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About Us We are a medium sized family run local company with 57 years experience in the coach industry, and operate in the

Northamptonshire area. We specialise in a wide range of coach travel from Holidays and Short Breaks to Day Excursions and special occasions. We also cater for groups, which we can be tailored to your requirements. Whether you're a seasoned traveller or a new friend yet to meet. Our aim is to provide our customers with commitment to quality, service and with a friendly smile.

Vehicles Our Fleet of 15 clean and tidy vehicles consist of 70 (for schools), 55, 53, 49, 48 seater coaches with air con, seat belts, radio and PA/video. Most of our Coaches have hot and cold drinks facilities, WC and washroom, all come with reclining seats. Some are with CCTV inside and out. All coaches are NON-SMOKING. Our own skilled workshop engineers maintain all coaches.

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R.B.Travel is a member of the CPT (Confederation of Passenger Transport) & CTA (Coach Tourism Association).

Groups All types of groups are catered for, from day trips to holidays, which can be tailored, to suit your needs. We can also put an Itinerary together for you, with places you would like to visit. Nothing is impossible.

Courier & Guides Our Tour Managers are highly trained professionals dedicated to ensuring that your holiday runs smoothly and efficiently at all times. With expert local knowledge, helpful enthusiasm and practical efficiency your escort can be relied upon to make your arrangements go like clockwork and your holiday go with a swing. There will either be a courier throughout, local guides on excursions or an experienced driver/guide to look after you.

Insurance Travel insurance is needed for your peace of mind, and information can be obtained on booking for each tour. Insurance should be arranged at the time of booking.

If you already have your own Travel Insurance, please let us know.

Holiday Pick up Points

Northamptonshire

Local Area	Door – to – Door Pick Ups
Northampton	Victoria Street
Thrapston	High Street Bens Fish Shop

Bedfordshire

Bedfordshire	Railway Station
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Continental Tours

Essex	Thurrock - Motorway Services
Kent	Medway - Motorway Services
	Dover - Ferry Terminal or Euro Tunnel

Stuck for present ideas this year?

Our gift vouchers make a great gift and are available in denominations of **£5, £10 & £20**.

Pick some up from the Taurus Office.



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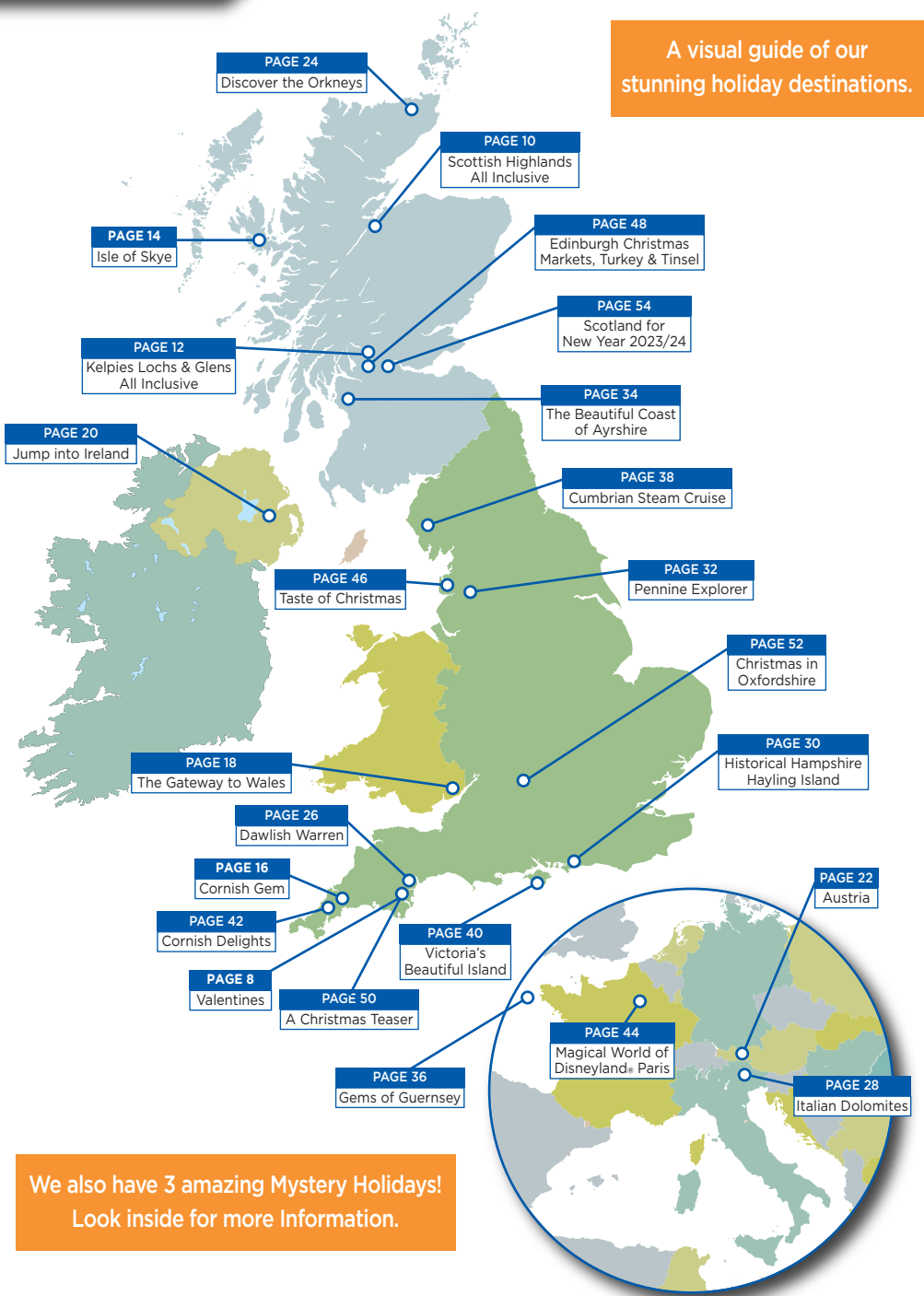
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stunning holiday destinations.



We also have 3 amazing Mystery Holidays!
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Winter Mystery

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Our "Mystery Tour" is very popular, so early booking is essential to avoid disappointment. Our destinations are always a pleasant surprise. These tours represent excellent value for money and accommodation will be of a very high standard. If you haven't yet joined us for a Mystery Tour, then it's time to get on board! On the way to our chosen hotel we stop usually for morning refreshments and somewhere for lunch and arrive at our 'mystery' hotel in plenty of time before dinner. On the 2 - 4 day, after a leisurely breakfast and usually much discussion about what the day might have in store, we depart for a full day excursion. On the final day, we make our way home via another place of interest. A different experience every time. Could it be country or coastal? Will it be North, South, East or West? We do know you'll be delighted when you get there.

ITINERARY

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach and departing your local area, you start your journey somewhere? With comfort breaks en route, you should arrive at the chosen hotel somewhere. Here you will spend the next four nights with dinner (consisting of 3 Starters, 4 main & 3 desserts plus tea/coffee) bed & breakfast.

Day 2 - 4 - Excursions

The next few days have been tailor made for your enjoyment. Maybe market towns, sandy beaches, fishing harbours, Mooreland or cliffs. You may see some, all or none of these on your excursions, but you will enjoy them. If there are any entrances, these will be included.

Day 5 - Return Home

After a satisfying breakfast and your cases have been collected, put back on the coach you depart for home. The return journey will take you a different way home. With comfort stops en route you should arrive at your local pick up point by late afternoon, early evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£449.00

Single room supplement

£140.00

(Tw/Dbf for Sole

Occupancy)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Saturday**

Dates: **23 - 27 January**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ Excursions & Entrances
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

YOUR MYSTERY HOTEL

The hotels we use are all well-known and comfortable. All rooms are very comfortable and are en suite with TV, tea/coffee making facilities. The hotels will look after your every need. The staff are polite and friendly. The hotel also has a bar, lounge and restaurant.

Your Driver/Guide will do his professional best to ensure that you enjoy your tour. It will be at his discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.



Summer Mystery

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Day 2 - 4 - Excursions

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Day 5 - Return Home

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TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£459.00

Single room supplement

£48.00

(Tw/Dbf for Sole

Occupancy)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Thursday**

Dates: **3 - 7 August**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ Excursions & Entrances
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

YOUR MYSTERY HOTEL

The hotels we use are all well-known and comfortable. All rooms are very comfortable and are en suite with TV, tea/coffee making facilities. The hotels will look after your every need. The staff are polite and friendly. The hotel also has a bar, lounge and restaurant.
2 rooms with walk in showers

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Autumn Mystery

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

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ITINERARY

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach and departing your local area, you start your journey somewhere? With comfort breaks en route, you should arrive at the chosen hotel somewhere. Here you will spend the next four nights with dinner bed & breakfast.

Day 2 - 4 - Excursions

The next few days have been tailor made for your enjoyment. Maybe market towns, sandy beaches, fishing harbours, Moerland or cliffs. You may see some, all or none of these on your excursions, but you will enjoy them. If there are any entrances, these will be included.

Day 5 - Return Home

After a satisfying breakfast and your cases have been collected, put back on the coach you depart for home. The return journey will take you a different way home. With comfort stops en route you should arrive at your local pick up point by late afternoon, early evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£479.00

Single room supplement

£24.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **2 - 6 October**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Included Excursions
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

YOUR MYSTERY HOTEL

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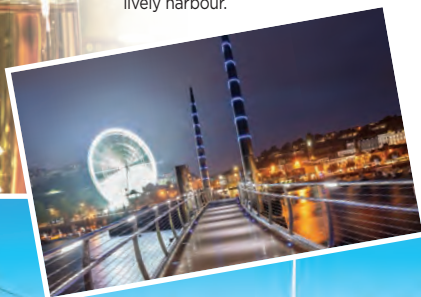




Valentines

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Torquay is a seaside town located in Devon and is part of the stunning English Riviera. One of the UK's top holiday destinations since the Victorian times. Torquay has always been popular with all types of tourists of all ages. The iconic palm trees, busy harbour and international marina create this beautiful town. There are 22 miles of coastline, cliffs, coves, beaches and walks with a climate that belongs much further south. Stunning views go out over the English Channel from all across Torquay. The waterfront is the focus of life in the town where you will find the palm-lined promenade, seafront gardens and lively harbour.



YOUR HOTEL - CARLTON HOTEL



Carlton Hotel, Falkland Road, Torquay, Devon, TQ2 5HS

Tel: 01803 400300

The TLH Carlton Hotel is a lovely 3 star hotel and Spa (TLH Leisure Resort) close to the sea front and town centre. It has outstanding on-site leisure and entertainment facilities include The Aztec Spa, a leisure complex, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, a gym, fitness studio, bistro and games arena with entertainment on site. The stylish TLH Carlton Hotel prides itself on a warm, welcoming atmosphere and impressive panoramic views across Torbay. There are 70 en suite bedrooms all with TV, tea/coffee making facilities and free Wi-Fi. The Carlton Hotel's friendly restaurant offers buffet style breakfasts, including full English or continental choices. Look forward to the tempting table d'hôte evening meals with an additional a la carte selection. In the Riviera Lounge Bar you can enjoy some of the best views across the Bay in this lovely south-facing lounge. Overlooking the Aztec Bistro terrace and outdoor pools, the Riviera Lounge is also the perfect spot to enjoy a bit of peace and quiet, whilst enjoying the views and maintaining your connection to the rest of the resort.



Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we make our way south to Torquay, with comfort stops en route. We arrive at the Carlton Hotel, your home for the next 4 nights. Time to settle in and explore the hotel complex before dinner.

Day 2 - Day at Leisure

Today you have free time to explore the treasures of Torquay and its harbour, or use the facilities in the hotel complex.

Day 3 - Dartmouth Steam Railway

Today you make your way to the station at Paignton with the coach for your trip to Dartmouth via the steam railway (included) where you will board the steam train from Paignton to Kingswear. You then cross on the passenger ferry to Dartmouth and have time in Dartmouth for lunch & sightseeing. You return on the passenger ferry back to Kingswear for your return train ride back to Paignton where your coach will be waiting. Enjoy a walk along the promenade or just relax before dinner.



Day 4 - Brixham

Generations have been enchanted by the charm and romance of Brixham, a colourful and bustling fishing port at the southern end of Torbay. The hilly town is built around the central harbour area, which remains the lifeblood of this quaint historic town. Vibrant fishermen's cottages gaze out across the port and the fishing trawlers below. Brixham is one of the three towns that make up Torbay on the

English Riviera. The picture postcard harbour has a replica of the Golden Hind beside the quay amongst the yachts and fishing boats. The town and harbour side has many interesting shops and cafes among the maze of narrow, winding streets. We return back to the hotel, where you can have a walk along the prom or just relax before dinner.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and cases have been loaded on to the coach, it is time to wave goodbye to our hosts at The Carlton Hotel and head for home. There will be comfort stops en route, and you should be back in your local area by late afternoon/early evening.

Your Driver/Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£379.00

Single room supplement

£Nil

(5 single rooms only)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **13 - 17 February**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Train Ride
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian, etc
- Special requests are put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- All rooms have tea/coffee making facilities

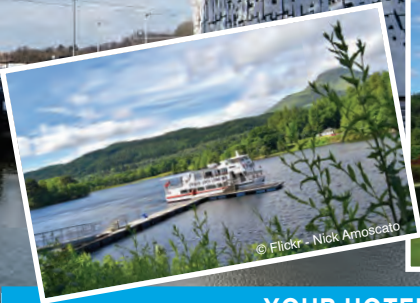


Kelpies, Lochs & Glens All Inclusive



YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Drymen is an attractive village located in the beautiful Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park. The park consists of 40 mountains ranging from 2500ft to over 3000ft, 22 lochs, 50 rivers and two forest parks, The Argyll Forest Park and the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park. The Campsie Fells hills are to the west of Drymen. A range of volcanic hills which host a variety of farmland, open moors, steep-flanked glens, attractive woodland and sparkling burns. The lovely village boasts spectacular views of Dumgoyne to the east and is just a short way from Loch Lomond to the west. It is the perfect base to explore Scotland with Stirling and Glasgow just a short drive away. With all these natural features it is no wonder hundreds of tourists' flood through the park every year.



YOUR HOTEL - THE WINNOCK HOTEL



The Winnock Hotel, The Square, Drymen, Glasgow, G63 0BL

Tel: 01360 660245

The Winnock Hotel is a beautifully, traditional family run hotel overlooking the village green. The cosy log fires will help you to relax after a long day of exploring the beautiful surrounding countryside. The 74 comfortable en suite rooms are all well equipped with hairdryer, TV and tea and coffee making facilities. There is no lift but ground floor rooms are available. The Merlin restaurant provides a more intimate setting for dinner complementing the hotels historic ambiance. For a more relaxed dinner the Capercaille room serves excellent Scottish cuisine and has a traditional bar area with an extensive selection of ales, spirits and wines and a speciality of over 70 malt whiskies. A pack lunch will be provided on three days.

No lift, ground floor rooms.



Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel north with comfort stops en route. Still heading north, we cross the border into Scotland and head to Drymen and the Winnock Hotel where we will spend the next 4 nights' all inclusive. On arrival we have a welcome drinks reception while our cases are taken up to our rooms. Evening dinner is a three course, three choice menu with wine plus tea and coffee.

Day 2 - Loch Lomond & Inveraray

Today we explore part of Loch Lomond by boat to the pretty village of Luss. Rejoining the coach, we take the breathtaking route over the 'Rest and be Thankful' to the Royal Burgh of Inveraray. Here you can explore or maybe visit Inveraray Castle. Later we return back to the hotel.

Day 3 - Loch Katrine Cruise & Sheep Dog Show

Our journey today takes us into the Trossachs and the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park to enjoy a relaxing cruise on Loch Katrine with afternoon tea. Watch the beautiful countryside gently slip by from aboard the Lady of the Lake. We then travel to the woollen mills at Aberfoyle for the sheep dog show. After which we retrace our steps back to the hotel.

