Britain's highest mountain Ben Nevis, Ben Nevis Distillery is an impressive and historic place. In a specially commissioned audiovisual presentation, we will meet Hector McDram, a mythical giant who will reveal the secret Legend of the Dew of Ben Nevis.
- ◆ We cruise the Loch and view the castle on our 50-minute voyage across the deepest, mysterious waters of Loch Ness. From here, treat those peepers – and your camera – to the breath-taking sight of historic Urquhart Castle. An onboard audio is bursting with lots of facts and legends to tune into as you sail, and don't forget to look out for Nessie, with a little help from the onboard sonar! Later, we visit Inverness, the capital of The Highlands, a perfect mix of a small city scene with an escape to the surrounding natural beauty of the small area within minutes!

The Caledonian Hotel

The 4-star Caledonian Hotel

Newcastle is located in the heart of Jesmond, a chic and leafy area, only 1 mile from Newcastle City Centre. The hotel itself combines Georgian

architecture with a contemporary edge. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and heated outdoor terrace. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, ironing facilities, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Tour of Newcastle
- ◆ Alnwick Castle & Holy Island
- ◆ Tynemouth & Whitley Bay

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We meet our guide after breakfast for a tour on our coach of Newcastle. Our guide will point out some of the many sights of this riverside city, such as the Tyne Bridge, the Discovery Museum, and St James' Park, the famous football ground. The rest of the day is at leisure to further explore the city at leisure.
- ◆ This morning, we make our way north for the crossing to Holy Island. This mysterious tidal island off Northumberland's coast becomes inaccessible when the tide washes over its causeway. When it's safe to cross, expect to find charming cafes, an ancient priory, and a castle that teeters on the coastline. Later, we visit Alnwick Castle, home of the Duke & Duchess of Northumberland, and owned by the Percy family since 1309. One of the largest inhabited castles in the UK, Alnwick has served as a military outpost, a refuge for evacuees, a film set, and not least as a family home.
- ◆ Our first stop today is the town of Tynemouth, with its beautiful beach views and historical ruins. We spend the afternoon relaxing at Whitley Bay. Breathe in the fresh sea air and take a stroll along the impressive promenade. From there, sip a cup of tea, or something stronger, at one of the quirky cafes and bars.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 23rd March 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 13th APRIL 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Eastbourne

Eastbourne is a town with grace and elegance that has something for everyone – a landscaped, pedestrianised town centre bordered by a large range of shops, a clean, well-managed beach and seafront renowned for its attractive three-tiered flower-decked promenade.



The Haddon Hall Hotel

The Haddon Hall Hotel is enviably situated at the seafront end of Devonshire Place, a broad, tree-lined avenue that links the main promenade with the town centre. The Bandstand is located across the road from the hotel. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, spacious lounge, ballroom, cocktail bar, and some evening entertainment. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Bateman's – Family Home of Rudyard Kipling
- ◆ Herstmonceux Castle

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The family home of world-famous writer Rudyard Kipling, known for The Jungle Book and Just So Stories, this Jacobean house is in the Sussex countryside. Surrounded by the wooded landscape of the Sussex Weald, this 17th Century house, with its mullioned windows and oak beams, provided a much-needed sanctuary to this writer and inspired his work. Bateman's is very much a family home that feels as though the Kipling's have just gone out for the day! We also visit Royal Tunbridge Wells – a magnet for royalty and the gentry, the elegance and atmosphere of this bygone era still remain today. The Pantiles, the famous colonnaded walkway where aristocracy once promenaded, is now home to a wonderful selection of high-quality boutiques, specialist independent shops, bars and cafes.
- ◆ We visit Herstmonceux Castle with 300 acres of carefully managed woodland and beautiful gardens, all surrounding a red brick, 15th Century, moated castle. Highlights of the garden include the Elizabethan Garden, Apothecary Garden, Magic Garden, and Folly Pond. Whilst here, we also enjoy a guided tour of the castle. We also visit the 'must see' village of Alfriston, on the banks of the Cuckmere River, at the foot of the beautiful South Downs. There is so much to admire – the medieval narrow, twisting high street has a surprising wealth and variety of shops.



Mature Singles - Chester

A singles tour to historic Chester. Learn how life used to be on a tour of the famous Port Sunlight Village, enjoy a relaxing sightseeing cruise on the River Dee, and spend free time in the popular seaside resort of Llandudno.



The Queens at Chester – Premier Collection by Best Western

The Queens at Chester Premiere Collection by Best Western is just a short distance from Chester centre and is an ideal location for our break. Marvel at the vaulted ceilings, spectacular staircases and regal public areas of this stately building. Regular guests from long ago included Lillie Langtree and Charles Dickens. Each room is true to the Victorian style, unique in terms of size, décor, and aspect. All the comfortable, en-suite rooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Port Sunlight Village
- ◆ Historic Chester with River Cruise

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to the seaside resort of Llandudno – a very popular destination! Don't miss the chance to take a tram ride up to the top of the Great Orme, where the views over the Bay are tremendous. Take a stroll along Llandudno's elegant promenade past pastel-coloured hotels and impeccably authentic seafront architecture, just like the Victorians did. Or perhaps you prefer a little retail therapy on the canopied shopping streets just behind the promenade.
- ◆ Enjoy a leisurely breakfast this morning before spending some time at leisure in Chester. This historic city offers lots to see and do. Explore the unique 'Rows' of two-tiered shops or take a stroll around the City Walls. Meander down to the River Dee and maybe enjoy lunch in a riverside pub. Later, we enjoy a sightseeing boat cruise with commentary about the local area and its history.
- ◆ This morning, we make our way to Port Sunlight where we enjoy a guided tour of Port Sunlight Village. Built by William Hesketh Lever for his factory workers and named after his famous Sunlight soap, this is a superb example of how life used to be. We return to the hotel in the afternoon for a delicious Cream Tea, with tea/coffee, two scones, clotted cream butter and jam.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Tuesday 14th April 2026	5 Days	£519 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 18th May 2026	5 Days	£719 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Yorkshire Contrasts

The Yorkshire Dales has many moods, it can be wild and windswept or quietly tranquil. Stone built villages sit amongst traditional farming landscapes of field barns, drystone walls and flower-rich hay meadows. Harrogate, our base for the tour, is a Victorian spa town with a reputation for exquisite retail opportunities and fine, independent eateries.



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Old Swan Hotel

The Old Swan Hotel stands in the centre of the lovely town of Harrogate – famed as Agatha Christie's hiding place during her disappearance in 1926. Bedrooms are stylishly furnished, and the public areas include a lift, the Library Restaurant, the Wedgewood Room, and the lounge bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ripon Cathedral Guided Tour
- ◆ The Ripon Hornblower
- ◆ Harewood House

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ After a leisurely breakfast, we head to Harewood House – one of the Treasure Houses of England, set in the heart of rural Yorkshire. The house holds an impressive art collection including Renaissance masterpieces, and exquisite Thomas Chippendale furniture, all combined with 100 acres of gardens and a renowned lakeside Bird Garden. Later, we head to the market town of Skipton, known as the 'Gateway to the Dales'. The High Street leads up to the church, behind which you see the impressive 900-year-old castle and Skipton Woods. Skipton Castle is one of the most complete and best-preserved castles in England.
- ◆ Today, we head for York where we have the day to explore this fascinating city with several attractions to keep you busy. Perhaps visit the National Railway Museum, or the Jorvik Centre. Walk around the City Walls or the little streets and alleyways of Shambles. Not forgetting, of course, the magnificent York Minster. You may even fancy tea & cakes at the famous Betty's Tea Rooms.
- ◆ The morning is free to explore the town of Harrogate. Enjoy a lovely stroll through beautiful Valley Gardens or explore the art gallery and delightful independent shops in the Montpellier Quarter. Have a relaxing lunch in one of the many restaurants, cafes and bars. We have an early evening dinner before tonight's outing to Ripon. We enjoy a behind-the-scenes guided tour of the beautiful and awe-inspiring Ripon Cathedral before heading to the Market Place for a chance to see one of the oldest English traditions – kept alive for hundreds of years without a break! At 9:00pm, the Ripon Hornblower sets the night watch from each corner of the obelisk in the centre of the square to reassure citizens that all is well.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 1st June 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Glorious Lakes & Dales

An excellent 3-night short break especially designed for Solo Travellers. Staying at the Shap Wells Hotel, nestled in between the Lake District and the Yorkshire Dales, the tour spends one day exploring the Lakes, and another absorbing the Dales. All sole occupancy rooms are spacious twin or double rooms and there is entertainment provided on at least 1 night.



The Shap Wells Hotel

The Shap Wells Hotel is set in tranquil surroundings amongst the Lakeland Fells and is an ideal base from which to explore this beautiful corner of England. Set in 20 acres of grounds, the hotel offers a lift, well-stocked bar, lounges, and spacious restaurant. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cruise on Lake Windermere
- ◆ Settle to Garsdale Railway

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Firstly, we head to Kendal before proceeding to Windermere, with free time in Bowness, before boarding a cruise on the world-famous Lake Windermere. We disembark at Ambleside with free time to roam around and have lunch in one of the many pubs and eateries. Afterwards, we journey through wonderful Lakeland scenery as we drive over the famous Kirkstone Pass and into the Northern Lakes and the shoreline of Ullswater, before leaving the Lakeland Fells and returning to our hotel.
- ◆ Into the Yorkshire Dales with a stop at the pretty Dales village of Kirkby Lonsdale. Continuing on to Settle, there may be a little free time before boarding our diesel train for the best part of the famous Settle to Carlisle Railway. On this 45-minute journey we will pass impressive limestone peaks, travel through tunnels and over viaducts, including the famous Ribbleshead Viaduct with 24 arches – a true masterpiece of Victorian engineering. Our coach awaits at Garsdale completing a fabulous day through the Western Dales & Sedbergh.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 26th June 2026	4 Days	£429 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Tiverton Devon

Nestled between rolling countryside and charming market towns, Tiverton provides the perfect blend of history, heritage and adventure. Browse unique independent shops and savour award-winning local produce in eateries.



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The Tiverton Hotel

The Tiverton Hotel & Lounge is set in mature gardens on the outskirts of Tiverton. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, and lounge. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ West Somerset Railway & Minehead
- ◆ Horse Drawn Boat & Tiverton
- ◆ Quince Honey Farm & Barnstaple

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make our way to Bishop's Lydeard to join the West Somerset Railway for our journey through beautiful Somerset countryside to Minehead. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore this traditional seaside resort. There are beaches to explore, a fishing quarter and an historic harbour. There's a 14th Century church on the hill and the much-photographed historic church steps. Take a walk down the tree-lined Avenue and visit the selection of tea rooms, pubs and independent shops in the town centre.
- ◆ We have the morning at leisure to explore the market town of Tiverton. Tiverton is steeped in history, and you can uncover its rich past through the town's heritage attractions. Later, we join the Tiverton Canal Company for a unique and tranquil horse-drawn boat experience along the Grand Western Canal.
- ◆ Quince Honey Farm is a working honey farm and here we enjoy a guided tour and tasting. Take a look behind the scenes at the honey production areas before sampling some delicious honey. There will also be time to see the pollinator-friendly Nectar Gardens, the Hexibition, and the Bee Shed where there are numerous hives on display and other exhibitions. We spend the rest of the day in the town of Barnstaple. As well as being a haven for shoppers, Barnstaple is also a cultural hub for artists and historians.

Mature Singles - South Devon Delights

Beautiful Devon is one of the UK's most breathtaking destinations. Whether you're seeking golden beaches, rugged moorlands, charming villages, or delicious local food, Devon offers an unforgettable experience for every visitor.



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Exeter Rougemont Hotel

This elegant Victorian building is located close to Rougemont Gardens and boasts breathtaking views and plenty of attractions nearby. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Bicton Park Botanical Gardens
- ◆ Cruise on the River Exe with Cream Tea
- ◆ Visits to Sidmouth & Torquay
- ◆ Cream Tea at The Belgrave Sands Hotel

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Bicton Park Botanical Gardens has over 64 acres to explore spanning nearly 300 years of gardening history, and is home to many rare and beautiful species, collected from around the world. Highlights include the Italian Garden – the most beautiful picture opportunity of all the gardens, the Rose Garden – a neat striped lawn brings calmness to the chaos of colours, and the Hermitage Garden – surrounded by an acer glade, flowering cherries, waterfalls and a Japanese pagoda overlooking the Great Lake. From here, we continue to the Regency town of Sidmouth where there will be free time to explore.
- ◆ We travel to nearby Exmouth to join our Cruise along the calm and protected waters of the River Exe whilst enjoying a delicious Devon Cream Tea, with oodles of cream and lashings of strawberry jam. We return to Exeter where the rest of the day is at leisure to explore independently. As you'd expect from a city with a 2,000-year history, Exeter has plenty to show off, with stunning architecture and heritage visitor attractions.
- ◆ Today we head to Torquay on the English Riviera – so called because of the warm microclimate and the palm trees lining the roads. Take a stroll along the historic Torquay Pier and promenade or visit the beautiful harbour with its hive of yachts and boats bobbing away. There is an array of shops and galleries all around Torquay, including high street brands and smaller independent offerings. Before returning to Exeter, we stop at The Belgrave Sands Hotel for a delicious Cream Tea.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 28th June 2026	5 Days	£599 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 27th July 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - North Norfolk

North Norfolk is renowned for its spectacular coastline fantastic wildlife, miles of glorious beaches, seaside communities and a beautiful hinterland of rolling countryside and picturesque market towns and villages.



Mature Singles - Shropshire

Nowhere quite balances rugged exploration, welcome serenity and rejuvenation quite like Shropshire. This is the county where an old signpost can lead to an unforgettable new adventure.



Wensum Valley Hotel

Wensum Valley Hotel Golf & Country Club is situated in the village of Taverham on the outskirts of Norwich. En-suite bedrooms are traditionally furnished and feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. There is no lift, but plenty of ground floor rooms are available on request. The Valley Restaurant is blessed with lovely views, while the lounge and bar are comfortable spots to relax. There is a pleasant patio area overlooking the Wensum Valley, and guests enjoy complimentary use of the leisure facilities which include an indoor swimming pool, sauna, steam room, spa bath, and gym.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ 'Poppy Line' Train Journey
- ◆ Blickling Estate
- ◆ Cruise on the Norfolk Broads

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today, we journey to the Victorian seaside resort of Sheringham to board the North Norfolk Railway – 'Poppy Line' – for a one-way, 5.5-mile journey to the Georgian town of Holt. Sit back and absorb the views as our steam train chugs through the county's stunning scenery. After a little free time in Holt, we continue to Hunstanton, the only west-facing resort on the east coast of England. There are two sides to Hunstanton, the elegant old Victorian town with its Esplanade Gardens and rather sedate air of days gone by, and the lively buzzing family centre with a large sandy beach, pony rides and amusements.
- ◆ Nobody ever forgets their first sight of Blickling Estate. This breathtaking Jacobean mansion and ancient yew hedges sit at the heart of a magnificent garden and historic park in the beautiful Bure Meadows. Surrounding the house, the formal garden is the result of three centuries of planting. We continue to the traditional seaside resort of Cromer with great sandy beaches, museums, plenty of attractions and wonderful walking along the Norfolk Coast Path. Cromer is also famous for Banksy's Great British Spraycation artwork and Cromer Pier, which is home to a lifeboat station and Pavilion Theatre.
- ◆ We travel to Wroxham for a traditional Broads Cruise. Wroxham is lined with stunning riverside homes, and after enjoying a glimpse of these unique properties- including the former home of George Formby – we wind through River Bure and cross two broads. Gain an insightful overview into the history, wildlife and scenic landscape of the Norfolk Broads and hopefully spot some of the best wildlife the Norfolk Broads has to offer. Later, we return to the City of Norwich, brimming with over 900-years of rich history, natural beauty and mouthwatering local food and drink.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 24th August 2026	5 Days	£729 pp	Nil	£35

The Park House Hotel

Set in a 17th Century period property, the Park House Hotel is committed to providing high standards of service in a beautiful historic setting. Located on the edge of the market town of Shifnal, the hotel is within easy reach of all the attractions in our Shropshire tour. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cruise on the River Severn
- ◆ Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway
- ◆ Blists Hill Victorian Town

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Shrewsbury is full of finds to be discovered. By foot or by boat, the River Severn is a must, as is the cafe culture, the castle and the churches that dominate Shrewsbury's famous skyline. From the haunting history of Shrewsbury Prison to the peaceful sailing on the Sabrina Boat, and the fascinating exhibitions at the Shrewsbury Museum and Art Gallery, the town is full of fun-filled experiences. Following the day at leisure exploring, we enjoy a serene cruise along the River Severn with Sabrina Boat to end our day before returning to the hotel.
- ◆ Today, we travel to Welshpool for our return journey on the Welshpool & Llanfair Light Railway. Explore the rolling landscape of this heritage railway and embrace the smells, sights and sounds of yesteryear. Our train negotiates a viaduct and a river bridge, climbs the notoriously steep Golfa Bank and steams serenely through beautiful countryside. Look out for the occasional heron, goosander, woodpecker or buzzard. As the train runs through the Powis Estate, pheasant and deer can be seen and everywhere a wide variety of flowers. Following our journey, we spend a little free time in Welshpool, where the main streets are lined with fine Georgian buildings.
- ◆ First stop today is Ironbridge where the world's first Iron Bridge stands as one of the greatest symbols of the place where the Industrial Revolution began. Today you can still walk across it and admire spectacular views of the Gorge. From here, we continue to Blists Hill Victorian Town to step back in time to the year 1900 and explore a working-class town in the East Shropshire Coalfield. Be immersed in the sights, sounds and smells of Victorian life and get a glimpse of a new world shaped by industry. Visit Victorian shops and cottages, meet craftspeople demonstrating their trades and taste authentic food in this recreated town.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 4th September 2026	5 Days	£549 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Bournemouth, Beaulieu & The Watercress Line

Dorset is a land of epic coastline, rolling hills, and timeless charm. From our base in Southampton, we are ideally placed for our visits to the popular seaside resort of Bournemouth, Winchester – the ancient capital and former seat of King Alfred, and fascinating Beaulieu with its National Motor Museum, Palace House, Abbey, and beautiful gardens and grounds.



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The Chilworth Manor Hotel

Ideally situated in the heart of Hampshire this Edwardian Manor House Hotel offers charming accommodation and a state-of-the-art health club & spa. The hotel has a lift, Lounge, and The Restaurant is located just off the magnificent gallery hall at the heart of Manor House. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, iron & ironing board, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Watercress Line
- ◆ Beaulieu
- ◆ Bournemouth
- ◆ Winchester & Lymington

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The Watercress Line is a heritage railway offering a scenic experience through the Hampshire countryside, showcasing historic steam and diesel locomotives, local history, and a commitment to preservation and education. In years gone by, The Watercress Line took people on holiday, carried people to war, transported evacuees and moved all the essential goods of the era. Today, our journey takes us through the South Downs National Park. Later, we continue to Winchester, England's ancient capital and former seat of King Alfred, with the rest of the day free to explore.
- ◆ Today, we visit Beaulieu, an award-winning attraction at the heart of the New Forest National Park. Highlights include the National Motor Museum with over 280 vehicles from F1 cars and land speed record breakers to incredible examples of pioneering motoring, Palace House, the Montagu family home, and We Had One of Those, the newest addition to the Beaulieu attraction. Later, we visit Lymington, a colourful and vibrant town, an ancient seaport with a rich maritime history.
- ◆ Bournemouth is our focus today, with the day at leisure to explore independently. With seven miles of idyllic coastline Bournemouth is very much open for business. There's a fantastic mix of shops in Bournemouth including boutiques, department stores, designer brands, and high street favourites. The shops are close to the beach and surrounded by cafes and coffee shops.

Mature Singles - Warwickshire & Shakespeare's England

Warwickshire, Shakespeare's England, comes with a story to tell, vibrant towns, surrounded by charming countryside, it has its own unmistakable identity.



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Walton Hall Hotel & Spa by Sunday

Set within 65 acres of peaceful English countryside, Walton Hall Hotel & Spa by Sunday offers a relaxing retreat, close to Stratford-Upon-Avon, and the perfect base for our tour. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, on-site spa, indoor swimming pool and roof terrace. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Shakespeare's Schoolroom & Stratford-Upon-Avon
- ◆ Tewkesbury Abbey & Broadway
- ◆ Alcester & Packwood Tudor House

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ During our visit to Shakespeare's Schoolroom, immerse yourself in sixteenth century Stratford-upon-Avon and explore the very room where William Shakespeare sat in the 1570s and where he wrote his first works. Discover the space where young William saw plays performed by the finest actors of the day. Enjoy a fun and engaging Tudor style school lesson with Shakespeare's last schoolmaster and you may leave having learnt a little Latin! The rest of the day will be at leisure in Stratford-upon-Avon, a market town with more than 800 years of history, containing not only many buildings that survive today and would have been familiar to Shakespeare, but also a thriving community offering a variety of shopping and dining experiences.
- ◆ Our day takes us into the beautiful Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, stopping in the beautiful riverside town of Tewkesbury. Whilst here, we enjoy a Guided Tour of Tewkesbury Abbey, an imposing feature of the town's landscape for nearly 900 years. We continue to the quaint, picture-postcard village of Broadway, with rolling Wolds overlooking ancient honey-coloured limestone period buildings with orderly horse chestnut trees lining the grass-fringed verges of the historic 'broad way' High Street.
- ◆ Alcester is our first visit today, with its Roman origins, Tudor architecture, and charming high street. Later, we visit Packwood Tudor House, Park & Garden with its fine collection of 16th Century textiles and furniture. The culmination of a lifetime of dreams: salvaged objects and exotic pieces come together in a Jacobean meets Edwardian style. Beautiful, homely, warm and welcoming. The Gardens have renowned herbaceous borders and a famous collection of yews.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 12th October 2026	5 Days	£679 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 26th October 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	Nil	£35

Mature Singles - Blackpool Turkey & Tinsel

A holiday in Blackpool will leave you feeling refreshed, relaxed, and recharged, even if you are on the go 25 hours a day! Perhaps it's the resort's infectious zest for life, or maybe it's just that, uniquely, whatever your routine, Blackpool can offer a perfect break from it.



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The Doric Hotel

Situated on the Queen's Promenade, with breath-taking views over the Irish Sea, Morecambe Bay, and the Isle of Man, The Doric is a firm favourite. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, indoor & outdoor swimming pools, poolside bar, and incredible entertainment every night. A pool of highly professional entertainers awaits you at The Doric. A full all-year-round entertainment programme with tribute acts, performances and fabulous vocal talent all waiting in the spotlight to entertain you.

Please note our coach & Driver do not stay with you on this tour and no excursions are included.

After breakfast on the last day of your holiday we travel straight home



UPGRADES AVAILABLE

- ◆ **Drinks Inclusive - £10.00 per person per night supplement** – Inclusive selected drinks at the bar each full day of your stay from 12:00midday until 10:00pm.
- ◆ **All Inclusive - £15.00 per person per night supplement** – Inclusive selected drinks at the bar each full day of your stay from 12:00midday until 10:00pm, local Travel Pass, Packed Lunch, Six Bingo Books per adult.

Mature Singles - Loch Lomond & The Trossachs

Scotland's first national park is packed with interesting corners for us to explore, each with its own character. There are 22 lochs, 39 miles of coastline, miles of rivers and paths, 21 Munros and acres of unspoilt land.



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The Rob Roy Hotel

The Rob Roy Hotel is wonderfully situated in idyllic countryside at the gateway to the glorious Trossachs. Named after the legendary folk hero Rob Roy McGregor, The Rob Roy offers excellent food, friendly staff, and good old-fashioned value for money. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Luss & Loch Lomond Cruise
- ◆ Stirling Old Town Jail & Stirling
- ◆ Crieff & Cream Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The picturesque village of Luss nestles on the western shores of Loch Lomond with breath-taking views. You'll also find a variety of lovely shops and eateries that add to its appeal. We continue to Tarbet where we join Cruise Loch Lomond for our 1-hour cruise sailing north past the waterfalls at Inversnaid and taking in the sprawling glens and rocky peaks of the Arrochar Alps.
- ◆ Opening in 1847, Stirling's New County Jail – known today as the Old Town Jail – was the last Reformed Prison built in Victorian Scotland. We have a tour that will have you begging for parole – or at least a second helping of criminal charm and prison reform wisdom! Visit the cells before heading to the Exercise Yard which of course is located on the roof! From here you will continue to the observation tower for breath-taking views of the Old Town, Ochils and the Trossachs. The rest of the day is at leisure in Stirling.
- ◆ We head into Perthshire today to the attractive town of Crieff, a traditional Scots market town set amidst Perthshire's stunning scenery. After some time to explore, we make our way to The Crieff Hydro Hotel where we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea before returning to the hotel.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 9th November 2026	5 Days	£369 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 9th November 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

Ireland



Flowers & Fillies

Join us on our Spring tour to the island of Ireland which combines two of Ireland's best attractions, the Irish National Stud & Japanese Gardens and Powerscourt Estate, during the Tulip Festival.



