

# Taurus Holidays



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

### Bedfordshire

Bedfordshire	Bedford Railway Station
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Essex	Thurrock - Motorway Services
Kent	Medway - Motorway Services Dover - Ferry Terminal

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# Taurus Holidays



*To Pauline and Roger,  
Yet another fantastic holiday,  
thank you both for taking such  
good care of us all. It has been  
a holiday of beautiful views.  
Lots of love Nancy & all*

*To Pauline & Roger,  
Can't thank you enough for  
such a wonderful holiday.  
Hope to travel  
with you again soon.*

*Dear Pauline,  
Just want to say a BIG, BIG thank  
you for looking after me on our lovely  
Switzerland holiday with you and Roger.  
I know you would do the same for other  
people as that's the kind of person you are.  
I am looking forward so much to be with  
Taurus for our holiday to Como.  
I promise no more trip ups!  
Lots of love, Margaret xxx.*

*To Roger & Pauline,  
Very many thanks for another wonderful  
holiday. the time here has gone all too quickly,  
but we now look forward to joining with you  
again to Lake Como etc.  
With Love,  
Marilyn & Terry*

*To Pauline and Roger,  
We can't thank you enough for such  
a wonderful holiday. Hope to travel  
again with you soon.  
Marian & Richard Quinsey*

*Dear Roger & Pauline,  
Just a big thank you for an enjoyable  
mystery holiday. You both worked  
very hard to make it a special holiday.  
It was lovely to see familiar  
faces again.*





5 DAYS  
£419

24-28 January

## January 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.

#### 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.

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

### YOUR 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.

### TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ Excursions & Entrances
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide

### TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **24-28 January**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

### TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£419.00**

Single room supplement

**£76.00** (Tw/Dbf for  
Sole Occupancy)





5 DAYS  
£409

7 - 11 February

## A Taste of Cornwall

### HOLIDAY CENTRE

Located on Cornwall's Atlantic Coast, Newquay has previously been voted as "One of the Nation's Favourite Seaside Towns" in the prestigious Which Holiday Survey, "Newquay also has some of Cornwall's finest beaches! Newquay's laid-back charm is here for everyone to enjoy. Newquay has been a major tourist destination for more than a century, principally on account of its coastline and nine long and accessible sandy beaches, including Fistral. Newquay was originally the fishing port of Towan Blistra before the new quay was built in the fifteenth century. Among other things, the quay was used for the import of coal and the export of mined ore during the heyday of the tin and copper mining industries. For many years, the main industry was pilchard fishing and salting. Even before this, it was the site of an Iron Age fort. Although the pilchards disappeared long ago, there are still a few boats fishing from Newquay and there are plenty of pleasure craft here as well.



#### 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 Newquay and the Fistral Beach Hotel, where you will spend the next 4 nights with dinner, bed and breakfast. On Arrival a Cream Tea will be served in the lounge, where you can unwind after your journey and take in the beautiful views of Fistral Beach. At 6pm join the others for a glass or Cornish Cider, then into dinner in the Beach View Restaurant.

#### Day 2 - Truro & Skinners Brewery

After breakfast our trip takes us to Skinners Brewery. In 1997, armed only with his own surname, a chap called Steve Skinner dreamed of setting up a community brewery in Cornwall. On the banks of the Truro River, he and his family brewed ground-breaking golden ale, and named it after the tin-mining faeries of local myth. With Cornish Knocker, Steve set out his stall for concocting trailblazing ales, following it with another legendary brew, a brazen amber ale called Betty Stogs, which CAMRA named Britain's best bitter. Countless barrels and hundreds of awards later, the company has grown, but they're still a family business. A tasting of some of the Ales is provided. We will also have a pasty lunch.

#### Day 3 - Eden Project

Today is a full day's visit to the Eden Project. Depart after breakfast for the Eden Project. (Admission Included). Millions have already visited this 35-acre crater overlooking St Austell Bay, a phenomenal success. The awesome geodesic structures are the world's largest greenhouses, accommodating a fascinating array of plants from

## YOUR HOTEL - THE FISTRAL BEACH HOTEL



Fistral Beach Hotel & Spa, Esplanade Rd, Newquay, Cornwall. TR7 IPT  
Tel: 01637 852221