Day 4 - Kelpies and Edinburgh

The Kelpies are the world's largest equine sculptures which you can see up close - and even go inside to marvel at the complexity and the engineering which created these fantastic pieces of art. You will have a guided walking tour **(included)** that takes you through the vision of Andy Scott, the story of the real life working horses of the area, the local history and the history of the canals. Later we travel on to Edinburgh. The city boasts a rich and intriguing history which can be uncovered as you explore the city. Atmospheric cobbled streets, wonderful architecture, old closes and wide avenues allow you to imagine yourself transported back in time. The Lothians is also steeped in fascinating history, filled with castles, stately homes and battle sites. You will have some free time to explore the city at your leisure. We then head back to the hotel to relax before dinner.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After all the suitcases have been packed and loaded onto the coach we leave our hosts at the Winnock Hotel and head for home. With comfort stops on the way, we arrive back at your local area early evening.

The Driver/Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£499.00

Single room supplement

£82.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **10 - 14 April**

Meals: **Full Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Full Board
- ✓ Free Bar 7.30 - 10pm
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ Entertainment on 2 Evenings
- ✓ Included Excursions:
- ✓ Cruise Loch Katrine with Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Aberfoyle Sheep Dog Display
- ✓ Kelpies with Guided Tour
- ✓ Edinburgh
- ✓ Balmaha to Luss Cruise (one way) Inveraray
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

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Scottish Highlands All Inclusive

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Inverness is in the North of Scotland and one of the smallest cities, known as Scotland's "Highland Capital", it still however retains its market town feel, dating back to its early development. Today tourism is a very important part of the economy. One of the many joys of Inverness is the rich variety of places to visit and things to do both in and around the city. The city boasts a host of historic buildings, notably in the Old Town, which you can appreciate while you browse city shops from the Victorian Market to the new award-winning East Gate centre. Take a stroll to Inverness Castle, currently used as a courthouse, and St Andrew's Cathedral, which dominate the River Ness and one of the most beautiful riverside settings in Britain.



YOUR HOTELS - THE WINNOCK HOTEL - PALACE HOTEL - BARONY CASTLE HOTEL

Outward

The Winnock Hotel
The Square, Dryman, Glasgow
G63 0BL
Tel: 01360 660245

Main

Palace Hotel
8 Ness Walk, Inverness, IV3 5NG
Scotland
Tel: 01463 223243

Return

Barony Castle Hotel
Old Manse Rd, Peebles, EH45 8QW
Scotland
Tel: 01721 730395

Best Western Inverness Palace Hotel & Spa is a charming 3-star property in a stately 1890s Victorian mansion overlooking the River Ness. Set in a prime location in the centre of Inverness just 2 minutes' walk from Inverness Cathedral, and 10 minutes' walk from Inverness Castle. There are 88 well-appointed rooms which come with free Wi-Fi, flat-screen TVs, and tea and coffee making facilities. All include: clock radio, climate control, in-room safe, and phone and fax machine. Iron/ironing boards as well as trouser press. Bathroom amenities include hairdryer, complimentary toiletries and shower/tub combination. Hotel includes a cafeteria and a stylish restaurant offering a full Scottish breakfast buffet. There is also an indoor swimming pool. Guests can also enjoy the following spa/wellness facilities: sauna, steam room, spa tub.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel north with comfort stops en route, to the Winnock hotel where we will spend our first night with dinner, bed & breakfast.

Day 2 - Inverness

After a good night's rest and a full Scottish breakfast we leave the hotel and head for Inverness. There will be interesting stops en route. On arriving at the Palace Hotel, we settle in and relax before dinner. All drinks are included whilst at the Palace Hotel.

Day 3 - Strathspey Railway & Ballindalloch Castle

Today we head for the Cairngorms to take a ride on the Steam Railway from Aviemore to Broomhill and return (included). The Strathspey Railway celebrates forty years of the return of steam travel through the Highlands of Scotland. Brought back to life in 1978 by a dedicated group of volunteers, this ten mile restored section of the original Highland Railway Line enables you to travel back in time to an era when steam whistles blew, carriage doors slammed shut and there was a familiar click-clack, rhythm of the rails, as the train travels along the track. After your train journey, you then travel on to the beautiful Ballindalloch Castle set in the beautiful Cairngorms. Ballindalloch Castle is one of the finest surviving examples of a Scottish Baronial Castle known as the 'Pearl of the North', situated on the banks of the River Avon. Ballindalloch Castle has been the home of the Macpherson-Grant family since it was started in 1546. Entrance to castle & gardens (included).

Day 4 - Spirit of Moray

Today we travel The Malt Whisky Trail, and this is made up of a collection of distilleries and other whisky sites, large and small. The Malt Whisky Trail is set in beautiful Moray Speyside. Here, you find the best of Scotland a beautiful area just south of Inverness. Our first stop will be in the small town of Elgin. Here we will visit the Glen Moray Whisky Distillery (included) for a tour which includes optional complimentary tasting of two whiskies. Each guide knows the process of whisky making like the back of their hand. So you will gain an unforgettable insight into how water and barley are transformed into 'the water of life' Then onto Johnston's Cashmere Centre. The mill in Elgin is the only textile mill in Scotland to transform raw cashmere in to finished articles. We will take a guided mill tour. Time for a light lunch in their elegant coffee shop. Continuing our journey through beautiful scenery, we make another stop at the Glenlivet Distillery. Tour of the distillery with a tasting at the end. We continue our scenic journey back to Inverness and our hotel.

Day 5 - Day at Leisure

Today you have a free day to visit the sights in Inverness, to do shopping, explore or just chill and use the hotel leisure facilities. Hotel lunch will be included today.

Day 6 - Depart for Peebles

After breakfast and cases have been loaded, it is time to say farewell to our hosts at the Palace Hotel, and start our journey south. There will be stops en route. Arriving late afternoon at the Barony Castle Hotel Peebles. This imposing 16th century Castle has evolved into a traditional welcoming hotel, and where we will spend our last overnight stay with dinner, bed & breakfast.

Day 7 - Depart for Home

After all the overnight luggage have been packed and loaded onto the coach we leave the Barony Castle Hotel and head for home. With comfort stops on the way, we arrive back at your local area early to late evening.

The Driver & Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£759.00

Single room supplement

£147.00 First 4 rooms**TOUR INFORMATION**Duration: **7 Days**Departure: **Saturday**Dates: **15 - 21 April**Meals: **Full Board Main
Hotel**

Included Excursions

+ Entrances**TOUR INCLUSIONS**

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 2 Over Nights Half Board
- ✓ 4 Nights Full Board Main Hotel
- ✓ Excursions + Entrances
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Packed Lunches
- ✓ Free Bar 7pm - 10pm
- ✓ Wine at Dinner
- ✓ Tea & Scones each day
- ✓ Complimentary Tea/Coffee
- ✓ Leisure Facilities
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

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Isle of Skye

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

The village of Broadford is the second largest on Skye and makes a good base for exploring the Cuillins and the island. This beautiful, tranquil town is the first place visitors come across after crossing the Skye Bridge and is a great place to stay while taking part in various outdoor activities. Walking and climbing are the big pursuits in this area, as it's dominated by the magnificent Red Cuillins mountains, while the views over the bay extend across to Applecross mountains on the mainland.

There is some wonderful wildlife in the area like otters, seals, sometimes Orca whales, Whooper swan, Brent geese and many other marine and bird life.



YOUR HOTELS

TINTO HOTEL - DUNOLLIE HOTEL - DRYFESDALE COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL

Tinto Hotel
44 Biggar Road, Symington
Biggar, ML12 6FT
Tel: 01899 308454

Dunollie Hotel
Main Street, Broadford
Isle of Skye, IV49 9AE
Tel: 01471 822253

Dryfesdale Country House Hotel
Dryfebridge, Lockerbie
DG11 2SF
Tel: 01576 202427

The 3* Dunollie Hotel is set by the serene waterside of Broadford Bay, and ideally situated in the centre of the village at the foot of the mountains that lead to the famous Cuillin Hills. There are 84 en suite bedrooms offering stunning panoramic sea views all with en suite, TV, Tea/Coffee making facilities and free Wi-Fi. There is no lift, but has ground floor rooms. The charming Torridon View Restaurant will satisfy the heartiest of appetites, with some of the finest local produce and traditional Scottish recipes. Locally-sourced ingredients, such as shellfish from the neighbouring waters, all matched by the restaurant's breathtaking views of the bay. For a more casual setting, head to the Redhills Lounge.

No Lift, few ground floor rooms, shallow stairs to 1st floor.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel north with comfort stops en route. Still heading north, we cross the border into Scotland and head to Biggar in Lanarkshire and the Tinto Hotel where we will spend one night with half board. On arrival we have portage. Evening dinner is a three course, three choice menu, plus tea and coffee.

Day 2 - Arrive on Skye

After an early start we make our way through Scotland passing Edinburgh and Perth with stops en route. We will make a stop in Pitlochry for lunch. Continuing our journey round the edge of the Cairngorms to Spean Bridge. This is the Commando Memorial dedicated to the men of the original British Commando Forces raised during World War II. We continue our journey crossing the Skye Bridge to our hotel Dunollie in Broadford. Here we will stay for the next three nights with dinner, bed & breakfast.

Day 3 - Scenic tour around Trotternish

Today we head north of the Island to Portree which is one of the best known towns of the Inner Hebrides. Here you will have free time to explore. We then have a scenic drive around Trotternish stopping at the Skye Museum of Island Life to see the true insight into Island life a hundred years ago. We continue to travel around the coast to the ferry port of Uig which is a charming port with ferry links to Uist and Harris. Time for a break, and then we will complete the circular tour by returning back to the hotel. Time for a rest before dinner.

Day 4 - Dunvegan Castle & Gardens

After a hearty breakfast we travel to Dunvegan Castle and Gardens. Built on a rocky outcrop on the shores of Loch Dunvegan, Dunvegan is the oldest continuously inhabited castle in Scotland and has been the ancestral home of the Chiefs of Clan MacLeod for 800 years. On display are many fine oil paintings and clan treasures, the most famous of which is the Fairy Flag. Dunvegan Castle is still a home, one that is occupied and enjoyed by the MacLeod family. While most of the apartments are open to the public, some rooms on the top floor are kept private. Experience the Water Garden with its ornate bridges and islands replete with a rich and colourful plant variety, wander through the elegant surroundings of the formal Round Garden featuring a Japanese Holly as its centrepiece overlooked by a Monkey Puzzle. The Walled Garden is well worth a visit. In what was formerly the castle's vegetable garden, is now a diverse range of plants and flowers that complement the attractive features including a water lily pond. We then return back to Broadford and the hotel.

Day 5 - Depart for Lockerbie

After all the suitcases have been packed and loaded onto the coach we leave our hosts at the Dunollie Hotel. We come off the Isle of Skye and head south with comfort stops on the way, to our last overnight stay at the Dryfesdale Country House Hotel, with a 3 course, 3 choice dinner with tea and coffee.

Day 6 - Depart for Home

After all the overnight luggage or suitcases have been packed and loaded onto the coach we leave the hotel and head for home. With comfort stops on the way, we arrive back at your local area mid to late evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£629.00

Single room supplement

£120.00**TOUR INFORMATION**Duration: **6 Days**Departure: **Sunday**Dates: **30 April – 5 May**Meals: **Half Board****Included Excursions****TOUR INCLUSIONS**

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Overnights Out & Return
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ Overnight Bags can be taken
- ✓ Courier Escorted
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
- Special requests are put forward to the hotel and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- There are Tea/Coffee Facilities in the rooms
- Itinerary could be subject to change

The Driver & Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.



A Cornish Gem

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Tucked into a stunning and unspoilt spot on the coast, St. Agnes sits in both a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and a World Heritage Site. St Agnes is a picturesque village on the north coast of Cornwall. Steeped in mining history, the village retains a traditional friendly Cornish atmosphere and makes a wonderful base for a holiday, with four different beaches. There are dramatic coastal walks and breathtaking scenery filled with relics from the past,

including the iconic Wheal Coates engine house, You will discover a thriving community with a choice of shops as well as galleries and craft workshops where beautiful gifts are made by hand. Sample the beautiful scenic coastline, fantastic beaches, arts and craft shops and mining heritage.



YOUR HOTEL - ROSEMUNDY HOUSE HOTEL



Rosemundy House Hotel, St Agnes, Cornwall, TR5 0UF

Tel: 01872 552101

The hotel has been a favourite of ours since we first visited in the year 2000. This very private hotel has been family run for years and has a very relaxing and comfortable air about it. Beautiful quiet lounges for relaxing, superb Tom Noggi Restaurant with excellent cuisine, well equipped comfortable bedrooms with bath or shower. Set in its own grounds in the centre of St Agnes. The village is set back from the cliffs by $\frac{3}{4}$ mile; Trevaunance Cove is the nearest place to a sheltered harbour that this inhospitable coast affords. Strewn with old mine workings, copper and tin ore were once shipped from the cove.

No lift, ground floor rooms.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, your holiday has now started. You start your journey by travelling westward with stops en route for lunch. Continuing your journey through beautiful countryside, to the Cornish town of St Agnes and the Rosemundy House Hotel where you shall spend the next 5 nights with dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 2 - Penzance & St Ives

Today is a full day tour around the West Cornwall Peninsular. Our first stop will be at the ancient market town of Penzance with its pretty harbour and level seafront. One of the striking things about the town is the abundance of palm trees and gardens full of sub-tropical plants, a sure sign that you have arrived somewhere unique made even more special by the sight of St Michael's Mount out to sea that seems to hover magically over the water. After leaving Penzance, you travel along the coast to St Ives. Wander the maze of cobbled streets with their quaint stone cottages and explore the harbour. Plenty of pavement cafes, ancient pubs, top notch eateries and a fascinating working harbour, St Ives is deservedly one of Cornwall's top destinations. Returning back to your hotel to relax before dinner.

Day 3 - Mevagissey & The Lost Gardens of Heligan

Today you shall first visit the lovely harbour of Mevagissey. Mevagissey is an attractive old town which was once the centre of Cornwall's pilchard fishery and which still boasts a working harbour, with a few dozen small fishing boats. It has a tradition of boat building dating back to 1745. Many of the old buildings, constructed of cob and slate, bear testimony to a time when the



large shoals of pilchards were the livelihood of the whole village. In the narrow streets are many gift shops, craft workshops, galleries, cafés and pubs. There are many fish restaurants in Mevagissey and, of course, plenty of fish and chip shops! Many of the latter were once the haunts of Cornish smugglers. Then on to The Lost Gardens of Heligan, (entrance included). These magnificent award winning gardens are thought to be the

largest garden restoration project in Europe!! The Lost Gardens of Heligan consist of over 80 acres of magnificent gardens, which until 1991 were lost and forgotten under seventy years of Ivy, Bramble, Laurel and fallen timber. In 1990 the inherited owner of the estate leased the gardens to Tim Smith who took on the process of restoring the historic gardens to their former glory.

Day 4 - Trebah Gardens

Today you visit the beautiful Trebah Gardens. Experience the magical essence of their sub-tropical Cornish garden, steeped in heritage, creativity and the spirit of innovation. Four miles of footpaths wind through dazzling exotic planting, transporting you from a little corner of England to sunnier climes. With their very own private beach, and the countless secret corners waiting to be discovered in the garden, it offers the perfect escape for all ages. With a unique outdoor theatre, Trebah is the perfect destination for peaceful solitude.

Day 5 - Truro ½ Day

Cornwall's administrative capital and Cathedral City. Centre stage is Truro Cathedral with its impressive gothic towers dominating the skyline. In its shadow, a warren of compact streets is home to an impressive array of independent traders. From boutiques to bookshops and designer interiors to delicatessens, this great little city offers a unique shopping experience. The café culture is pretty impressive too, with hip coffee houses, artisan ice creameries and cocktail bars dotted across the centre. Returning via Healy's Cider Farm.

Day 6 - Day of Departure

After a hearty breakfast and cases have been loaded onto the coach. It is time to say farewell to your hosts at the Rosemundy House Hotel. Retracing your steps, with comfort stops en route. You will arrive in your local area, late afternoon/early evening.

Your Driver will do his professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at his discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£449.00

Single room supplement
£Nil

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **6 Days**

Departure: **Friday**

Dates: **12 - 17 May**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian, ECT
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The Gateway to Wales

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Chepstow, which means marketplace in Old English, is still a great place for shoppers. You'll find plenty of tempting independent boutiques amid the handsome Georgian and Victorian buildings in the centre of town. The lively town of Chepstow combines the best of ancient and modern. A major medieval powerhouse, its Norman castle is built at a strategic point overlooking the river Wye. Chepstow's Great Tower keep was commissioned by William the Conqueror barely a year after the Battle of Hastings, making Chepstow Castle Britain's oldest surviving post-Roman stone castle. Chepstow Bridge is the World's largest iron arch road bridge from the first 50 years (1780-1830) of iron and steel construction. The bridge was first opened on the 24th of July 1816 and is an architectural marvel and feat of engineering that has stood the test of time.