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Summerhill House Hotel

The Summerhill House Hotel is where glamour and the countryside blend in one of Ireland's prettiest villages. Its location in the cosy village of Enniskerry is a gloriously refreshing antidote to city living or stressful lives. All en-suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Irish National Stud & Japanese Gardens
- ◆ Powerscourt Estate
- ◆ Mount Usher Gardens
- ◆ Wicklow & Bray & Blessington

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We journey to Holyhead for our ferry crossing to Dublin and onwards to the Summerhill House Hotel, our base for the next 4 nights. Dinner will be served in the hotel this evening.
- ◆ Powerscourt Estate is considered one of the world's greatest gardens, with international collections, ornate statuary, inspired designs and magnificent views of Sugarloaf Mountain. We are lucky to be visiting during the annual Tulip Festival to see over 19,000 tulips in bloom. Later, we have free time in Bray, known as the Gateway to the Garden of Ireland. The town boasts fine shops and eateries and spacious promenade.
- ◆ Today we visit the Irish National Stud & Japanese Gardens. Each season over 300 foals take their first steps at the Irish National Stud. View them frolicking alongside their mothers, which is one of the most magical times of the year to visit. Visit the Irish Racehorse Experience and learn the lifecycle of the Irish thoroughbred. The Japanese Gardens, renowned throughout the world are the finest of their kind in Europe and are far more than simply a treat for the eye. Later, we make a stop in Blessington, steeped in history, where around every corner there are buildings, statues and relics of the past staring back at you.
- ◆ This morning, we visit Mount Usher Gardens, recognised at home and abroad as one of the earliest and finest examples of a 'Robinsonian' garden. Covering 22-acres it combines a champion collection of trees and shrubs with inspirational floral planting schemes along both sides of the River Vartry. There is an ever-changing panoply of colours and textures enhanced by wafting scents accompanying every season. Later, we visit the town of Wicklow whose Black Castle ruins overlook the harbour.
- ◆ Due to an early start this morning, there will be a 'grab & go' breakfast at the hotel. We make our way to Dublin Port in time for our ferry crossing to Holyhead where a full breakfast is available. Upon arrival at Holyhead, we continue our journey homeward.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 26th April 2025	5 Days	£619 pp	Nil	£73

Ireland's Ancient East

Experience Ireland's Ancient East where vibrant history and modern life meet. Enjoy memorable food experiences, wander down the cobbled streets of medieval towns and explore the gorgeous gardens of this scenic region.



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The Keadeen Hotel

Established in 1970, The Keadeen Hotel is the longest-standing family-run hotel in County Kildare, offering a warm welcome and timeless Irish hospitality. Nestled within 8 acres of award-winning, landscaped gardens, the hotel offers a restaurant, bar, lounge, and leisure centre with heated indoor pool and gym. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Newbridge Silverware & Irish National Stud
- ◆ Russborough House & Gardens & Blessington
- ◆ Kilkenny

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We journey to Holyhead for our ferry crossing to Dublin and onwards to the Keadeen Hotel, our base for the next 4 nights. Dinner will be served in the hotel this evening.
- ◆ We stay close to the hotel today with a visit to Newbridge Silverware Visitor Centre. This is an unforgettable experience combining craft, fashion, culture, heritage, shopping and hospitality – all in one! Later, we continue to the Irish National Stud & Gardens. Each season over 300 foals take their first steps at the Irish National Stud. View them frolicking alongside their mothers, which is one of the most magical times of the year to visit. Visit the Irish Racehorse Experience and learn the lifecycle of the Irish thoroughbred. The Japanese Gardens, renowned throughout the world are the finest of their kind in Europe and are far more than simply a treat for the eye.
- ◆ Russborough House is a Georgian jewel nestled in the heart of County Wicklow. From its grand Palladian design to meticulously crafted interiors and expansive parklands, Russborough offers a glimpse into the opulent lifestyles of the 18th and 19th Centuries. Later, we visit Blessington where around every corner there are buildings, statues, and relics of the past staring back at you.
- ◆ Kilkenny City is home to one of the most recognisable landmarks in Ireland – the 12th Century Kilkenny Castle. Go back in time and explore Ireland's Medieval Mile, a discovery trail running through Kilkenny city. Shop 'till you drop at independent boutiques and browse creations from Kilkenny's prominent local arts, craft and design scene.
- ◆ Due to an early start this morning, there will be a 'grab & go' breakfast at the hotel. We make our way to Dublin Port in time for our ferry crossing to Holyhead where a full breakfast is available. Upon arrival at Holyhead, we continue our journey homeward.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 4th May 2026	5 Days	£669 pp	£120	£73

Titanic Tastes of Northern Ireland

This tour is absolute foodie heaven! On the menu are samples of Shorthorn Beef and Organic Salmon at Glenarm Castle and a tasting and lunch including apple tart at Armagh Cider Company – what a treat! Another highlight is the recently reimagined Titanic Belfast Exhibition with four new themed galleries. A visit to the brilliant Ulster Folk Museum and a beautiful Antrim coastal drive complete this great tour.



©Titanic Belfast

The Dunadry Hotel & Gardens

Part of the McKeever Hotel Group, this stunning 4* hotel is built on the site of an ancient fort and, subsequently, a paper mill, and is set within beautiful gardens alongside the Six Mile Water trout river. All spacious bedrooms are elegantly furnished and have TV, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. The restaurant provides a relaxed and modern dining experience while the bar has a cosy fireplace and embodies many of the old paper mill's original features. Extensive leisure and spa facilities include an indoor swimming pool, spa pool, steam room, beauty salon, and gym. The hotel has a lift.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entrance to Titanic Belfast
- ◆ Glenarm Castle – Farm to Fork Tasting Experience
- ◆ Armagh Cider Company Tour & Tasting & Lunch
- ◆ Entrance to the Ulster Folk Museum

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We visit the world-famous Titanic Belfast, which tells the Titanic story through a series of spectacular interactive galleries housed in its iconic building. We roam the shipyard and journey to the depths of the ocean while we immerse ourselves in all things Titanic. The attraction underwent a multi-million-pound transformation in 2023, so we experience the newly introduced theme, 'The Pursuit of Dreams', designed to engage visitors with the dreams and stories of those linked to the luxury ship. The rest of the day is at leisure in Belfast, exploring some of the city's most famous and historic sites and significant points of interest.
- ◆ We enjoy a scenic journey along the spectacular Antrim Coast en route to one of Northern Ireland's oldest and most beautiful estates, Glenarm Castle, where we enjoy a Farm to Fork Tasting Experience in the estate's coach house room. We'll have a short presentation for each item of food with details of how it has been produced, including the famous, award-winning Glenarm Shorthorn Beef and Glenarm Organic Salmon, and ice cream made at the onsite milk parlour. After this experience, we enjoy a self-guided visit of the gardens before returning to the hotel.
- ◆ We visit Armagh Cider Company for a tour and tasting at the family-run farm, which produces an artisan range of cider and pure apple juices. Taste buds tingling, we tuck into lunch during our visit, with soup & artisan breads on the menu as well as a delicious apple tart & cream with tea/coffee. Later, we make our way to the Ulster Folk Museum. As we wander through the pretty parkland, we step back in time to experience life in Ulster more than a century ago, encountering costumed locals demonstrating traditional crafts along the way.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 25th May 2026	5 Days	£749 pp	£142	£35

Step to the Spirit of the Mournes

Step to the storied rhythm of Northern Ireland, where the dramatic Mourne Mountains provide the backdrop for interactive Irish dancing with the principal dancer of 'Lord of the Dance' at the oldest coaching inn. Enjoy a self-guided tour of the only Northern Irish royal residence, go on an exciting journey through this breathtaking landscape, and savour a local taste of chocolate.



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The Canal Court Hotel

Located in the heart of Newry, the Canal Court Hotel & Spa offers a prime central location with uninterrupted views of Ireland's oldest man-made canal. Enjoy comfort and style in one of the spacious rooms, each furnished with bespoke pieces. Dine in sophistication at the award-winning Old Mill Restaurant, with its panelled walls and menu showcasing the finest locally sourced ingredients. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, iron, telephone, hairdryer, safe, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift and spa with swimming pool, steam room and jacuzzi.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Dancing at the Crossroads
- ◆ Hillsborough Castle & Gardens
- ◆ Mourne Mountains Guided Tour
- ◆ Neary Nogs Stoneground Chocolate

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 3rd August 2026	5 Days	£749 pp	£120	£35

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to Cairnryan for our ferry across the Irish Sea to Belfast. On arrival, we continue our journey to Newry, arriving at the hotel in time for dinner.
- ◆ Hillsborough Castle & Gardens, a stronghold of Irish history and politics, Northern Ireland's only royal residence opens its doors for a revealing guided tour. If the walls could talk, they would whisper secrets of discussions that changed the world. An expert guide walks us through the State Rooms once visited by Benjamin Franklin and Queen Elizabeth II. Imagine the atmosphere in the Drawing Room as Margaret Thatcher and Garret Fitzgerald signed the Anglo-Irish Agreement and picture the changing Good Friday Agreement negotiations that finally brought peace and relief after 30 years. Take a seat by Lady Alice's Temple and enjoy the views of the castle's glorious gardens, ornamental grounds, peaceful woodland, meandering waterways, and picturesque glens. We continue to Armagh, known as the Orchard County, a city with a unique sense of place, its influence spanning 6,500 years, celebrated as the heart of Saint Patrick's legacy and home to two iconic cathedrals bearing his name.
- ◆ Josephine Brennan King, a world-renowned Principal Dancer and Dance Captain of 'Lord of the Dance', invites us to experience the living tradition of crossroads dancing at Denvir's Inn, the oldest coaching inn in Ireland, established in 1642. Witness the rhythmic footwork of traditional Sean Nos and contemporary step dancing through an interactive experience that allows participants of every mobility level to learn authentic Irish dance steps, just as the travelling Dance Masters once taught across Ireland. Then top it off with a delicious light lunch. We then visit Newcastle. This charming seaside town is known for its stunning views of the Mourne Mountains and its golden beach stretching along Dundrum Bay.
- ◆ Our local expert takes us on a captivating coach-guided tour, offering fascinating commentary as we journey through the unspoiled beauty of the Mourne Mountains, a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Travel along the breathtaking coastline, take in the stunning views from the Silent Valley Reservoir, encircled by majestic peaks and scenic parkland, and experience the intrigue of Magic Hill, where vehicles appear to roll uphill! We also savour the rich taste of Ireland with a delectable chocolate tasting, surrounded by the breathtaking beauty of the Irish Sea, Carlingford Loch, and the Mourne Mountains. Neary Nogs Chocolate is Ireland's first bean-to-bar craft, family-run chocolate maker, using only the best ingredients – including ethically sourced, sustainable cacao beans.
- ◆ Our final breakfast before we make our way to Belfast for our ferry crossing to Belfast and final journey homeward.

Killarney & The Ring of Kerry

A bustling town, full of character, Killarney is Ireland's oldest and most popular tourist destination. The Ring of Kerry is a trail, a route, a road ... but no ordinary road. It's a road that takes you through 10,000 years of dramatic history, from crystal streams to the crashing waters of the Wild Atlantic, through rugged and majestic landscapes.



Overnight - Outward - The Wilton Hotel

The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

Main Stay - The Killarney Towers Hotel

A superbly appointed hotel with a great reputation, occupying a prime position in Killarney town. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and indoor swimming pool. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, safe, and tea/coffee making facilities.

Overnight - Return - Talbot Hotel Stillorgan

The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, ironing & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities.



© Killarney Jaunting Cars



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Jaunting Car Ride
- ◆ Cruise on Lough Leane
- ◆ Full Day Guided Tour of the Spectacular Ring of Kerry

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We journey to Holyhead for our ferry crossing to Dublin. On arrival, we continue to Bray and the Wilton Hotel for dinner and overnight stay.
- ◆ After breakfast, we continue our journey to the south-west of Ireland and on to the lively town of Killarney for our 3 nights' stay at the Killarney Towers Hotel.
- ◆ We enjoy a cruise on serene Lough Leane in our modern, glass-covered Lake Cruiser. Learn about the flora and fauna of the area as well as the history of its most famous landmarks from your Captain. Drift by the 6th Century Innisfallen Monastery, founded by Augustinian Monks, and capture magnificent scenery of the Killarney lakes and mountains. We then join our traditional Jaunting Car for a ramble through the tree-lined avenues of Killarney National Park. Learn about the history, legends, and folklore of the area from your local Jarvey Guide and catch a glimpse of the Park's unique wildlife, including the Red Deer, the last native herd in Ireland. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the delightful town of Killarney.
- ◆ We meet our Guide for a full day enjoying Ireland's most scenic drive around the Ring of Kerry. Varied and spectacular scenery awaits, from mountains, lakes, and peat bogs to magnificent views of the Atlantic Ocean.
- ◆ We leave Killarney after breakfast and make our way to Stillorgan and on to the Talbot Hotel for dinner and our overnight stay.
- ◆ Due to an early start this morning, there will only be a 'Grab & Go' breakfast at the hotel before we make our way to Dublin Port for our ferry crossing to Holyhead. There will be breakfast included on board the ferry. Upon arrival in Holyhead, we continue our journey home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 24th August 2026	6 Days	£779 pp	£194	£86

Belfast & The Giant's Causeway

Belfast is a giant city of buzzing culture and industrial prowess. Whether you're exploring the restaurants of the Cathedral Quarter or visiting the birthplace of the world's most famous ship, Titanic, there is something for everyone in Northern Ireland's dynamic capital city.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Giant's Causeway Visitor Center
- ◆ Titanic Belfast
- ◆ Hillsborough Castle

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 6th September 2026	5 Days	£699 pp	£200	£35

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We drive to Cairnryan for our ferry crossing to Belfast. Upon arrival, we make our way to the Stormont Hotel for dinner and the first of our 4-nights' stay.
- ◆ A scenic day today as we travel along the Causeway Coast Road making a short stop at Ballycastle, a small town nestled in Antrim County. Ballycastle offers excellent views of the Mull of Kintyre and Rathlin Island just off the shore. We continue to the Giant's Causeway. Flanked by the wild Atlantic Ocean and a landscape of dramatic cliffs, for centuries the Giant's Causeway has inspired artists and captured imaginations. Discover all about the fascinating myths surrounding the causeway including local history and legends. Spend time in the visitor centre to learn more about this special place or take a walk and experience the natural environment of the coastal landscape.
- ◆ We enjoy the morning at leisure in the city of Belfast before our visit to the Titanic Quarter. Located beside the Titanic Slipway, the Harland & Wolff Drawing Offices and Hamilton Graving Dock – the very place where Titanic was designed, built and launched, Titanic Belfast tells the story of Titanic from her conception, through her construction and launch, to her maiden voyage and subsequent place in history. The self-guided tour extends over nine interactive galleries where you discover the sights, sounds, smells and stories of the ship, as well as the people and city that made her. Later, explore the Maritime Mile – there's plenty to explore from the historic giants dominating the city skyline and public art dotted along the waterfront, to heritage attractions and top-notch eateries.
- ◆ Explore Northern Ireland's Royal Residence where worlds and minds meet. Relax in 100 acres of picturesque gardens explore the State Rooms still used today and indulge in delicious food and drink in the café. Discover stories of celebration, entertainment, diplomacy, and negotiation as you explore Hillsborough Castle's fascinating history and stunning State Rooms. Access is to the State Rooms that make up this elegant Georgian home including the grand Throne Room, relaxing State Drawing Room, Lady Grey's Study, State Dining Room, Red Room, and Stair Hall. Expert Castle Hosts will be on hand to share details of the historic rooms.
- ◆ After our final breakfast this morning, we make our way to Belfast Port in time for our ferry back to Cairnryan and journey home.

Scotland



Royal Edinburgh & The Three Bridges Cruise

With the city's skyline, cobbled streets, and colourful characters as your backdrop, there's so many ways to embrace, explore, have fun and create lasting memories in Edinburgh. We have created an itinerary that we hope will show you some of the best attractions this city has to offer with some free time to discover the rest.



The Westerwood Hotel

This welcoming hotel offers a tranquil escape, surrounded by countryside, yet not far from the bright city lights of Edinburgh. All the contemporary en-suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, fitness suite, swimming pool, sauna, and steam room.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Royal Yacht Britannia
- ◆ Lind & Lime Distillery
- ◆ Palace of Holyroodhouse
- ◆ Forth Boat Cruise with Cream Tea

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ This morning, we make our way to Leith for our visit to The Royal Yacht Britannia. We start our tour at the entrance on the Ground Floor of Ocean Terminal. Then, explore each of the five decks of this top attraction and discover what life was like on board Queen Elizabeth II's former floating palace. Following our visit, there will be free time in this cool neighbourhood to grab lunch before we continue to the Lind & Lime Gin Distillery for our Tour & Tasting.
- ◆ The Palace of Holyrood House, standing at the end of Edinburgh's Royal Mile, is our focus today. We explore the Palace's close associations with some of Scotland's most well-known Historic figures such as Mary, Queen of Scots and Bonnie Prince Charlie, and learn how today it is used by The King when carrying out official engagements in Scotland. The rest of the day is free to explore the beautiful city of Edinburgh at leisure.
- ◆ A leisurely breakfast this morning before making our way to The Kelpies, two giant mythological Water Horses, the largest equine sculptures in the world. These 30m high horse-head sculptures must be seen to be believed. We continue to South Queensferry to join Forth Boat Tours for our Three Bridges Cruise. Relax on board our sightseeing cruise and take in the spectacular Three Bridges, the beautiful panorama of the Edinburgh skyline, and look out for the seals and marine wildlife. Whilst on board, we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea.

Summer in the Scottish Highlands

The Scottish Highlands is the Scotland of your imagination and the perfect backdrop for your next adventure. It's no wonder that it was named as one of National Geographic's 'Best of the World' destinations in 2023. Explore the mysterious Loch Ness, pass through the striking Cairngorms National Park, and discover the rugged coastline of Caithness.



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The Carrbridge Hotel

Originally established in 1803 as an Inn for weary travellers, the Watt family have owned and managed the Carrbridge Hotel for the last four decades. In that time the hotel has been extensively refurbished and extended to provide modern accommodation whilst retaining the hotel's character. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and lounge. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ballindalloch Castle & Gardens and Lossiemouth
- ◆ Fort Augustus & Loch Ness Cruise
- ◆ Strathspey Steam Railway & Aviemore

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Monday, 23rd March 2026	5 Days	£449 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Tuesday, 21st April 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	£120	£35

Unique Orkney & Northcoast Route

As we set off on this spectacular tour, we journey across the famous scenic North Coast Route, described as Scotland's own Route 66. The highlight of this breath-taking tour is a visit to Orkney, one of Scotland's most accessible and popular islands. We take a full day guided tour to marvel at the wealth of the Neolithic remains and local culture.



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Overnight Hotels To Be Confirmed

The Highland Hotel

Nestled amidst the rolling hills of the Scottish Highlands, the quaint village of Strathpeffer holds a hidden gem – the Highland Hotel. Standing tall since 1882, this Victorian-era landmark has witnessed a bygone era of elegance and grandeur. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar, and en-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

Castletown Hotel

Nestled in the heart of the picturesque fishing village of Castletown, this family-run hotel is perfect for exploring the area. The hotel has a restaurant and bar, sorry there is no lift. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ All Ferry Crossings
- ◆ Full Day Guided Tour of Orkney
- ◆ Entrance to Skara Brae
- ◆ Entrance to the Italian Chapel

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel north through spectacular scenery and arrive at our overnight hotel in time for dinner.
- ◆ A prompt start this morning for our journey north to the Scottish Highlands, via Perth, stopping at Pitlochry over lunchtime to explore this quaint highland town at leisure. We continue to Strathpeffer and on to the Highland Hotel, for our overnight stay.
- ◆ Today, we travel clockwise along the North Coast Route, Scotland's answer to Route 66. First, we travel to the west coast fishing village of Ullapool, before continuing north via wide single-track roads to our next destination, Durness, stopping at lunchtime for a refreshment break. Finally, we follow the main roads east along the northerly coastal edges of Scotland, marvelling at the breath-taking views around every corner on the way to Thurso.
- ◆ After an early start, we make our way to Scrabster for our morning ferry to Stromness on Orkney. On arrival, we meet our local guide who will be with us throughout our step-on tour of the island. We visit the ancient settlement of Skara Brae, uncovered by a storm in 1850. This ancient settlement is older than Stonehenge and the amazingly preserved rooms provide us with a unique insight into prehistoric human living. From here we head to the mystical Ring of Brodgar to view the standing stones, reminiscent of those at Stonehenge and Avebury, constructed around 2500 – 2000 BC. We continue to Kirkwall to spend some free time for lunch. Later, we visit the Italian Chapel, 'the miracle of camp 60', which was built by Italian prisoners during WWII. We then travel past the Churchill Barriers, the construction of which was ordered by Winston Churchill after the tragic torpedoing of the battleship Royal Oak in Scapa Flow during 1939. Finally, we make our way back for our ferry crossing to the mainland.
- ◆ We continue east across the North Coast Route, Scotland's answer to Route 66. Following the main roads along the northerly coastal edges of Scotland, we marvel at the breath-taking views around every corner, stopping in Inverness at lunchtime for a refreshment break. Later, we make our way south through spectacular scenery to Drymen for dinner and our overnight stay.
- ◆ After breakfast this morning, we continue our journey south and home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 27th April 2026	7 Days	£749 pp	£130	£42

Pretty Pitlochry & Picturesque Perthshire

Perthshire is famed for dramatic mountains, glens, and lochs, ancient castles, and unspoilt nature. Our hotel in Pretty Pitlochry is the perfect base from which to explore the breath-taking scenery of the area.



The Fisher's Hotel

Fisher's Hotel is located right in the centre of the beautiful Victorian town of Pitlochry, Perthshire. The front door opens straight onto Atholl Road, and the back door opens up to the train station. One of the biggest surprises are the award-winning gardens that surround the hotel. The hotel has a lift and a great selection of restaurants and bars. Tastefully decorated, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Scottish Crannog Centre
- ◆ Scone Palace
- ◆ Visits to Perth & Crieff

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Scone Palace breathes history like nowhere else in Scotland. Today it is home to the Earls of Mansfield but fifteen hundred years ago it was the capital of the Pictish kingdom. Our guided tour will take us through the resplendent Palace State Rooms. See where Queen Victoria and Prince Albert dined during their visit in 1842 as guests of the 4th Earl. The French-themed Drawing Room with the imposing paintings of King George III and his Queen, Charlotte. Follow in the footsteps of 42 Kings and explore the unique collection of porcelain, rare artefacts and French furniture. From here we continue to the 'Fair City' of Perth, where the rest of the day is at leisure to explore. Perhaps visit the newly opened Perth Museum, now home to the Stone of Destiny.
- ◆ A little history today as we make our way to The Scottish Crannog Centre. 2,500 years ago, some people across Scotland lived in Iron Age loch-dwellings known as 'Crannogs'. 17 of these have been found on Loch Tay and restored. Explore the museum which holds ancient artefacts, and the Iron Age Village, crafted with locally sourced materials, showcasing traditional craftsmanship with hands-on activities. We continue to Crieff, a traditional Scots market town set amidst Perthshire's stunning scenery. This attractive town has a wide range of food & drink, clothing, gifts, crafts, and art. Over the past years, Crieff has built a reputation for fine food with an amazing choice of cafes, coffee shops, restaurants for fine of casual dining.
- ◆ Today is at leisure in the pretty town of Pitlochry. In the heart of Scotland with real hospitality, clear sparkling air, beautiful scenery, rich clan history, fine food, plenty of space and lots to see and do. Pitlochry has a great range of shops to choose from, located along the main street, Atholl Road, and two side streets – West Moulin Road and Bonneathill Road.

Doon the Watter with the Waverley

A nostalgic steamship cruise on the world's last seagoing paddle steamer awaits! Board the mighty Waverley and experience the sights, sounds, and thrills of this magnificent steamship. This fabulous trip takes us from Glasgow to the Isle of Bute with a pitstop in Rothesay and also features the fascinating Falkirk Wheel and a charming Firth of Forth cruise.



Glasgow Westerwood Hotel, Spa & Golf Resort

Nestled in the peaceful countryside of central Scotland, this Cumbernauld hotel offers a warm welcome and a cosy bed for the perfect getaway. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, fitness suite, swimming pool, sauna and steam room. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, walk-in showers, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Waverley Paddle Steamer
- ◆ Three Bridges Circular Cruise
- ◆ Falkirk Wheel

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We head to Glasgow to board the famous Waverley Paddle Steamer for a full day return cruise 'Doon the Watter' to Rothesay, on the Isle of Bute, where we have time to stretch our legs onshore before returning. The Waverley Paddle Steamer is a stunning, historic vessel offering a unique glimpse into maritime history. It is the world's last seagoing paddle steamer, and this cruise on the River Clyde provides breath-taking views. A delightful blend of heritage, tradition, and elegance, it offers a memorable experience for all aboard. *(This is a full day cruise and, depending on timetables, may not return to port until after 6pm.)*
- ◆ This morning, we travel to South Queensferry from where we enjoy a 90-minute Three Bridges Circular Cruise with running commentary. Our cruise takes in spectacular views of the iconic Forth Bridges, the Edinburgh skyline to the south, Fife to the north and the island of Inchcolm with its medieval abbey. In the afternoon, we head to the Falkirk Wheel, a fascinating feat of engineering connecting the Forth and Clyde Canal with the Union Canal. We see first-hand how this iconic rotating boat lift transports boats 35 metres above, to the beginning of the Union Canal.