Set upon the cliff overlooking the sandy shores of Cornwall's most iconic beach, is Fistral Bay in Newquay. The Fistral Beach hotel

features panoramic views of Fistral Bay. This adults only hotel and spa boasts a bar, restaurant and free Wi-Fi throughout, an indoor swimming pool and a fitness centre. Fistral Beach Hotel features 71 beautifully designed rooms and suites with a flat-screen TV and tea and coffee making facilities. The en suite bathrooms have luxury complimentary toiletries. The Bay Bar and the Dune Restaurant feature stunning coastal views. Dishes from the à la carte menu are prepared using local and seasonal produce. The hotel's luxury ESPA Spa boasts a sauna, a hot tub, and a beauty salon. Spa treatments include massages, facials and body wraps. Newquay's lively town centre is 1 miles away.

everywhere - tropics, rainforests, Oceania, the Mediterranean - and outside, whatever grows under the warm Cornish sun. And not to be overlooked is the Eden Project's role as a new scientific institute and forum for the 21st Century, a centre of communication, education and participation. After a great day out, we return to our hotel for our evening meal.

### Day 4 - ½ Day to 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. You will have a chance to sample some Cornish ciders along with an Orchards Tour (weather permitting). We then return back to the hotel to relax before our 5 course taster menu sampling some of the best seafood Cornwall has to offer with a glass of Camel Valley's sparkling wine. Followed by live entertainment.

### 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 Fistral Beach Hotel and head for home. There will be comfort stops en route, and you should be back in your local area by late afternoon.

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.



## 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.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **7 - 11 February**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£409.00**

Single room supplement

**£40.00**





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**5 DAYS**  
**£499**
**1 - 5 April**

## A Victorian Steam Journey - All Inclusive

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



#### 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/soft drink at dinner each night, plus tea and coffee. Free Bar from 6.30pm - 10.30pm.

#### Day 2 - Loch Katrine Steam Cruise

After breakfast we head into the Trossachs and the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park to enjoy 2 hour cruise on Loch Katrine on Ship Lady of the Lake with afternoon tea. We then retrace our steps back to the hotel.

#### Day 3 - Falkirk Wheel & Steam Railway

After breakfast we visit the iconic Falkirk Wheel the world's only rotating boatlift which connects the Forth & Clyde and Union canals. It was constructed to replace a series of 19th century lock gates. Here you will have a boat trip on wheel and the canal. The 50-minute journey lifts the boat up to join the Union Canal 35m above and sails smoothly from the Falkirk Wheel onto the Union Canal before returning to your starting point at the Visitor Centre. Leaving on the coach from the Falkirk Wheel, we travel to Bo'Ness station for a round trip on the heritage Bo'Ness & Kinneil steam railway with a traditional afternoon cream tea served on board. The Museum of Scottish Railways is also included and there is a short walk over a footbridge or a 500m level walk from the station to the museum buildings. After a great day we return to Drymen and our hotel.



## 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.

**Day 4 - Glasgow's Museum of Transport & Loch Lomond**

Today 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 to Loch Lomond for a 1hr cruise on the Loch. Afterwards we return back to Drymen and our hotel.

**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.



## SPECIAL NOTES

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- Itinerary could be subject to change

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Free Bar 6.30pm - 10.30pm
- ✓ Entertainment on 2 Evenings
- ✓ Included Excursions:
- ✓ 2hr Cruise on Loch Katrine
- ✓ Lunch at Loch side Restaurant
- ✓ Ride on Falkirk Wheel
- ✓ Bo'Ness and Kinneil Steam Railway
- ✓ With Afternoon Tea
- ✓ 1hr Cruise Loch Lomond

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Friday**

Dates: **1 - 5 April**

Meals: **Full Board**

**Packed Lunches: x 3**

**Drinks Package Included**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£499.00**

Single room supplement

**£76.00**



7 DAYS  
£619

16 – 22 April

## 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. Enjoy the fine circular walk from the castle along the river and through the Ness Islands where you can watch anglers casting long lines to leaping Atlantic salmon. You can even buy a daily ticket and try it for yourself. Above the city lies Craig Phadrig, once the stronghold of Pictish Kings, which offers interesting forest walks and magnificent views of the Moray Firth, home to a diverse range of wildlife including bottlenose dolphins which can even be seen from the city.

#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel north with comfort stops en route, to our overnight hotel, The Holiday Inn Glasgow Airport, where we will spend our first night with dinner (choice of 3 starters, 3 main & 3 desserts), 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 - Jewel in the Crown of the Highlands 11am

After breakfast we head north to Dunrobin Castle, (included) the most northerly of Scotland's great houses. It is the largest house in the Highlands, with 189 rooms and is one of Britain's oldest continuously inhabited houses, dating from the early 1300s, home to the Earls and later, the Dukes of Sutherland. The Castle, which resembles a French château with its towering conical spires, has seen the architectural influences of Sir Charles Barry, who designed London's Houses of Parliament, and Scotland's own Sir Robert Lorimer. The Castle was used as a naval hospital during the First World War and as a boys' boarding school from 1965 to 1972.