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YOUR HOTEL - ST. PIERRE MARRIOTT HOTEL & COUNTRY CLUB



St. Pierre Marriott Hotel & Country Club, St Pierre Park, Chepstow, Wales, NP16 6YA
Tel: 01291 625 261

St Pierre started life as a private home back to the 14th century, and parts of the current 4-star hotel still date from then. From the moment you walk through the 16th-century gatehouse, you'll be part of our meaningful history. Housed within a historic 14th-century manor home in Chepstow, St. Pierre Marriott Hotel & Country Club is surrounded by

400 acres of parkland. Natural beauty surrounds the hotel with the Wye Valley and Forest of Dean on our doorstep. We are also conveniently near Chepstow Castle, Tintern Abbey and Chepstow Racecourse. Recharge in beautifully designed rooms with luxury bedding, flat-screen TVs, hairdryers, safes, irons and ironing boards, as well as tea and coffee-making facilities, Wi-Fi access and 24-hour room service, as well as some rooms offering views of the courtyard-lake or golf courses. Experience the best of British dishes in Cast Iron Bar & Grill. Take a moment to relax in our spa, workout in the gym or take to the fairway to perfect your technique.



Day 1 - St Pierre Hotel

After boarding your luxury coach, we head west making comfort stops en route. We will make a lunch stop at Evesham Country Park and then over the border into Wales, visiting Tintern Abbey. We will arrive at St Pierre Hotel in the afternoon where we will spend the next four nights with dinner, bed and breakfast. On arrival we can relax while our cases are taken to our room.

Day 2 - Wye Valley Cruises & Monmouth

After a lovely breakfast, we will board the coach and head up through the scenic route to board the Wye Valley River Cruise Boat. Sit back, relax and soak up the surrounding sights and enjoy some of the most wonderful scenery in Britain. After a relaxing river cruise, we will head in to Monmouth where, at your leisure, you can have free time. After an enjoyable day we will then head back to our hotel to freshen up for dinner.

Day 3 - Brecon Mountain Railway/Big Pit Coal Museum

After a wonderful breakfast we will head off to the Brecon Mountain Railway. Travel from the Main Station at Pant in one of the all-weather observation carriages, behind a vintage steam locomotive. The journey takes you into the Brecon Beacons National Park, through Pontsticill and along the full length of the Taf Fechan Reservoir before climbing to Torpantau high in the Brecon Beacons and the summit of the original line. After we will then travel to the Big Pit Coal Museum. Experience the sights, sounds, smells and atmosphere of an authentic coal mine. Set in the unique Blaenafon Industrial Landscape and designated UNESCO World Heritage Site, Big Pit used to employ up to 1,300 workers. Now you can follow in their footsteps through award-winning interactive exhibits and their world-famous underground tour. Led by a real miner, the tour will take you 300ft underground through original mine workings. It will give you a living, breathing taste of what life was like for those who made their living at the coal face. On the surface, enjoy a virtual tour of a modern coal mine in the multi-media exhibition King Coal: The Mining Experience. The Pithead Baths exhibition, with its warm wit, images and objects brings to life the story of coal mining in Wales. A moving, informative and entertaining exploration of the lives of miners and their families. After an eventful day we will head back to the hotel for evening dinner.

Day 4 - Cardiff St Fagans Museum

This museum has been Wales's most popular heritage attraction for many years. It holds a special place in the hearts of the people of Wales. This is because St Fagans is a people's museum, where we explore history together through people's everyday lives. The museum stands in the grounds of the magnificent St Fagans Castle and Gardens, a late 16th-century manor house. Since 1948 over forty original buildings from different historical periods have been re-erected in the 100-acre parkland. Travel through time as you see homes, their contents and gardens change from 1805 to 1985 at the Rhdy-y-Car Ironworkers' Houses.

Day 5

After breakfast and all the cases have been loaded onto the coach, we say farewell to your hosts at the St Pierre Hotel and start the journey home. We will be heading for Gloucester for some lunch then we will be driving through the Cotswolds before arriving home. We should arrive in your local area by late afternoon.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£499.00

Single room supplement

£112.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **22 - 26 May**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Boat Cruise
- ✓ Train Journey
- ✓ Entrance to Big Pit
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
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- Program could be subject to alteration

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Jump into Ireland

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Belfast is Northern Ireland's capital. In recent years this city has undergone a remarkable transformation and Belfast's economy is now booming. With important 19th century buildings and award-winning 20th century architecture, this city offers excellent facilities and many modern tourism developments. The scenic River Lagan flows through central Belfast and into the North Channel. Over the years, the important River Lagan has provided the city with much wealth and was an integral part of the city's thriving shipbuilding industry in the early 20th century. Undoubtedly the most famous ship ever to be built in Belfast was the ill-fated Titanic, which was actually built in the city's very own Harland & Wolf shipyards in 1911. This legacy is recalled in the renovated dockyards' Titanic Quarter, which includes the Titanic Belfast, a museum reminiscent of a ship's hull, as well as shipbuilder Harland & Wolff's Drawing Offices and the Titanic Slipways.



YOUR HOTEL - STORMONT HOTEL



Stormont Hotel, Upper Newtownards Road, Belfast, Ireland BT4 3LP
Tel: +44 (0) 28 9065 1066

The 4* Stormont Hotel boasts an unequalled location, overlooking Belfast's Royal Mile and gardens leading up to Stormont Parliament Buildings, the seat of government. This leafy suburban setting is just a short drive from Belfast City Centre. The excellent reputation for professionalism and hospitality, this luxurious hotel boasts superb facilities to assure the ultimate in comfort and style. At the

Stormont Hotel, all 105 bedrooms are tastefully decorated and furnished to the highest standards, and designed with your comfort in mind including their famous King Koil "cloud beds", Wi-Fi internet access, full en suite facilities, with TV, telephone, iron & ironing board, trouser press, hairdryer, and tea/coffee making facilities. When staying at the hotel you can be assured of a warm welcome and luxurious stay with round the clock room service.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we start our journey north with comfort stops en route. Still heading north, we cross the border into Scotland, and our chosen hotel, where will spend our first night with dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 2 - Depart for Ireland

After breakfast we head to the west coast of Scotland to the port of Cairnryan and board our ferry to Belfast. On arrival we make our way to our hotel the Stormont hotel in Belfast, where we will spend the next 4 night's half board.

Day 3 - Hillsborough Castle

There is a treat in store today with a rare visit to the Queens official residence in Northern Ireland, Hillsborough Castle. After a guided tour of the elegant mansion and the majestic throne room it is then time to explore the gardens. Morning tea & scones will be served in one of the staterooms. We then leave the castle to explore Hillsborough town itself with its Georgian architecture and visitors centre with an original courtroom exhibit. We finish the day with a visit to Thomas Ferguson's Irish Linen at Banbridge, producers of the finest damask table linen as used in Buckingham Palace. We return back to the hotel and relax before dinner.

Day 4 - Belfast

After an early breakfast we drive into Belfast to City Hall where we will pick up our city guide. We will be given a full guided tour of the city of Belfast and the docks where the Titanic was built. We will be dropped off at City Hall for lunch and a little free time. We will be picked up again at City Hall and transferred to Titanic Belfast. We will have free time to explore the site and the visitor's centre of the Titanic. When RMS Titanic sailed away on her maiden voyage on April 10th, 1912, she was hailed as 'the new wonder of the world'. A remarkable feat of engineering, she was the largest and most luxuriously appointed ship ever seen and, despite her tragic sinking five days later, she remains a source of enduring pride in the city where she was built - Belfast. Returning by coach back to the hotel, where you can relax after an exciting day, before dinner.

Day 5 - Giant's Causeway

Today we will travel along the spectacular Antrim coast, one of the finest drives in Ireland 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, stirred scientific debate and captured the imagination of all who see it. This is Northern Ireland's only UNESCO World Heritage Site. To learn how the Causeway was formed, pick up an audio guide and unlock the secrets of this landscape at your own pace. Returning back to your hotel to relax before dinner.

Day 6 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and cases have been loaded into the coach, we say farewell to our hosts at the Stormont Hotel, and head for the port in Belfast for our morning ferry back to Cairnryan. On arrival in Scotland, we retrace our steps back to our departure stops. There will be comfort stops en route, and we should be back by late evening.

The Tour Manager and Driver will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£659.00

Single room supplement

£134.00

(Tw/Dbf for Sole

Occupancy)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **6 Days**

Departure: **Sunday**

Dates: **28 May - 2 June**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Ferries
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Portarage
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Guided Tour of Hillsborough Castle
- ✓ With Tea & Scones
- ✓ Guided Tour of Belfast
- ✓ Entrance to Titanic
- ✓ Entrance to Giant's Causeway
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
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The Beautiful Austrian Lakes & Mountains

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Many would consider that the Salzkammergut is the most beautiful part of Austria. Green meadows, darker green pines, chalet type houses, flowers on balconies, all reflected in the clear blue waters of the lakes to create a colourful scene. Combine the elegance of Salzburg, the romance of St Wolfgang and the rugged grandeur of some of its highest mountains, you have everything you could wish for on your holiday. This is also the "Sound of Music" country, and the excursions afford the opportunity to see many of the locations featured in the film, just as popular today as when it was made in the 1960's.

YOUR MAIN HOTEL - HOTEL LOHNINGER-SCHOBER

Hotel Lohninger-Schober enjoys a quiet location near St. Georgen, in the northern Salzkammergut region. The 3-star superior hotel is one of the most traditional houses in the Attergau; the house has been run by the same family for three generations. The hotel is surrounded by greenery in the village of Hipping, approx. 2 km from the center of St. Georgen. The traditionally furnished rooms are all accessible by lift and most have a balcony, cable TV, and en suite. The traditional Austrian cuisine and products from the in-house butcher shop are served in the restaurant. There is a bar in the basement next to the bowling lanes. The hotel also features an indoor pool, a heated outdoor pool, and tennis courts. The Lohninger-Schober's spa area includes a sauna, a steam bath, and an infrared cabin. A fitness room is also available.

Outward

Mercurie Forbach Hotel
70, Rue Félix Barth, 57600 Forbach,
France
Tel: +33 3 87 87 06 06

Main

Hotel Lohninger-Schober,
Hipping 18, St Georgen im Attergau,
Austria
Tel: +43 7667 8343

Return

Leonardo Hotel
Waldstrasse 255, 51147 Cologne,
Germany
Tel: +49 2203 5610

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach and all cases have been loaded, we travel to Dover for our ferry to Calais. We then travel through Belgium and into Germany with comfort stops en route. We arrive at our chosen overnight hotel with dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 2 - Depart for St Georgen in Austria

After an early breakfast and our overnight bags have been loaded, we continue our journey through Germany, passing places like Wurzburg, Nurnberg, and Regensburg. From here the road follows the Blue Danube with views to the north of the wooded hills of the Bavarian Forest. Near Passau, where the River Inn joins the Danube, we enter Austria. At Ried we leave the motorway for a pleasant country ride towards the Salzkammergut, the Austrian Lake district, and Hipping, where we settle in for the next 6 nights at the Hotel Lohninger-Schober with half board, a lovely family run hotel. There will be a welcome schnapps on arrival.

Day 3 - Day at Leisure

Today can be at leisure; you can shop, explore or just relax. Perhaps partake in an included train and boat ride on Lake Attersee. A beautiful way to spend an afternoon. (Boat trip 3hrs 20mins) weather permitting. The shops close for lunch in the town from 12 - 2pm each day.

Day 4 - Salzkammergut Lakes

The first of our excursions will take us to the best-known village of Mondsee, for the most colourful village centre, and the "Sound of Music" church. Time to explore the church, walk down the avenue of trees to the warmest of the lakes, have coffee and cake at one of the delightful café's. Then we travel through the pass to Wolfgangsee, and to St. Gilgen, where you have a chance to go on the cable

car up to the Zwölferhorn 4500ft. Beautiful views can be seen from here across Wolfgangsee to Mondsee and the mountain ranges. From St Gilgen we catch a boat to the popular village of St. Wolfgang, with a largely traffic free centre. "The White Horse Inn" famed by the operetta of the same name, is by the lakeside. (Boat trip on lake: 45mins 9€ approx. Cable car ride: approx. 27€) payable to your Tour Manager.

Day 5 - Bad Ischl-Hallstatt

Today begins with a drive around the shore of Lake Attersee to the town of Bad Ischl, a lovely Spa town home to Emperors and Composers like Franz Lehar who wrote the operetta "The Merry Widow." Where he lived and worked is much visited. The "Kaiser Villa" is where the Emperor Franz Joseph spent his summer months. We also recommend a visit to Zauner's konditorei for some of the most succulent cakes to be found in Austria, served with a great deal of old world charm, a place where Emperor Franz Joseph himself took refreshment. The highest mountains in this part of Austria are the Dachstein Massifs, below which is the most photographed town of Hallstatt. A salt town full of old world charm, built on the side of Lake Hallstättersee consisting of a jumble of houses built on a slope below the muhlback waterfall. After lunch we continue our journey to the deepest of the lakes, Trauensee 600ft deep. At the northern end of the lake we see the pleasant resort of Gamunden, gateway to the Salzkammergut, now famous for its Gamunden Pottery. (Green & White)

Day 6 - Salzburg

Standing beside the fast-flowing Salzach River, your gaze is raised inch by inch to the Altstadt's (Old Town) mosaic of graceful domes and spires, the formidable cliff-top fortress and the mountains beyond. It's a view that never fails to amaze. It's a backdrop that did the lordly prince-archbishops and home-grown genius Mozart proud. Hohensalzburg Fortress, which dominates the skyline, was built in 1077 and is the largest fully-preserved fortress in central Europe. The fortress can easily be reached by the funicular railway. Mozart's birthplace, in the Getriedgasse, the Cathedral, the Horse Pond, St. Peters cemetery, the Nonnberg Nunnery, and the Mirabel Gardens for exquisite flower beds, sculptures, and Dwarves Garden. We return to our hotel to relax before dinner.

Day 7 - Day at Leisure

Today you can do that last minute shopping or just relax before the journey back to Germany.

Day 8 - Depart for Overnight Hotel in Bruhl

We depart our hotel in the Austrian Lakes & Mountains and head north towards Koln and our overnight hotel in Bruhl. There will be stops en route. We arrive at our hotel where we will have buffet dinner, bed and buffet breakfast.

Day 9 - Depart for home

After breakfast and all luggage have been loaded, we depart our overnight hotel and travel back through Belgium and France to Calais and our ferry to Dover. We then finish the last leg of our tour with comfort stops en route to arrive at your local area mid to late evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£839.00

Single room supplement

£138.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **9 Days**

Departure: **Saturday**

Dates: **10 - 18 June**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 8 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ 1hr tour with hotels "slow train"
- ✓ Use of indoor & outdoor Pools
- ✓ Tourist Tax
- ✓ Themed Buffet or BBQ 1 Night
- ✓ Courier Escorted
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- The currency you will need for this tour is the Euro
- A Valid Passport
- An EHIC card (European Health Insurance card)
- Insurance
- To ring back to England, you dial: +44 then minus the 0 from your code, followed by your number
- There is no tea or coffee making facilities in the hotel rooms. (Best bring your own)
- European 2 pin Adapter plugs will be needed
- Your request is put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian etc
- Overnight Bags can be taken
- Itinerary could be subject to change
- Exchange Rate: The price is NOT guaranteed against any alterations as a result of currency fluctuations. We have done our best to calculate in advance

The driver and tour manager will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

Discover The Orkneys

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Thurso is mainland Scotland's most northerly town, and home to the country's most northerly railway station. Located on the north coast of Caithness, its seaward views are dominated by the distant cliffs of Dunnet Head to the north east, and those of the Island of Hoy, one of the Orkney Islands, to the north. Thurso has long been a gateway to Orkney, with the best established of the ferry routes to Orkney, leaving from the harbour at Scrabster. Thurso is also a point of departure for those embarking on the best scenic route Scotland has to offer. The Orkney Islands can be found in the far north of Scotland and are an archipelago of over 70 islands. Orkney offers unspoilt sea and landscapes, bountiful wildlife, outstanding archaeology and an opportunity to discover over 5000 years of history.