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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 3rd May 2026	5 Days	£579 pp	£100	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday 2nd July 2026	4 Days	£519 pp	£138	£35

Angus Coast, Balmoral & The Granite City

Based in the coastal town of Montrose in Angus, our tour features magnificent architecture and the best of royal, rural and city life. Our visits include the Scottish home of the Royal Family, the 18th Century House of Dun and a family-run working farm. We also head to Aberdeen to explore the Gordon Highlanders Museum and spend some time at leisure in the famous 'Granite City'.



Park Hotel, Montrose

The characterful Park Hotel is located in the centre of Montrose, a town on the east coast of Scotland. The hotel's décor is traditional with tartan carpets and wood panelling throughout. The restaurant is light and airy thanks to its large windows overlooking the garden and the spacious traditional public bar is a great place to unwind. Sorry, there is no lift but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cream Tea in the Hotel
- ◆ Balmoral Estate
- ◆ Gordon Highlanders Museum
- ◆ House of Dun
- ◆ Newton Farm with Guided Tour

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We spend today at stunning Balmoral, the Scottish home of the Royal Family. We discover the castle's fascinating history, famous residents and visitors, exploring the largest room in the castle, the Ballroom, as well as the exhibitions, grounds and gardens. Covering three acres, the beautiful formal gardens feature a large kitchen garden, a range of Victorian glasshouses full of flowering pot plants and a water garden. We return to the hotel for a delicious Cream Tea.
- ◆ This morning we travel the short distance to the 18th Century House of Dun, an elegant Georgian country house designed with baroque extravagance. We enjoy a guided tour as costumed guides reveal the history of the grand house and the people who have lived here. Admire the breathtaking plasterwork in the saloon, fine family furnishings, masterful embroidery and wool work and the sounds and smells of a Georgian kitchen. Outside, wander through the beautiful formal gardens and explore the courtyard buildings, home to the Angus Folk Collection. Later, we visit Newton Farm, a family-run working farm in rural Angus, where we meet Farmer Lou. Enjoy a guided tour, discover what daily life is like on a Scottish farm and have the opportunity to pet & feed the animals. We round off our visit with some home baked treats and tea/coffee.
- ◆ Today we travel to Aberdeen, beginning with a visit to the Gordon Highlanders Museum, which celebrates the story of the Gordon Highlanders Regiment. Discover the 200-year history of the army regiment through a collection of historical artefacts, memorabilia, weapons, regimental silverware and a replica WWI trench. The rest of the day is at leisure exploring the 'Granite City' of Aberdeen. See the impressive turreted Town House in Union Street, the castellated Citadel at The Castlegate and the striking gothic Marischal College, the world's second largest granite structure, which are all fine examples of the city's most famous export. Other attractions include Provost Skene's House, the Aberdeen Maritime Museum & the famous shopping 'Granite Mile'.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 7th June 2026	5 Days	£579 pp	Nil	£35

Hebridean Adventure

Coupled with its intricate network of island ferries, Scotland hosts spotlessly clean deserted beaches with white sand accompanied by the sound of seabirds as they ride the air currents. Be in touch with the unspoilt nature and scenery on this fantastic island-hopping holiday as it travels the full length of the Outer Hebrides, covering the most southerly island of Barra to Lewis in the north. Experienced guides will be on hand to ensure you get the most of this most majestic of island-hopping adventures.



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Overnight Hotels To Be Confirmed

The Dark Island Hotel, Benbecula

On a summer evening as you stroll along the machair tracks close to the hotel, you will hear corncrakes, oystercatchers and lapwings calling from the vibrant patchwork of machair cornfield. The hotel has a restaurant and bar. There is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

Caladh Inn, Stornoway

The recently refurbished Caladh Inn is conveniently situated a short walk from Stornoway town centre. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ All Ferries
- ◆ Tour Guides where mentioned
- ◆ Entry to Blackhouses

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Let the adventure begin! We travel north, past Glasgow and Loch Lomond, with an introduction to some of Scotland's most breathtaking scenery. We arrive in the Arrochar area, and our overnight hotel in time for dinner this evening.
- ◆ We journey north through Glencoe where our adventure unfolds with a northern trajectory along what is probably the most magical drives in Scotland – 'The Road to the Isles'. See the grandeur of towering mountains and tranquil glens setting the stage for a truly immersive experience. On arrival at Mallaig, we catch the afternoon/early evening sailing to Uist with dinner or lunch served on board. We arrive at Lochboisdale before continuing north to the Dark Island Hotel for our 2 nights' stay.
- ◆ Today, we meet our guide for a tour of the Isle of Eriskay and head over by ferry to the Island of Barra. Barra is the most southerly of the inhabited islands, and is long famed for its beauty, boasting beaches, hills, mochair and moor, all in one small island.
- ◆ We take the sea crossing to Harris, a rugged and mountainous island with moorlands, deep lochs and of course, glorious beaches. Admire the beaches of Berneray, Nisabost and Horgabost before continuing along the spine of the island to Lewis with its history dating back 5,000 years. We have 2 nights on Stornoway, the island's capital.
- ◆ Be immersed in the folklore and history of the Isles as your local guide takes you to see the impressive 5,000-year-old standing stones of Callanish (Scotland's Stonehenge, but older). Ancient thatched 'Blackhouses', typical of crofting settlements, with entry included, and the imposing Carloway Broch, a fortified tower dating back over 2,000 years.
- ◆ We board the ferry for the 2½ hour sailing to Ullapool, followed by a scenic drive across the sweep of the Highlands, with time free in the Highland Capital, Inverness (ferry times permitting). We proceed south through 'bonny' Speyside and your final night's stay.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday, 25th June 2025	7 Days	£1129 pp	£220	£42

Boats & Trains of the Highlands & Islands

A varied tour based in Strathpeffer, within easy reach of Inverness, surrounded by magnificent Highland landscapes. A holiday designed to capture all the great things that make this area so popular. Take a cruise on a famous loch with a photo stop at Urquhart Castle, journey on two of Europe's most scenic railway lines, as well as sampling some of the area's finest Whisky in Thurso.



Highland Hotel

The Highland Hotel in Strathpeffer can be found nestled in a peaceful glen just to the north of the Cairngorms National Park and has been standing tall since 1882. Built in Scottish Baronial style, its architectural details like castellated turrets and crow-stepped gables evoke a sense of timelessness. The hotel has a lift, restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Cruise on Loch Ness
- ◆ Kyle Line from Dingwall to Kyle
- ◆ Lunch at Dunollie Hotel
- ◆ Scotrail from Golspie to Thurso
- ◆ Distillery Tour & Tasting

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We have a little free time in Inverness before driving along the shoreline of Loch Ness where we explore and take in its grand scale. Brimming with history, and tales of the world's shyest monster. Board a cruise at the Locks of Dochgarroch onto the Loch itself with a photo opportunity of Urquhart Castle. Make sure you have your camera – just in case something appears from the depths of the loch! The Loch is as deep as the mountains surrounding it. On our return, perhaps enjoy a coffee & cake on the banks or purchase some sweet treats at the An Talla Centre.
- ◆ Take your seat on 'One of the best railway journeys in the world' according to Michael Palin. The Kyle Line draws a wide arc from Inverness to the shores of Loch Alsh taking in spectacular Highland scenery – and finishing with magnificent views of Skye. In Kyle our coach awaits to take you over the bridge to the Isle of Skye, an island full of mystery and history. Included is a light lunch at the Dunollie Hotel. We return over the bridge, stopping at Eilean Donan Castle for photos, before crossing the Highlands from the west coast to the east coast, ending a most magical day out.
- ◆ Trace the North Sea coastline on this picturesque rail journey passing fairy-tale Dunrobin Castle and the beautiful beaches around Bora. Experience how remote Scotland can be passing famous salmon rivers & distilleries, with miles of moorland before re-joining our coach at Thurso. A Tour & Tasting has been arranged at Wolfburn Distillery followed by a visit to John O'Groats, the most northerly point on mainland Britain. Returning south by coach, passing Castle of Mey, the Queen Mum's Scottish Residence and still used by the Royal Family each year. We stop at what once used to be the mighty fishing port of Wick, before taking the coastal drive back to the hotel.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 20th July 2026	5 Days	£669 pp	£80	£35

Bonnie Scotland

The village of Crianlarich is located in Glen Strathfillan to the north of The Trossachs, some eight miles north of the head of Loch Lomond. From here, we cover some stunning Scottish scenery and sample a tot or two at the Glenturret Distillery.



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The Best Western Crianlarich Hotel

The Best Western Crianlarich Hotel stands in the village of the same name on the fringe of the beautiful Breadalbane region of Perthshire. The hotel has a lift, bar, and restaurant, and all en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ West Highland Railway – to Oban through the Pass of Brander
- ◆ Loch Leven, Glencoe & Rannoch Moor
- ◆ Ben Cruachan – The Hollow Mountain
- ◆ Glenturret Distillery

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We join the Scotrail service at Crianlarich station for the journey to Oban. The line takes us through the Pass of Brander and alongside Loch Etive. You'll travel through a daunting landscape of mountain, steep-sided lochs, and heather moors. In Oban, we have time to explore the town, have a look at the harbour, enjoy lunch, and relax. In the afternoon, we take the train back to Crianlarich.
- ◆ We head along Glen Dochart to Killin, with the Falls of Dochart rushing through the village. From here, we drive along Loch Earn and Glen Ogle to visit the Glenturret Distillery, makers of the Famous Grouse whisky, for a tour and a wee dram. Later, we head north to the picturesque market town of Aberfeldy where we have free time to look around. We return via a scenic drive along Loch Tay.
- ◆ We travel North to the Glencoe Visitor Centre, where we learn all about the feuding clans and the infamous massacre. We then head along Ballachulish and Loch Leven to the popular town of Fort William for our lunch break. This afternoon, we discover one of the hidden wonders of the Highlands – a power station buried deep under Ben Cruachan – the Hollow Mountain. At its centre lies a massive cavern, high enough to house the Tower of London. The Hollow Mountain is unique, an underground world on a spectacular scale, a five-star attraction not to be missed. Whilst here, we enjoy a delicious cream tea in the cafe. We return over rugged and awesome Rannoch Moor to Crianlarich.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 10th August 2026	5 Days	£669 pp	Nil	£35

Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Set against the backdrop of Edinburgh Castle, The Edinburgh Military Tattoo is a great international gathering. Every year, more than 100 million people around the world watch the Tattoo on TV - and more than 11 million people from over 100 countries have experienced the Tattoo live – and more than 40,000 performers from over 40 countries have taken part.



©The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

The Doubletree by Hilton Glasgow Westerwood Hotel

This welcoming hotel offers a tranquil escape, surrounded by countryside, yet not far from the bright city lights of Edinburgh. All the contemporary en-suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, fitness suite, swimming pool, sauna, and steam room.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Free Time in Edinburgh
- ◆ Ticket to the Edinburgh Military Tattoo

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ After a late breakfast on the day of the Tattoo, we travel into Edinburgh for some time at leisure to explore independently. With an abundance of history, top-quality attractions, and beautiful architecture, Edinburgh is a city you won't forget in a hurry. Explore the medieval Old Town and the elegant Georgian New Town which sit side by side and visit unique attractions in the city centre. There is no evening meal included this evening so before you take your seats for the Edinburgh Tattoo, make sure you try one of Edinburgh's award-winning restaurants, cafes, and bars, offering something to suit all tastes and budgets. Your coach will pick you up and transfer you to The Castle in time for the performance.

Please note: Our coach cannot drop off right outside the Castle during the Tattoo and access to the Castle is via Castle Hill which is quite a steep walk. Due to the location of our allocated seats for the Tattoo, this tour may not be suitable for passengers with disabilities.



Summer in the Scottish Highlands

The Scottish Highlands is the Scotland of your imagination and the perfect backdrop for your next adventure. It's no wonder that it was named as one of National Geographic's 'Best of the World' destinations in 2023. Explore the mysterious Loch Ness, pass through the striking Cairngorms National Park, and discover the rugged coastline of Caithness.



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The Carrbridge Hotel

Originally established in 1803 as an Inn for weary travellers, the Watt family have owned and managed the Carrbridge Hotel for the last four decades. In that time the hotel has been extensively refurbished and extended to provide modern accommodation whilst retaining the hotel's character. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and lounge. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ballindalloch Castle & Gardens and Lossiemouth
- ◆ Fort Augustus & Loch Ness Cruise
- ◆ Strathspey Steam Railway & Aviemore

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Wednesday 12th August 2026	3 Days	£439 pp	£90	£33

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday, 20th August 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	£120	£35

Romantic Journeys of Scotland

This 'Romantic Journey' features two scenically superb train journeys, a journey into Highland Wildlife, and a circular cruise on Loch Ness. The Scottish Highlands is really the Scotland of your imagination and the perfect backdrop for this adventure. It's no wonder that it was named as one of National Geographic's 'Best of the World' destinations for 2023.



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The Highlander Hotel

Our home for this tour is in the picturesque Highland village of Newtonmore at the Highlander Hotel. This is a delightful hotel where the restaurant, bar, and lounge are warm and welcoming and during our stay entertainment will be provided on one evening. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available on request.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Kyle Line – Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh
- ◆ West Highland Line – Fort William to Mallaig
- ◆ 'Royal Scot' Cruise on Loch Ness
- ◆ Highland Wildlife Park

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make our way to Aviemore where we take a break. Enjoy the spectacular local scenery and perhaps have a bite to eat in one of the many eateries on offer. Later, we head to the Highland Wildlife Park, home to the famous Scottish Wildcats, many other interesting animals, and its own Safari Drive.
- ◆ We travel north into the Highland capital, Inverness. Here we join the Scotrail service for one of the Great Railway Journeys of the World – the Kyle Line to the Kyle of Lochalsh. This route takes us across the Highlands in the shadows of mountains and forest, beside bright lochs, and wide-open moors. The Kyle Line draws a wide arc from Inverness to the shores of Loch Alsh, taking in the spectacular Highland scenery, and finishing with magnificent views of Skye.
- ◆ Today we travel southwest along the shores of Loch Laggan and through Glen Spean to Fort William. Here we join the celebrated West Highland Line to Mallaig. This spectacular line passes hidden lochs and inlets, silver sands, and crosses the magnificent Glenfinnan Viaduct on its way west. Mallaig is a major fishing port, and we have time to wander around the harbour and explore the town before we catch the train for the return journey to Fort William, where we re-join our coach to return to the hotel.
- ◆ Loch Ness is our destination today. We travel through unspoilt scenery past Loch Mhor and along Stratherrick to Fort Augustus. Whilst here we have time for lunch. We also enjoy a cruise, with commentary, on Loch Ness on board the 'Royal Scot' from the Caledonian Canal. Later, we leave Fort Augustus and head north overlooking the Loch towards Inverness before heading back to Newtonmore.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 20th September 2026	6 Days	£689 pp	£125	£42

Steaming & Cruising in Stirling

Located between the lowlands and highlands of Scotland, Stirlingshire is famously known as the gateway to the highlands. This amazing place once held the capital city of Scotland, Stirling, and has quite a remarkable history. Our tour encompasses a variety of visits, ranging from a Firth of Forth Three Bridges Cruise to a time-warp village, not forgetting a ride on the Bo'ness & Kinneil Railway.



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The King Robert Hotel

The King Robert Hotel is situated on the site of the Battle of Bannockburn on the outskirts of Stirling. This family run hotel offers a friendly welcome, a lift, a lounge bar, and Bruce's Bistro restaurant. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Three Bridges Cruise with Cream Tea
- ◆ Bo'ness & Kinneil Railway
- ◆ Historic Stirling
- ◆ The Kelpies
- ◆ 'Time-Warp' Village of Culross

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ This morning, we travel to The Kelpies to marvel at the largest equine sculptures in the world – standing at 100ft. We continue to Falkirk for a little free time in this town to explore and get lunch before our afternoon visit to the Bo'ness & Kinneil Railway. Enjoy a scenic 10-mile return train journey to Manuel along the Forth Estuary, through woodlands, past waterfalls, and over the Avon Viaduct.
- ◆ Our day begins with a drive across the Kincardine Bridge to visit the village of Culross (pronounced Cooross). Culross is the nearest thing to a 16th Century time capsule you will find anywhere in Scotland. It is as though much of the core of the village was simply frozen in time. The village is now in the care of the National Trust for Scotland, and we have free time to wander round this 'wee gem'. From here, we drive across the iconic Forth Bridge to the harbourside where we board Forth Cruises for a 90-minute cruise. Our sightseeing cruise offers views of Edinburgh's iconic Three Bridges with a chance to spot the nature of the Forth River. Whilst on board, we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea.
- ◆ Today is free to explore our base of historic Stirling with its magnificent castle. Standing on a high plug of volcanic rock at the head of the Old Town, the castle is well worth a visit and attractions include The Great Hall, Chapel Royal, Great Kitchens and the stunning Renaissance Royal Palace. Nearby is the Church of the Holy Rude ('Holy Cross'), worth a look if only for the magnificent stained glass.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 28th September 2026	5 Days	£519 pp	£80	£35

Scotland's North Coast 500

Regarded as a trip of a lifetime, we discover Route 500 – Scotland's Route 66 – a jaw-dropping journey skirting the very top of the UK's Northwest coastline, passing deserted beaches and ancient castles. 430 miles of some of the most unspoilt and picturesque scenery in Europe, with its diverse array of wildlife and a culture which has little changed in generations.



Overnight Hotels - To be Confirmed

The Kings Arms Hotel

The Kings Arms Hotel is located in Kyleakin, a pretty village on the Isle of Skye with panoramic views across the Kyle of Lochalsh to mainland Scotland. Dating back to the 1600's, the hotel is one of the oldest on the island and while it has a range of modern facilities, it still retains many traditional features. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar.

Caledonian Hotel

Built in the early 1900's, the Caledonian Hotel in Ullapool, is one of the oldest in the area. It boasts a quiet, friendly and welcoming atmosphere and pleasant gardens. The hotel overlooks Ullapool's working harbour and the colourful fishing boats on Loch Broom. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available on request.

Station Hotel

Very close to Thurso Train Station, the Station Hotel has a restaurant and bar. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Half Day Guide on Skye
- ◆ Entry to Dunvegan Castle
- ◆ Smoo Cave Lunch
- ◆ Wolfburn Distillery

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy our outward journey, making suitable stops along the way to the Glasgow area for dinner and our overnight stay.
- ◆ We journey along the picturesque shores of Loch Lomond, then venture through Glencoe known as the 'Weeping Glen', and continue along the Great Glen, where you'll be treated to breath-taking loch and mountain vistas. We have a photo stop at the iconic Eilean Donan Castle before reaching our Skye hotel for a two-night stay.
- ◆ Discover the rich history and stunning landscapes of Skye, visiting landmarks like the capital, Portree, and Dunvegan Castle, the ancestral home of the Macleod Clan. Take in the dramatic coastal views of the Cullins as you explore the island with an experienced guide.
- ◆ From Skye, we head Northwards to the vast region of Wester Ross and along the shores of Loch Maree, regarded as one of Scotland's bonniest lochs. Time free to take in the Highland air in Gairloch with its pretty harbour where the next night will be spent before embarking on the true beginnings of the NC500.
- ◆ Experience the rugged beauty of Caithness and Sutherland along the North Coast 500, featuring dramatic cliffs, serene lochs, and pristine beaches. Enjoy lunch at Smoo Cave Hotel in Durness before arriving in Thurso for a two-night stay.
- ◆ We enjoy the morning at leisure in Thurso, a hive of lovely traditional shops, cafes and bars. Other great 'must-sees' are the circular wellhouse of Meadow Well, a fine public library and the impressive Janet Street overlooking the River Thurso close to Thurso Bridge. This afternoon, we join our local coach & driver for the short journey to Wolfburn Distillery for a Tour & Tasting.
- ◆ We drive along the coastal road passing through historic sights like Helmsdale and Brora, and capture photos of Dunrobin Castle. Enjoy a little free time in the Highland capital of Inverness before continuing through the picturesque Spey Valley and Drumochter Pass and on to our hotel for our final dinner and overnight stay.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 27th September 2026	8 Days	£1089 pp	£185	£42

Pretty Pitlochry & Picturesque Perthshire

Perthshire is famed for dramatic mountains, glens, and lochs, ancient castles, and unspoilt nature. Our hotel in Pretty Pitlochry is the perfect base from which to explore the breath-taking scenery of the area.



Summer in the Scottish Highlands

The Scottish Highlands is the Scotland of your imagination and the perfect backdrop for your next adventure. It's no wonder that it was named as one of National Geographic's 'Best of the World' destinations in 2023. Explore the mysterious Loch Ness, pass through the striking Cairngorms National Park, and discover the rugged coastline of Caithness.



The Fisher's Hotel

Fisher's Hotel is located right in the centre of the beautiful Victorian town of Pitlochry, Perthshire. The front door opens straight onto Atholl Road, and the back door opens up to the train station. One of the biggest surprises are the award-winning gardens that surround the hotel. The hotel has a lift and a great selection of restaurants and bars. Tastefully decorated, en-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Scottish Crannog Centre
- ◆ Scone Palace
- ◆ Visits to Perth & Crieff

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Scone Palace breathes history like nowhere else in Scotland. Today it is home to the Earls of Mansfield but fifteen hundred years ago it was the capital of the Pictish kingdom. Our guided tour will take us through the resplendent Palace State Rooms. See where Queen Victoria and Prince Albert dined during their visit in 1842 as guests of the 4th Earl. The French-themed Drawing Room with the imposing paintings of King George III and his Queen, Charlotte. Follow in the footsteps of 42 Kings and explore the unique collection of porcelain, rare artefacts and French furniture. From here we continue to the 'Fair City' of Perth, where the rest of the day is at leisure to explore. Perhaps visit the newly opened Perth Museum, now home to the Stone of Destiny.
- ◆ A little history today as we make our way to The Scottish Crannog Centre. 2,500 years ago, some people across Scotland lived in Iron Age loch-dwellings known as 'Crannogs'. 17 of these have been found on Loch Tay and restored. Explore the museum which holds ancient artefacts, and the Iron Age Village, crafted with locally sourced materials, showcasing traditional craftsmanship with hands-on activities. We continue to Crieff, a traditional Scots market town set amidst Perthshire's stunning scenery. This attractive town has a wide range of food & drink, clothing, gifts, crafts, and art. Over the past years, Crieff has built a reputation for fine food with an amazing choice of cafes, coffee shops, restaurants for fine or casual dining.
- ◆ Today is at leisure in the pretty town of Pitlochry. In the heart of Scotland with real hospitality, clear sparkling air, beautiful scenery, rich clan history, fine food, plenty of space and lots to see and do. Pitlochry has a great range of shops to choose from, located along the main street, Atholl Road, and two side streets – West Moulin Road and Bonnet Hill Road.

The Carrbridge Hotel

Originally established in 1803 as an Inn for weary travellers, the Watt family have owned and managed the Carrbridge Hotel for the last four decades. In that time the hotel has been extensively refurbished and extended to provide modern accommodation whilst retaining the hotel's character. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and lounge. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ballindalloch Castle & Gardens and Lossiemouth
- ◆ Fort Augustus & Loch Ness Cruise
- ◆ Strathspey Steam Railway & Aviemore

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Explore Ballindalloch Castle & Gardens and enjoy almost 500 years of Highland history, acres of formal gardens, woodlands, and riverside walks, Courtyard Café, Gift Shop, and some award-winning lochs! Highlights of the Castle include The Dining Room, entered by a wide staircase from the Hallway and flanked by large oak balustrades, the Drawing Room, pride of place being taken by an oval Sheraton table and beautiful gilt mirror which date from the 1750s, and The Library, home to the Macpherson-Grant's private collection of original 18th and 19th Century European Literature. The Gardens are the pride and joy of the Laird's mother, Clare Russell, and the Head Gardener. Later, we continue to Lossiemouth – pause for a second, take in the views, and breathe in the fresh coastal air.
- ◆ Lying on the impressive 60 mile long Caledonian Canal, halfway between Inverness and Fort William, Fort Augustus offers spectacular views down Loch Ness and is a paradise with many beautiful walks. Visit the Caledonian Canal Heritage Centre which details the history of the canal, sit and watch the boats navigating the locks, or explore the Clansmen Centre, where appropriately attired guides demonstrate 17th Century clan weaponry. Whilst here, we take a scenic cruise on Loch Ness. Sit back, relax, and take it all in – enjoy the beauty of Loch Ness in all its wonder.
- ◆ We take a nostalgic trip on the Strathspey Steam Railway through unspoilt Highland scenery from Aviemore to Boat of Garten. The railway is the most northerly steam hauled preserved line in the British Isles, kept running by a dedicated team of staff and volunteers. Hop on the steam train on this restored, 10-mile stretch of the original Highland Main Line. We also enjoy some free time in picturesque Aviemore with its stunning scenery, selection of cafes, bars, and eateries, and specialist shops.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 4th October 2026	5 Days	£599 pp	£100	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 26th October 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	£120	£35

Wales



A Celtic Murder Mystery

Join us on our Murder Mystery Weekend in Caernarfon, home to Wales' most famous castle and an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Mighty Caernarfon Castle commands the lion's share of attention, but the town's narrow streets and stylishly developed waterfront also merit a visit. Included in our stay is a Murder Mystery Dinner – can you solve the clues to find the killer!