#### Day 4 - Loch Ness

Today we shall explore Loch Ness with a boat trip, may be Nessy will put in an appearance. We shall board the boat at Dochgarroch Lock for a 2hr cruise.

## YOUR HOTEL - BEST WESTERN INVERNESS PALACE HOTEL & SPA



The 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, they 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 hair dryer, 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.

### Outward

Holiday Inn Hotel  
Glasgow Airport  
Glasgow  
Paisley  
PA3 2TE

Tel: 0371 4234876

### 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

We will then head down to Fort Augustus where you can explore the little village on the south shore of Loch Ness, with its little shops and eateries, along with the Caledonian Canal and Loch chambers. Later we return to the 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.

## SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
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- There are Tea/Coffee Facilities in the rooms
- Itinerary could be subject to change

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

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

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **7 Days**

Departure: **Saturday**

Dates: **16 - 22 April**

Meals: **Full Board at Main Hotel**

**Included Excursions**

**Entrances**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£619.00**

Single room supplement

**£179.00** (Tw/Dbf for Sole Occupancy)



## Floriade - Dutch Delights

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

When you think about Holland, you probably envision Windmill, Clogs and Tulips. Huge fields split up into strips filled with bright tulips, daffodils and hyacinths in the most wonderful colours. Enjoy them in springtime in the flower-bulb region around Leiden. When the flower bulbs are blooming, this may well be the most colourful region in the world. Amersfoort and its inner city have been preserved well since medieval times. Points of interest are Sint-Joriskerk (Saint George's church), the canal-system with its bridges, as well as medieval and other old buildings; many are designated as national monuments. During medieval times, Amersfoort was an important centre for the textile industry, and there were a large number of breweries.



#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we depart our local area, to travel direct to Dover for our morning ferry to Calais. We travel through France and into Belgium and then the Netherlands, with comfort stops en route. Passing Utrecht we head for Amersfoort. We arrive at the 3\* Kontakt der Kontinenten Hotel in Amersfoort, where we check-in and spend the next 3 nights with dinner, (3 course with choice of main) bed and buffet breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Floriade

After Breakfast we travel a short distance to the Floriade. Floriade is the international horticultural show that is organized in the Netherlands every ten years since 1960, an imposing event in a different location every time. Covers sixty hectares (148 acres) of land, and Almere will be the stage for the Floriade International Horticultural Expo 2022: the greenest day out. Once every 10 years Floriade is the park to enjoy the scent and colour of flowers, plants, vegetables and fruit. The Expo offers 40 inspiring country presentations, a spectacular greenhouse complex, and a cable car over the Floriade park, pavilions with sustainable innovations and a vibrant arts and culture programme. (Entrance included. Ride on cable car single journey) After a wonderful day we return back to the hotel to relax before dinner.

#### Day 3 - Keukenhof Gardens

One of the most spectacular gardens in the world can be found at Keukenhof. (Entrance included) Think of Keukenhof as an "amusement park for flowers". There are meandering paths, fields exploring with colour as millions of tulips are blooming, and the site has the requisite windmill or two, as well as a variety of exhibits.

## YOUR HOTEL - KONTAKT DER KONTINENTEN



Kontakt der Kontinenten Hotel, Amersfoortse straat 20, Soesterberg, Netherlands

Tel: +31 (0)346 351755

The 3\* Kontakt der Kontinenten hotel, a former mission house and monastery, is just 5 minutes on foot from the centre of Amersfoort. The hotel is light and airy with a

great Restaurant. Their internationally oriented kitchen offers excellent meals, also from the restaurant you have a direct view and access to the terrace and beautiful forest garden. There are 125 bedrooms all with en-suit, TV, Telephone and Wi-Fi. The lounge serves as the living room, where you can get a freshly brewed cup of coffee or tea for free throughout the day. There are lounge chairs and a large reading table where you can calmly read the newspaper or a magazine. Free internet via Wi-Fi is available everywhere. In the monastery Cenakel there is also a lounge with delicious coffee, newspapers and wireless Internet. In the bar you can relax while enjoying a drink and a snack. In good weather you can stroll with a drink from the bar to the large terrace overlooking the forest.