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YOUR HOTELS

DRYFESDALE COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL - PENTLAND HOTEL - SALUTATION HOTEL

Outward

Dryfesdale Country House Hotel
Dryfebridge, Lockerbie,
Dumfries & Galloway, Scotland
Tel: 01576 202427

Main

Pentland Hotel
Princes Street, Thurso, Caithness,
Scotland
Tel: 01847 893202

Return

Salutation Hotel
34 South Street, Perth, PH2 8PH
Scotland
Tel: 01738 630066

On the 1st overnight stay we will be staying at The Dryfesdale Country House 4 Star Hotel in Lockerbie, Scotland. Steeped in history, the hotel dates back to 1762, but with all the up-to-the-minute amenities you would expect from a top class 4-star hotel. The main Pentland Hotel is located in the central of Thurso, a small town situated on the northern coastline overlooking the Orkney Islands. Thurso's history stretches back to the time of the Vikings, when it was once referred to as Thorsa, translated means 'Thor's River'. Each bedroom has been stylishly decorated and made to accommodate your various needs to ensure that your stay will be as comfortable and relaxed as possible. All rooms include a phone, TV with Freeview, a hairdryer, a radio alarm clock, and complimentary tea and coffee making facilities. The reception foyer is an attractive area where guests can relax after their meal in comfort. The focus of this room is the fireplace with its carved wooden mantel on a Caithness stone hearth. Our last overnight hotel is in the heart of the city of Perth, at the 3* Salutation Hotel. The 84 comfortable en suite bedrooms with tea/coffee making facilities, telephone, hairdryer and remote-control colour TV.

No lift.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After our local pick-ups we start your journey travelling north, with a comfort stop for morning coffee. Still heading north, we cross the border into Scotland with a stop for lunch at the picturesque Gretna Green. The World-Famous Old Blacksmith's Shop is one of Scotland's earliest visitor attractions... curiosity has attracted travellers to visit Gretna Green since the middle of the 19th Century. The first visitors would peer through the windows trying to catch a glimpse of a run-away couple marrying over the anvil. After lunch we continue our journey to Lockerbie and your hotel, where you will spend an overnight half board.

Day 2 - Depart for Thurso

Departing after breakfast we head north passing the Cairngorms National Park to Inverness. Inverness is known as the 'Highland Capital', it still retains its market town feel to it, dating back to its early development. Here we shall have lunch and time for a bit of sightseeing. After lunch we continue our journey to Thurso following the East Coast of Scotland to our main Royal Hotel in Thurso, where we will spend the next 3 nights half board.

Day 3 - Orkney Island

After an early breakfast we depart for Scabcaster and our ferry to Orkney for a full day's guided tour. Your local guide will meet you at the terminal building of Stromness. Your guide will take you to places like Skara Brae, Ring of Brodgar, Kirkwall, the Stone of Stenness, St Magnus Cathedral in Kirkwall, the Italian Chapel and Scapa Flow. Arriving back at Stromness for the 17.00 hrs ferry.

Day 4 - Castle of Mey

After a lovely breakfast we will head to the Castle of Mey. The Queen Mother was introduced to the place - then known as Barrogill Castle. Built between 1566 and 1572 by George Sinclair, 4th Earl of Caithness, the castle had fallen into disrepair when the Queen Mum set eyes upon it. She was told it was to be left abandoned. "Never! It's part of Scotland's heritage. I'll save it," she is reported to have said. She bought the castle, its walled garden and some 30 acres of land later that year and then threw herself into renovating and restoring it. A "magical place" according to Prince Charles, who now presides over this wonderfully historic building in Caithness on the Scottish coast. Magical for many reasons, not least because it was the only home the Queen Mother ever owned. For many years not many people actually knew of its existence - although it did make a brief appearance in the first series of Netflix show "The Crown". After a lovely day we will head back to our hotel to freshen up for dinner.

Day 5 - Depart for Perth

After breakfast and cases have been loaded, we will head down to Perth. There will be comfort stops en route and lunch. Our last overnight hotel is the Salutation Hotel where we will spend one night with dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 6 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and our cases have been loaded onto the coach, we start our journey home. We continue our journey home with comfort stops and lunch along the way, arriving in your local area mid to late evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£679.00

Single room supplement

£90.00**TOUR INFORMATION**Duration: **6 Days**Departure: **Sunday**Dates: **25 - 30 June**Meals: **Half Board****Included Excursions****TOUR INCLUSIONS**

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entrances
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
- Your request is put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- All rooms have tea/coffee making facilities
- Itinerary could be subject to change

The driver/guide will do his professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at his discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.



Dawlish Warren

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Dawlish Warren is the ultimate family seaside resort - built on a spit of sand with the Exe Estuary on one side and the sea on the other with golden sands and clean bathing waters. It has all the attractions of a traditional holiday getaway but in an outstanding natural environment. Essentially a sandy spit, the natural processes of the sea working against the coast formed Dawlish Warren. In recent history Dawlish Warren was developed as the railway brought in more visitors keen to enjoy the beaches along the South Devon coast, and today manages to be both an outstanding nature reserve and family orientated seaside resort. The Nature Reserve is over 500 acres of protected grassland, sand dunes, mudflats and centres home to over 600 different species of plants and over 23,000 wildfowl and wading birds - so if you like bird watching, it's the best place to be.



YOUR HOTEL - LANGSTONE CLIFF HOTEL



Langstone Cliff Hotel, Mount Pleasant Road, Dawlish Warren, Dawlish, Devon EX7 0NA
Tel: 01626 868000

The family-run Langstone Cliff Hotel is set within 19 acres of woodlands, right on the beautiful south coast of Devon, just 5 minutes from the beach. Thanks to their stunning location, this hotel is the only choice when it comes to enjoying a beautiful South Devon holiday getaway. Overlooking the Exe Estuary, they are the only Dawlish hotel that is

surrounded by luscious lawns and gardens not forgetting the magnificent sea views that lead down to the golden sandy beaches and the Warren. The hotel's reputation is something the owners (the Rogers family) are extremely proud of. The 64 en suite bedrooms are located on just 2 floors with 10 rooms on the ground floor. The rest are on the first floor which can be reached by a lift or staircase. All adequately spacious and furnished to a high level with a variety of good quality amenities and decor. They all have en suite bathrooms, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and TV. There is also high-quality Cabaret entertainment, and all accommodation includes free use of the indoor and outdoor swimming pools, tennis and table tennis.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, your holiday has now started. You start your journey by travelling westward with stops en route for lunch. Continuing your journey through beautiful countryside to the Devonshire town of Dawlish and the Langstone Cliff Hotel where you shall spend the next 5 nights with dinner, bed and breakfast. Time to settle in before dinner.

Day 2 - Brixham

Generations have been enchanted by the charm and romance of Brixham, a colourful and bustling fishing port at the southern end of Torbay. The hilly town is built around the central harbour area, which remains the lifeblood of this quaint historic town. Vibrant fishermen's cottages gaze out across the port and the fishing trawlers below. Brixham is one of the three towns that make up Torbay on the English Riviera. The picture postcard harbour has a replica of the Golden Hind beside the quay amongst the yachts and fishing boats. The town and harbour side has many interesting shops and cafes among the maze of narrow, winding streets. We return back to the hotel, where you can have a walk along the prom or just relax before dinner.

Day 3 - Day at Leisure

Today you can enjoy a free day to explore the grounds and surrounding area, the facilities or the beach at your leisure.

Day 4 - Powderham Castle

Today you will visit Powderham Castle. This is a fortified manor house of Powderham. Starting with a structure built sometime after 1390, the present castle was expanded and altered extensively in the 18th and 19th centuries. The castle remains the seat of the Courtenay family, Earl of Devon, who still live in the house. Powderham Castle enjoys a unique, picturesque setting within an ancient deer park beside the Exe Estuary. Over 600 years of history can be discovered within the walls of one of Devon's oldest family homes. Very little of the castle itself has changed since those early days, but there are now many more attractions in the grounds for visitors of all ages to enjoy.

Day 5 - Exeter

Today you will visit the City of Exeter. A small city that packs a big punch, Exeter is one of the most vibrant, attractive and historically interesting cities in England. Pre-dating the arrival of the Romans in AD 50, Exeter's history is rich and long. This is reflected in its fascinating visitor attractions including its unique Underground Passages, free Red Coat Guided Tours, magnificent Cathedral, imposing Roman wall and beautiful Quayside. Exeter is also home to the award-winning Royal Albert Memorial Museum where visitors can explore the city's 2,000-year history under one roof. Later this afternoon you retrace your journey back to the hotel.

Day 6 - Depart for Home

After a hearty breakfast and cases have been loaded onto the coach it is time to say farewell to your hosts at the hotel. Retracing your steps, with comfort stops en route. You will arrive in your local area, late afternoon/early evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£639.00

Single room supplement

£80.00

With Balcony:

an additional £75

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **6 Days**

Departure: **Sunday**

Dates: **2 - 7 July**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian, ECT
- Special requests are put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- The Itinerary could be subject to change

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The Beautiful Dolomites

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Holidays to the Dolomites invite you to uncover beautiful secrets in one of the most stunning mountain ranges in the world, an Eden of striking peaks, lush valleys and hidden lakes. Vertical walls, sheer cliffs and sharp plateaux combine to make an unmistakable silhouette. The Dolomites were named for the rock they are made of. At dusk and dawn, the sunlight paints the mountains pink and purple, a phenomenon called *enrosadira* by the locals. Wandering through sweeping valleys and past clear lakes, this area is relatively unheard of in Britain, so you can experience natural Italian beauty without the hordes of tourists.

YOUR HOTELS - NOVOTEL METZ AMNEVILLE - HOTEL PAGANELLA

Outward/Return

Novotel Metz Amneville 4*, 16 Route De Maizieres Les Metz,
57280 Hauconcourt, France
Tel: +33 3 87801818

Main Hotel

Hotel Paganella 3*, Piazza Italia Unita,
10, 38010 FaiDella, Paganella TN, Italy
Tel: +39 0461 583116

The Hotel Paganella will provide you with a comfortable structure in harmony with the colours of the surrounding mountains of the area, and at the same time modern and comfortable. A few steps away from the fabulous ski slopes of Paganella, with the spectacular background of the Dolomites, in an enchanting place where you can get lost in the traditions and spirit of the mountains, and still remain in close contact with technology. Hotel Paganella gives you beautiful surroundings, where the clear air and the soft light of the Dolomites will give you natural comfort and help you forget the strain of the city. They make sure that nothing is left to chance, and that every aspect of your vacation is cared for in detail, so that you can dedicate your time finding the peaceful surroundings you need to enjoy everything they have to offer you. Classic rooms have a king size double bed, bathroom, Wi-Fi connection, satellite TV, telephone, hairdryer and safe. They can offer you every formula to get back on track: physical exercise, body treatments, SPA or just plain relaxation. Set in the picturesque village of Fai della Paganella, this charming hotel is surrounded by the Dolomites. It offers a peaceful garden and a wellness centre with a Finnish sauna and Turkish bath.

Only 1 room with walk in shower.

Day 1 - Depart For Metz France

After an early start and boarding your luxury coach, we make our way to Dover for our morning ferry crossing to Calais. We travel through France to the Novotel Metz Amneville, where we will spend our first overnight stop with dinner, bed and breakfast. There is also a welcome drink of juice on arrival.

Day 2 - Depart for Paganella Dolomites

An early start, we make our way through France towards Strasbourg, then into Germany at the northern end of the Black Forest across the border into Austria, then via the Fern Pass. We reach Innsbruck, the capital town of the Tirol, with its Olympic ski jump, heading towards Italy. We travel along the Brenner Pass, which is a feat of engineering, to the border of Italy and the Dolomites, then on to our hotel Paganella. There will be stops en route for food and drink. This will be a beautiful scenic drive and a longish day.

Day 3 - Day at Leisure

A mystery day out, a guided walk of Fai with the owner of the hotel, with pizza & wine picnic.

Day 4 - Tour of Dolomites

Our scenic excursion today takes us through the very heart of some spectacular scenery of the Grand Dolomites mountain range. We head towards Sankt Ulrich for lunch; Sankt Ulrich offers the prettiest town centre in Val Gardena. The cobblestone-lined pedestrian area embodies the valley's prime shopping street. After lunch we start a magical journey through beautiful countryside before starting to climb the Trentino Mountains before traversing the stunning Sellajoch Pass. We continue a panoramic journey; stop at the colourful Lake Caldaro before returning back to the hotel.

Day 5 - Riva Del Garda

After a hearty breakfast, we head for Riva Del Garda which is situated at the northern most point of Lake Garda. A medieval walled town on the edge of the lake, with cobbled streets, beautiful buildings, shops and its castle that is right in the middle of the harbour. You can take a boat trip, eat at the many cafes and restaurants at the waterfront, shop and explore.

Day 6 - Merano

Today we head to the south Tyrol, to the pretty spa town of Merano. Loved by generations of Austrian Royals to influential writers. Merano, with its sunny microclimate, medieval centre, leafy boulevards, and art nouveau villas still draws health-conscious visitors who come to benefit from its therapeutic traditions. A Sessel Lift takes you to a view point above the vineyards, to see fantastic views over the town and surrounding countryside; Returning via Lake Caldaro, before returning back to our hotel.

Day 7 - Trento

Today we visit the beautiful town of Trento. Highly regarded as the most attractive town in the Trentino Region. It is home to the spectacular Piazza Del Duomo, once used by the Romans as their forum. Trento Cathedral, featuring a rose window and a baroque chapel, sits on Piazza Del Duomo. Also on the square is Casa Cazuffi-Rella, a Renaissance building with a frescoed facade. The city is rooted in art and history, where the Italian and central European cultures meet. Returning back to our hotel.

Day 8 - Depart Paganella for Metz

After an early breakfast and cases have been loaded on the coach, we say farewell to our hotel and head back through the Dolomites crossing the Brenner, retracing our steps back to our hotel. Arriving at our hotel, we will spend our last night with dinner, bed and breakfast. There will also be a welcome drink of juice or water.

Day 9 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and bags have been loaded, we retrace our steps back to Calais. There will be comfort stops en route. At Calais passports will be needed for inspection by Immigration. Once back in Dover, we continue to our local area arriving mid to late evening.

SPECIAL NOTES

- Currency for this tour in the Euro
- Full valid Passport
- Insurance
- EHIC (European Health INS Card)
- Dialling code for England: +44. Then leave the zero of your STD code then the number
- There are no Tea/Coffee making facilities in the rooms (please bring your own)
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian, ECT
- Special requests are put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- Overnight Bags
- Exchange Rate: The price is NOT guaranteed against any alterations as a result of currency Fluctuations. We have done our best to calculate in advance
- City Tax has to be paid at resort, ranging from €1 - €5 per person per night

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£929.00

Single room supplement

£113.00

(dbl/tw for sole

occupancy)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **9 Days**

Departure: **Saturday**

Dates: **22 - 30 July**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

City Tax - payable at Resort:

Not Included

Ranging from €1 - €5 pppn

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 8 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Porterage (main hotel)
- ✓ Unlimited Wine & Water with Dinner
- ✓ Free Bar each Night from 6pm -10.30pm
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Guided Walk of Fai & Pizza, Wine Picnic
- ✓ Services of Driver & Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

Your Driver and Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

Historical Hampshire

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

On the coast between Portsmouth and Chichester and shaped like a hammerhead shark. Hayling isn't a classic-looking island, but it has enough history and stories to fill a dozen islands. The Romans put Hayling on the map when they turned an Iron Age shrine on the island's north area into a temple, the remains of which now lie beneath farmland. It had its own salt pan, recorded in the Domesday Book and thriving until the early 19th century, and its own oyster beds. In May 1944 it took part in the run-up to D-day by hosting Exercise Fabius, the evidence of which, a broken Mulberry harbour, remains on Sinah Sands. The impressive Hayling Island's Yew can be found at St Mary's with an estimated age of

2,000 years old, no wonder many islanders proudly believe the ancient Yew tree which stands in St Mary's churchyard is the oldest in Britain. Hard to verify, perhaps, but what isn't in dispute is its mighty girth which is nine metres or 30ft.