The Celtic Royal Hotel

Steeped in tradition and royal history, the Celtic Royal Hotel is the hub of Caernarfon. Step into history, with the oldest portion of the building dating back to 1794. Enter through the wooden revolving door into an expansive space sporting a majestic gothic chandelier, fit for Kings, Queens and respected guests. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, and recently refurbished spa and gym with swimming pool, sauna and steam room. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Murder Mystery Dinner
- ◆ Live Entertainment
- ◆ Happy Hour between 9pm&10pm on 2 Nights
- ◆ 2 Drinks Vouchers per person 2 Nights

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The popular, Victorian seaside resort of Llandudno is our focus today. Stroll along Llandudno's elegant promenade past pastel-coloured hotels and impeccably authentic seafront architecture. Or visit Wales's longest pier. Or browse the canopied shopping streets and warm yourself with a hot drink if it's cold outside. We return to the hotel with time to get ready for tonight's Murder Mystery Dinner, hosted by Miss Mapletree's Perfect Murder!
- ◆ A leisurely breakfast today before we depart on a scenic drive through the Snowdonia National Park, weather permitting. We make a stop at Betws-y-Coed with its numerous craft and outdoor activity shops together with cafes and restaurants to suite all tastes and budgets.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



Llandudno - Landlubbers Mock Cruise

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The Tynedale Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Themed Dinners on 3 Evenings
- ◆ Captain's Dinner on the Final Evening
- ◆ Special 'Cruise' Breakfasts
- ◆ Entertainment Each Evening
- ◆ Late Night Finger Buffet Each Evening

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 23rd January 2026	4 Days	£369 pp	£81	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 2nd February 2026	5 Days	£529 pp	Nil	£35

Llandudno

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Llandudno - Around the World Theme

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The Marlborough Hotel

A family-run hotel where a warm welcome awaits, located on South Parade, just off the Promenade, opposite the Pier. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, and evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Happy Hour Each Evening from 8:00pm-10:00pm
- ◆ Thursday Soup & Sandwich Lunch
- ◆ Half Day Conwy
- ◆ Betws-y-Coed & Llangollen

The Merrion Hotel

Situated in a prime seafront position on Llandudno's iconic Victorian promenade, The Merrion Hotel offers luxurious accommodation. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Themed Dinners from Around the World
- ◆ Glass of Red or White Wine with Dinner Each Evening
- ◆ Entertainment Each Evening
- ◆ Half Day Conwy
- ◆ Betws-y-Coed & Llangollen

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a day of beautiful scenery today as we travel through the Snowdonia National Park to the lovely village of Betws-y-Coed with its specialist shops, cafes, and restaurants. Onwards then passing delightful villages to Llangollen where we have free time to explore. Llangollen is renowned for the surrounding hills and the River Dee. Take a stroll along the Victoria Promenade, watch the river tumble down beneath the bridge, or browse the many independent shops. We return to Llandudno via Ruthin & St Asaph.
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Monday, 9th February 2026	5 Days	£369 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 16th February 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

Llandudno

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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- ◆ Half Day Conwy
- ◆ Betws-y-Coed & Llangollen

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Tenby

Tenby is probably the most iconic seaside town in Wales, rivalling places like Mevagissey and Polperro for quaintness and charm. It was established by the Normans as a fortified town and most of the old town walls remain, enclosing the medieval town behind them.



Imperial Hotel Tenby

Nestled in the historic heart of Pembrokeshire, the Imperial Hotel is set against the stunning backdrop of South Beach, offering a tranquil retreat within the ancient stone fortifications of Tenby. Just steps away, explore enchanting, cobbled streets, vibrant craft shops, and delicious eateries. Newly refurbished, the hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and patio. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Haverfordwest & St Davids
- ◆ Saundersfoot & Narberth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make a stop at Haverfordwest, the attractive and ancient county town of Pembrokeshire. The centre of town is dominated by the Western Cleddau (river) that runs through the middle of town and the castle that towers above it. After a little time for coffee, we continue to St Davids, the smallest city in Britain, named after the patron saint of Wales. The magnificent Cathedral at St Davids dates to the 12th Century, although several older cathedrals were built before that on the same site. Unfortunately, St Davids was prone to Viking attacks, being so close to the sea, but modern-day St Davids is a quaint and character-full place much loved by everyone who know it.
- ◆ First stop today is Narberth, a gorgeous little market town in the east of Pembrokeshire, where multicoloured Edwardian and Georgian buildings line the high street which has developed quite a reputation as a shopper's heaven. Later, we stop at the small seaside resort of Saundersfoot, much more compact than Tenby but with a charm and character of its own. There are plenty of places to eat and drink around the harbour before we return to Tenby.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 2nd March 2026	5 Days	£379 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 16th March 2026	5 Days	£479 pp	£160	£35

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Half Day Conwy

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Wednesday, 18th March 2026	5 Days	£539 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 27th March 2026	4 Days	£289 pp	Nil	£35

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The Merriem Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Half Day Conwy
- ◆ Betws-y-Coed & Llangollen

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Llandudno Taste of Wales

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Happy Hour Each Evening 5:15pm-6:15pm
- ◆ Tea/Coffee & Barra Brith on arrival
- ◆ Penderyn Whisky Talk & Tasting
- ◆ Entertainment Each Evening
- ◆ Chef's 8-Course Welsh Tasting Menu

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 30th March 2026	5 Days	£519 pp	£84	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday, 23rd April 2016	5 Days	£569 pp	Nil	£35

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens & Beaumaris Cream Tea
- ◆ Half Day Conwy

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 27th April 2026	5 Days	£419 pp	Nil	£35

West Wales & Cardigan Bay

Wonderful sea views await at the Cliff Hotel, close to the historic town of Cardigan where the counties of Pembrokeshire and Ceredigion meet. From standing stones and ruined castles to industrial heritage, West Wales is full of hidden history.



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The Cliff Hotel & Spa

With expansive, beautiful grounds, The Cliff Hotel & Spa is located on the coast of Cardigan Bay overlooking Poppit Sands and Cardigan Island. The hotel has a lift which services most rooms, a restaurant, bar, and spa. Each guest has 1 hour's complimentary use of the spa facilities each day. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Picton Castle & Gardens
- ◆ National Wool Museum
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ St Davids is named after the patron saint of Wales and is the smallest city in Britain. The magnificent Cathedral of St Davids dates back to the 12th Century but modern-day St Davids is a quaint and characterful place much loved by everyone who knows it. We then continue to Picton Castle & Gardens, a magnificent 14th-Century stronghold in the heart of Pembrokeshire. With over 700 years of rich history, the castle is set within 50 acres of enchanting gardens and woodland. Explore the castle's beautifully furnished rooms, discover its remarkable collections, and uncover stories that have shaped its past. Celebrated for their diversity, the grounds include ancient woodlands, a formal Walled Garden, an exotic Jungle Garden, and a nationally important collection of rare ferns.
- ◆ Carmarthen sits on the banks of the River Tywi, and some say it is the oldest town in Wales. One of Carmarthen's most famous early residents was Merlin the Magician, and many believe the town was named after King Arthur's wizard. Today is Market Day and the outdoor market comes to town. Beyond the market, Carmarthen is full of interesting independent shops and Galleries. Later, we visit the National Wool Museum to discover the spellbinding story of the Welsh woollen industry.
- ◆ We enjoy a day at the seaside today with a visit to Tenby with its glorious beaches, warm atmosphere and fine Victorian houses. Visit Tenby Harbour, a small and friendly harbour where you can enjoy a spot of fishing, take a boat trip out to the nearby Caldey Island, relax on the fantastic beach, or simply sit and people watch. Visit Tenby Museum & Art Gallery, St Mary's Church, or the RNLI Lifeboat Station, or discover a maze of narrow little streets lined with quirky shops and bars and restaurants.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 18th May 2026	5 Days	£489 pp	£72	£35

Cardiff, Coal, Coin & Cheers

Home to Cardiff, the young and creative capital city, South Wales is a hub of Welsh culture. We've chosen some fantastic attractions for our tour and we hope you enjoy getting to know this fabulous area with us.



Llandudno

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The Parkway and Spa Hotel

Situated in over seven and a half acres of gardens, the privately owned Parkway Hotel & Spa is the ideal base for our tour. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, lounge, and spa with swimming pool, spa bath, sauna and steam room. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Welsh Coal Mining Experience
- ◆ The Royal Mint
- ◆ Hensol Castle Distillery
- ◆ Guided Tour of Cardiff & Boat Trip
- ◆ Monmouth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ A busy day today with not 1, not 2, but 3 attractions to see! We visit the Royal Mint Experience, A Welsh Coal Mining Experience at Rhondda Heritage Park, and finish the day at Hensol Castle Distillery. 3 very different experiences but all well worth the visit.
- ◆ We join our Guide today for a tour on our coach of Cardiff Bay. Cardiff Bay has a distinguished maritime history and was once the centre of the world coal trade. The old docklands have been transformed into a vibrant waterfront area. Hear the whole story from King Coal and the history of Tiger Bay/Cardiff Docks and visit the Cardiff Bay Barrage – Europe's most advanced civil engineering project. Following our tour, we enjoy a boat trip and free time in the city of Cardiff.
- ◆ A much slower pace today as we visit Monmouth, quietly nestled in the lower reaches of the beautiful River Wye. Well known for its iconic 13th Century gatehouse bridge, Monmouth has a famous past with its connections to Henry V, Geoffrey of Monmouth and (more recently) Queen, Oasis and Simple Minds who all recorded at Rockfield Studios. Monmouth is also renowned for its independent shops and restaurants to suit all tastes and plenty of opportunity for a coffee in a café in a quiet courtyard.

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Monday, 1st June 2026	5 Days	£609 pp	£172	£35

The Baytree Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Half Day Conwy

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Friday, 5th June 2026	4 Days	£329 pp	£30	£35

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The Marlborough Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Half Day Conwy
- ◆ Betws-y-Coed & Llangollen
- ◆ Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens & Beaumaris Cream Tea
- ◆ Portmeirion

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Friday, 12th June 2026	8 Days	£699 pp	Nil	£42

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The Tynedale Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens & Beaumaris Cream Tea
- ◆ Portmeirion
- ◆ Half Day Conwy

the beach and a short walk from the high street and the town's well-preserved pier. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar.

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Sunday, 14th June 2026	6 Days	£719 pp	Nil	£42

North Wales - Coast, Gardens & Tipples

On this tour to North Wales, we enjoy a guided tour and tasting at Pant Du Vineyard & Orchard with a stunning backdrop of Snowdonia National Park. We take in the beauty of the National Trust Bodnant Gardens. Also explore the coastal landscape of Anglesey and the famous seaside resort of Llandudno.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

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- ◆ Half Day Conwy

The Kimmel & Kinspa Hotel

The Kimmel & Kinspa Hotel is a hotel set in the beautiful Welsh countryside close to the market town of Abergele. Set amongst rolling parkland with spectacular views of the coast, the hotel offers splendid accommodation, fine dining and a luxurious Spa complex. Facilities include a lift, swimming pool, gym, sauna, restaurant, lounge, and Terrace. En-suite bedrooms feature TV and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Pont Du Vineyard & Orchard
- ◆ Bodnant Garden
- ◆ Snowdonia – Betws-y-Coed
- ◆ Isle of Anglesey - Beaumaris
- ◆ Llandudno

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make our way west to Bodnant Garden – located in the Conwy Valley this garden is a Grade I listed horticultural gem, home to botanical collections from around the globe. With intimate corners, sweeping lawns, grand terraces and verdant woodland, the garden can be whatever you want it to be. This is truly a special place for all ages. Later, we continue to the Victorian seaside resort of Llandudno. Take a stroll along the wide promenade and enjoy the sea air or enjoy some retail therapy in the main shopping street which runs parallel with the sea front.
- ◆ We journey to Anglesey making a stop at Llanfairpwllgwyngyll – home to the famous James Pringle complex at Llanfair PG. Later, we continue to the yachting resort of Beaumaris for the afternoon at leisure to explore.
- ◆ We travel west long the coastline to the Royal town of Caernarfon, guarded by the mighty Castle. Time for lunch here before we continue to Pant Du Vineyard & Orchard. We meet our guide who will take us around their orchard & vineyard. Following our tour, we will enjoy a tasting of the Pant Du produce. On our way back to the hotel, we take a scenic drive through The Snowdonia National Park.

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Monday 15th June 2026	5 Days	£619 pp	£158	£35

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Monday, 6th July 2026	5 Days	£429 pp	Nil	£35

Great Little Trains of Snowdonia

The Great Little Trains of Wales are a very special way of seeing some of the best scenery in the British Isles. All are narrow gauge steam railways, some over 100 years old. All have in common the charm of steam trains with polished paintwork and brass. Most originally served to carry Welsh slate from the quarries to the sea.



© Bala Lake Railway

The Royal Victoria Hotel

The Royal Victoria Hotel stands in a delightful setting in its own grounds at the foot of Llanberis Pass. Pretty gardens and grounds make it an attractive location. The hotel has a lift, spacious lounges and bars, and the Padarn Restaurant overlooking the gardens with distant views of Llanberis's iconic lake. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ffestiniog Railway
- ◆ Bala Lake Railway
- ◆ Welsh Highland Railway
- ◆ Portmeirion Italianate Village
- ◆ Snowdon Mountain Railway

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Our first visit today takes us to the shores of Cardigan Bay and Portmeirion, setting for the cult TV series 'The Prisoner'. Visit the Village, with its variety of shops, cafes, colourful buildings, and picturesque Piazza. Then explore the 70 acres of exotic woodlands and coastal coves. This afternoon we head to Bala for our ride on the Bala Lake Railway. Enjoy a delightful 9-mile journey alongside Llyn Tegid (Bala Lake), through beautiful and natural Snowdonia National Park.
- ◆ This morning, we join the Llanberis Lake Railway for a delightful ride along the lake shore followed by time to explore and obtain lunch in Llanberis. Later, we take 'A Majestic Mountain Adventure' and take a ride on the Snowdon Mountain Railway. This world-famous little train takes you on a breath-taking ride to the top of Snowdon, at 3560ft (1085m), the highest mountain in England and Wales. The views are stunning, and this is not to be missed.
- ◆ We begin with a ride through the beautiful National Park of Snowdonia to Blaenau Ffestiniog. Here, we catch the Ffestiniog Railway for an exhilarating ride across the mountains, descending to the sea at Porthmadog. We have time to explore and have lunch before catching the Welsh Highland Railway train which takes us through Beddgelert and back to Caernarfon.

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Monday 13th July 2026	5 Days	£669 pp	Nil	£35

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The Tynedale Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens & Beaumaris Cream Tea
- ◆ Half Day Conwy

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Sunday, 19th July 2026	5 Days	£579 pp	Nil	£35

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The Merriion Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Portmeirion
- ◆ Snowdonia & Llangollen

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Monday, 27th July 2026	5 Days	£619 pp	£84	£35

The Baytree Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens & Beaumaris Cream Tea
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Monday, 10th August 2026	5 Days	£429 pp	£40	£35

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 31st August 2026	5 Days	£429 pp	Nil	£35

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens & Beaumaris Cream Tea
- ◆ Portmeirion
- ◆ Half Day Conwy

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

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Sunday, 13th September 2026	6 Days	£719 pp	Nil	£42

North Wales - Heritage & Coast

On our new tour to North Wales, we explore the past at Nantclwyd y Dre Wales, Wales's oldest timber framed townhouse, built over 500 years ago. We visit Britain's smallest cathedral, St Asaph, where the first bible translated into Welsh is on display. We also enjoy the coastal resorts of Llandudno and Rhyl, a visit to Anglesey Sea Zoo and the village of Beaumaris.



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The Kimmel & Kinspa Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Nantclwyd y Dre
- ◆ St Asaph Cathedral
- ◆ Anglesey Sea Zoo

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ After a leisurely breakfast we journey along the coast to the seaside resort of Llandudno, where the day is free for you to explore at leisure. Take a stroll along the wide promenade taking in the sea air, ride the chair lift up to the Great Orme, or perhaps enjoy some retail therapy in the main shopping street which runs parallel with the sea front.
- ◆ This morning, we journey south to the market town of Ruthin where we visit Nantclwyd y Dre – the oldest dated timbered townhouse in Wales. The house has been beautifully restored and explores over 500 years of history through the eyes of the inhabitants of the house. Learn how the building expanded from a weaver's house to a 17th Century lawyers townhouse to a Victorian school for girls. Outside the Lord's Garden is a beautifully tranquil setting with backdrop views of the Clwydian Range and Ruthin Castle. After our visit, there is free time to look around Ruthin and grab lunch. Later, we journey back north making a stop at St Asaph Cathedral. Built in the 13th Century, it is the smallest ancient cathedral in Great Britain. It is the home of the William Morgan Bible (the first version of the whole bible translated into Welsh making this a significant site within Welsh literature. Later, we travel to the seaside town of Rhyl on our way back to the hotel.
- ◆ Today, we travel to Anglesey and visit the Anglesey Sea Zoo. This is a unique aquarium with over 40 tanks displaying the best of British marine wildlife! Find fascinating creatures from around the coasts of the UK, such as octopus, lobsters, seahorses, conger eels, and jellyfish! We end the day in Beaumaris, a delightful village on the shore of the Isle of Anglesey.

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Monday, 21st September 2026	5 Days	£609 pp	£84	£35

Cardiff, Coal, Coin & Cheers

Home to Cardiff, the young and creative capital city, South Wales is a hub of Welsh culture. We've chosen some fantastic attractions for our tour and we hope you enjoy getting to know this fabulous area with us.



The Parkway and Spa Hotel

Situated in over seven and a half acres of gardens, the privately owned Parkway Hotel & Spa is the ideal base for our tour. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, lounge, and spa with swimming pool, spa bath, sauna and steam room. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Welsh Coal Mining Experience
- ◆ The Royal Mint
- ◆ Hensol Castle Distillery
- ◆ Guided Tour of Cardiff & Boat Trip
- ◆ Monmouth

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ A busy day today with not 1, not 2, but 3 attractions to see! We visit the Royal Mint Experience, A Welsh Coal Mining Experience at Rhondda Heritage Park, and finish the day at Hensol Castle Distillery. 3 very different experiences but all well worth the visit.
- ◆ We join our Guide today for a tour on our coach of Cardiff Bay. Cardiff Bay has a distinguished maritime history and was once the centre of the world coal trade. The old docklands have been transformed into a vibrant waterfront area. Hear the whole story from King Coal and the history of Tiger Bay/Cardiff Docks and visit the Cardiff Bay Barrage – Europe's most advanced civil engineering project. Following our tour, we enjoy a boat trip and free time in the city of Cardiff.
- ◆ A much slower pace today as we visit Monmouth, quietly nestled in the lower reaches of the beautiful River Wye. Well known for its iconic 13th Century gatehouse bridge, Monmouth has a famous past with its connections to Henry V, Geoffrey of Monmouth and (more recently) Queen, Oasis and Simple Minds who all recorded at Rockfield Studios. Monmouth is also renowned for its independent shops and restaurants to suit all tastes and plenty of opportunity for a coffee in a café in a quiet courtyard.

Picturesque Pembrokeshire

The natural beauty of the Pembrokeshire Coast is famed all over the world. Glorious sandy beaches and seemingly endless rugged coastlines give way to the Preseli Hills, historic towns, and little villages.



The Diplomat Hotel

This is a family-run hotel, operated with charm, warmth, generous hospitality, and courteous, professional staff are on hand to help make your stay as enjoyable as possible. This iconic Llanelli hotel was built in 1810, and today its bedrooms feature stylish décor and modern features, TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, and spa with swimming pool. A lift serves most rooms. Please note, there are several steps from the coach drop-off point to the main entrance of the hotel.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Beautiful Seaside Town of Tenby
- ◆ Picton Castle & Gardens and Saundersfoot
- ◆ Mumbles & The Gower Peninsula

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Tenby is probably the most iconic seaside town in Wales, rivalling places like Mevagissey and Polperro for quaintness and charm. Tenby Harbour has a thriving boating and fishing community as well as being the departure point for the Caldey Island boats. The centre of Tenby is a maze of narrow little streets. The roads are pedestrianised during the day in the Summer when bars and restaurants set up al fresco seating. There are plenty of interesting and quirky shops.
- ◆ Picton Castle & Gardens is Pembrokeshire's finest stately home, surrounded by 60 acres of some of the most beautiful woodland gardens and grounds in West Wales. From the outside with its four symmetrically spaced half round towers and gatehouse entrance flanked by two narrower towers it is based upon patterns of Irish castles of the period and is the only one of this type in mainland UK. As you enter inside it is revealed not to have an inner courtyard and keep but rather a series of finely planned rooms typical of the grand country house that it is. In the Gardens discover rare trees and plant collections from around the world and enjoy the magnificent Rhododendrons, shady woodlands, an exotic jungle garden and colourful walled garden alongside living willow dens, family trails, and an engaging adventure playground. Later, we stop at Saundersfoot with its beautiful scenery. The village has an increasing reputation as a gourmet resort, thanks to the high-quality restaurants and cafes serving local Pembrokeshire produce.
- ◆ Heading south, we visit the picture-postcard resort of Mumbles, delightfully located on Swansea Bay. Later, we visit the Gower Heritage Centre, where we meet our guide for a tour of the Gower Peninsula, designated as Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. After the tour, we return to the Heritage Centre for a delicious Gower Cream Tea.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 5th October 2026	5 Days	£609 pp	£172	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Thursday, 15th October 2026	5 Days	£519 pp	£128	£35

Warner Hotels



Warner - Alvaston Hall



Warner Hotels - Alvaston Hall

This is an elegant, half-timbered Victorian House steeped in history offering both charm and elegance. En-suite bedrooms feature complimentary Wi-Fi, TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, telephone, safe, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel offers entertainment every evening, all included in your stay. There is also a full programme of indoor and outdoor activities, although some may incur an additional charge. Please note that due to the size of the property, there may be a distance to walk from your room to the main facilities. **Warner Hotels operate a cashless system so please ensure you travel with a debit/credit card to settle any additional costs incurred**

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Roman City of Chester
- ◆ World of Wedgwood
- ◆ Trentham Estate

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Chester has the most complete city walls, the oldest racecourse and the largest Roman Amphitheatre in Britain, plus a 1,000-year-old Cathedral with Europe's finest example of medieval carvings – and of course the one and only 700-year-old Rows Galleries where shopping is a double delight. Chester is renowned for the depth and breadth of its restaurants, cafes, bars and pubs. There's cuisine from all around the globe in some of the best settings around.
- ◆ World of Wedgwood is a gold award-winning attraction in the heart of the Staffordshire countryside. Home to Stoke-on-Trent's most prestigious brand, Wedgwood, and the galleries of the V&A Wedgwood Collection, we have time here to explore Wedgwood Factory, Wedgwood Tea Room, and a diverse range of retail outlets and delicious eateries. Later, time and weather permitting, we travel the short distance to Trentham Estate for a little retail therapy. The Shopping Village features over 80 picturesque timber lodges, home to a vibrant mix of well-known high street names and unique, independent shops.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 12th January 2026	5 Days	£389 pp	Nil	£35

Warner - Nidd Hall



Warner Hotels - Nidd Hall

North Yorkshire's grandest 18th - Century property is rumoured to be the location of Edward VIII and Wallis Simpson's first encounter!