The number of bulb-growing companies taking part has now grown from 10 to more than 100, but the Keukenhof's character remains unchanged: every year it exhibits the best and most beautiful flowers in the Netherlands. Keukenhof has become one of the best-known attractions in the country and one of the most photographed sights in the world. A design dating back to 1840. The majestic trees and the pond date back to that time. In the years following, the Keukenhof Estate was further developed into the present 32-hectare park. Areas of beautiful displays inside the many Pavilions. Many places for relaxation and refreshments. After a colourful day we return back to the hotel to relax before dinner. Rest of evening at leisure.

**Day 4 - Depart for Home**

After breakfast and cases have been loaded onto the coach, we depart the hotel making our way back to the port and our afternoon ferry to Dover, to arrive home later this evening.

You're 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.



## SPECIAL NOTES

- Currency for this tour in the Euro
- Full valid Passport
- Insurance
- To phone back to England: +44 then leave off the zero of your STD code then the number
- There are no Tea/Coffee making facilities in the rooms (please bring your own)
- Special requests are put forward to the hotel, and they will do their utmost to accommodate your needs.
- Itinerary could be subject to change.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Ferries
- ✓ 3 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Tourist Tax
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entrance to Floriade, Cable Car Ride (one way)
- ✓ Entrance to Keukenhof Gardens
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **4 Days**

Departure: **Friday**

Dates: **29 April - 2 May**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£499.00**

Single room supplement

**£46.00**



5 DAYS  
£469

12 – 16 May

## The Wonders of the Peak District

### HOLIDAY CENTRE

A world of contrasting natural beauty, with moors and dales, rivers, springs and caverns are at the heart of it all. The area is known and loved by many for its breath-taking views, bustling market towns and pretty villages, historic houses, famous attractions and hundreds of traditional events, such as the unique Derbyshire custom of Well Dressing. From the high, moorland plateaus in the north, to the steep-sided, deep dales and rolling green hills in the south of the area, the Peak District & Derbyshire has just about any landscape you can imagine in Britain, making it one of the finest areas in the country. The Peak District will sure enough become one of your favourite destinations!



#### Day 1 - Depart for Derbyshire

After boarding your luxury coach, we make our way north west to the town of Stratford on Avon. Time for a little sightseeing and lunch before we continue our journey to the Mickleover Court Hotel where will spend the next 4 nights with dinner (choice of 3 starters 4 main 3 desserts) bed and breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Chatsworth House & Garden

After a nice relaxing breakfast, we will head off to Chatsworth House. The House is renowned for the quality of its art, landscape and hospitality, and it has evolved through the centuries to reflect the tastes, passions and interests of succeeding generations. (Entrance Included) Chatsworth contains works of art that span 4,000 years, from ancient Roman and Egyptian sculpture, and masterpieces by Rembrandt, Reynolds and Veronese. There are over 30 rooms to explore, from the magnificent Painted Hall, regal State Rooms, restored Sketch Galleries and beautiful Sculpture Gallery. Explore the Orangery shop at the end of the house route and relax in the garden or the Stables for something to eat. There are plenty of places to stop for a treat whether you fancy a light bite, hearty meal or an indulgent afternoon tea, they have something for everyone.

#### Day 3 - Tour of the Peaks

Today after breakfast, we take a scenic drive around the Peaks District travelling through beautiful scenery and villages. To places like Castleton, with its Norman ruins of Peveril Castle, completed in 1086 for William Peveril, a favoured knight of William the Conqueror. There is also Peak Cavern the largest natural cave mouth in Europe - large enough for cottages and even an inn to be built inside in previous times. Known as the Devils Arse.

## YOUR HOTEL - MICKLEOVER COURT HOTEL



Menzies Mickleover Court Hotel, Etwahl Rd, Derby, DE3 0XX

Tel: 0330 028 3404

The Menzies Mickleover Court Hotel is a modern and comfortable 4\* hotel equipped for both business and leisure. The hotel has 99

bedrooms; the room décor and furnishing are contemporary and comfortable.

All rooms have en-suite bathrooms, tea and coffee making facilities, air-conditioned, Iron & Ironing board, and complimentary toiletries. You are guaranteed superbly comfortable beds with crisp linen and plump pillows, and all those 21st century essentials: free Wi-Fi, flat screen TVs with Sky Sports and 24-hour room service. The Hallmark Grill with its informal but attentive service is a big hit with people of Mickleover as well as the hotel guests.

Nowadays the space it used for special events, including Christmas carol concerts. Castleton is the only place in the world where the semi-precious stone Blue John, unique to the Peak District and Derbyshire, We then return to our hotel to relax before dinner.