YOUR HOTEL - LANGSTONE QUAYS RESORT



Langstone Quays Resort, Northney Road, Hayling Island, Portsmouth, Hampshire, PO11 0NQ
Tel: 012392 465 011

Located in the Chichester Harbour Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Langstone Quays Resort offers a stunning harbour-side setting. All rooms offer double beds, free Wi-Fi and spacious en suite bathrooms. Tea and coffee making facilities, iron and board, hairdryer and unlimited complimentary high-speed internet access are included with each room.

Accessible rooms are available on request. From the simplest of tastes to the more experimental, Langstone Quays Resort dishes not only excite the palate but the eyes too. With its harbour views and porthole windows, eating in the Waterside adds to a unique dining experience. Waterside at Langstone Quays Resort occupies a prominent position overlooking the Langstone Harbour & Estuary, the perfect setting in which to enjoy al fresco dining on the terrace.

Day 1 - Destination Hotel

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel south with comfort stops en route, where we head to Langstone Quays Resort Hotel at Hayling Island, where we will spending the next 4 nights with dinner, bed & breakfast.

Day 2 - Weald and Downland Living Museum

The museum covers 40 acres, with over 50 historic buildings dating from 950AD to the 19th century, along with gardens, farm animals, walks and a mill pond. The buildings at the museum were all threatened with destruction and as it was not possible to find a way to preserve them at their original sites, they were carefully dismantled, conserved and

rebuilt in their historical form at the museum. These buildings, plus two archaeological reconstructions, help the museum bring to life the homes, farmsteads and rural industries of the last 950 years. *The BBC TV series The Repair Shop* has been largely filmed in the *Court Barn* since 2017, it dates from the late 17th or early 18th century. It was originally built at Lee-on-Solent, Hampshire. It had the normal arrangement of a central threshing floor between the storage bays and there is an owl loft above the entrance.

Day 3 - Arundel Castle

There are nearly 1,000 years of history at this great castle, situated in magnificent grounds overlooking the River Arun in West Sussex and built at the end of the 11th century by Roger de Montgomery, Earl of Arundel. Queen Victoria (1819-1901) came from Osborne House with her husband, Prince Albert, for three days in 1846, for which the bedroom and library furniture were specially commissioned and made by a leading London furniture designer. Her portrait by William Fowler was also specially commissioned by the 13th Duke in 1843. The building we see now owes much to Henry 15th Duke of Norfolk (1847-1917) and the restoration project was completed in 1900. It was one of the first English country houses to be fitted with electric light, integral firefighting equipment, service lifts and central heating. The gravity fed domestic water supply also supplied the town. Electricity cost over £36,000 to install, but the splendidly carved chimneypiece in the Drawing Room only cost £150! The results of the history are concentrated at the Castle, which houses a fascinating collection of fine furniture dating from the 16th century, tapestries, clocks, and portraits by Van Dyck, Gainsborough, Mytens, Lawrence, Reynolds, Canaletto and others. Personal possessions of Mary, Queen of Scots and a selection of historical, religious and heraldic items from the Duke of Norfolk's collection are also on display.



Day 4 - Free Day in Portsmouth

Portsmouth is a port city and naval base on England's south coast, mostly spread across Portsea Island. It's known for its maritime heritage and Portsmouth Historic Dockyard. The dockyard is home to the interactive National Museum of the Royal Navy, the wooden warship HMS Victory, where Nelson died in the Battle of Trafalgar, and HMS Warrior 1860. The Tudor ship Mary Rose is also conserved in a dockyard museum. Portsmouth has maritime heritage

written all over it. Museums aside, the city still lives and breathes the sea. Old Portsmouth retains its historic character with old buildings, cobbled streets and Tudor sea walls. A very pleasant, interesting place to wander - and enjoy the local shopping centre, pubs and cafes.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and cases have been loaded on to the coach, it is time to wave goodbye to our hosts at the Langstone Quays Resort and head for home. There will be comfort stops en route, and you should be back in your local area by late afternoon/early evening.

The Driver/Guide will do his professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at his discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£449.00

Single room supplement

£96.00

Dbt/Twin for sole occupancy

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **24 - 28 July 2023**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ All Excursions
- ✓ Arundel Castle
- ✓ Weald & Downland Museum
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ Tea & Coffee on arrival
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
- Special requests are put forward to the hotel and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- There are Tea/Coffee Facilities in the rooms
- Itinerary could be subject to change



Pennine Explorer

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Lancashire is steeped in rich history, from forensics breakthroughs to becoming home to the UK's first KFC. From seaside towns such as Blackpool and Morecambe to the beautiful rolling countryside just outside its major cities, there is a lot going on and a lot to discover.

The Pendle witch trials in 1612, as well as being famous, are some of the best recorded of the 17th century. 12 women were accused, who lived in the area surrounding Pendle Hill in Lancashire, and were charged with murdering 10 people through witchcraft. Eight were tried at Lancaster assizes (court), one was tried at York assizes and another died in prison. Ten were found guilty and hanged. Many people could make a living by posing as witches by pretending to hold the power of healing, which was definitely in short supply at the time without modern medicine, which may account for the epidemic of supposed witches at the time period.

By the mid-1800s, Preston became the second town in England after London to be fully lit by coal gas, making it the first provincial town in England to be lit this way. When laying the pipes for the lighting process some pipes were created from surplus musket barrels to save money.



YOUR HOTEL - PRESTON LEYLAND HOTEL



Preston Leyland Hotel, Leyland Way, Leyland, Preston, PR25 4JX

Tel: 0330 028 3420

Preston Leyland Hotel, Signature Collection by Best Western is situated in the heart of the Red Rose country. Lancashire. It's a perfect resting place for exploring all that the North West has to offer including nearby Blackpool, Manchester and the Trafford Centre. The hotel has 93 bedrooms, relax and unwind in the contemporary surroundings

of the J28 lounge bar and the Hallmark Grill. Free superfast Wi-Fi is available for all guests, all rooms are equipped with a flat-screen TV, hospitality tray and power shower. As you approach the hotel, you might notice a fire engine parked in the front garden. That's because we have strong ties with local transport manufacturer Leyland Trucks, and proudly display Norma, one of the company's first engines, built in 1938.

No lift, ground floor rooms.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, you start your journey travelling north; with a comfort stop en route. Arriving at the Preston Leyland Hotel in Preston, where you will spend the next 4 night's with half board.

Day 2 - Pendle Witches & Ribble Valley Tour

Today we will experience an enlightening and informative full day Pendle Witches and Ribble Valley tour and hear all about the mystical legends of these fascinating and beautiful areas of Lancashire. Our local guide will meet us at Huntley's for a very interesting tour. There will be stops through the day for comfort and lunch. We return later back to the hotel.

**Day 3 - Skipton Canal Cruise**

After breakfast we take a leisurely ride into Yorkshire to the town of Skipton Where a narrow boat awaits you to take you on a (2hr) trip along the Leeds-Liverpool Canal. A cream tea will be provided. On our return to Skipton there is an ever-popular Wednesday market. Stall holders and shoppers barter with each other along the

high street which is close to the town's impressive medieval castle. Time to shop or explore, before returning to the hotel for dinner.

Day 4 - Settle to Carlisle Steam Railway

Today we first travel to Settle to enjoy a classic rail journey on the Settle to Carlisle Railway, which is considered the most scenic rail journey in England as it winds through moorland scenery and over the famous Ribbleshead Viaduct. We depart the train at Kirkby Stephen, where our coach will be waiting to take us back through beautiful scenery to our hotel in Blackburn. Time to chill out before dinner.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and our cases have been loaded onto the coach, we say farewell to our hosts at the Preston Leyland Hotel, then we start our journey home with stops en route. You should arrive back in your local area by mid evening.

**TOUR PRICE**

Price per person

£449.00

Single room supplement

£88.00

Twin/Double for Sole

Occupancy

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **14 - 18 August**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Train Journey
- ✓ River Cruise & Cream Tea
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
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- All rooms have tea/coffee making facilities
- Itinerary could be subject to change

The tour manager and driver will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

Bute & the Ayrshire Coast

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Set in Ayrshire, one of the most beautiful parts of Scotland, the Riverside Lodge Irvine is perfectly positioned to discover the wonders that the countryside holds. From historic castles to world class golf courses there is something for everyone. Irvine is positioned within some of the most picturesque countryside in Scotland. Ideally located for short breaks or golfing holidays. Ayrshire is steeped in history with links to William Wallace, Robert the Bruce and

Robert Burns. The four islands Ailsa Craig, Arran, Bute and Cumbrae are only a short distance off the Ayrshire coast.

YOUR HOTEL - RIVERSIDE LODGE HOTEL



Riverside Lodge Hotel, 46, Annick Road, Irvine, Ayrshire, KA11 4LD

Tel: 01294 279274

The Riverside Lodge Hotel situated on the outskirts of Irvine, in the South West corner of Scotland benefiting from the warming influence of the Gulf Stream, giving the area a temperate climate throughout the year. The Hotel is set in its own grounds just outside Irvine town and is an ideal base for exploring the West Coast of Scotland. This modern

hotel has 128 bedrooms. The fresh and airy rooms feature tea and making coffee facilities, en suite bathrooms with free toiletries, rooms elegantly decorated with satin cushions and wooden headboards. Rooms also offer TV, hairdryer, ironing facilities, and free Wi-Fi. The hotel has a Brasserie Restaurant, a cocktail bar lounge offering a wide selection of drinks, light refreshments.

No walk in showers, no lift, ground floor rooms.

Day 1 - Depart for Scotland

After our local pick-ups we start your journey travelling north, with a comfort stop. Still heading north, we cross the border into Scotland with a stop for lunch at the picturesque Gretna Green. The World Famous Old Blacksmith's Shop is one of Scotland's earliest visitor attractions. Here you shall have a lunch stop, before continuing your journey to Irvine and your hotel, where you will spend the next 4 night's half board. On arrival tea/coffee and Scottish shortbread will be served while cases are taken to your rooms.

Day 2 - Robert Burns Birthplace Museum NT

Today we visit Alloway, the birthplace of Robert Burns, the National Poet of Scotland. He was born in the village of Alloway 1759. Ayrshire abounds with places connected with the poet, so much so that it is difficult to move within the boundaries of Ayrshire without coming into contact or being reminded of his influence and popularity in the region. The museum comprises of the famous Burns Cottage where the poet was born, the historic landmarks where he set his greatest work, the elegant monument and gardens created in his honour and a modern museum housing the world's most important collection of his life and works.



Day 3 - Ayrshire Coast & Culzean Castle

After a full Scottish breakfast we start the day with a tour of the beautiful Ayrshire coast, a favourite with famous golfers. Passing places like Turnberry, Troon, Ayr, & Electric Brae. Culzean Castle (entrance included) is one of Scotland's best loved castles, offering something for everyone to enjoy. Situated on the South Ayrshire

coast, Culzean is the perfect place for a day out whether you're a keen walker, enjoy admiring gardens, have an interest in architecture, or just enjoy soaking up some history. The castle was converted by Robert Adam between 1777 and 1792. If you're keen on military history, don't miss the armoury with its impressive display of pistols and swords. Culzean also has a strong link with President Eisenhower, as the top-floor apartment was presented to him for his lifetime in recognition of his role during World War II. Culzean is set in nearly 600 acres of stunning countryside and miles of way marked paths lead visitors through majestic woodland and past secluded ponds. Head for the Deer Park, the cliff top walks or explore the beaches. And seek out the park's hidden treasures such as the ice houses, the Camellia House, the pagoda or the caves.



Day 4 - Bute & Mount Stuart House

Today we take the ferry to the beautiful Island of Bute. The Isle of Bute lies in Scotland's Firth of Clyde, tucked into the spectacular sea lochs of southern Argyll. 15 miles long by approximately 4 miles wide. The classic Victorian seafront facade, promenade and pier in Rothesay were in fact built on land reclaimed from

the sea. Bute is the ancestral home of the Stuart King's of Scotland. The 800 year old ruin of Rothesay castle was built by a hereditary High Steward of Scotland from which the surname Stewart, and later Stuart was derived. The circular design of the castle is unique in Scotland and withstood many onslaughts including an invasion by the Vikings. It was captured by the English during the wars of independence but in 1311 was retaken by Robert the Bruce. Partially destroyed by Oliver Cromwell's troops in 1659 and finally burned and sacked by the Duke of Argyll in 1685. Under the 2nd Earl of Bute the Stuart family moved 7 miles to the south of Rothesay and built Mount Stuart House on an estate of 300 acres. The 3rd Marques of Bute was inspired by his artistic, religious and astrological interests to build one of the most magnificent Victorian Gothic mansions in the world. We will have a guided tour of house (included, if you are a National Trust Member, please bring your membership card.) Explore the grounds, have some lunch, then we depart for the ferry back to Wemyss Bay then back to Irvine.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and our cases have been loaded onto the coach, we say farewell to our hosts at the Riverside Lodge Hotel, then we start our journey home. There will be stops en route for comfort and food. We continue our journey home, arriving in your local area by mid evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£499.00

Single room supplement

£80.00

(In Dbl/Tw for sole use)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **21 - 25 August**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Ferries to Bute
- ✓ Entrances
- ✓ Entertainment on 2 nights
- ✓ Services of Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
- Your request is put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- All rooms have tea/coffee making facilities

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Gems of Guernsey

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Why escape to The Islands of Guernsey? Less than an hour from the UK, all five islands are nestled in the bay of St Malo. Here, you're invited to embrace island-hopping and outdoor adventures on land and on sea; dine at a multitude of eateries, from beachside kiosks and cafés to local pubs and award-winning restaurants; delve into the past to explore the fascinating heritage on guided walks or in museums; hike the coastline along miles of cliff paths with stunning views; feel the sand between your toes on one of many unspoilt beaches and take a dip in crystal clear waters. Guernsey is a great place to get away from it all and recharge the batteries. It is home to one of the oldest post boxes in the British Isles. The post box on Union Street is the oldest cast iron pillar-box still in use anywhere in the British Isles. It is easily recognisable, as it is the only red post box in Guernsey; all the others are painted blue. The world-renowned Guernsey cow produces some of the most rich and delicious dairy products in the world; this is because of the high butterfat and protein levels in its milk.



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YOUR HOTEL - PENINSULA HOTEL



Peninsula Hotel, Les Dicqs, Vale Guernsey, GY6 8JP Guernsey
Tel: +44 1481 248400

The 3 Star Peninsula Hotel is set in a prominent sea-front position on north-west coast of the island. Set on a sandy beach on the island's north west coast with wonderful views over Grand Havre Bay, the Peninsula's position is unrivalled. The hotel boasts five acres of pristine gardens, which have direct access to the beach. If you are looking for a relaxing break, you will find a large outdoor swimming pool, which is heated during the summer, as well as a children's pool. Set within 5 acres of gardens, the hotel is located on a tranquil grassy peninsula, leading to a sandy bay in the peaceful parish of the Vale, Guernsey. It has 99 spacious bedrooms all of which have en suite bathrooms, separate toilets, satellite television and tea and coffee-making facilities. There's a restaurant serving modern and traditional British cuisine, and a bar offering lighter meals and snacks.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we will make our way down to Poole with comfort stops en route, our coach will leave us to board our ferry to Guernsey. On arrival in Guernsey, we will be picked up by a local coach company, we then make our way to the Peninsular Hotel where you will spend the next 4 nights with dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 2 - Island Tour of Guernsey

So, after breakfast we will see the Gems of Guernsey. With experienced, tour trained driver guides they will bring the island to life and give you a unique insight to the character and charm of Guernsey. The coach will take you to visit the most popular tourist destinations, historical sights and the most beautiful views the island has to offer. We will then go to Sausmarez Manor which is a historic house in Saint Martin, Guernsey where you will have a guided tour of the historic house. Later we will then head back to the hotel to enjoy your evening dinner and after perhaps go for a nice walk to the beach!

Day 3 - Historic Castle Cornet

Today we will be spending most of the day at Castle Cornet where there will be a guide to meet you and take you around the castle to give you the wonderful history of this lovely historical place. Castle Cornet is an 800-year-old castle standing at the mouth of St Peters Port harbour. The castle offers a fascinating insight into hundreds of years of island history and spectacular panoramic views back towards St Peters Port and out across our sister islands. It is much bigger than it first appears. Visit its 5 Museums, 4 period gardens, the refectory and the gift shop. We shall then head back to the hotel for our evening dinner and unwind after a Gem of a day.