Nidd Hall is in a beautiful location, set in 45 acres of woodland, with awe-inspiring architectural styles with tradition maintained throughout. The hotel boasts award-winning gardens for horticultural enthusiasts. En-suite bedrooms feature complimentary Wi-Fi, TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, telephone, safe, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel offers entertainment every evening, all included in your stay. There is also a full programme of indoor and outdoor activities, although some may incur an additional charge. Please note that due to the size of the property, there may be a distance to walk from your room to the main facilities. **Warner Hotels operate a cashless system so please ensure you travel with a debit/credit card to settle any additional costs incurred.**

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Roman City of York
- ◆ Richmond – North Yorkshire

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ York is a city where ancient walls surround incredible attractions, shops, accommodation and eateries, as well as thirty world-class museums you can explore. There's a web of winding streets flaunting designer stores, independent shops and boutiques each with its own speciality. Don't miss the daily Shambles Market with more than 85 stalls offering a diverse selection of goods. Don't forget to visit York Minster, one of the world's most magnificent cathedrals, a masterpiece in stained glass and stone, and a sacred space which has been at the centre of Christianity in the north of England since the 7th Century.
- ◆ A change of pace today with a visit to Richmond. Standing proud at the gateway to the Yorkshire Dales, Richmond is one of Britain's most beautiful and vibrant market towns. With its iconic castle, fine historic buildings, sweeping cobbled market place and leafy riverside vistas, it is the original of no less than 105 worldwide Richmonds – all following in its ancient footsteps. In the centre of town alone, you will find a wealth of attractions, such as the Green Howards Museum, Richmondshire Museum and the Georgian Theatre Royal, as well as the iconic castle itself.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 16th February 2026	5 Days	£499 pp	Nil	£35

Warner - Littlecote House



Warner - Heythrop Park



Warner Hotels – Littlecote House

Built in the 1500s, this beautiful Grade I listed Tudor manor has a truly unique story. History is literally on your doorstep: the stunning location has played host to occupying Romans, a Tudor tryst, and even a Civil War army. The grounds contain an ornate Roman mosaic floor and settlement remains. Henry VIII courted Jane Seymour here, and the D-Day Landings were planned within the house. England's last remaining Cromwellian Chapel in a private house is also here, and the property offers many more historical jewels for you to explore at your leisure. All of this comes with outstanding service, delicious food in the spacious restaurant, live entertainment every night, and a host of activities from tennis to air-rifle shooting. (Please note some activities may incur an additional cost). En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, comfy chairs and reading lights, and tea/coffee making facilities. Most of the accommodation is in Kennett Hall, the newest wing and furthest from the main facilities.

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Tour of The Cotswolds
- ◆ Andover & The Bombay Sapphire Distillery

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today we meet our Tour Guide for the day. They will guide us on our coach through the Cotswolds – a very special, very wonderful place. The Cotswolds covers a huge area – almost 800 square miles – and runs through 5 counties. We will explore some of the different areas, each with its own identity, yet all with those defining Cotswold features: golden stone and rolling hills, the 'wolds'. One of the highlights of our day is a visit to Morton in Marsh with its High Street lined with elegant Cotswold stone buildings which house many specialist shops, antique emporiums, tea rooms and delis. Today is Market Day and the town comes to life with the chatter of shoppers, the vibrant display of goods, and a sense of community spirit.
- ◆ Andover is a picturesque market town with an attractive high street and narrow walkways, dating back to Saxon times. Most of the town's buildings are from the 18th Century when it was an important stop over destination for coaches on their way to London, Southampton and Oxford. For more rich history on the area, visit the Andover Museum and Museum of the Iron Age in the town centre. Later, we visit Bombay Sapphire Distillery for a fully guided tour. Discover how the world-famous gin is made and the processes used to make it so unique.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 13th April 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	Nil	£35

Warner Hotels – Heythrop Park

Heythrop Park has been a feature in the Cotswolds since 1710. Then, a look-at-me manor of forty arches and columns, it's now Grade II

Listed, still with showmanship but stylishly refurbished. It has everything to elevate a country estate – golf, a spa, traditional sports and 440 acres of parkland. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, iron & ironing board, hairdryer, comfy chairs & reading lights, and tea/coffee making facilities.

Please note that due to the size of this property, there may be long distances to walk to reach some public areas from the bedrooms.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Cotswolds – Burford & Cirencester
- ◆ Oxford & Bicester Village

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The Cotswolds covers almost 800 square miles and one of the highlights of visiting is exploring the different areas, each with its own identity, yet all with those defining Cotswold features; golden stone and rolling hills, the 'wolds'. We make stops at Burford, who's famous high street sweeps downhill towards the River Windrush, its three-arched medieval bridge and its impressive church, both sides of the street flanked by an unbroken line of ancient houses and shops, and Cirencester, known as the Capital of the Cotswolds, a lovely market town with a fascinating history with a warm welcome.
- ◆ Oxford, The City of Dreaming Spires is famous the world over for its university and place in history. For over 800 years, it has been home to royalty and scholars, and since the 9th Century an established town. Nowadays, the city is a bustling cosmopolitan town. Still with its ancient university, but home also to a growing high-tech community. With its mix of ancient and modern, there is plenty to do, whether its visiting one of the many historic buildings, colleges or museums, or shopping till you drop. Later, we make a stop at Bicester Village, a luxury shopping destination home to 150 boutiques offering year-round savings on the original retail price. You can also explore a superb selection of restaurants, cafes and pop-ups for a refreshment break.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 25th May 2026	5 Days	£629 pp	Nil	£35

Warner - Studley Castle



Warner Hotels - Studley Castle

Step into the charm of a 19th Century castle in the heart of Warwickshire. With beautiful grounds, relaxing spa experiences, delicious dining and live entertainment, Studley Castle is the perfect mix of history and luxury. En-suite bedrooms feature complimentary Wi-Fi, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities. Please note that due to the size of the property, there may be some walking involved to and from your room to the main facilities.

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Stratford-upon-Avon
- ◆ Worcester

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Stratford-upon-Avon is a market town with more than 800 years of history, containing not only many buildings that survive today and would have been familiar to Shakespeare, but also a thriving community. Perhaps take a boat trip on the river, explore the unique displays at MAD Museum, walk in the footsteps of Shakespeare in his childhood world at Shakespeare's Birthplace, or join a Tudor school lesson at Shakespeare's Schoolroom and Guildhall. You'll be spoilt for choice by the diverse array of shops, and from Afternoon Tea to the finest restaurants, Stratford-upon-Avon caters for every taste with a wealth of eating places throughout the town.
- ◆ Worcester is proudly independent and tastefully historic. It is a beautiful Cathedral and University City located on the banks of the River Severn. Worcester boasts a wealth of interesting architecture combined with an unrivalled combination of independent boutiques and high street names. Just a stone's throw away from the Cathedral are historic Friar Street and New Street where two of Worcester's oldest and most historic pubs are located. Perhaps visit the Commandery – site of the Royalist's Civil War HQ. The Guildhall on the High Street is a popular venue beautifully decorated. Don't forget to discover Showstopper Pots in stunning colourful galleries at the Museum of Royal Worcester.



Warner - Corton Coastal Village



Warner Hotels - Corton Coastal Village

Set on the Suffolk coast, near famous Southwold, Corton has all the easy atmosphere of a holiday home, with the creature comforts Warner is famous for. Built on a chalet theme, the rooms have clapboard design, with fresh pastel interiors, and many have terraces overlooking the sea. Guests can have a snack in the Coffee Lounge or enjoy cabaret in The Boathouse. In every chalet you'll find nice-to-have amenities including complimentary Wi-Fi, towels, TV, hairdryer, comfy chairs, reading lights, and tea/coffee making facilities.

There are no lifts in the village, so all upstairs rooms are accessed by stairs. All rooms are accessed by walking outside but it's a small site with all the facilities no more than a few minutes' walk away. Warner operates a cashless system.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Norwich
- ◆ Southwold

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The medieval streets of Norwich are brimming with literary heritage and historic charm. Then there's the stories of the people who have shaped the cobbled lanes. From towering Norman architecture founded by none other than William the Conqueror to churches and pubs aplenty, Norwich has played host to many colourful characters. There are so many amazing things to do in Norwich. There's award-winning shopping, incredible historic monuments, and delicious food and drink. Like any great city its centre is easy to walk around and has a river at its heart. As well as being the most complete medieval city in the UK with stunning Norman Cathedral and Castle, Norwich boasts lanes and alleys, more medieval churches than any other city in northern Europe, and beautiful 18th Century architecture.
- ◆ Southwold is a beautiful seaside town on the Suffolk coast. A place with an enchanting blend of natural beauty and quaint charm. From perennial favourites such as strolling to the end of Southwold's famous Pier or enjoying an ice cream on the promenade, it's easy to fill your time in Southwold. The town is full of artisan bakers, specialist cafes, fine pubs, and independent shops selling the best local produce.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 13th July 2026	5 Days	£599 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 3rd August 2026	5 Days	£439 pp	Nil	£35

Warner - Thoresby Hall



Warner Hotels – Thoresby Hall

Step into the timeless charm of Thoresby Hall, an impressive stately house and a true gem in Nottinghamshire. Picture yourself sinking into a deep armchair beneath the vaulted ceilings of the Great Hall, or soaking up views from the terrace, overlooking the croquet lawn which stretches into acres of serene parkland. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. Please note, due to the size of the property, there may be some walking from the bedroom to the main facilities.

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Lincoln
- ◆ Newark-on-Trent

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Brimming with history and heritage, Lincoln is one of England's finest cities. As Lincoln is a compact city, you can easily explore on foot. Perhaps start your day with a coffee in the stylish Cornhill Quarter, before hitting the shops on the High Street. You could then take a stroll along the Brayford Waterfront home to the award-winning University of Lincoln. Tackle famous Steep Hill and you will discover an array of independent shops, eye-catching buildings and photo-worthy moments. Follow the cobbles and you'll find Lincoln Cathedral, the medieval Bishop's Palace and Lincoln Castle.
- ◆ Newark, also known as Newark-on-Trent, is the quintessential English market town. Home to the National Civil War Centre, a stunning riverside castle dating back to the early 12th Century, Air Museum, and thriving cobbled Market Place overlooked by its Georgian Town Hall, Newark offers an experience of English history through the ages alongside a tempting array of antique shops, cafes, boutiques, eateries and historic pubs. (Wednesday is Market Day).



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Monday 19th October 2026	5 Days	£569 pp	Nil	£35

Warner - Bodelwyddan Castle



Warner Hotels – Bodelwyddan Castle

Beautiful Bodelwyddan Castle is a charming Grade II listed castle hideaway in the heart of a Welsh folly. This Victorian building is set in the grounds of a romantic castle with views of the Clywydian Hills. There's a Walled Garden for picturesque tranquillity. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, iron & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities. Please note, due to the size of the property, there may be some walking from the bedroom to the main facilities.

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Llandudno
- ◆ Beaumaris, Anglesey

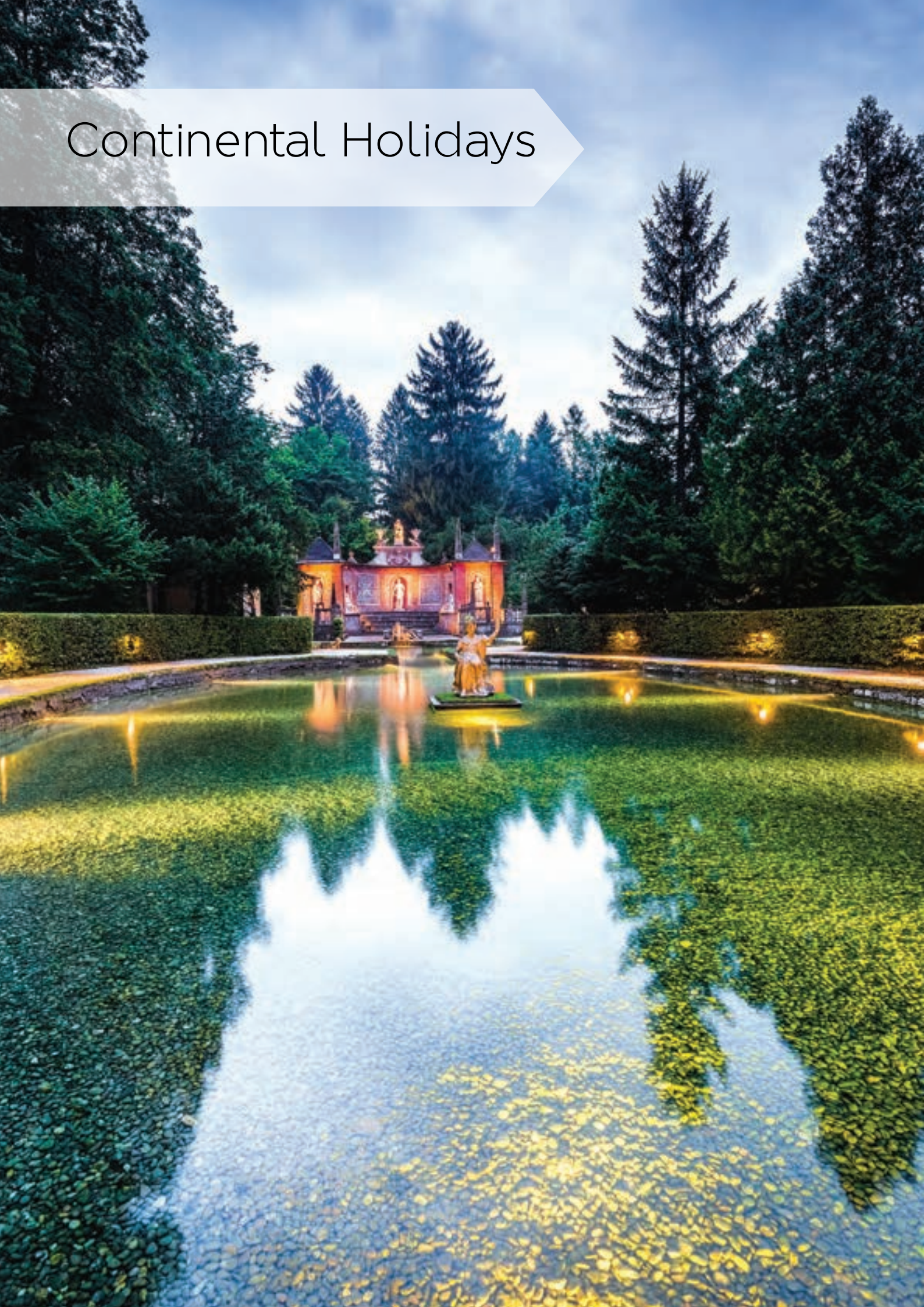
EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ In a nutshell, everyone loves Llandudno. Who would possibly argue with that while strolling along Llandudno's elegant promenade past pastel-coloured hotels with impeccably authentic seafront architecture just like the Victorians did? All that's needed to complete the picture is a frilly parasol and a straw boater. Llandudno's appearance is down to the fact that, unlike many other resorts, it has remained largely unchanged for over a century. There's a pier – the longest in Wales – Punch & Judy, and canopied shopping streets just behind the prom. Put simply, Llandudno is a classic of its kind.
- ◆ We travel to Anglesey, making a stop on the way at James Pringle Weavers for a look around. We continue to the captivating seaside town of Beaumaris, with its mix of medieval, Georgian, Victorian, and Edwardian architecture. Take a stroll along the seafront, taking in the pier and the views over the Menai Strait, then continue through the charming streets with their picturesque cottages, many painted in soft pastel colours. Excellent shopping is marked by independent traders and there are cafes, pubs, and restaurants to suit all tastes.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 16th November 2026	5 Days	£429 pp	Nil	£35

Continental Holidays



Hit the Heights & Lakes in the Tyrol & Bavaria

Our exciting tour is based in Kirchberg in Tirol and features excursions into German Bavaria to visit some of the most spectacular attractions. We enjoy a day in historic Salzburg before we cross into Germany for a visit to Berchtesgaden and the famous Eagle's Nest, followed by a visit to the beautiful lakeshore resort of Zell am See.



The Zentral Hotel

With its modern Tyrolean style, the Hotel Zentral is centrally located in Kirchberg, within easy walking distance of the town's shops, bars and restaurants. The bedrooms are all a good size, bright and modern with classic Tyrolean styling and wood furnishings. All are en-suite and feature TV, hairdryer, Wi-Fi, and safe, with most offering a balcony. The restaurant and bar are furnished in a traditional Tyrolean style and there is a lovely lounge with comfortable seating, as well as a pleasant outdoor patio area. Leisure facilities include a sauna, steam room, infra-red cabin and relaxation area. The hotel has a lift.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Walking Tour of Salzburg
- ◆ Eagle's Nest
- ◆ Lake Cruise in Zell am See
- ◆ Welcome Schnapps on Arrival at Zentral Hotel
- ◆ Outdoor BBQ Buffet at Zentral Hotel
- ◆ 2 Drinks Person with Dinner at Zentral Hotel
- ◆ Coffee & Cakes on 1 Afternoon at Zentral Hotel

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Saturday, 6th June 2026	10 Days	£1439 pp	£330	£86

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to Newcastle to join our overnight ferry to Amsterdam with dinner served on board.
- ◆ Enjoy breakfast on board before we disembark and make our way to Stuttgart for dinner and our overnight stay.
- ◆ Enjoy breakfast in the hotel before we continue our journey to Kirchberg, arriving at our hotel in time for dinner.
- ◆ We spend today in the regional capital of Salzburgerland and the home of 'the Sound of Music', historic Salzburg. The old town is a maze of charming pedestrian alleyways with many famous and historic landmarks. To enable us to get our bearings, we enjoy a 2-hour guided walking tour before exploring the city at leisure.
- ◆ Today we enjoy a day relaxing at our hotel, perhaps making use of the leisure facilities and exploring the pretty town of Kirchberg in Tirol, located where the Spertental Valley enters the Brixental Valley. We can also make use of the local train station, which is just 5-minutes' walk from our hotel, with services to the famous resort towns of Kitzbuhel and St Johann.
- ◆ This morning we travel to the mountain resort of Berchtesgaden and visit the location of Hitler's Eagle's Nest, perched 6,000ft high on top of the Obersalzberg Mountain. Since 1952, the building has been open to the public as a mountain top restaurant offering the most spectacular views across the region. *Please note: due to the unusually high elevation, the Eagle's Nest is only accessible by special mountain buses running from Obersalzberg.*
- ◆ Today we have a full day excursion to the delightful resort of Zell am See, nestling on the lakeshore, surrounded by mountains. There is much to entertain and occupy us here, including our delightful boat cruise on the lake, taking in the whole panorama from the water. You could also take a cable car ride up to the Schmitterhohe Mountain that overlooks the town, for some simply stunning views back down and beyond. Or simply enjoy the pretty town itself with its shops, cafes and restaurants serving food typical of the region, or wander down to the lake side for a relaxing stroll.
- ◆ After breakfast this morning we bid a fond farewell to Hotel Zentral and make our way to Stuttgart for dinner and our overnight stay.
- ◆ We continue our journey to Amsterdam and board the ferry for our overnight sailing to Newcastle with dinner served on board.
- ◆ Breakfast on board the ferry before we disembark and continue our journey home.

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Desirable Dolomites & Stunning South Tyrol

The UNESCO listed Dolomite region is an Italian region bursting with natural beauty and diversity. Our wonderful, packaged itinerary not only includes a free bar at the hotel each evening, but you will also experience the best of the area with wine tastings, a typical Trentino dinner and a Grolla evening, plus, of course, the fantastic views and scenic drives! With stunning scenery, incredible inclusions and hospitality that is second to none, this will make for an unforgettable holiday which you will be talking about for years to come.



The Hotel Paganella

This intimate and friendly 3-star, family-run hotel is ideally located for touring this area. Fausto and his family ensure a warm welcome in this typically Austrian chalet-style hotel. Bedrooms are well-appointed and all have TV and hairdryer. There is a cosy bar, a traditional restaurant serving excellent homemade fayre, a comfortable lounge and seating areas, a lift, and leisure facilities including a sauna, Jacuzzi, and steam room.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Guided Walk of Fai with Picnic
- ◆ Tasting & Tour at Kettmeir
- ◆ Merano & South Tyrolean Wine Route
- ◆ Riva via Lake Molveno
- ◆ Unlimited Wine with Dinner
- ◆ Free Bar Each Night from 18:00-22:30hrs on beer, wine, national spirits
- ◆ Quiz/Games on 1 Night. Grolla Evening in the Bar, Wine Tasting, Farewell Trentino Dinner

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to Newcastle to join our overnight ferry to Amsterdam with dinner served on board.
- ◆ Enjoy breakfast on board before we disembark and make our way to Karlsruhe for dinner and our overnight stay.
- ◆ Enjoy breakfast in the hotel before we continue our journey to Fai della Paganella, arriving at our hotel in time for dinner.
- ◆ Today, Fausto will play host and take us for a gentle walk around this friendly village. We enjoy a picnic with great company, food, and wine and start to get into the relaxed 'Paganella way of life' in the mountains.
- ◆ We arrive in one of Italy's best kept secrets – stunning Merano. In true 'Sound of Music' fashion, this beautiful spa town sits nestled between the Dolomites. The town centre abounds with shops, restaurants, and cafes oozing with delicious strudel. For a bird's eye view of the city, take the chairlift up to the panoramic viewpoint. Try out some mouth-watering 'speck' in a local stube or tempt yourself with 'sachertorte' in one of the pastry shops. Later, we head to the historic winery of Kettmeir, nestled amongst the vineyards of Alto Adige, where we enjoy a tour and tasting of some top-quality wines – the South Tyrolean wines are so good they don't export much as they prefer to keep them for themselves!
- ◆ Today we drive north towards Moena, based in the heart of the Dolomites, and ascend towards the vibrant town of Canazei. From here it's just a short drive to get to the 'Sella Pass', an incredible viewing platform, from where we can enjoy lunch and appreciate the amazing 360-degree views across the Dolomites' spectacular jagged peaks. We continue down into the alluring Val Gardena, an historic valley known for its wood-making traditions and unique and ancient language, Ladin, which is only spoken here. Enjoy a break in the picturesque village of Ortisei and relax over a delicious plate of strudel or perhaps shop for one of the other local specialities – handmade cuckoo clocks!
- ◆ Our route this morning takes us past the lesser known but incredibly scenic Lake Molveno, and from here we enjoy the relaxing route taking us through the back of Lake Garda. Riva offers a lakeside historic centre and is the most northerly point in Europe where olive trees grow! We have free time to explore Riva and perhaps enjoy a delicious lunch or drink in the main square.
- ◆ After breakfast this morning we bid a fond farewell to Hotel Paganella and make our way to Karlsruhe for dinner and our overnight stay.
- ◆ We continue our journey to Amsterdam and board the ferry for our overnight sailing to Newcastle with dinner served on board.
- ◆ Breakfast on board the ferry before we disembark and continue our journey home.

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Wednesday, 7th October 2026	10 Days	£1049 pp	£169	£86

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The Rhine Christmas Markets

Join us on this festive jaunt to Germany. Based in Boppard, we enjoy visits to Cologne's Christmas Market and spend time exploring Boppard's own Festive offerings. We also travel to Rudesheim for a delightful wine tasting. A fantastic way to explore the Rhine region.



The Belleview Rheinhotel Boppard

The elegant, family-run Belleview Rheinhotel is beautifully decorated in a Belle Epoque style and is situated on the main riverside promenade, only a stone's throw from the centre of Boppard. All bedrooms are bright, elegant and equipped with TV and hairdryer. There is a beautiful wood-panelled restaurant with views over the river and a relaxing, traditional bar. Leisure facilities include a sauna, steam bath and Romanesque style indoor swimming pool. The hotel has a lift.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Return Overnight Ferry from Hull to Rotterdam
- ◆ Breakfast & Dinners On Board
- ◆ Cologne Christmas Market
- ◆ Boppard Christmas Market

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel to Hull where we board our overnight ferry to Rotterdam. Dinner will be served on board.
- ◆ Following breakfast on board, we continue our journey to Boppard, making suitable stops along the way. We arrive in Boppard with time to settle in before dinner this evening.
- ◆ We spend today at leisure in Boppard, making the most of the Christmas Markets. Sparkling stars, Christmas balls, the smell of cookies, Christmas sounds, fir greenery, gift ribbon, mulled wine, all can be expected at the Boppard Christmas Market in the historic Market Square. This afternoon, we make our way to Rudesheim and Rhein Wein Welt where we enjoy a Tour & Wine Tasting.
- ◆ After breakfast this morning, we begin our journey homeward, making a stop at Cologne for the magical Christmas Market at Cologne Cathedral, complete with a huge, decorated Christmas Tree at the foot of the impressive Cathedral. The Market offers over 140 festively decorated stalls selling handcrafted gifts and tasty treats. We continue towards Rotterdam for our overnight sailing to Hull, with dinner served on board.
- ◆ Breakfast on board before we re-join our coach for the final journey home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday, 6th December 2026	5 Days	£639 pp	£87	£73

Passengers are responsible for ensuring they have the correct documentation to travel.

Festive Breaks



Llandudno Turkey & Tinsel

Llandudno is Wales's largest resort, uniquely situated between the Great and Little Ormes with two wonderful beaches, the award-winning North Shore and the quiet, sand-duned West Shore.



The Marlborough Hotel

A family-run hotel where a warm welcome awaits, located on South Parade, just off the Promenade, opposite the Pier. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, and evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Conwy
- ◆ Beaumaris & Cream Tea
- ◆ Turkey & Tinsel Theme in the Hotel
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Conwy is a true one-off. Well-preserved ancient walls the most intact in Europe, enclose a town of narrow cobbled streets, nooks and crannies chock-full of historic buildings. And that's just the half of it! The walls radiate out from a gritty, dark-stoned castle that, even after all these years, still preserves an authentic medieval atmosphere, and still has the power to dominate.
- ◆ We travel to the captivating seaside town of Beaumaris with its mix of medieval, Georgian, Victorian, and Edwardian architecture. Maybe start with a stroll along the seafront, taking in the pier and the views over the Menai Strait and Snowdonia, then continue through the charming streets with their picturesque cottages, many painted in soft pastel colours. We then meet up at the historic Bulkeley Hotel where we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea before returning to Llandudno.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



Bournemouth Turkey & Tinsel

With seven miles of golden sands and sparkling sea, the vibrant cosmopolitan town of Bournemouth has it all – a vast variety of shops and restaurants, endless countryside offering peace and relaxation, and beautiful, award-winning gardens.