Day 4 - Day Trip to Sark

After another lovely breakfast we will get our coach to the port, where we will board the ferry for a day trip to the beautiful island of Sark! Once we have arrived, a tractor and cart will take us up the hill to meet your horse and carriage for a gracious trip around the island. Sark consists of two main parts, Greater Sark and Little Sark to the south. They are connected by a narrow isthmus called La Coupée which is 300 feet long and has a drop of 330 feet on each side. Protective railings were erected in 1900, before then children would crawl across on their hands and knees to avoid being blown over the edge. A narrow concrete road covering the entirety of the isthmus was built in 1945. Sark is known as the 'jewel of the Channel Islands', Sark is famous for being one of the last remaining places globally where transport is only permitted via horses and tractors. As well as feeling like a slice of paradise, it is teeming with wildlife, has unparalleled views, no street lights and lots of scenic walking routes.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

Following your last breakfast and packing our cases, we say goodbye to the Peninsular Hotel and head down to St Peters port, to catch your ferry back to the mainland of Britain. Here we will be met by our own luxury RB Travel coach to take us back to Northamptonshire for early evening with comfort stops en route, where you will be taken home.

The Driver/Guide will do his professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£869.00

Single room supplement

£139.00

Seaview (additional)

£65.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **28 Aug - 1 Sept**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ All Ferries
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Island Guided Tour
- ✓ Sausmarez Manor Guided Tour
- ✓ Castle Cornet
- ✓ Day Trip to Sark
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
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- Itinerary could be subject to change



Lake District Steam & Cruise

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Grange is a pretty resort with an Edwardian flavour and a mild climate. It is on the shores of Morecambe Bay, and from the 13th Century until the 1850's, the major route from Lancaster was across the sands. In 1887, the coming of the Furness Railway encouraged the growth of Grange from a small hamlet to the town we see today. The town developed in the Victorian era from a small fishing village, and the arrival of the railway made it a popular seaside resort on the north side of Morecambe Bay, across the sands from Morecambe. The River Kent used to flow past the town's mile-long promenade but its course migrated south, away from Grange. The sands or mudflats with dangerous quicksands became a grassy meadow now grazed by small flocks of sheep. The clock tower in Grange-over-Sands was put up in 1912, in the style of Manchester architect Edgar Wood, with diagonal buttresses, a small band of bell-openings, and a short octagonal spire.



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YOUR HOTEL - THE NETHERWOOD HOTEL & SPA



The Netherwood Hotel & Spa, Lindale Road, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria, LA11 6ET
Tel: 01539 532 552

The 3* Netherwood is a beautiful Grade II listed Victorian mansion standing in 15 acres of woodland and landscaped gardens with breathtaking uninterrupted views across Morecambe Bay. A stay at the Netherwood offers all the charm of an elegant manor house combined with the essential facilities and luxurious comforts you would expect

for a relaxing hotel stay. Offering comfortable rooms with free Wi-Fi, LCD television and tea & coffee making facilities. The views over Morecambe Bay at the front and the woodlands at the back of the house ensure your stay is extra special.

3 walk in showers only.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we make our way north to the Lake District. We will make comfort stops en route and stop for lunch. We will continue our journey to arrive at The Netherwood Hotel in Grange-Over-Sands, where we will spend the next 4 nights with dinner, bed & breakfast.

Day 2 - The Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway

At the Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway travel back in time when you climb aboard the train. A distant memory of bygone years for some and a new experience for others, it's a unique day out for all. Enjoy views from your carriage up to Lakeside; the southern tip of Lake Windermere. Then continue your journey aboard a Windermere Steamer to Bowness. Enjoy a 40-minute cruise on the south of Lake Windermere with fantastic views across the wooded shoreline and distant Lakeland fells. Time to explore Bowness and have lunch before we head back to the hotel for dinner.

**Day 3 - Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway Journey**

After breakfast we head off to Ravenglass for a train journey. The journey takes 80 minutes return from Ravenglass to Dalegarth and back. The cosy covered and open top carriages provide the best of comfort and views as you travel up the line. The Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway was originally built way back in 1873 and was commercially opened on the 24th May 1875. The railway's main purpose was to transport iron ore that was being mined in the

hills above the village of Boot, down to Ravenglass where it could be transferred onto the Furness Railway's mainline to Barrow. The railway was also open to passenger traffic (beginning in 1876) and was built to the narrow gauge of 3ft (between the rails); this made the Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway the first public narrow-gauge Railway in England! After a great day we then will head back to our hotel for dinner.

Day 4 - Levens Hall & Gardens

Today we visit the lovely Levens Hall, it has grown from a stark, imposing Pele Tower built 1250-1300, into a warm and welcoming family home with an intriguing history and the house guides are always on hand to tell you more. Levens Hall is also home to the world's oldest topiary garden designed by Monsieur Guillaume Beaumont and established from 1694. Topiary is the shaping and cutting of small-leaved trees and bushes into geometric shapes and forms which resemble common objects and people.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and cases have been loaded on to the coach it is time to wave goodbye to our hosts at The Netherwood Hotel and head for home. There will be comfort stops en route, and you should be back in your local area by early evening.

The Tour Manager and Driver will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£559.00

Single room supplement

£150.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **18 - 22 Sept**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Train Trips
- ✓ Boat Cruise
- ✓ Entrance to Levens Hall & Gardens
- ✓ Services of a Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance.
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Victoria's Beautiful Island

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

The Victorians adopted the Isle of Wight as a holiday island, and tourism has been its bread and butter ever since. The high chalk downs and famous chines, or clefts, along the south coast appealed to the Victorians sense of picturesque; and the resorts they built have given the island a lasting appeal for lovers of Victorian architecture. The fortifications of the Isle of Wight provide an historic insight into the island's strategic role throughout history. Carisbrooke Castle dates from Norman times and brings history alive to many thousands of visitors each year. In Shanklin, located on the east side of the island, a lift takes you down to the sheltered sands and pier. The old village has one of the prettiest inns on the island, The Crab Hotel.



YOUR HOTEL - CHANNEL VIEW HOTEL



Channel View Hotel, Hope Road, Shanklin, Isle of Wight, PO37 6EH

Tel: 01983 862309

Situated in a premier location within Shanklin town, the 3* Channel View Hotel has a well-deserved reputation for always delivering high standards in service and hospitality. The hotel has picturesque views of the English Channel. Set atop the cliffs of Shanklin Bay. The hotel is in prime location on the coastal path and within walking distance of their amazing beaches. All 56 rooms are en suite with complimentary toiletries and large fluffy towels, TV, telephone, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. The Osborne dining room is where you can enjoy the benefits of full table service and prominent sea views. The hotel has an indoor swimming pool, a jet spa and sauna. Free guest Wi-Fi throughout the hotel.

Day 1 - Depart Your Local Area

Step aboard your luxury coach as you start your journey to Portsmouth and the ferry to the Isle of Wight. We will make a comfort stop en route for lunch. We arrive at Portsmouth for the short crossing to Fishbourne, where we continue our journey to Shanklin and the Channel View Hotel where we will spend the next 4 night's half board. Time to relax before dinner.

Day 2 - Island Tour

Departing after breakfast, we enjoy a full day scenic tour of the southern part of the island, taking in places like Ventnor, Blackgang Chine. Continuing along the Military Road, we will have a comfort stop at the Isle of Wight Pearl where you can have a look around the famous pearl shop and have a morning cuppa. From here we travel along the Military Road to Freshwater Bay. Later we will see the Needles and the multi-coloured cliffs of Alum Bay. We continue on to Yarmouth, where we will have time for afternoon tea. We then make our way back via Carisbrooke Castle 13th century picturesquely situated on a hill, along the seat of authority on the island, then to Shanklin where you will have time to relax before dinner.

Day 3 - Osborne House

After breakfast we travel north towards Cowes for a spectacular visit to Osborne House (included). It's no surprise that Osborne House was Queen Victoria's favourite retreat. Set in magnificent grounds overlooking the Solent, this beautiful stately home promises a fantastic trip out. Trace the footsteps of one of Britain's most popular monarchs as you wander through the terrace gardens, and marvel at the sumptuous interiors and furnishings. Time for lunch in the café before returning back to our hotel. Time for a rest or maybe a stroll along the promenade before dinner.

**Day 4 - Carisbrooke Castle**

After breakfast we travel towards the centre of the island to Carisbrooke Castle (included). The castle is best known as the place where King Charles I was imprisoned. You can still play bowls on the very green that Charles used. For a castle that has lived through more than 800 years of service, including resisting a siege by the French and seeing off the Spanish Armada, it's also wonderfully well preserved. The new Edwardian style Princess Beatrice Garden is a joy to explore. For hundreds of years the castle's resident donkeys have drawn up water in the well-

house. All the donkeys' names begin with the letter 'J'. This tradition was started when Charles I was a prisoner at the castle. Whenever Charles I wrote letters, or was planning his escape route, he always signed his letters with a 'J'. So for 150 years all the donkeys at the castle have had a name beginning with 'J'. This is a tradition that continues to be upheld! We return back via the picturesque old village of Godshill. A beautiful village full of charm, thatched cottages and legends, with its early 15th century church, built high above the town (the church is a steep climb). Returning back to the hotel.

Day 5 - Depart Shanklin

A leisurely breakfast will be served from 8am. After breakfast we bid a fond farewell to our hosts at the Channel View Hotel, we retrace our steps back to Fishbourne and the ferry to Portsmouth. Travelling back we will have a break at the beautiful town of Winchester, after lunch back to our local area, arriving home late afternoon/early evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£469.00

Single room supplement

£Nil (6 rooms only)**TOUR INFORMATION**Duration: **5 Days**Departure: **Monday**Dates: **30 Oct - 3 Nov**Meals: **Half Board****Included Excursions****TOUR INCLUSIONS**

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Ferries
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entrance to Osborne House
- ✓ Entrance to Carisbrooke Castle
- ✓ Some Entertainment
- ✓ Courier Escorted
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

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Cornish Delights



YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Tucked into a stunning and unspoilt spot on the coast, St. Agnes sits in both a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and a World Heritage Site. St Agnes is a picturesque village on the north coast of Cornwall. Steeped in mining history, the village retains a traditional friendly Cornish atmosphere and makes a wonderful base for a holiday, with four different beaches. There are dramatic coastal walks and breathtaking scenery filled with relics from the past, including the iconic Wheal Coates engine house. You will discover a thriving community with a choice of shops as well as galleries and craft workshops where beautiful gifts are made by hand. Sample the beautiful scenic coastline, fantastic beaches, arts and craft shops and mining heritage.

YOUR HOTEL - ROSEMUNDY HOUSE HOTEL



Rosemundy House Hotel, St Agnes, Cornwall, TR5 0UF

Tel: 01872 552101

The hotel has been a favourite of ours since we first visited in the year 2000. This very private hotel has been family run for years and has a very relaxing and comfortable air about it. Beautiful quiet lounges for relaxing, superb Tom Noggi Restaurant with excellent cuisine, well equipped comfortable bedrooms with bath or shower. Set in its

own grounds in the centre of St Agnes. The village is set back from the cliffs by $\frac{3}{4}$ mile; Trevaunance Cove is the nearest place to a sheltered harbour that this inhospitable coast affords. Strewn with old mine workings, copper and tin ore were once shipped from the cove.

No lift, ground floor rooms.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, your holiday has now started. You start your journey by travelling westward with stops en route for lunch. Continuing your journey through beautiful countryside, to the Cornish town of St Agnes and the Rosemundy House Hotel where you shall spend the next 5 nights with dinner, bed and breakfast.

Day 2 - St Ives Cornwall Gold

St Ives – the dazzling jewel in Cornwall's crown. A picturesque fishing harbour and seaside town. Wander through the maze of narrow cobbled streets, independent shops and fisherman's cottages in the heart of St Ives. Also known for its surf beaches, and its art scene. Boat trips go to Seal Island, just west of town, to see the seal colony. This afternoon we will call in to Cornwall Gold on our way back to the hotel, with more than 18 acres to explore in the heart of Cornwall's mining landscape. You will find the largest collection of jewellery in Cornwall, from semi-precious, precious and uniquely Cornish pieces to 18 carat and platinum pieces, and home to the largest collection of pearls in Cornwall. The jewel in the crown of this 18-acre site is the historic and fascinating Tolgus Tin Mill. It is the only surviving mill of its kind in Cornwall and is a designated heritage site. Established in 1865, the mill has recently been brought back to life, once again producing and smelting tin on site.

Day 3 - Polperro & Fowey

Leaving after breakfast you travel to the beautiful and scenic villages of Polperro and Fowey along the Cornish coast. In Polperro it is easy to step back in time in what is a largely an unspoilt fishing village. Pretty cottages cling to the steep hillsides around a small harbour, beloved by artists over the years. The River Pol runs through Polperro creating its idyllic appearance as well as the tightly packed ancient fishermen's houses which survive almost untouched, its quaint harbour and attractive coastline. We then head to Fowey, tucked away on the picturesque coast, a small historic town filled with narrow streets clustered around the harbour inlet. The town is located at the mouth of the River Fowey before running into the English Channel. The River Fowey is the centre of this traditional town creating the beautiful landscape. We will then return to the hotel to relax before dinner.



Day 4 - Port Isaac

Today we spend time on the north Cornish coast. We travel to Port Isaac, a traditional fishing village with a vibrant local community and home to the TV series Doc Martin starring Martin Clunes. It's a truly picturesque village with narrow winding streets

lined with whitewashed cottages that head down to the harbour where you can watch local fishermen landing their daily catch of fish, crab and lobsters. From here we travel to the Healy's Cider Farm. Healy's is a working cider farm steeped in history, which has been brewing award-winning ciders, wines, and fruit juices for over 25 years. We then return back to the hotel to relax before dinner.

Day 5 - Truro & Falmouth

Cornwall's administrative capital and Cathedral City. Centre stage is Truro Cathedral with its impressive gothic towers dominating the skyline. In its shadow, a warren of compact streets is home to an impressive array of independent traders. From boutiques to bookshops and designer interiors to delicatessens, this great little city offers a unique shopping experience. The café culture is pretty impressive too, with hip coffee houses, artisan ice creameries and cocktail bars dotted across the centre. This afternoon our journey takes us to Falmouth. Shipping from all over the world use the harbour, which is the largest in the country and includes a dry dock capable of handling tankers of up to 90,000 tons. It became a station for the Mail Packet Service in 1688, and by 1827 had 39 overseas-mail vessels. Returning via Redruth to our hotel.

Day 6 - Day of Departure

After a hearty breakfast and cases have been loaded onto the coach, it is time to say farewell to your hosts at the Rosemundy House Hotel. Retracing your steps, with comfort stops en route. You will arrive in your local area, late afternoon/early evening.

Your Driver will do his professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at his discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£449.00

Single room supplement

£Nil

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **6 Days**

Departure: **Saturday**

Dates: **14 - 19 October**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Courier Escorted
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
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Magical World of Disneyland® Paris

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Embark on a voyage to your favourite worlds from the Old West to galaxies far far away, you'll be transported to the enchanted lands of the stories that you know and love from Disney, Pixar, Star Wars™ and MARVEL! Make your kid's dreams come true, From special moments with beloved Disney characters, to attractions that will make them beam with delight, your little ones will revel in the magic of our fairy-tale setting, as you all create memories to cherish forever. Take off on a fun-filled adventure with over 50 attractions to enjoy, it's the perfect way to spend an unforgettable day with friends & family! Thrilling rides such as Big Thunder Mountain and Twilight Zone Tower of Terror are sure to delight every person in your group! Enjoy selfies galore! Hop on stage with beloved Disney characters or float like a snowflake into the world of Frozen with a voyage to the heart of Arendelle! Heroes and heroines from Disney, Pixar, Star Wars™ and MARVEL are ready to capture an unforgettable moment with you throughout the Disney Parks.



YOUR HOTEL - GRAND MAGIC HOTEL



Grand Magic Hotel, 20 Av. de la Fosse des Pressoirs, 77700 Magny-le-Hongre, France
Tel: +33 1 64 63 37 37

The Grand Magic Hotel will transport guests into an ever changing environment offering windows into new worlds. In a constant state of transformation, the hotel's interior evolves over the course of the day and seasons, revealing wondrous surprises for guests to discover and explore. Come nightfall, the hotel reaches the height of its metamorphic powers. Transformations will be orchestrated by Mr Maurice, the extraordinary owner of the property. 396 rooms & suites. Family rooms & facilities for

children. Restaurant, bar & terraces. Gardens with lake access. One double and two bunk beds. Hypoallergenic bed linen and pillows. Bathroom with bath and hairdryer. Adjustable air conditioning. Free high-speed Wi-Fi. Flat-screen TV with free children's channels. Tea and coffee tray. Room service. Free access to indoor pool and fitness room. Free shuttle between hotel and Disney® Parks. Your meals are served in our restaurant, on the terrace or to take away. They are prepared in the respect of all the recommended sanitary measures...and always with love!



Day 1 - Travel to Disneyland Paris

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel south to Folkestone with comfort stops en route, where we will board the train at the Eurotunnel heading to Calais. Once in France with comfort stops en route, we will head to The Grand Magic Hotel, Disneyland Paris, where we will spend the next 3 nights Bed & Breakfast.



Day 2 & 3 - Disneyland Park

After a delicious breakfast, you can hop on the FREE shuttle bus straight to the magic! or it is just a short walk from your hotel. This morning, make the most of Extra Magic Time, a PERK exclusively for Disney Hotel guests, Both Disney Parks will be open one hour earlier than general park opening for the public. Ride selected attractions, meet some of your favourite Disney characters, and get that perfect selfie in front of Sleeping Beauty Castle!

Walt Disney Studios Park

Grab your Mickey Ears and get ready for another magical day ahead! Today, head to the Walt Disney Studios® Park where the world of movies and television come to life before your very eyes. Team up with your favourite Avengers in the brand-new land Marvel Avengers Campus. Use your powers to conquer two thrilling new attractions and take on the mightiest Marvel missions. "Grab a shell dude" and get swept up in a whirlpool of adventure on Crush's Coaster or join Remy and Linguini in the heart of Paris on Ratatouille: The Adventure.

Day 4 - Au Revoir Disneyland Paris

Today enjoy your last breakfast before it's time to check out of your Disney Hotel, with magical memories to last a lifetime. Got time before your journey back home? Why not get some last-minute souvenirs from the Disney Village before saying "Au Revoir" to Disneyland Paris and heading back through France to Calais where our train in the Eurotunnel will be waiting to take us back home to the UK. We will have comfort stops in France and UK before arriving back home early evening.

The Driver/Guide will do his professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at his discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

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TOUR PRICE

Below are some example price combinations, please call for your perfect holiday.

2 Adults + 2 Children
£1390.00 per room

2 Adults + 1 Child
£1140.00 per room

2 Adults
£800.00 per room

1 Adults + 1 Child
£785.00 per room

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **4 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **6 - 9 Nov 2023**

Meals: **Breakfast**

3 Star Grand Magic Hotel

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Eurotunnel
- ✓ 3 Nights Bed & Breakfast
- ✓ 2 Day Pass to Disneyland Park
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
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A Taste of Christmas

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

St Anne's on Sea gives the gentle feel of a bygone age and is slowly being supplemented with an exciting range of new shops and restaurants, providing a welcome contrast to its neighbour, Blackpool.

St Anne's is a haven of tranquillity with four championship golf courses on the doorstep. The promenade of Blackpool is only minutes away, with a vast array of amusements, shops, piers, and of course, the 'Blackpool Tower', there is a lot to offer to people of all ages.



YOUR HOTEL - CLIFTON PARK HOTEL



Clifton Park Hotel,
299/301 Clifton Drive South, St Anne's on Sea, Lytham St Anne's, Lancashire, FY8 1HN
Tel: 01253 725801

The Clifton Park Hotel exceeding expectations is fast becoming a hotel renowned for its superior quality and exemplary service. Located centrally in the traditional seaside town of St. Anne's on Sea, this popular hotel provides comfort and hospitality to every guest.

From the moment you enter their dedicated team of staff will attend to your every need. All rooms are tastefully decorated with en suite facilities, television, direct dialled telephones, thermostatically controlled heating and your own tea and coffee making facilities. A lift serves all floors. The impressive foyer area has a classical French feel throughout. Relax in the comfortable mezzanine or sun lounge whilst enjoying a drink from the Orchard Bar. The impressive garden restaurant with its comfortable warm atmosphere serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. Further facilities include lounges, a fabulous ballroom, landscaped gardens and a superb leisure centre, at the heart of which is a stunning indoor pool and spa (Jacuzzi).

Christmas Eve

Home to Lytham St Annes: Christmas Eve

After leaving our local area, we travel direct to Lytham St Anne's with comfort stops on the way. Arriving at the hotel, time to relax and prepare yourself for the forthcoming frivolities.

6:00pm The bar is open so come and join your hosts and meet some of your fellow guests.

7:00pm Welcome dinner, setting the tone for the week ahead freshly prepared by the chefs de cuisine in the ballroom. Relax with coffee in the lounge.

9:00pm Cabaret entertainment in the ballroom

11.00pm A goodnight glass of sherry and homemade mince tarts

Hope that Santa doesn't get stuck

Go and hang that stocking up!!!



Christmas Day

A crisp winter morning awaits – and have you had a visit from Santa???

8 – 9:30am Great traditional English breakfast

Followed by a brisk walk on the Promenade???

11:00am Morning coffee and traditional Christmas Carols in the lounge.

Enjoy your morning, explore the Promenade.

12:00pm Let the Festive spirit come alive with a Christmas sing-along in the lounge.

12.30pm Traditional Christmas luncheon and the grand arrival of Father Christmas. Followed by warm mince pies & coffee in the lounge.

4:00pm ...if you can manage it... tea and Christmas cake served in the lounge

7:00pm Christmas Day carvery buffet.

A delicious selection of home roasted meats & poultry, tasty salads and homemade sweets from the patisserie. Something to tickle those taste buds, all beautifully displayed, so bring your camera!!!

And so the evening continues with live entertainment.

And so to bed you sleepy heads.

**Boxing Day**

8 – 9:30am Great traditional English breakfast

11:00am Morning coffee & chat in the lounge

12:30pm Traditional Boxing Day luncheon

3:30pm Bingo

4.30pm Tea/coffee & biscuits

7:00pm Boxing Day carvery buffet

9.00pm And so the evening continues with Cabaret entertainment

Thursday - The Grand Finale

8 – 9:30am Great traditional English breakfast

11:00am Morning coffee & chat in the lounge

12:30pm Light finger lunch served in the lounge

4:00pm Tea/coffee & biscuits & Bingo

7:00pm Le Grand Farewell Dinner & Chefs Parade!!!

This is a must for your camera so save your film. The Clifton Park Hotel is proud to present the chefs de cuisine in the Snowman Parade.

8:30pm The Great Fancy Dress Parade

(Costumes available outside the swimming pool)

9:00pm Cabaret entertainment in the Ballroom

11:00pm Champagne & shortcake biscuits

*Join us for a glass of bubbly!!!
And when the dancing is done
Let's drink a toast to everyone
And may our message sound quite clear
We'll meet again same spot next year*

Friday - Goodbye & Home

8:00am Cases out for the trip home

8 – 9:30am Great traditional farewell English breakfast

We say farewell to our hosts at the Clifton Park Hotel and return home via the Peak District arriving back to your local area early evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£499.00

No Single Supplement

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **13-17 November**

Meals: **Full Board**

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Full Board
- ✓ Full Entertainment Program
- ✓ Swimming Pool
- ✓ Jacuzzi
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- All rooms have tea & coffee making facilities
- Dinner is at 7:00pm every evening
- Your request is put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian etc.
- Itinerary could be subject to change



Turkey & Tinsel & Edinburgh Christmas Market



YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Drymen is an attractive village located in the beautiful Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park. The park consists of 40 mountains ranging from 2500ft to over 3000ft, 22 lochs, 50 rivers and two forest parks, The Argyll Forest Park and the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park. The Campsie Fells hills are to the west of Drymen. A range of volcanic hills which hosts a variety of farmland, open moors, steep-flanked glens, attractive woodland and sparkling burns. The lovely village boasts spectacular views of Dumgoyne to the east and is just a short way from Loch Lomond to the west. It is the perfect base to explore Scotland with

Stirling and Glasgow a short drive away. With all the natural features it is no wonder hundreds of tourists' flood through the park every year.



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YOUR HOTEL - THE WINNOCK HOTEL



The Winnock Hotel, The Square, Drymen, Glasgow, G63 0BL

Tel: 01360 660245

The Winnock Hotel is a beautifully, traditional family run hotel overlooking the village green. The cosy log fires will help you to relax after a long day of exploring the beautiful surrounding countryside. The 74 comfortable en suite rooms are all well equipped with hairdryer, TV and tea and coffee making facilities. There is no lift but ground floor rooms are available. The Merlin restaurant provides a more intimate setting for dinner complementing the hotel's historic ambience. For a more relaxed dinner the Capercaille room serves excellent Scottish cuisine and has a traditional bar area with an extensive selection of ales, spirits and wines and a speciality of over 70 malt whiskies. **No lift, ground floor rooms.**

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel north with comfort stops en route. Still heading north, we cross the border into Scotland and head to Drymen and the Winnock Hotel where we will spend the next 4 nights' all inclusive. On arrival we have a welcome drinks reception while our cases are taken up to our rooms. Evening dinner is a three course, three choice menu. A glass of wine/beer or soft drink at dinner each night, plus tea and coffee. Free bar from 7.30pm - 10.30pm. **Let the Festivities begin.**

Day 2 - Glasgow Transport Museum ½ Day

This morning we visit the beautiful city of Glasgow. Commonly mistaken for the capital of Scotland, Glasgow is the largest city in the country, situated right on the River Clyde. The Museum of Transport is a multi-award winning



museum located on the banks of the River Clyde, with over 3000 objects on display from Glasgow's rich past. You can even walk down an old cobbled Glasgow street with shops dating from 1895 to the 1980s. Later we return back to the hotel for an afternoon tea in the conservatory.

Day 3 - Edinburgh Christmas Market

Today we explore Edinburgh's fantastic Christmas markets! The festivities spread from St Andrew Square to East Princes St Gardens, George Street and Festival Square. The Christmas market in Edinburgh is both traditional with its wooden chalets and romantic: you can enjoy an ice skating rink, and rides, including the Big Wheel and the 60-metre Star Flyer, with breath-taking views over the city, walk through the many stalls with different festive nick-knacks, and sip hot mulled wine with cinnamon. After a great day, we return to our hotel for our Christmas dinner with all the trimmings followed by entertainment.

Day 4 - Depart for Home

After all the suitcases have been packed and loaded onto the coach we leave our hosts at the Winnock Hotel and head for home. With comfort stops on the way, we arrive back at your local area early evening.

The Driver & Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

**TOUR PRICE**

Price per person

£349.00

Single room supplement

£56.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **4 Days**

Departure: **Friday**

Dates: **24-27 November**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 3 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Free Bar 7.30 - 10pm
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Entertainment on 3 Evenings
- ✓ Included Excursions:
- ✓ Afternoon Tea in Conservatory
- ✓ Packed Lunch on 1 Day
- ✓ Edinburgh Christmas Market
- ✓ Courier Escorted
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
- Special requests are put forward to the hotel and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs
- There are Tea/Coffee Facilities in the rooms
- Itinerary could be subject to change



Christmas Teaser in Torquay

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Torquay is a seaside town located in Devon and is part of the stunning English Riviera. One of the UK's top holiday destinations since Victorian times. Torquay has always been popular with all types of tourists of all ages. The iconic palm trees, busy harbour and international marina create this beautiful town. There are 22 miles of coastline, cliffs, coves and beaches and walks with a climate that belongs much further south. Stunning views go out over the English Channel from all across Torquay. The waterfront is the

focus of life in the town where you will find the palm-lined promenade, seafront gardens and lively harbour.



YOUR HOTEL - TLH TOORAK HOTEL



TLH Toorak Hotel, Chestnut Ave, Torquay, TQ2 5JS

Tel: 01803 400400

A warm welcome awaits you at the TLH Toorak Hotel. Enjoy its quieter atmosphere, excellent restaurant, award winning gardens and most direct access to Torre Abbey House and Gardens, as well as Torquay seafront. With attentive service, delicious food and a quieter atmosphere, the Toorak Hotel is perfect for a peaceful break in Torquay. Known as their country house by the sea, you can enjoy views of the historic Torre

Abbey House and Gardens; There are 92 bedrooms all with en suite, TV & radio, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer, complimentary toiletries and free Wi-Fi in all rooms. The hotel's stylish restaurant is renowned for its delicious food. Enjoy buffet style breakfasts, including full English or continental choices. Look forward to the tempting table d'hôte evening meals with choices. The Starlight Lounge situated in the Derwent Hotel which is on the complex is the main entertainment hub and really comes alive once the sun goes down. It has its own bar, large dance floor and plenty of seating. The Starlight is the place to head for entertainment.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we make our way south to Torquay, with comfort stops en route. We arrive at the Toorak Hotel, your home for the next 4 nights. Time to settle in and explore the complex before dinner.

Day 2 - Day at Leisure

Today you have a free day to explore Torquay's Christmas market. Wooden chalets selling Christmas items, the smells of mulled wine and spicy biscuits fill the air.

Day 3 - Exeter & the Train of Lights

Today we visit the city of Exeter for its Christmas markets. Set on Exeter Cathedral Green, this award-winning event features crafts, gifts and tasty food to keep you fuelled as you explore, all against the stunning backdrop of Exeter Cathedral. Traditional wooden chalets inspired by German markets and sparkling lights and craft arrangements on the stalls all create a wonderful Yuletide atmosphere. Events and activities take place at the cathedral itself, including carol services, concerts, events and education activities. We return back to the hotel for an early dinner before leaving again for Paignton and the Dartmouth Steam Railway for a return ride on the Christmas Train of Lights. Your festive illuminated journey starts at Paignton, where your train and its vintage carriages await you - decorated with thousands of lights, both inside and out. You will be propelled through the Greenway tunnel that leads you to the enchanted forest which is transformed by a multitude of lights and displays. The stunning show ends as you leave the forest only to be greeted by the twinkling lights of Dartmouth reflected on the River Dart. After a turnaround at Kingswear you will be on your way back to Paignton to experience the spectacle from a different direction.

Day 4 - Brixham

A visit to Brixham. Generations have been enchanted by the charm and romance of Brixham, a colorful and bustling fishing port at the southern end of Torbay. The hilly town is built around the central harbour area, which remains the lifeblood of this quaint historic town. Vibrant fishermen's cottages gaze out across the port and the fishing trawlers below. Brixham is one of the three towns that make up Torbay on the English Riviera. The picture postcard harbour has a replica of the Golden Hind beside the quay amongst the yachts and fishing boats. The town and harbour side have many interesting shops and cafes among the maze of narrow, winding streets. We return back to the hotel, where you can just relax before dinner.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and cases have been loaded on to the coach, it is time to wave goodbye to our hosts at The Toorak Hotel and head for home. There will be comfort stops en route, and you should be back in your local area by late afternoon/early evening.

TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£369.00

Single room supplement

£Nil

(4 rooms only)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **11 - 15 Dec**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Light Train from Paignton
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
- Please inform us of any Special Dietary needs e.g.: - Diabetic, Gluten Free, Vegetarian
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Christmas in Oxfordshire

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

The Cotswolds covers a huge area – almost 800 square miles – and runs through five counties (Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, Warwickshire, Wiltshire and Worcestershire). One of the delights of visiting the region is exploring the different areas, each with its own identity, yet all with those defining Cotswold features: golden stone and rolling hills. Explore quintessentially English villages of honey-coloured stone; take in splendid, lively market towns; visit some of the country's greatest palaces, castles and country houses; marvel at the natural world in acclaimed reserves and at some of the most famous arboretum in Britain; The Cotswolds is also richly rural: more than 3,000 miles of footpaths and bridleways to explore; ancient woodlands and wildflower meadows; 4,000 miles of historic Cotswold stone walls dividing up the landscape.