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The Suncliff Hotel

The Suncliff Hotel is nestled on Bournemouth's prestigious East Overcliff Drive, just minutes from the vibrant town centre. The hotel boasts a traditional yet contemporary design and offers warm hospitality, comfortable rooms and a range of amenities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and swimming pool. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Tank Museum & Poole Quay
- ◆ Salisbury Cathedral & Salisbury
- ◆ Turkey & Tinsel Theme
- ◆ Evening Entertainment
- ◆ Tea-Dance One Afternoon

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ The Tank Museum brings the story of tanks and their crews to life, with the world's best collection of tanks in awe-inspiring, modern exhibitions. The museum houses 300 military museums, representing the key battles of every major conflict since the First World War. The moving exhibitions tell the story of this British invention, from the mud of the Somme to the beaches of Normandy and the deserts of Iraq – featuring powerful stories from the soldiers that fought in them. Later, we stop at historic Poole Quay for time at leisure.
- ◆ Salisbury is a Cathedral City of ageless beauty and captivating history. At the city's heart is Salisbury Cathedral, a beacon that has attracted visitors for centuries. We visit the Cathedral and enjoy the serenity and splendour of this stunning building, gaze up at Britain's tallest spire, explore Britain's largest Cathedral Close and Cloisters, see the world's oldest mechanical clock and the best-preserved original 1215 Magna Carta. Gathered around the cathedral is a modern, medieval city, full of buildings crafted with the care of another age.



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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 26th October 2026	5 Days	£409 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 2nd November 2026	5 Days	£429 pp	Nil	£35

Blackpool Turkey & Tinsel

A holiday in Blackpool will leave you feeling refreshed, relaxed, and recharged, even if you are on the go 25 hours a day! Perhaps it's the resort's infectious zest for life, or maybe it's just that, uniquely, whatever your routine, Blackpool can offer a perfect break.



The Doric Hotel

Situated on the Queen's Promenade, with breath-taking views over the Irish Sea, Morecambe Bay, and the Isle of Man, The Doric is a firm favourite. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, indoor & outdoor swimming pools, poolside bar, and incredible entertainment every night. A pool of highly professional entertainers awaits you at The Doric. A full all-year-round entertainment programme with tribute acts, performances and fabulous vocal talent all waiting in the spotlight to entertain you.

Please note our coach & Driver do not stay with you on this tour and no excursions are included.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



UPGRADES AVAILABLE

- ◆ **Drinks Inclusive - £10.00 per person per night supplement –**
Inclusive selected drinks at the bar each full day of your stay from 12:00midday until 10:00pm.
- ◆ **All Inclusive - £15.00 per person per night supplement –**
Inclusive selected drinks at the bar each full day of your stay from 12:00midday until 10:00pm, local Travel Pass, Packed Lunch, Six Bingo Books per adult.

Thursford Christmas Spectacular

The Thursford Christmas Spectacular is the largest Christmas Show in the country! Set in the magical surroundings of mechanical organs and fairground carousels, with a cast of 130 professional singers, dancers, and musicians – many of whom are West End performers. The 3-hour performance delivers an extravaganza of non-stop singing, dancing, music, humour, and variety. It's a fast-moving celebration of the festive season, featuring an eclectic mix of both seasonal and year-round favourites, with famous and much-loved chart toppers being sung alongside traditional carols.



The Mercure Norwich

Located on the outskirts of Norwich, the Mercure Hotel is ideal as our base for this trip to Thursford. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ticket for the Thursford Christmas Spectacular
- ◆ 2 x Breakfasts
- ◆ 2 x Evening Meals OR 1 x Lunch & 1 Evening Meal in the hotel (depending on time of the show)

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel into Norwich where we have the morning at leisure to explore the city, all trimmed up for the festive season. Pay a visit to the Cathedral, cobbled Elm Hill, or just enjoy some retail therapy. We return to the hotel to freshen up before leaving for Thursford and the Christmas Spectacular. This Norfolk Show is the largest Christmas production in England and is a celebration of Christmas with choirs, carols, and the best organs including the mighty Wurlitzer playing.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 2nd November 2026	5 Days	£369 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 6th November 2026	3 Days	£389 pp	£52	£33

Lanterns at Longleat & Bristol Christmas Markets

Our festive short break is based in Swindon, ideally placed for visits to two contrasting attractions with something to suit everyone.



Scottish Highlands Turkey & Tinsel

Scotland is one of the most scenic countries in the world, especially in winter when the mountains are covered in snow and lochs are frozen over. So pack your winter woollies for this Festive Break with entertainment.



The Doubletree by Hilton Hotel

Our base for this short break is the Doubletree by Hilton Swindon. The hotel is located on the outskirts of town. Features of the hotel are Minsky's Restaurant and Bar & Café Cino. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, radio, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. There is a lift to all floors.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Festival of Light at Longleat House
- ◆ Europe's Largest Ever Display of Chinese Lanterns
- ◆ Bristol Christmas Markets
- ◆ City of Wells

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel into the City of Wells – England's smallest city. Explore Wells' historic centre, magnificent Cathedral, unique Vicar's Close, moated Bishop's Palace and its wonderful independent shops. After time for lunch, we leave for Longleat House and the stunning Festival of Light. Europe's largest-ever display of Chinese lanterns will transform Longleat into a glowing Winter Wonderland, with thousands of new lanterns. A highlight is the stunning Chinese Dragon Boat and the Terracotta Army. Enjoy more than 7,000 lanterns in 10 miles of silk, blinking Christmas lights, fairy lights, and 25 miles of LED lights!
- ◆ This morning, we leave for Bristol and the traditional Christmas Market. Located in the very heart of Bristol City Centre, the Christmas Market is home to over 50 unique stalls set around a glittering Christmas Tree. Grab yourself a warming hot chocolate or mulled wine and wander through the market, soaking up the festive atmosphere. Festive stalls sell an array of unique gifts, crafts, and seasonal treats. We head for home in the mid-afternoon.



The Highlander Hotel

Set in the stunning location of the Cairngorm National Park, the Highlander Hotel is the ideal place to stay whether you're an outdoor enthusiast or just want to enjoy the spectacular scenery in the area. Based in the village of Newtonmore, the Highlander Hotel offers a warm welcome and true highland hospitality. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, and some evening entertainment. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Festive Entertainment
- ◆ Traditional Christmas Dinner
- ◆ Traditional Hogmanay Dinner
- ◆ Culloden Visitor Centre
- ◆ Cream Tea at the Alexander Hotel
- ◆ The Speyside Centre

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today, we make the journey to Fort William. Enjoy the town's dramatic setting on the shores of Loch Linnhe under the mighty bulk of Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain. Attractions within the town include the West Highland Museum, which houses a large collection of Jacobite memorabilia. Enjoy some free time to explore before we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea at the Alexandra Hotel in the town, before returning to The Highlander Hotel with beautiful views of the Scottish Highlands. Tonight, we enjoy a 'Christmas Dinner' followed by evening entertainment and a visit from Santa with a small gift for everybody.
- ◆ This morning, we make our way to The Speyside Centre, nestled amidst the enchanting landscapes of the Cairngorms. The Centre boasts a restaurant & café, gift shop, whiskey emporium, pet haven, and garden centre. From here we continue to Aviemore where we take a break for lunch and time to browse, before returning to the hotel. Tonight, we enjoy a 'Hogmanay Dinner' followed by an evening of entertainment.
- ◆ Enjoy a hearty Scottish breakfast this morning before we make our way to the Highland capital – Inverness. Here, we visit the famous Culloden, the powerfully emotive and atmospheric battlefield where the 1745 Jacobite Rising came to a tragic end. Experience the Visitor Centre's Museum where weapons and unique artefacts are displayed, enjoy panoramic views from the roof garden, and browse the award-winning shop for unique exclusive gifts. There will then be free time in Inverness before we return to our hotel to dinner and our final night of entertainment.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 13th November 2026	3 Days	£329 pp	£60	£33

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 16th November 2026	5 Days	£399 pp	£100	£35

Festive Sidmouth

Sidmouth is probably the most unspoilt resort in the country and undoubtedly one of the most beautiful. Quiet and unhurried, Sidmouth has preserved the natural beauty of the countryside with colourful gardens, open spaces, and tree-covered hills.



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The Royal York & Faulkner Hotel

The hotel is a fine example of Regency architecture and forms a modern, spacious hotel. Situated in an unrivalled position at the centre of the Esplanade, the Royal York & Faulkner directly overlooks the sea and is adjacent to the picturesque shopping centre. En-suite bedrooms have TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, Aspara Spa with Hydrotherapy Pool, sauna & steam cabin, and some evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Exmouth & River Exe Cruise
- ◆ Exeter Cathedral Christmas Market

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Nestled in the historic heart of Exeter, the Exeter Cathedral Christmas Market promises to be bigger, brighter and more magical than ever. Step into the warmth and wonder of Exeter's most iconic winter tradition. Set against the awe-inspiring backdrop of Exeter Cathedral, this Christmas Market brings together festive cheer, artisan craftsmanship and gourmet treats in an enchanting experience that delights all the senses. Wander through twinkling chalets, savour seasonal delicacies, sip mulled wine beneath the spires, and shop from handpicked traders showcasing the very best of Devon and beyond.
- ◆ Exmouth is reputedly the oldest seaside resort in Britain and is situated on the east coast of Devon just where the majestic River Exe meets the sea. Promenade on the idyllic Esplanade or enjoy award-winning fish & chips as you take in the unique vistas. Later, we join Stuart Line Cruises for our cruise which departs from Exmouth Marina and travels along the peaceful waters of the river towards Powderham Castle and along to where the river ends on Exmouth's traditional seafront. The indoor heated lower decks have large windows for great viewing and outside upper decks with plenty of fresh air and blankets.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Tuesday, 17th November 2026	5 Days	£449 pp	Nil	£35

Thursford Christmas Spectacular

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Ticket for the Thursford Christmas Spectacular
- ◆ 2 x Breakfasts
- ◆ 2 x Evening Meals OR 1 x Lunch & 1 Evening Meal in the hotel (depending on time of the show)

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We travel into Norwich where we have the morning at leisure to explore the city, all trimmed up for the festive season. Pay a visit to the Cathedral, cobbled Elm Hill, or just enjoy some retail therapy. We return to the hotel to freshen up before leaving for Thursford and the Christmas Spectacular. This Norfolk Show is the largest Christmas production in England and is a celebration of Christmas with choirs, carols, and the best organs including the mighty Wurlitzer playing.



© Thursford Christmas Spectacular

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 20th November 2026	3 Days	£389 pp	£52	£33

Pre-Christmas Party Weekend in Harrogate

Join us on this fun-filled pre-Christmas Party Weekend – guaranteed to get you in the Christmas spirit. With Music & Dancing from brilliant musicians, and free time in the spa town of Harrogate, there's something for everyone to enjoy.



The Old Swan Hotel

The Old Swan Hotel stands in the centre of the lovely spa town of Harrogate, famed as being Agatha Christie's hiding place during her disappearance in 1926. The hotel has a lift, the Library Restaurant, the Wedgewood Room, and the Lounge Bar. En-suite bedrooms are stylishly furnished and feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Brilliant Musicians with a Wealth of Experience
- ◆ Pre-Dinner Drink both Evenings
- ◆ Live Entertainment
- ◆ Free Time in Harrogate

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We make our way to Harrogate, making a suitable stop along the way, enjoying tea/coffee & biscuits on arrival. This evening, after dinner, enjoy entertainment from Mike Fox – saxophonist and vocalist with tunes from the 60's to modern day.
- ◆ Spend free time to explore the pretty town of Harrogate. Perhaps enjoy a lovely stroll through Valley Gardens and the independent shops of the Montpellier Quarter. For a spot of retail therapy, go to the delightful Victorian Westminster Arcade or browse a host of high street shops. Have a relaxing lunch in one of the many restaurants, cafes and bars – maybe even visit the famous Betty's Tea Rooms. Later, return to the hotel to get ready for our evening of entertainment. This begins with a pre-dinner drink, followed by a four-course Gala Dinner and tonight's extravaganza featuring Jason Allen Sway-Swing and Jazz singer.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



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Llandudno - Holly & Mistletoe

Llandudno is Wales's largest resort, uniquely situated between the Great and Little Ormes with two wonderful beaches, the award-winning North Shore and the quiet, sand-duned West Shore.



The Tynedale Hotel

Situated in a prime seafront position on Llandudno's iconic Victorian promenade, The Tynedale Hotel is bright, modern and welcoming and just 20-meters from the beach and a short walk from the high street and the town's well-preserved pier. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Tea & Hot Mince Pies on Arrival
- ◆ Entertainment & Late-Night Finger Buffet Each Evening
- ◆ Sherry, Brandy or Malt Happy Hour
- ◆ Fun & Games

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ 'Christmas Eve' - Tea & Hot Mince Pies served on arrival, Sherry Reception & Canapes, 4-Course Dinner, Entertainment & Cabaret, Late Night Finger Buffet
- ◆ 'Christmas Day' - Conwy is one of Britain's best-preserved medieval towns with narrow cobbled streets, nooks and crannies, chock-full of historic buildings, shops, cafes & pubs. Back at the hotel, enjoy Christmas Carols and Tea this afternoon. Dinner this evening will be served with a complimentary glass of wine, Christmas Crackers, and a wonderful warm atmosphere. Entertainment till late and late-night finger buffet.
- ◆ 'Boxing Day' - We enjoy a run out into the Snowdonia National Park, making a stop at Betws-y-Coed. At 6pm, the Fire & Ice Evening begins with an Ice Bar & Special drinks being served. The restaurant opens with an amazing tasting menu followed by entertainment & of course, late night finger buffet.
- ◆ 'New Year's Eve' - The day is at leisure in Llandudno. At 4pm, afternoon tea/coffee is followed by a Haggis Rolling Competition. Your New Year's Eve Celebration Dinner is followed by a great evening of entertainment.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Saturday 21st November 2026	3 Days	£329 pp	Nil	£33

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Saturday, 21st November 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	Nil	£35

Plymouth Turkey & Tinsel

Plymouth, known as Britain's Ocean City, affords stunning coastal views, rich history, and vibrant culture. Discover a city brimming with attractions, shopping, entertainment, and world-class events.



The Duke of Cornwall Hotel

The Duke of Cornwall Hotel is a defining figure in Plymouth's past and its present. A landmark hotel built in 1863, the Duke has endured at the heart of this maritime city for over a century and a half since. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, lounge and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Mince Pie & tea/coffee on Arrival
- ◆ Happy Hour Nightly between 6pm – 8pm (2-4-1 on selected drinks)
- ◆ Nightly Entertainment (Bingo/Quiz/Movie Night/DJ)
- ◆ Looe & Polperro
- ◆ Dartmoor Prison Museum
- ◆ Tavistock

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ With its wide sandy beach, 'banjo' pier, harbour & island, Looe has been a favourite with visitors to Cornwall for centuries. Its smaller neighbour, Polperro, an historic fishing village with white-washed cottages and narrow streets leading down to the picturesque harbour – is a quintessential Cornish gem. From the finest fresh fish, straight from local boats to the humble home-made Cornish pasty-there's something for all tastes when dining out, and with more than 20 local pubs and bars, some dating back years, there's plenty to choose from to wet your whistle. Between the towns, there's a choice of more than 100 independent shops- with everything from local arts & crafts to that perfect holiday souvenir not to mention tasty treats made locally, from fudge to gin!
- ◆ We visit the Dartmoor Prison Museum and learn about 'life inside' one of the world's most famous and notorious jails. Some of the artefacts and documents on display in the museum will surprise you but will certainly enable you to form an opinion about prison life. Vividly portrayed are more than 200 years of this prison's turbulent history. Later, we continue to the thriving market town of Tavistock, an ancient stannary town and home of the Cream Tea. There is a wealth of places to eat and a number of speciality food outlets in the town, as well as a wide range of independent shops.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 22nd November 2026	5 Days	£389 pp	£100	£35

Turkey & Tinsel in Cardigan Bay

This is a Turkey & Tinsel package to picturesque Cardigan Bay. Take in the natural beauty of the Pembrokeshire coast, visit Britain's smallest city, St David's, home to the Patron Saint of Wales and learn about the region's wool heritage at the National Wool Museum.



The Cliff Hotel & Spa

The Cliff Hotel & Spa boasts breathtaking views over Cardigan Bay. With expansive, beautiful hotel grounds, The Cliff Hotel & Spa is located on the coast of Cardigan Bay overlooking Poppit Sands and Cardigan Island. The hotel has a lift, a spa with saltwater hydro pool, steam room, jacuzzi, sauna, heated loungers, and a gym. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ St David's
- ◆ National Wool Museum
- ◆ Cardigan & Tenby
- ◆ 3 Nights' Entertainment
- ◆ Discounted Drinks Each Evening between 6pm-9pm – 50% off selected House Wine, Draft Beer, and Soft Drinks.

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We journey through the Teifi Valley to the National Wool Museum. Historically, the wool trade was the most important and widespread industry in Wales with the Teifi Valley the centre of this thriving economy. The museum shares the story of this trade and shows the process of weaving magic – turning fleece into fabric. Later, we return through the valley to Cardigan where we enjoy free time to explore at leisure. The town's main landmarks are Cardigan Castle with its Gothic Mansion and medieval walls, plus the 19th Century Guildhall, built in Gothic architectural style.
- ◆ We travel south to the small seaside town of Saundersfoot. We have time to look around and maybe enjoy an ice cream by the wide, sandy beach before we continue to Tenby. Regarded as one of the premier resorts in Wales, Tenby is renowned for its lovely golden beaches and picturesque harbour. Explore the old town walls, interesting little side streets and alleyways, or perhaps visit Tenby Museum and Art Gallery or just take in the views and explore this beautiful resort's boutique shops and cafes.
- ◆ It's 'New Year's Eve' and we enjoy a scenic drive along the coast to the smallest city in Britain, St David's. Named after the Patron Saint of Wales, it is dominated by its 12th-Century cathedral. Browse the small independent stores, explore St David's Cathedral, or visit the Oriel y Parc Gallery which displays national works of art. This evening, enjoy a New Year-themed dinner followed by entertainment.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 23rd November 2026	5 Days	£459 pp	£72	£35

Llandudno Turkey & Tinsel

Llandudno is Wales's largest resort, uniquely situated between the Great and Little Ormes with two wonderful beaches, the award-winning North Shore and the quiet, sand-duned West Shore.



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The Merrion Hotel

Situated in a prime seafront position on Llandudno's iconic Victorian promenade, The Merrion Hotel offers luxurious accommodation. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entertainment Each Evening
- ◆ Bingo/Quiz on 3 Afternoons
- ◆ Free Gift Per Person

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a day of beautiful scenery today as we travel through the Snowdonia National Park to the lovely village of Betws-y-Coed with its specialist shops, cafes, and restaurants. From here, we continue to Caernarfon, home to Wales's most famous Castle and an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Whilst here, we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea at the Celtic Royal Hotel.
- ◆ Conwy is a true one-off. Well-preserved ancient walls the most intact in Europe, enclose a town of narrow cobbled streets, nooks and crannies chock-full of historic buildings. And that's just the half of it! The walls radiate out from a gritty, dark-stoned castle that, even after all these years, still preserves an authentic medieval atmosphere, and still has the power to dominate.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



Lakes, Lights & Liqueur

It's like the best of the Lakes in 5 days, as we pack in some amazing sights from a lake cruise on Windermere, Sizergh Castle Light Trail and the Lakes Distillery for a varied tasting – brilliantly combined with some free time in Bowness and Keswick.



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The Newby Bridge Hotel

With views over Lake Windermere at the tranquil southern end of the Lake, Newby Bridge Hotel is ideally located for our tour. The hotel's facilities include a Games Room, and Leisure Centre with pool, Jacuzzi, and mini gym. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms may be available on request. There are no rooms with walk-in showers.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entrance to Sizergh Castle & Gardens
- ◆ Lake Cruise from Lakeside to Ambleside
- ◆ Tour & Tasting at Lakes Distillery
- ◆ Discount on Selected Drinks each evening
- ◆ Mulled Wine & Mince Pies on 1 Afternoon

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We start our day with a leisurely cruise on Lake Windermere from Lakeside to Ambleside. Enjoy a hot drink whilst taking in the stunning views. On arrival at Ambleside, we meet our coach for the short journey to the centre of town, where we enjoy a little free time to get lunch. Later, we visit Hayes Garden World, the largest garden centre in the Lakes.
- ◆ The morning is spent at leisure in Bowness, chock full of independent shops, cafes, and tea rooms. Around lunchtime, we make the short journey to Lakeland the Flagship store! As well as the shop, there's a great café to enjoy a spot of lunch. Later, we continue to Sizergh Castle & Gardens. Wander through nature-themed lights & sound installations in the garden and enjoy Christmas decorations through the ages in the House. If you are the creative type, there are festive crafts available.
- ◆ This morning, we travel to the Lakes Distillery where we include tea & coffee with delicious cakes and pastries before enjoying a guided tour and tasting of a gin, whiskey, and vodka. We also receive a discount voucher to spend in the onsite shop. Later, we travel to Keswick to enjoy free time and some well-earned lunch!

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 23rd November 2026	5 Days	£529 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 23rd November 2026	5 Days	£579 pp	£71	£35

Winchester & Bath Christmas Markets

A lovely pre-Christmas break taking in the Winchester Cathedral Market, recognised as one of the best markets in Europe, and Bath Christmas Markets located in the cobbled streets of this heritage city.



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The Winchester Royal Hotel

The Winchester Royal Hotel is a 16th Century hotel located in Winchester City Centre offering a perfect blend of modern and traditional, the perfect place to stay whilst exploring England's ancient capital. Overlooking the beautiful walled garden, the award-winning Garden Restaurant serves a modern European menu. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel doesn't have a lift, but ground floor rooms are available on request.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Winchester Cathedral Market
- ◆ Bath Christmas Markets

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Enjoy the day at leisure today to explore the Winchester Cathedral Christmas Market. Recognised as one of the best in Europe, tourists travel from all over the world for its bustling atmosphere, stunning location, and handpicked high-quality exhibitors. Why not pop into the Cathedral itself to discover one of the finest medieval cathedrals in Europe and explore over 1,000 years of history. This culturally rich medieval city is full of world class attractions and architecture, award-winning pubs and restaurants, and a tempting array of independent shops.
- ◆ This morning, we head to Bath for our visit to Bath Christmas Market. See Bath transformed into a winter wonderland, with cobbled streets adorned with twinkling chalets offering unique gifts, gourmet food and drink to tantalise the tastebuds, and an abundance of festive cheer all in the heart of Bath Centre. Bath's compact centre is overflowing with places to eat & drink, plus some of the finest independent shops in Britain. Immerse yourself in Bath's remarkable collection of museums and galleries, and marvel at the stunning honey-coloured Georgian architecture, and iconic Royal Crescent.



© Winchester Cathedral

Northumberland Christmas Lights Trail

Northumberland is a land of big adventures, breath-taking beauty and unlimited possibilities. Winter is wonderful with frosty walks, festivals, and fairs. Escape the cold in a cosy café with a warm drink and enjoy the Christmas Light Trail at Alnwick Garden.



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The Holiday Inn Newcastle Gosforth Park

This modern, stylish hotel is the perfect base for our festive tour. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and fitness centre with gym, swimming pool and spa bath. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, complementary Wi-Fi, iron & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Christmas Themed Tour at Bamburgh Castle
- ◆ Christmas Light Trail at Alnwick Garden
- ◆ Beautiful Northumberland Coast

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ At Bamburgh Castle, the real Last Kingdom of Bebbanburg, discover over 3000 years of incredible history, high adventure, exhilarating views and sea air. Explore the fortress and see historic treasures, roam through history-steeped land with stories behind every stone, find fantastical tales of the Last Kingdom, Vikings, knights and dragons and fall in love with legends. The Castle will be dressed for Christmas, theme to be advised and our visit includes entry to the Castle Staterooms, Grounds and the Armstrong & Aviation Museum. We return to the hotel via the scenic Northumberland Coast.
- ◆ A later start today as we have a little time at Newcastle's iconic Quayside Sunday Market. This outdoor market features independent traders from all over the region selling handcrafted goods and local products. Boasting a vibrant and varied showcase of quality goods and produce, you'll find everything from jewellery and accessories, to artwork, ceramics, clothing, toys and handmade crafts. If you fancy a bite after perusing the stalls, there are also a number of different food trucks where you can grab everything from cakes and sweet treats, homemade preserves, coffee and baked goods to take home. We then continue to Alnwick Garden for the Christmas Light Trail. This is an immersive experience of light and sound. See The Garden like never before and experience the perfect Winter tradition. The event begins at 4:30pm so dinner will be late in the hotel this evening.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday 27th November 2026	4 Days	£369 pp	£90	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 27th November 2026	4 Days	£449 pp	£128	£35

Looe & The Cornish Coast Turkey & Tinsel

Cornwall is in a beautiful peninsula tumbling into the vast Atlantic Ocean, almost completely surrounded by the sea. Cornwall is loved for its dramatic coastlines, captivating fishing villages, and of course, its pasties and cream teas!



Llandudno Turkey & Tinsel

Llandudno is Wales's largest resort, uniquely situated between the Great and Little Ormes with two wonderful beaches, the award-winning North Shore and the quiet, sand-duned West Shore.



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The Hannafore Point Hotel

The Hannafore Point Hotel in Looe is a unique town-house style hotel with panoramic coastal views overlooking Looe and the Cornish coast. The hotel has a lift but there are steps around the hotel. There is a restaurant, bar, indoor swimming pool, gym, and sauna. All en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Traditional Christmas Dinner
- ◆ Party Novelties & Entertainment
- ◆ Mince Pies on arrival
- ◆ Fowey, St Austell & Mevagissey
- ◆ Padstow & The Camel Estuary

The Marlborough Hotel

A family-run hotel where a warm welcome awaits, located on South Parade, just off the Promenade, opposite the Pier. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, and evening entertainment.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Conwy
- ◆ Beaumaris & Cream Tea
- ◆ Turkey & Tinsel Theme in the Hotel
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Today's outing takes us first a little way along the coast to the lovely town of Fowey, with its narrow streets and gorgeous harbour views. St Austell is next, a striking curve of spectacular coastal scenery, an area rich with natural beauty. We end the day with a visit to Mevagissey where streets and steep valley sides lead down to the centre of the old Mevagissey where the distinctive twin harbour provides a safe haven for the many fishing boats that land their daily catch. Mevagissey's narrow cobbled streets are a delight to explore. Lined with charming cottages, boutique shops, and art galleries, they offer a chance to uncover hidden gems.
- ◆ We head across Cornwall via Liskeard, Bodmin and Wadebridge to the Atlantic Coast and the thriving fishing port of Padstow, best known for Rick Stein's fish restaurant. The town stands on the west bank of the Camel Estuary and has a tempting mix of cafes, bistros, cosy tearooms, and welcoming pubs scattered around the harbour. For a quick bite, indulge in a classic Cornish pasty or fish & chips from the local takeaways.



EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Conwy is a true one-off. Well-preserved ancient walls the most intact in Europe, enclose a town of narrow cobbled streets, nooks and crannies chock-full of historic buildings. And that's just the half of it! The walls radiate out from a gritty, dark-stoned castle that, even after all these years, still preserves an authentic medieval atmosphere, and still has the power to dominate.
- ◆ We travel to the captivating seaside town of Beaumaris with its mix of medieval, Georgian, Victorian, and Edwardian architecture. Maybe start with a stroll along the seafront, taking in the pier and the views over the Menai Strait and Snowdonia, then continue through the charming streets with their picturesque cottages, many painted in soft pastel colours. We then meet up at the historic Bulkeley Hotel where we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea before returning to Llandudno. After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday 30th November 2026	5 Days	£439 pp	Nil	£35

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Monday, 30th November 2026	5 Days	£409 pp	Nil	£35

St Annes on Sea Turkey & Tinsel

St Annes on Sea, on the Fylde Coast, offers a gentle and peaceful way of life. St Annes boasts a beautifully restored Victorian Pier, promenade with views across to North Wales, multi award-winning beach huts, a wide-open sandy beach, plenty of places to eat, and wonderful seaside charm.



© Leighton Hall

The St Ives Hotel

A warm welcome awaits you at the St Ives Hotel, which is located close to the beach and the pier. All the tastefully decorated bedrooms are en-suite with TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, lounge, bar, indoor swimming pool, and some evening entertainment during your stay.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Leighton Hall Dressed for Christmas
- ◆ Barton Grange Garden Centre
- ◆ Fleetwood Market & Cleveleys
- ◆ Some Evening Entertainment

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ After breakfast, we travel to Barton Grange Garden Centre for a stop to visit the Christmas Shop and have a coffee. We then travel to Leighton Hall, a much-loved family home and the centre of an agricultural estate since medieval times. See the famous collection of Gillow furniture and objets d'art and the gardens, weather permitting. We enjoy a lunch of Sandwiches & Cakes followed by a Guided Tour of the House before returning to the hotel.
- ◆ Fleetwood Market is a busy traditional coastal market offering a great seaside shopping experience. Browse over 150 stalls within three indoor halls, and a selection of outdoor stalls. A true shoppers paradise you'll find a variety of offerings, everything from jewellery and clothing to household goods, all at great prices. Later, we continue along the seafront to Cleveleys with its long stretch of beautiful promenade and thriving town centre.

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© Barton Grange Garden Centre

Loch Lomond Turkey & Tinsel

Experience a Scottish 'Christmas' and 'Hogmanay' at the foot of the picturesque Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park. Discover Scotland's history and culture through gorgeous scenery and architectural landscapes that will leave you with unforgettable memories.



The Rob Roy Hotel

Wonderfully located in Scotland's first National Park, at the gateway to the glorious Trossachs and to the picturesque village of Aberfoyle, the Rob Roy Hotel offers excellent food, friendly staff, and tastefully decorated bedrooms. The hotel has a lift, The Tartan Tea Room, and Thistle Bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Festive Entertainment (2 nights)
- ◆ Traditional Christmas Lunch
- ◆ Traditional Hogmanay Dinner
- ◆ Famous Kelpies
- ◆ Balloch, Stirling & Callander

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ **'Christmas Day'** – our day begins with a drive to The Kelpies to marvel at the largest equine sculptures in the world – standing at 100ft. Later, we head to the historic city of Stirling with its magnificent castle. Standing on a high plug of volcanic rock at the head of the Old Town, the castle is well worth a visit and attractions include The Great Hall, Chapel Royal, Great Kitchens and the stunning Renaissance Royal Palace. Nearby is the Church of the Holy Rude ('Holy Cross'), worth a look if only for the magnificent stained glass. There's also an interesting range of shops, cafes and pubs – the perfect place for an afternoon of exploring. We return to the hotel to enjoy 'Christmas Dinner', followed by dancing and gifts from Santa.
- ◆ **'Hogmanay Day'** – today we enjoy a visit to Balloch, an enchanting village on the foot of Loch Lomond. Offering fantastic shopping and dining experiences, Balloch also has a variety of attractions, such as the Sea Life Aquarium, Bird of Prey Centre, and the Maid of the Loch – a 1953 paddle steamer with an art deco interior. This evening, we experience a 'Hogmanay Dinner' and live music.
- ◆ **'New Year's Day'** – today, we embark on a scenic tour of The Trossachs. We begin travelling northwest to Callander, a wee Highland town and a great place for picking up Scottish souvenirs. The Trossachs Woollen Mill even has resident Highland cows for the public to enjoy! Afterwards, we enjoy a scenic drive along Loch Venachar and Loch Achray on our way to Aberfoyle, home of the Scottish Wool Centre. If you are lucky, a local shepherd may be showcasing their herding skills.

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Llandudno Turkey & Tinsel

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The Merrion Hotel

Situated in a prime seafront position on Llandudno's iconic Victorian promenade, The Merrion Hotel offers luxurious accommodation. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entertainment Each Evening
- ◆ Afternoon Bingo/Quiz
- ◆ Free Gift Per Person

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ We enjoy a day of beautiful scenery today as we travel through the Snowdonia National Park to the lovely village of Betws-y-Coed with its specialist shops, cafes, and restaurants. From here, we continue to Caernarfon, home to Wales's most famous Castle and an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Whilst here, we enjoy a delicious Cream Tea at the Celtic Royal Hotel.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



York Christmas Festival & Harewood House

From our riverside location, the iconic York Christmas Festival is within easy reach. We also include a visit to Harewood House, one of the Treasure Houses of England, which will be festively decorated.



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The York Radisson Hotel

Overlooking the meandering River Ouse, Radisson Hotel York is within walking distance of York Train Station, York's shopping streets and business districts. Enjoy great dining with surrounding views of the River Ouse in the Paddle Room, its name being a nod to the location's historic past, derived from the boats, barges, and ships that used to pass through. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, iron & ironing board, complimentary Wi-Fi, safe, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Harewood House – Dressed for Christmas
- ◆ York Christmas Festival

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ On our way to York, we make a stop at Harewood House, one of the Treasure Houses of England. With rolling 'Capability' Brown landscapes, an impressive art collection including works by JMW Turner & El Greco, renaissance masterpieces, exquisite Thomas Chippendale furniture and fabulous Robert Adam interiors, all combined with 120 acres of award-winning Gardens, Harewood really does have something for everyone. As an extra treat, the house will be 'Dressed for Christmas' so prepare to 'wow' by the sheer opulence and glamour of the Regency displays.
- ◆ The day is at leisure to explore York independently. The award-winning Christmas Market brings festive cheer to the heart of the city. With 75 alpine chalets lining Parliament Street and St Sampson's Square, the market offers magical array of local crafts, artisan products, and delicious seasonal treats. Away from the Markets, York is a city where ancient walls surround incredible attractions, shops, and eateries, as well as thirty world-class museums you can explore.

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Friday, 4th December 2026	4 Days	£439 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Sunday 6th December 2026	3 Days	£319 pp	£85	£33

Festive Torquay

The winter season is full of cheer and magic, even at the seaside! While you might not think that being by the sea when the weather gets a bit wild but there's still plenty going on, as you can see from our Festive Itinerary.



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The Headland Hotel

An elegant hotel, The Headland sits majestically on the headland, looking out to sea, with 2 acres of lovely grounds with stunning views across Torbay. Tastefully decorated en-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift to most floors, a lounge, bar, restaurant, and entertainment. The Headland Hotel offers a complimentary 'taxi' service into town on your free day.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Exeter Cathedral Christmas Markets
- ◆ Powderham Castle at Christmas

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ Nestled in the historic heart of Exeter, the Exeter Cathedral Christmas Market promises to be bigger, brighter and more magical than ever. Step into the warmth and wonder of Exeter's most iconic winter tradition. Set against the awe-inspiring backdrop of Exeter Cathedral, this Christmas Market brings together festive cheer, artisan craftsmanship and gourmet treats in an enchanting experience that delights all the senses. Wander through twinkling chalets, savour seasonal delicacies, sip mulled wine beneath the spires, and shop from handpicked traders showcasing the very best of Devon and beyond.
- ◆ Discover Powderham Castle and immerse yourself in over six centuries of history. The stories embellish the history of the house, the country and the county through the lives of the Earls of Devon, and their families. At this time of year, the Castle is magical with its rooms dressed for Christmas. On our way back to Torquay, we stop in the traditional seaside resort of Dawlish, famous for the black swans and other water fowl that live around the Lawn and the Brook.



DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 7th December 2026	5 Days	£429 pp	Nil	£35

Eastbourne Turkey & Tinsel

Eastbourne is a town with grace and elegance that has something for everyone – a landscaped, pedestrianised town centre bordered by a large range of shops, a clean, well-managed beach and seafront renowned for its attractive three-tiered flower-decked promenade.



© Penshurst Place

The Haddon Hall Hotel

The Haddon Hall Hotel is enviably situated at the seafront end of Devonshire Place, a broad, tree-lined avenue that links the main promenade with the town centre. The Bandstand is located across the road from the hotel. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, spacious lounge, ballroom, cocktail bar, and some evening entertainment. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Entertainment Each Evening
- ◆ Afternoon Fun & Games
- ◆ Royal Tunbridge Wells & Penshurst Place with Seasonal Refreshments
- ◆ Alfriston & Lewes

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ At Royal Tunbridge Wells discover the history of The Pantiles, the hub of this Georgian Spa Town. From its rich history, including royalty, to the cafes, bars, and restaurants which line the promenade today. Later, we continue to Penshurst Place where the medieval Manor House will be dressed in freshly cut mistletoe and foliage gathered from the Estate. Get a first-hand look at into the workings of a modern-day 'Downton Abbey' with a peek behind the scenes. Open to view exclusively, our 'behind the scenes' tour features the Head Housekeeper relaying how the State Rooms are cleaned and conserved over the winter. Enjoy seasonal refreshments around the fire in the Baron's Hall.
- ◆ Alfriston is a beautiful old Sussex village which lies in the Cuckmere valley. There is much to admire – the medieval narrow, twisting high street has a surprising wealth and variety of shops. Minutes from the high street is the Tye village green, the Clergy House and the imposing St Andrew's Church known as the 'cathedral of the Downs'. Later, we visit Lewes, a great place to shop for those last-minute festive treats, with so many independent, antique and quirky shops. It's also the perfect place to stop for a bite to eat or drink in one of the historic pubs. Lewes also boasts a working brewery situated in the heart of the town.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 7th December 2026	5 Days	£449 pp	Nil	£35

Llandudno - Holly & Mistletoe

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The Tynedale Hotel

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Tea & Hot Mince Pies on Arrival
- ◆ Entertainment & Late-Night Finger Buffet Each Evening
- ◆ Sherry, Brandy or Malt Happy Hour
- ◆ Fun & Games

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ 'Christmas Eve' - Tea & Hot Mince Pies served on arrival, Sherry Reception & Canapes, 4-Course Dinner, Entertainment & Cabaret, Late Night Finger Buffet
- ◆ 'Christmas Day' - Conwy is one of Britain's best-preserved medieval towns with narrow cobbled streets, nooks and crannies, chock-full of historic buildings, shops, cafes & pubs. Back at the hotel, enjoy Christmas Carols and Tea this afternoon. Dinner this evening will be served with a complimentary glass of wine, Christmas Crackers, and a wonderful warm atmosphere. Entertainment till late and late-night finger buffet.
- ◆ 'Boxing Day' - We enjoy a run out into the Snowdonia National Park, making a stop at Betws-y-Coed. At 6pm, the Fire & Ice Evening begins with an Ice Bar & Special drinks being served. The restaurant opens with an amazing tasting menu followed by entertainment & of course, late night finger buffet.
- ◆ 'New Year's Eve' - The day is at leisure in Llandudno. At 4pm, afternoon tea/coffee is followed by a Haggis Rolling Competition. Your New Year's Eve Celebration Dinner is followed by a great evening of entertainment.

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Christmas in Blackpool

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SAMPLE OF INCLUSIONS YET TO BE FINALISED BY THE HOTEL:

- ◆ Morning Entertainment, Buffet Lunch, Afternoon Entertainment, Banquet Dinner, Evening Entertainment on Christmas Eve
- ◆ Morning Entertainment, Gala Lunch, Gift from Santa, King's Speech with Tea/coffee & Cake, Afternoon Entertainment, Hot Barmes, Evening Entertainment on Christmas Day
- ◆ Morning Entertainment, Buffet Lunch, Afternoon Entertainment, Banquet Dinner, Evening Entertainment on Boxing Day

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Tuesday, 15th December 2026	5 Days	£559 pp	Nil	£35

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday, 23rd December 2026	5 Days	£649 pp	Nil	£35

A West Country Christmas - Lots of Singles!

The city of Plymouth has a great naval history, stretching back from the time of Sir Francis Drake and the Spanish Armada to today's ultra-modern navy dockyards. We feature two half-day excursions, one taking us into Cornwall, and the other to rugged Dartmoor.



The Crowne Plaza Hotel

The Crowne Plaza Hotel overlooks the famous Hoe and out towards Plymouth Sound. It is a modern, high-rise hotel offering extensive facilities, including lift and leisure club with indoor swimming pool. Spectacular views of the city can be enjoyed from the restaurant and bar on the top floor. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ The Seafaring City of Plymouth
- ◆ Festive Entertainment
- ◆ Traditional Christmas Lunch



EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ **Christmas Eve** - We cross the Tamar Bridge at Saltash into Cornwall for a visit to the resort of Looe, returning to the hotel in time for lunch. The afternoon is free for you to explore our base of Plymouth. Visit the famous Barbican, the Hoe, or look around the city centre and search for that last-minute present. Later in the afternoon, tea & mince pies are available. Relax before dinner and tonight's entertainment. For those wishing to attend Midnight Mass, details of local church services will be available from the hotel reception, with mulled wine on your return.
- ◆ **Christmas Day** – Merry Christmas to All! Enjoy a leisurely breakfast, enter the Chef's Christmas Cake Competition, and then perhaps a stroll in the city or along the Hoe to work up an appetite for our traditional Christmas Lunch with all the trimmings. Listen to the King's Speech and have a relaxing afternoon with a slice of Christmas cake and maybe a few board games before this evening's buffet. The evening ends with festive fun & games.
- ◆ **Boxing Day** – we have a morning excursion along the Tamar Valley to Tavistock and the edge of Dartmoor before returning to the hotel for lunch. This afternoon is free for you to do as you wish. Pastries and tea are served this afternoon and tonight sees our Farewell Gala Dinner and a final night of live entertainment.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday 23rd December 2026	5 Days	£759 pp	Nil	£35

Christmas in Lincolnshire

Lincolnshire is a diverse county of rolling countryside, historic market towns and villages, award-winning coastline, and Britain's Best Small City. This carefully chosen festive break features samples of all of the above for you to enjoy.



The Forest Pines Hotel

Feel the stress ebb away at Forest Pines Hotel, Spa & Golf Resort, nestled in 190 acres of Lincolnshire woodland. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, and Health Club with a fully equipped gym, indoor pool, sauna, and steam room. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Lincoln
- ◆ Louth & The Lincolnshire Wolds
- ◆ Full Festive Itinerary

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ **Christmas Eve** – We travel the short distance to Lincoln, brimming with history and heritage. From the tip of the Cathedral to the depths of the Roman waterways, Lincoln is full of fascinating stories just waiting to be discovered. Explore at leisure and maybe pick-up some last-minute gifts. Back at the hotel, be wowed by a Magician before dinner. For those wishing to attend Midnight Mass, details will be available from Reception of local services and tea/coffee and mince pies will be served on your return.
- ◆ **Christmas Day** – Merry Christmas! Enjoy a leisurely breakfast then make use of the leisure facilities or simply relax in the lounge with your fellow guests. Enjoy a Welcome Glass of Fizz before your Christmas Day Lunch with all the trimmings. Watch the King's Speech with coffee and cake, a light buffet dinner is served in the evening. Tonight's entertainment will be Bingo & Prizes, and games will be available at Reception to play in the lounge.
- ◆ **Boxing Day** – We enjoy a scenic drive today through the Lincolnshire Wolds, making a short stop in Louth, 'Capital of the Wolds'. We continue to Cleethorpes for the chance of a brisk walk along the promenade before returning to the hotel. A delicious 3-course dinner will be served this evening followed by Dancing the night away or relaxing in the lounge.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday, 23rd December 2026	5 Days	£599 pp	£140	£35

Christmas in the Lake District

The sheer beauty of the Lake District has inspired poets and artists for centuries and, on this holiday, we will paint a picture that will last in your memory for years to come. From our base, we can explore the dramatic landscapes of the Lakes as well as enjoy the festive atmosphere and entertainment.



The Shapwells Hotel

The Shapwells Hotel is set in tranquil surroundings amongst the Lakeland fells and is an ideal base from which to explore this beautiful corner of England. Set in 30 acres of grounds, the hotel offers a lift, well-stocked bar, lounges, and a spacious restaurant. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, radio, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Festive Entertainment
- ◆ Kirkstone Pass & Bowness
- ◆ Lake Windermere Cruise
- ◆ Kendal & Penrith

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ **Christmas Eve** – Fantastic scenery today as we make our way to Ullswater and follow the shore road to Glenridding. We continue over Kirkstone Pass (weather permitting), with the lonely inn at the summit, and descend into Windermere and Bowness. Here we take a lunch break and have time to explore the town or just relax by the lake. This afternoon we enjoy a delightful sail along Lake Windermere to Lakeside, with tea/coffee and biscuits served on board. Later, we make our way back via Kendal and over the Shap Fells. Tonight's dinner is followed by live hotel entertainment.
- ◆ **Christmas Day** – Merry Christmas to All! Enjoy a leisurely breakfast, open your presents and then maybe enjoy a stroll to work up an appetite for your traditional Christmas Lunch with a glass of fizz. Relax this afternoon, listen to the King's Speech, and enjoy tea & Christmas cake. Dinner tonight is buffet style, and is followed by live hotel entertainment.
- ◆ **Boxing Day** – We begin this morning after breakfast with a short sightseeing drive taking us to Appleby – the former county town of Westmoreland – and the pleasant town of Penrith and time to look around before returning to the hotel for a Carvery Lunch. The afternoon is free to relax or maybe enjoy a board game with newfound friends. Tonight's buffet dinner is followed by live hotel entertainment.

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday 23rd December 2026	5 Days	£639 pp	£160	£35

Twixmas in Llandudno

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Glass of Sherry & Designer Canapes
- ◆ Afternoon Tea
- ◆ Haggis Rolling Competition
- ◆ Late-Night Finger Buffet Each Evening
- ◆ Entertainment Each Evening

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ A Warm Welcome awaits you in the bar whilst hotel staff take care of your luggage, and you enjoy Tea & Hot Mince Pies. A glass of Sherry and 'designer' canapes are served prior to evening dinner – a fabulous 4-course meal with hats, streamers, and party poppers. Following dinner there is an evening of entertainment in the Café Bar. At 11pm, indulge in the complimentary finger buffet to end your day.
- ◆ Enjoy a leisurely breakfast with the day free to explore Llandudno independently. Stroll along the Victorian seafront and explore the pier – the longest in Wales or browse the shops along Mostyn Street and grab yourself a bargain in the Sales! At 4pm, be back at the hotel for complimentary Tea followed by a traditional Haggis Rolling competition. 'Happy Hour' at the bar takes place between 5pm & 6:30pm, followed by a candlelit dinner and entertainment in the Café Bar. The evening is rounded off with Auld Lang Syne and of course, the late-night finger buffet.

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DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 28th December 2026	3 Days	£379 pp	Nil	£33

The Doric Hotel

Situated on the Queen's Promenade, with breath-taking views over the Irish Sea, Morecambe Bay, and the Isle of Man, The Doric is a firm favourite. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, indoor & outdoor swimming pools, poolside bar, and incredible entertainment every night. A pool of highly professional entertainers awaits you at The Doric. A full all-year-round entertainment programme with tribute acts, performances and fabulous vocal talent all waiting in the spotlight to entertain you.

Please note our coach & Driver do not stay with you on this tour and no excursions are included.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.



SAMPLE OF INCLUSIONS YET TO BE FINALISED BY THE HOTEL:

- ◆ Afternoon Entertainment, Banquet Dinner, Evening Entertainment, Bacon Sandwiches on New Year's Eve
- ◆ Bubbly Breakfast, Afternoon Entertainment, 'Round the World' Buffet, Evening Entertainment on New Year's Day

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday, 30th December 2026	4 Days	£519 pp	Nil	£35

New Year in Torquay

Torquay is a traditional and thriving seaside town set on Devon's English Riviera coast. With its iconic palm trees, busy harbour, international marina, and wonderful array of continental-style cafes, restaurants and cocktail bars, Torquay is the perfect spot for our New Year break.



The Headland Hotel

An elegant hotel, The Headland sits majestically on the headland, looking out to sea, with 2 acres of lovely grounds with stunning views across Torbay. The hotel has a lift to most floors, a lounge, bar, restaurant, and entertainment. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities. The Headland offers a complimentary 'taxi' service into town on your free day.



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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Festive Cruise on the River Exe
- ◆ Festive Programme in the Hotel

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Monday, 28th December 2026	6 Days	£769 pp	Nil	£42

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ **29th December** - Following our long drive yesterday, we enjoy a day at leisure to relax in the hotel. Join us in the Gallery Lounge in the late afternoon for a glass of Bucks Fizz and canapes followed by a warm welcome from the Management Team. Dinner is served in the Romanov Restaurant followed by an evening of entertainment.
- ◆ **30th December** - We travel to Exeter for some free time to explore or grab a bargain in the sales. Tea/coffee and a tasty treat will be served back at the hotel in the Gallery Lounge followed by Big Quiz of the Year.
- ◆ **New Year's Eve** - We have the morning at leisure before our light, buffet lunch in the Romanoff Restaurant. We then enjoy a short drive to Paignton for some time or a stroll before returning to Torquay for tea/coffee, cake and a game of Bingo. It is time then to get ready and dress to impress for the big night tonight! Join us for some close-up magic from Peter Baffles before our Gala Dinner in the Romanoff Restaurant. We then adjourn to the Gallery for Party Night with plenty of music for dancing. And keep going until Auld Lang Syne and a glass of Prosecco to welcome in 2027 at midnight.
- ◆ **New Year's Day** - Following a relaxing breakfast, we head to Exmouth for a Festive Cruise with Stuart Line Cruises. Relax and enjoy the scenery on the calm and sheltered waters of the River Exe. The festively decorated boat has covered and heated lower decks, with cosy blankets but there's plenty of fresh air and great views on the upper outside deck! You will have a warm welcome with a glass of proper home-made mulled wine and a tasty, warmed mince pie to enjoy whilst you sit back and take a breather from the busy Christmas season. Back at the hotel, tea/coffee and festive treat is served. Tonight's dinner is followed by music and dancing in the Gallery Lounge with prizes for the various competitions awarded at 10:30pm.
- ◆ **2nd January** - After our final breakfast this morning, we make our way home. (Please note the hotel programme is given as a guide and is subject to change)

New Year in Llandudno

Llandudno is Wales's largest resort, uniquely situated between the Great and Little Ormes with two wonderful beaches, the award-winning North Shore and the quiet, sand-duned West Shore.