YOUR HOTEL - DOUBLETREE BY HILTON OXFORD BELFRY



Doubletree by Hilton Oxford Belfry, London Rd, Milton Common, Thame, OX9 2JW
Tel: 01844 277555

The 4* Doubletree by Hilton Oxford Belfry has the magic of the Cotswolds just around the corner, with iconic sites like Blenheim Palace and winding countryside treks right on the doorstep. The hotel offers a touch of the contemporary to its otherwise olde-worldle surroundings, with classic rustic rooms offering views of the 17-acre gardens. The 154

rooms are designed for complete comfort, many with views of our beautiful grounds. They all feature an en suite, flat-screen TVs and free high-speed Wi-Fi, and a range of modern facilities to make your stay a memorable one. The Rycote Restaurant uses local ingredients in dishes and the Terrace Bar offers a bistro-style environment and serves drinks and light snacks all day. The spa facilities include a heated indoor pool, a sauna and a range of pampering treatments, and there is also a gym for guests to use.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

Step aboard your luxury coach as you start your journey to Oxfordshire for your Christmas Festivities. There will be ample stops on the way for comfort and for lunch. Continuing your journey through the beautiful villages, to the 4* Oxford Belfry Hotel, where you will spend the next 4 nights with dinner, bed and breakfast and Christmas entertainment. On arrival there will be tea/coffee and mince pies waiting for you. Before dinner meet the staff and fellow guests for a welcome drink. A three course dinner (choice menu) will be served followed by live musical entertainment.

Day 2 - Excursion

After Breakfast on Christmas Eve, you will be taken out for a ride to one of the many towns and villages in Oxfordshire. This evening there will be a three course dinner (choice menu). For those who wish to go to Midnight Mass, Reception will be able to direct you to the local church. Hot chocolate, tea, coffee and mince pies, will await your return.

Day 3 - Christmas Day

After a hearty breakfast, relax and enjoy the day. Take part in a 'guess the weight of the cake' competition. Then it's Christmas Day Luncheon of three courses (choice menu) during which time Santa will pay a visit. After lunch you may like to watch the Queen's speech to the Nation whilst sipping tea and eating cake or you can spend the afternoon snoozing. Make sure you are back down in the evening for a light choice two course buffet.

**Day 4 - Oxford**

Today you have the opportunity to visit the shopping village in Swindon for the start of the sales; the steam museum is also nearby. You may just want to sit back and relax, or use the facilities in the hotel. This evening is a three course dinner.

Day 5 - Depart for Home

After a hearty breakfast and cases have been loaded onto the coach. It is time to say farewell to our hosts at the Oxford Belfry Hotel. Making our return journey home with stops on the way, to arrive at your boarding point late afternoon.

Your Driver and Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.

**TOUR PRICE**

Price per person

£629.00

Single room supplement

£140.00

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Saturday**

Dates: **23 - 27 Dec**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Courier Escorted
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
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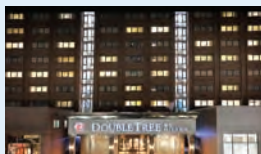
Scotland for New Year 2023/24

YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Strathclyde is the most populous and second largest Scottish region. The region owes its name to the early medieval Kingdom of Strathclyde, originally known as Ystrad Clud (meaning 'Valley of the River Clyde') in the Brythonic language. Strathclyde was created from the traditional counties of Glasgow, Ayr, Bute, Dunbarton, Lanark, and Renfrew, and parts of the counties of Argyll and Stirling. Three of Scotland's greatest castles open to the public are located in Strathclyde: Inveraray Castle (official residence of the Duke of Argyll, chief of Clan Campbell), Culzean Castle (former home of the Marquess of Ailsa, the chief of Clan Kennedy), and Mount Stuart House (home of the Marquess of Bute). Other notable attractions include Ben Lomond and Loch Lomond (Britain's largest lake), the Oban whisky distillery, the scenic ruins of Kilchurn Castle at the north-eastern end of Loch Awe, and Dumbarton Castle, the oldest stronghold in Britain.



YOUR HOTEL - DOUBLETREE BY HILTON GLASGOW



Doubletree by Hilton Glasgow,
Westerwood Spa & Golf Resort, 1 St Andrews Dr, Glasgow, G68 0EW Scotland
Tel: 01236 457171

Welcome to Doubletree by Hilton Glasgow Westerwood Spa and Golf Resort. This contemporary property is set within acres of wooded countryside overlooked by the beautiful Campsie Hills, with luxurious leisure facilities, first-class dining, flexible conference spaces and an 18-hole golf course designed by Seve Ballesteros. Unwind in one of the stylish and spacious guest rooms with an en suite, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer, HDTVs and complimentary Wi-Fi. The hotel offers an award-winning spa with 10 treatment rooms, indoor heated pool and extensive gym facilities, so you can relax and recharge throughout your stay. Enjoy award-winning dining at Fleming's restaurant and the Grill Restaurant and bar.

Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel north with comfort stops en route. We arrive at Gretna Green for lunch. We then continue our journey to Westwood Hotel, where we will spend the next 3 nights half board. On arrival there will be welcome tea/coffee and shortbread in the lounge with the management team, while our cases are taken to our rooms. Time to relax before dinner. Dinner is a 3 choice menu with tea/coffee after dinner, then live music in the lounge.



Day 2 - Glasgow New Year's Eve

After breakfast we will travel into Glasgow, a port city on the River Clyde. It's famed for its Victorian and art nouveau architecture. Time to check out the shops before we return back to the hotel to afternoon tea of sandwiches, scones, cake and tea/coffee. There will be a pre-dinner drink served in the Carrick Foyer then into dinner. A 5 course set menu with 1/3 bottle of wine per person. New Year's entertainment. Glass of champagne at midnight and Scottish Piper to welcome in 2024.

Day 3 - Day at Leisure

A leisurely traditional Scottish breakfast is available in the Flemings Restaurant until noon. Maybe a ride out somewhere. This evening there will be an international themed buffet dinner in Flemings Restaurant.

Day 4 - Depart For Home

After all the suitcases have been packed and loaded onto the coach we say farewell to our hosts at the Westerwood Hotel and head for home. With comfort stops on the way, we arrive back in your local area mid evening.

The Driver & Guide will do their professional best to ensure that you enjoy this tour. It will be at their discretion to rearrange the itinerary to better the tour for your comfort.



TOUR PRICE

Price per person

£589.00

Single room supplement

£105.00

(Dbl/Tw for Sole

Occupancy)

TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **4 Days**

Departure: **Saturday**

Dates: **30 Dec - 2 Jan**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 3 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Courier Escorted
- ✓ Local Door-2-Door Pick-Ups

SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
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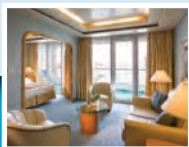
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TOUR TITLE:
SPECIAL REQUESTS:
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CLIENTS & ROOMING DETAILS




MR/MRS/MISS	INITIALS	SURNAME (PERSON SIGNING BOOKING FORM FIRST)	DATE OF BIRTH	TWIN/DOUBLE/ SINGLE	BOARDING POINT

INSURANCE: P J Hayman 023 92419855 Ref: RBTA2022

PAYMENT DETAILS

HOLIDAYS Deposit: Up to 5 days	£40 per person
£ _____	
HOLIDAYS Deposit: Over 5 days	£50 per person
£ _____	
CRUISES Deposit: All Cruises	10% of Cruise
£ _____	
FULL PAYMENT	£ _____
TOTAL SUM ENCLOSED:	£ _____

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Other terms You are responsible for ensuring that you are at the correct departure point at the correct time, and we cannot be liable for any loss or expense suffered by passengers because of their late arrival at any departure point. Excursions are included in the price of most holidays and refunds cannot be made for passengers not wishing to go on these excursions. Admission fees to buildings, grounds etc are not included in the price of the holiday unless otherwise stated.

Holiday Insurance (Optional) As a small family run business, due to increased legislation and compliance Government requirements, we no longer "sell" Travel Insurance, however we strongly advise our customers to purchase insurance to protect against unforeseen events such as accident or illness. A leaflet detailing how to purchase travel insurance from our recommended provider, P J Hayman & Co Ltd will be provided at the time of booking. P J Hayman can be contacted on 023 9241 9855 quoting Ref: RBTA2022, during normal working hours 9 – 5pm.

Your holiday price The price of your holiday is guaranteed and will not be subject to any surcharges except those resulting from fuel, currency exchange, government action including additional boarding or licensing requirements and VAT. In all cases we reserve the right to pass these amounts on in full.

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If you change your booking If after confirmation has been issued you wish to change to another of our holidays, or change departure date, we will do our utmost to make changes, provided that written notification is received from the person who signed the original booking form, no later than the date on which the balance of the original holiday cost was due for payment. Any alteration by you made later than the original balance date will be treated as a cancellation of the original booking and will be subject to the cancellation charges set out below. Other alterations such as the addition of requests or changes of pick up points that require a re-confirmation to be issued must be notified.

If you cancel your holiday You or any member of your party may cancel your holiday at any time provided that the cancellation is made by the person signing the booking form and is communicated to us in writing via the office at which you made your booking. As this incurs admin costs, we will retain your deposit and, in addition, apply cancellation charges up to the maximum shown below.

Period before departure within which written cancellation is required	Amount of cancellation charge shown as % of holiday price
More than 64 days	Deposit
64 days to departure	100%

Note.

If the reason for cancellation is covered under the terms of an insurance policy, you may be able to reclaim these charges. If you have a complaint during your holiday, please inform our Driver/Courier, or representative, who will do their utmost to resolve the problem immediately. If the matter cannot be put right on the spot, you must notify us in writing within 14 days of the completion of your holiday, and this must be sent to our office. You must quote your booking reference number holiday and departure date.

Statutory authorities These holidays are issued subject to current applicable acts of Parliament and Government Regulations and the company reserves the right to modify itineraries to conform to requests from the competent authorities in the UK and any other sovereign state through which the tours run.

Passport For all continental holidays you will require a full 10 year British Passport.



Company bonding All monies received for tours and short breaks will be held in trust with the bank. Monies can generally be withdrawn after the completion of the trip, though there are exceptions e.g. when a trip is cancelled, or for necessary pre-payment of components of the package.

If we change your holiday The arrangements for holidays are made many months in advance and changes are sometimes unavoidable. Most of these changes may be very minor but where they are significant we will notify you as soon as is reasonably possible before your departure date. A significant change would be recorded as changes in the departure date, departure point, or resort area, reducing the quality of your main hotel (not single overnight hotels on touring holidays) or a change of tour itinerary which involves a destination being completely eliminated from the revised itinerary or reducing the specification on the coach. In the event of a significant change you may decide to:

- a) continue with the "holiday" as amended
- or b) accept an alternative holiday which we may offer you
- or c) cancel your booking

If you choose (a) or (b) we will transfer your holiday to another.

If you choose (c) we will refund all monies paid by you.

If we cancel your holiday It is necessary for there to be a minimum number of passengers in order to operate the tour. In certain circumstances, therefore, we may have to cancel your holiday, and if this should occur we would return to you all the money you have paid us with the exception of the inclusive premium paid or offer you a suitable alternative.

Our responsibilities to you We accept responsibilities for ensuring that all component parts of your holiday as described are supplied to you to a reasonable standard and this includes optional excursions.

1) Please remember that some amenities (e.g. hotel lifts, swimming pools etc.) require servicing and cleaning and may not therefore be available at all times. Some services may be affected by weather conditions and their availability is entirely at the discretion of the provider of the service. Entertainment (particularly live entertainment) provided by hotels is frequently subject to demand and its nature and/or frequency may be varied if there is lack of demand or insufficient numbers staying in the hotel.



2) Some excursion itineraries include the use of ferries and other forms of transport, which can be affected by inclement weather, and may have to be cancelled or arrangements changed. Whenever possible a suitable alternative excursion will be offered.

3) The published running times of services are estimated only and we will not be liable for any loss (whatsoever caused) arising from delay or failure to operate services in accordance with published timings.

European holidays No price guarantee (i.e. any or all permissible elements may be surcharged)

The price of your holiday is subject to surcharges on the following items:
Government action, VAT, currency and fuel. Even in this case, we will absorb an amount equivalent to 2% of the holiday price, which excludes insurance premiums, and any amendment charges. Only amounts in excess of this 2% will be surcharged. If this means paying more than 10% on the holiday price you will be entitled to cancel your holiday with a full refund of all money paid except for any premium paid to us for holiday insurance and amendment charge. Should you decide to cancel because of this, you must exercise your right to do so within 14 days from the issue date printed on the invoice.
Surcharges will not be imposed within 30 days of departure.

Holiday information (not part of contract)

1. Children reductions..... see individual holidays

2. Seating arrangements There is a seating plan of the coach for each holiday, but it is possible that on occasions for operational reasons a coach of a different configuration may be used, and we therefore reserve the right to alter a seating plan and allocate seats should it be necessary.

3. Smoking All coaches are non-smoking

4. Travel documents When you have paid your balance we will send you all the necessary information and labels.

5. Special care for the disabled Disabilities and medical problems, should you or members of your party have any medical condition or disability that may affect your/ their holiday or that of other passengers, you must provide full written details to us at the time of booking so that we can advise you of the suitability of the holiday. This applies whether the booking is made in person, in writing, or by telephone. If a particular issue is identified, we reserve the right to request a doctor's certificate

confirming that the passenger is fit for travel and reserve the right to refuse any booking in the absence of such doctor's certificate being produced upon request. If a passenger requires personal assistance (for example but not limited to assistance with feeding/ dressing/toileting/ mobilizing) then this passenger must travel with an able bodied companion/carer and written confirmation that such assistance will be provided for the entirety of the holiday is required at the time of booking. Coach drivers/tour managers are unable to offer such assistance. Whilst we will make every reasonable adjustment to do so, if we are unable to accommodate the needs of a passenger or believe that the medical condition or disability of a passenger is likely to adversely affect other passengers, we reserve the right to decline the booking. We also reserve the right to cancel any holiday and impose cancellation charges if we are not fully advised of any relevant disability or medical condition at the time the booking is made and subsequently decide that we are unable to accommodate this passenger. This applies whether we advise that we are unable to accommodate a passenger either before departure or during the holiday and if this occurs during the holiday then we will seek additional costs of returning the passenger home.

6. Special needs Unfortunately, many hotels overseas do not provide adequate facilities for guests with mobility problems or who suffer from other disabilities. We will accept lightweight wheelchairs for travel, subject to them being able to be folded and stowed away in the luggage hold of the coach. We regret we are unable to accept wheelchairs which are more than 20 kg in weight. This means we cannot carry battery powered wheelchairs or scooters that need to be taken apart for storage. We MUST be advised at the time of booking that a folding wheelchair is being taken on the trip, as we have also to consider the luggage capacity of the coach. Our drivers and escorts will be happy to provide general assistance to passengers but will not be expected to:

- Provide assistance that extends to the bodily lifting and carrying of any customers on and off the coach;
- Undertake any action that may put their health, safety, welfare or the legal requirements for a break in duty at risk;
- Act as carers for customers at departure, during the journey or on arrival at destination. But whether you are planning a holiday overseas or in the UK, please notify us before you book if you or any member of your party has special needs or suffers from any disability. We are keen to plan arrangements for your holiday so that special needs and requests can be accommodated as far as possible. If you will need assistance or special facilities in the hotel, or may have difficulties in taking part in excursions or boarding and travelling on the coach or other means of transport you must let us know in advance. Not all the holidays in this brochure may be suitable for you. We want you to enjoy your holiday and will try to help you select an appropriate trip. If you need advice or further information, please contact Taurus Holidays.



7. Diets If you require a special diet you must inform us at the time of booking and remit a copy of the diet. You must pay any additional cost to the hotel before departure.

8. Ground floor accommodation Request for ground floor rooms must be made on booking form under special requests and cannot be guaranteed.

9. Rooming arrangements Most of our holidays include all accommodation with full private facilities within the charge. Single occupancy of rooms when available may be subject to a supplementary charge and this will be shown on the brochure page. Although some tours featured in this brochure have no single supplement, spaces are limited and therefore sell quickly. However, additional single rooms may be requested but will be subject to availability and a charge made by the hotel.

10. Entertainment As shown in holiday description and subject to discretion of hotel management.

11. Covid 19 We want to ensure that while Covid 19 restrictions may be in place you are still able to fully enjoy your holiday with us. It is very important that we all follow some simple guidelines to protect our staff, our passengers and anyone else that we may come into contact with as we carry out our holidays. As such, please ensure you help maintain the hygiene levels that we currently have in place to reduce the spread of any disease.

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