The Merrion Hotel

The Merrion Hotel stands proudly on the Promenade in the heart of Llandudno and offers luxurious accommodation and stunning views. The hotel has a lift to all floors, a restaurant and bar. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, telephone, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Welcome Drinks Reception
- ◆ Evening Entertainment
- ◆ New Year's Eve Gala Dinner & Toast to the New Year
- ◆ Scenic Snowdonia Drive
- ◆ Half-Day Conwy

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ **New Year's Eve** – We have the day at leisure in Llandudno, which has retained its period charm for well over a century. The sweeping bay of the North Shore is lined with pastel-coloured hotels and the unmistakable backdrop of The Great Orme's limestone cliffs. Take a stroll along the famous promenade or browse the shops on the High Street which runs parallel to the prom. This evening, don your glad rags for tonight's Gala Dinner with Toast to the New Year.
- ◆ **New Year's Day** – Happy New Year! After Breakfast Brunch, we join our coach for a scenic drive through the Snowdonia National Park. 'Land of Contrasts' is one way to describe Snowdonia, but here it happens to be true. We make a stop at the picture-book mountain village of Betws-y-Coed.
- ◆ Today, we enjoy a half-day excursion to Conwy, one of the best-preserved medieval towns. Well-preserved ancient walls enclose a town of narrow cobbled streets, nooks and crannies, chock-full of historic buildings. The Walls radiate from a gritty, dark-stoned castle that, even after all these years, still preserves an authentic medieval atmosphere, and still has the power to dominate.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday, 30th December 2026	5 Days	£689 pp	£115	£35

New Year Around the Isles

Join us for this fabulous New Year break where each night, the music and shows will take you on an imaginary journey around the British Isles featuring themed entertainment and cabarets. Destinations are Scotland, Ireland and Wales. Each afternoon there will be either a quiz, Bingo or a competition organised by your host and in the evenings, there will be live cabaret with plenty of time for dancing.



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The Mercure Haydock Hotel

The Mercure Haydock Hotel is a Georgian mansion-style property set in beautifully landscaped grounds which plays host to our Around the Isles break. The hotel has a restaurant, bar, and leisure club with pool, steam room, sauna, and gym. Sorry, there is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available on request. There is one flight of stairs to first floor bedrooms. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, complimentary Wi-Fi, iron & ironing board, and tea/coffee making facilities.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Welcome Drink on Arrival
- ◆ New Year's Eve Gala Dinner
- ◆ Glass of Fizz to Welcome in 2027
- ◆ Live Entertainment Every Evening
- ◆ Competitions/Bingo/Quizzes Every Afternoon
- ◆ Resident Host at the hotel for the Entire Break



EXCURSIONS INCLUDED

- ◆ **New Year's Eve** – We travel the short distance to Liverpool with time to grab that bargain in the New Year Sales. If shopping isn't your thing, don't worry, there's plenty to see and do to keep you busy. Visit one of the many museums which include The Museum of Liverpool, International Slavery Museum, and the Maritime Museum, take a Ferry 'Cross the Mersey, or visit the British Music Experience or Beatles Story for that music buzz. We return to the hotel with time to get ready for tonight's Gala Dinner and Evening Entertainment.
- ◆ **New Year's Day** – Happy New Year! A late Brunch will be served this morning, hopefully there aren't too many sore heads! We take a run out to the seaside for some sea air at Crosby, with chance to see the iconic permanent installation of 100 cast iron figures facing the sea, Antony Gormley's Another Place. We return to the hotel for dinner and another evening of live entertainment.

After breakfast on the last morning of our tour, we head straight home.

DATE	DAYS	PRICE	SRS	INS
Wednesday, 30th December 2026	4 Days	£449 pp	£75	£35

Jersey by Air



Jersey by Air

Jersey – an island of rediscovery, where landscapes are just waiting to be explored. Whether it's the view from the battlements of a 12th Century castle, a beach walk along Jersey's unspoilt coastline or taking time to reflect while you watch the sun sink into the sea over St Ouen's Bay, Jersey is there to be discovered. Live Island Life to the full and explore some must-see experiences and destinations from world-class conservation centres to living history locations – all in easy reach within Jersey's 45 square miles. Get a taste of Jersey and its authentic local flavour with memorable eating experiences, from beach restaurants to Michelin-starred fine dining. Shopping in Jersey is like nowhere else in the world. Enjoy top brand designer goods, department stores in the heart of St Helier High Street, or wander through charming markets, quirky antique stores, and unique local boutiques. No need to shop 'til you drop, there's plenty of places to refresh and relax along the way. Rest your feet and stop off in a nearby cafe for a quick espresso or enjoy a glass of wine over a delicious, leisurely lunch.



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Norfolk Lodge Hotel

Situated in one of St Helier's best residential areas, this hotel is only half a mile away from the town, shops, and beaches. En-suite bedrooms feature TV and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, indoor swimming pool, and some evening entertainment.

The Monterey Hotel

A fine hotel with excellent facilities, an informal hotel where good value is the order of the day. En-suite bedrooms feature TV, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift, restaurant, bar, lounge, indoor & outdoor swimming pools.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Door-to-Door Service
- ◆ Return Flights from Liverpool with Easyjet
- ◆ Meet & Greet on Arrival in Jersey
- ◆ Return Transfers from the Airport to your Chosen Hotel
- ◆ Accommodation with Breakfasts and Dinner Daily
- ◆ Services of a Local Representative



Jersey by Air (continued)



DATE	DAYS	PRICE (NORFOLK LODGE)	PRICE (MONTEREY)	SRS	INS
Sunday, 3rd May 2026	7 Days	£829 pp	£869 pp	£90	£86
Sunday, 17th May 2026	7 Days	£829 pp	£869 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 31st May 2026	7 Days	£929 pp	£979 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 7th June 2026	7 Days	£929 pp	£979 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 21st June 2026	7 Days	£939 pp	£989 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 28th June 2026	7 Days	£939 pp	£989 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 5th July 2026	7 Days	£939 pp	£989 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 26th July 2026	7 Days	£939 pp	£989 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 9th August 2026	7 Days	£939 pp	£989 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 16th August 2026	7 Days	£939 pp	£989 pp	£120	£86
Sunday 23rd August 2026	7 Days	£939 pp	£989 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 6th September 2026	7 Days	£949 pp	£999 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 13th September 2026	7 Days	£949 pp	£999 pp	£120	£86
Sunday, 27th September 2026	7 Days	£819 pp	£859 pp	£90	£86

Deposit: £200.00 per person

Balance Due: 13 weeks prior to departure date

Important Information:

The Jersey holidays by air featured in this brochure are NOT protected under our BCH Bonding (details on page 2) and therefore DO NOT come under the Terms & Conditions of our Trading Charter. They are however ATOL Protected, as detailed below:-

Elen Smith (Tours) Ltd act as retail agents for Destination Specialists – ATOL No. 9503. Destination Specialists Terms apply. A copy of these will be sent to you with your ATOL Receipt once received by us. If you require a copy of Destination Specialists Terms & Conditions prior to booking, please ask a member of staff. Coaches on Jersey are not of an executive standard.

Booking information: We have secured a number of rooms at the hotels stated for the dates advertised in our brochure. These can ONLY be booked with our booking office staff on 01706 648126 or via our website at www.ellensmith.co.uk AND NOT THROUGH OUR AGENTS.

We have a budget for flight seats. Once this budget has been reached, flight supplements may apply. Any supplements will be advised to you at the time of booking.

Obligatory Requirements for Jersey by air: Please be aware that for security purposes when travelling to the Channel Islands you are required to carry some form of photographic identification (e.g. Photo Driving Licence, Passport, etc.),



CLIENT HOLIDAY TRAVEL INSURANCE



Our Client Holiday Travel Insurance is available for all eligible passengers travelling on our holidays which is arranged by Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Limited and underwritten by AWP P&C SA and administered in the UK by Allianz Partners, a trading name of AWP Assistance UK Ltd. AWP Assistance UK Limited is registered in England (registration number 1710361). Registered office: PO Box 74005, 60 Gracechurch Street, London, EC3P 3DS. AWP Assistance UK Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) (Firm reference number 311909).

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Should you wish to take out this travel insurance please include the appropriate premium when booking your holiday.

DEMANDS AND NEEDS

This insurance policy will suit the demands and needs of an individual or group (where applicable) who have no excluded medical condition(s), are travelling in countries included within the policy terms and who wish to insure themselves against unforeseen circumstances/events detailed in the cover section below. Subject to the terms, conditions and maximum specified sums insured.

IMPORTANT

We will not provide you with advice about the suitability of this product for your individual needs but will be happy to provide you with factual information.

We summarise below the details of the insurance cover provided which also includes 24-hour emergency service from Allianz Assistance.

The following is a brief summary of the cover available. Full details of cover and exclusions will be forwarded with your confirmation of booking. In any event you may ask for a specimen copy of the policy wording before booking should you wish to examine this in advance.

SUMMARY OF COVER

PLEASE SEE THE POLICY WORDING FOR FULL DETAILS OF THE COVER, LIMITATIONS AND EXCESSES, A SPECIMEN COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

COVER	SUM INSURED	EXCESS
Trip Cancellation	Up to £3,000	£75*
Trip Interruption	Up to £3,000 (Extra Accommodation Sub-Limit £500)	£75
Travel Delay	Up to £300	Nil
Baggage	Up to £1,500 (£200 High Value Item Limit)	£75
Baggage Delay	Up to £100	12 Hours
Emergency Medical Expenses	Up to £1,000,000	£75
Emergency Transport	Unlimited (Reasonable Cost)	£75
Personal Liability	Up to £1,000,000	£75
Travel Accident	Up to £10,000	Nil
Loss of Travel Documents	Up to £200	Nil
Personal Money	Up to £200	£75

* Excess only applies for cancellation of a journey over three days in duration (Nil for Loss of Deposit).

Health Declaration & Health Exclusions

It is very important that you read the following and, where necessary, declare any pre-existing medical conditions.

For UK, Channel Islands and Isle of Man trips only (except Air & Cruise Holidays)

You will not be covered under this policy for any claims arising as a direct or indirect of any pre-existing medical condition, unless you can comply with the following:

1. You are fit to travel and undertake your planned trip when you take out this policy, book your trip or at the time you travel (whichever is later).
2. Following any claim investigation, your doctor confirms they would have agreed with or recommended your travel plans when you took out this policy, booked your trip or at the time you travelled (whichever is later).

3. You are not travelling for the purpose of having medical treatment or a consultation during your trip.

4. You are not awaiting any medical tests, investigations or surgery, or the outcome of any tests or investigations when you take out this policy or book your trip (whichever is later).

For trips outside of the UK plus all Air & Cruise Holidays

You will not be covered for any claims arising as a direct or indirect result of any pre-existing medical condition if, in the 12 months before taking out this policy or booking your trip (whichever is later), you:

1. Were prescribed medication;
2. Received treatment or consulted a doctor or other medical practitioner for any medical condition;
3. Attended a hospital or a clinic as an outpatient or inpatient;
4. Were referred for tests, investigations, treatment or surgery, or are waiting for either results or a diagnosis;
5. Had any symptoms of an undiagnosed medical condition or have had a terminal illness;

unless you told us about the pre-existing medical condition and we have agreed in writing to cover it.

To declare a pre-existing medical condition(s), you should contact insurers confidential medical screening service on 023 92 41 9063 as soon as possible after taking out this insurance policy and/or booking your trip.

Based on the medical information you provide, it will be confirmed to you if cover can be offered for your declared pre-existing medical condition (or conditions), and if an extra premium needs to be paid. Occasionally, insurers may need you to get extra medical information (at your cost) from your doctor to enable us to make a decision.

If an extra premium is required, cover will not start until this has been paid in full and we have issued written confirmation.

If we are unable to cover the pre-existing medical condition (or conditions), this will mean that you and any other person insured by us will not be covered for any directly or indirectly related claims arising from the pre-existing medical condition (or conditions). This applies even if the person with the pre-existing medical condition (or conditions) decides to buy cover from another provider.

Each person insured by us would still be covered for any unrelated (or conditions), subject to the terms and conditions of this policy.

FOR ALL TRIPS:

You will not be covered if:

- Following any claim investigation, your doctor confirms they would not have agreed with or recommended you travel as planned either when you took out this policy, booked your trip or at the time you travelled (whichever is later).
- You know you will need medical treatment or a consultation at a medical facility during your trip.
- You are travelling specifically for the purpose of having surgery, medical procedures or hospital treatment, whether medically necessary or not.
- You had been diagnosed with a terminal illness prior to the date you took out this policy or booked your trip (whichever is later).

Exclusions relating to the health of someone not insured on this policy, but whose health may affect your decision whether to take or continue with your trip:

You will not be covered for any directly or indirectly related claims (see note at the end of this section) arising from the health of a travelling companion, someone you were going to stay with, a family member or a business associate if at the time your policy was issued:

- You were aware they had undiagnosed medical condition(s) for which they were awaiting tests, investigations or the results of these;
- You were aware that their medical condition(s) were unstable, were likely to get worse in the next 12 months or they had been diagnosed as having a terminal condition.

Note: Only claims relating to a medical condition where any of the above apply will be affected. This includes indirectly related claims. For example, if someone breaks a bone and a doctor confirms it is related to an existing diagnosis of osteoporosis (brittle bone disease), this would not be covered if we have not agreed in writing to cover the osteoporosis.

Level of medical cover provided

This is not a private medical insurance policy and only gives cover for emergency medical treatment and/or transport in the event of an accident or unexpected illness occurring during your trip.

This also means that any other person insured by us will not be covered for any directly or indirectly related claims arising from the pre-existing medical condition (or conditions). This applies even if the person with the medical condition (or conditions) decides to buy cover from another provider.

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RESIDENCY

You must have your primary residence in and be registered with a doctor in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man; and have not spent more than six months abroad during the 12 months before this policy was issued or your trip was booked (whichever is later).

SIGNIFICANT EXCLUSIONS

- Any existing medical conditions unless they have been declared to (where appropriate) and accepted by the insurer.
- Your intentional self-harm or if you attempt or commit suicide.
- An epidemic or pandemic, except when an epidemic or pandemic is expressly referenced in and covered under Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption, Travel Delay or Emergency Medical/Dental Cover Abroad.
- Terrorist events.
- Any travel supplier's complete cessation of operations due to financial reasons, with or without involving insolvency or bankruptcy.

For full terms and conditions and your policy contact details please refer to your policy wording.

How to make a claim

All claims should be reported directly to Allianz by calling their dedicated claims line on 0208 666 9233 (lines are open between the hours of 08:00 hrs & 18:00 Mondays to Fridays, excluding Bank Holidays).

Protecting your information

We will only use your personal details in line with our Privacy Notice. This can be found on our website or is available in hard copy format upon request and you should read this carefully and contact us immediately if you have any queries. Your personal information includes all of the details you have given us to process your insurance policy (we will not ask for more information than is necessary).

We may share your data with Third Parties for the provision and ongoing performance of your insurance policy. Your data may be transferred outside the UK. All of the personal information you supply to us will be handled strictly in accordance with the applicable Data Protection regulations and legislation.

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Should you have personal circumstances, for which you may need additional support or accommodations, please let us know and we will do our best to support you. These could include issues with sight, hearing impairments, capability restrictions, welfare/health issues or anything else you feel is important for us to know about.

If our chosen insurance provider, Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Limited are unable to offer you the travel insurance cover you require, or your premium is higher than you expected because you have serious medical conditions, you may be able to get help by accessing the Money and Pensions Service travel directory or by calling 0800 138 7777 (lines are open Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm).

Please note: The insurance information (including premiums) as detailed above, is correct at time of publication {October 2025} and may be subject to change. Details of any changes to our current insurance arrangements, as detailed above, will be provided at the time of booking.

TRADING CHARTER & BOOKING CONDITIONS

1. Financial Protection

Your contract is with Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd of Globe House, Moss Bridge Road, Rochdale, OL16 5EB. When you book a holiday with us, which does not include a flight, the money you pay us 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 <https://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. Ellen Smith (Tours) 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.

2. 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 or your booking agent 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 have received the deposit and dispatched this invoice to the 'lead name' or your booking agent. 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.

Deposit £75.00 per person.

The balance of the price of your holiday must be paid at least 8 weeks before your departure. If you book within our balance due period, you will need to pay the total holiday cost at the time of booking. If the balance is not paid in time, we reserve the right to cancel your holiday, 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.

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 will 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.

Whilst these terms are applicable to all bookings of any number of customers, for some group bookings there may be additional terms or information – we will provide those to you at the relevant time.

3. Brochure Accuracy

Although Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd make every effort to ensure the accuracy of the brochure information and pricing, regrettably errors do sometimes occur, and where they do we reserve the right to correct prices and other details. 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.

4. Our Pricing Policy

Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd 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 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). 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 31st October 2025.

5. 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. However, notification must be received in writing at our offices from the person who signed the booking form, at least 8 weeks before departures. This must be accompanied by a payment of £25.00 to cover our

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administrative costs, plus costs we incur in making the amendment. Alterations cannot 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.

6. 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. This transfer will cost £25.00 plus reasonable costs to make the transfer. You will remain responsible for ensuring payment before the balance due date. This is in addition to (and does not affect) the separate liability of the transferee to us.

7. 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 person signing the booking form and is communicated to us in writing via the office who made your original booking. You must pay cancellation charges to cover our administration costs. Your cancellation will take effect from the date on which we or our agent 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:

Period before departure within which written cancellation of package price is received	Amount of cancellation charge as a % of total package cost
More than 56 days	Deposit only
55 - 29 days	30% or Deposit, if greater
28 - 15 days	50%
14 - 8 days	70%
7 days and up to departure day or later, including voluntary termination during the package	Total package cost

You may cancel your holiday without paying any termination fee before the start of the holiday, in the event of unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances occurring at the place of destination or its immediate vicinity, for instance, if there are serious security problems at the destination which are likely to affect the package.

8. 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 or your booking agent know about any important changes as soon as possible, including the minimum number of passengers required on the trip. 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, a change in departure point, location of resort or type of hotel, a change in cross channel travel, or specification of the coach. 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,

Period before departure in which significant change is notified to you or your agent	Amount per person
More than 28 days	Nil
21 to 27 days	£10.00
15 to 20 days	£15.00
8 to 14 days	£20.00
0 to 7 days	£25.00

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 <https://www.gov.uk/browse/abroad/travel-abroad> 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).

9. Our responsibility to you

We accept responsibility for ensuring 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 (as confirmed in the confirmation invoice and any other information we provided to you regarding the 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 three times 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 £5,000 per party).

10. If you have a complaint

If you have a problem during your holiday, please 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 completely resolved locally, you must complete a Holiday Report Form which can be obtained by your driver or local representative, which you should keep. Our contact number, for unresolved complaints will be our office number on 01706 648126 (open in office hours) If you remain dissatisfied please follow this up within 14 days of your return home by writing to Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd giving your original booking reference number and all other relevant information, including the reference 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 and obtain a written report form. 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 69 Leadenhall Street London EC3A 2BG.

11. Our Coaches

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 seats other than those booked. Single passengers may be required to share a double seat with other single passengers. When your booking is confirmed, you will be offered the best seats that are available at that time. If you feel that you require two seats, then these must be booked and paid for in advance, at the time of booking. If you fail to do this and it transpires that the seat allocated to you 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.

TRADING CHARTER & BOOKING CONDITIONS

Specific seats will not be allocated on coaches operating a feeder service between joining points and main holiday departure points or on coaches that carry out transfers between airports, seaports etc.

NO SMOKING is allowed on our coaches (including E-Cigarettes) and we do not allow pets or any other animals, although we accommodate registered assistance dogs, but not on overseas holidays.

12. Hotel Facilities

Some hotel facilities and entertainment may be withdrawn for routine 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.

13. Health and 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. If you are planning to undertake a journey of more than three hours, you should consult your doctor, if you have ever had DVT, pulmonary embolism, a family history of clotting conditions, cancer or treatment for cancer, stroke, and heart or lung disease or if you have had major surgery in the past three months.

We reserve the right to refuse any booking in the absence of a doctor's certificate confirming that you are fit to travel. Where we provide comfort stops you are encouraged to walk around. Exercise reduces any discomfort, which may be caused by periods of immobility.

14. Travel documents, itineraries, pick-up points and passports

We can only provide general information regarding entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements and safety and health formalities applicable to your package itinerary. It is your responsibility to check such requirements (in good time before departure), in order to make your decisions to fulfil such requirements regarding your destination and/or the country(ies) through which you may be transiting.

Such information which you may need to check includes (but is not limited to) passport requirements including (but not limited to) how valid your passport must be after return date, whether your passport must be machine readable, or which visas may be required for entry such as ETA for UK travel and/or ETIAS for EU travel.

You must check requirements for your own specific circumstances with the relevant bodies as applicable. We have provided a few useful resources below, though **it is your responsibility to check and see if such body would be relevant to yourself.**

- the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office ("FCDO", <https://www.gov.uk/travelaware>) (applicable to UK residents);
- UK Passport Office (0870 5210410 or <https://www.gov.uk/browse/citizenship>).
- Embassies, High Commission and/or Consulates;
- own doctor.

For UK residents booking European travel, you should obtain a UK Global Health Insurance Card (UK GHIC) prior to departure unless you are able to rely upon an existing European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). For travel to Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland, UK GHIC and EHIC cannot be used for medical treatment. Passengers to these destinations should obtain comprehensive medical insurance prior to departure, including cover for emergency medical treatment and associated costs.

We do not accept any responsibility if you cannot travel or incur any other loss because you have not complied with any entry, passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities. You agree to reimburse us in relation to any fines or other losses which we incur as a result of your failure to comply with any entry passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities.

You are responsible for ensuring you are at the correct departure point, at the correct time and with the correct documents. Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd reserve the right to modify itineraries to conform with requests from competent authorities both within the UK and abroad.

15. Special Requests

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 either you or your booking agent should contact Ellen Smith (Tours) Ltd. If you will require a special diet please tell us at the time of booking, or as soon as you are medically advised, together with a copy of the diet.

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. Admission fees to buildings may not be included in the price of the holiday, please check.

16. Passengers with disabilities

We want everyone to enjoy our travel arrangements. We are happy to advise and assist you in choosing a suitable holiday. It is important that, when booking, you advise us of any disability, specific need or complex need you may have and any special requirements that will make sure the holiday is suitable. If a passenger requires personal assistance (for example, assistance with feeding, dressing, toileting, mobilising) then this passenger must travel with an able-bodied companion or 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 provide such assistance.

Important

You must tell us if you have an existing medical condition, disability or complex need that may affect your holiday or other group members' enjoyment of it before you book your holiday. We reserve the right to request a doctor's certificate confirming the passenger is fit to 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 trip information. We want you to enjoy your holiday and will help you select an appropriate trip.

17. Passenger Behaviour

We want all our customers to have a happy and carefree holiday. You are responsible for your behaviour and hygiene and the effect it may have on others. If you or any other member of your party is abusive, disruptive or behaves in a way that could cause damage or injury to others or affect their enjoyment of their holiday or which could damage property, we have the right to terminate your contract with us and we will have no further liability or obligation to you. The coach driver/representative, ship's captain, or similar, authorised official 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. If on your return journey, we have the right to terminate the contract with you. We also request that mobile telephones are not used on the coach.

18. Travel Insurance

We strongly advise that you take out personal travel insurance for the trip. We have partnered with a travel insurance provider, Wrightsure, which is outlined below. You may use an alternative insurer, but you must advise us. 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. You must advise us if you use an alternative insurer, the policy number and 24-hour contact number.

19. Luggage

Please restrict your luggage to a suitcase weighing no more than 18kgs per person. We cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to luggage unless through our negligence. Please do not leave valuable items in your suitcase when left on the coach. Please contact us for our policy on mobility scooters.

20. Conditions Of Suppliers

Many of the services which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions which will form part of your contract with us. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable International Conventions. Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions are available on request from us or the supplier concerned.

21. Advanced Passenger Information

A number of Governments are introducing new requirements for our suppliers to provide personal information about all travellers to the Authorities prior to travellers arriving at the destination. The data will be collected either at the time of or after a booking is made. Where we collect this data, we will treat it in accordance with our Privacy Policy.

22. Emergency Contact

Our emergency contact details are Tel: 01706 648126 during office hours, 9:00am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday (except Bank Holidays), or 07870 573041 outside of office hours. Alternatively, you can email ellensmithtoursLtd@gmail.com.

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