### Day 4 - Crich Tramway Village

Step back in time along our recreated period street where you won't have to wait long for the rumble of a vintage tram. (Unlimited Vintage Tram Rides & Museums Included) Many of the buildings along the street have been rescued from towns and cities across the UK, such as the Derby Assembly Rooms façade which came to Crich after a tragic fire. The Red Lion Pub and Restaurant came all the way from Stoke and was re-built brick by brick. Also look out for the street furniture, which is dotted along the street, including the Bundy Clock at Town End Terminus and the Exhibition Hall windows which were rescued from the Doncaster tram depot. Soak up the atmosphere in their period street with a visit to the shops and take refreshments in the tearooms and pub.



© The National Tramway Museum

### Day 5 - Return Journey Home

After another wonderful breakfast and cases have been loaded on to the coach. It is time to say goodbye to the Mickleover Court Hotel and head for home. There will be a comfort stop en route, and you should be back in your local area by the 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.

## 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.
- Program could be subject to alteration.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entrance to Chatsworth House & Gardens
- ✓ Entrance to Crich Tramway Museum

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Thursday**

Dates: **12 - 16 May**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£469.00**

Single room supplement

**£68.00** (Double room for Sole Occupancy)





Courtesy of Tourism NorthernIreland

7 DAYS  
£749

22 - 28 May

## Fill your heart with Ireland

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

The allure of the magnificent lakes of county Fermanagh lies in their wealth of untouched natural beauty and 70 km of crystal-clear waters which captivate and enchant people around the world. This idyllic south-west region of Northern Ireland is surely one of Europe's best kept secrets. Lough Erne offers a piece of paradise for not only the people of Fermanagh, but for the countless varieties of wildlife, from swans and sand pipers to garden warblers and nightjars to the countless fish types of the Lough. For the rest of us, there is the beautiful scenery. The Erne makes its way from each end of county Fermanagh in style, running into a huge island studded lake where the ancient town of Enniskillen stands, 'Enniskillen is known as the island town. The town itself is built on an island at the narrowing of the Lough. You have to cross a bridge to get into the city and then you see a beautiful castle right on the lake.'

#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we make our way to Wales and the port of Holyhead and our Ferry to Dublin Port. On arrival we make our way to our overnight hotel, which is on the outskirts of Dublin, where we will spend 1 night with dinner bed & breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Depart for Fermanagh Lakelands

Departing our hotel after breakfast, we make our way to Drogheda and the Battle of the Boyne Museum. The Visitor Centre is located in the recently restored 18th century Oldbridge House, the site of a famous historic battle in the 17th century. The battle is brought to life using a laser battle site model, audio visual film, real and replica weaponry and interactive guided tours. There is a Victorian Walled garden with unique sunken Octagonal Garden, herbaceous borders, Peach House. There is also the Pavilion Tearoom which overlooks the Victorian garden. An ideal place for lunch. We then head further west to our hotel in Killadeas, the Manor House County Hotel where we spend the next 4 nights with dinner and full Irish breakfast.

#### Day 3 - Derry

Derry, officially Londonderry is the second-largest city in Northern Ireland and the fourth-largest city on the island

of Ireland. In 1613, the city was granted a Royal Charter by King James I, and gained the "London" prefix to reflect the funding of its construction by the London guilds. While the city is more usually known colloquially as Derry. The old walled city lies on the west bank of the River Foyle, which is spanned by two road bridges and one footbridge. Here we will have a local guide to take us on a tour of its walls and historical buildings.

#### Day 4 - Blessingbourne Country Estate

The Lowry family home, a beautiful historic 550-acre Country Estate, nestled in the heart of woodlands, lakes and wildlife on the edge of the Clogher Valley, Blessingbourne Estate offers guests a unique experience complimented by a warm welcome from estate owners Colleen and Nicholas Lowry.

Captain Robert Lowry the father of our current Estate owner Nicholas inherited the Estate from Peter Montgomery. Over his many years living on the Estate, Captain Robert Lowry's hobby of collecting vintage style horse drawn Carriages, coaches, buggies and a wide variety of other vintage transport has grown into our very own Costume and Carriage museum. There will be refreshments and home baked cakes.



## YOUR HOTEL - MANOR HOUSE COUNTRY HOTEL

Located in the heart of the Fermanagh Lakelands, near Enniskillen, on the shores of Lower Lough Erne, Manor House Country Hotel is one of Northern Ireland's leading hotels. It is the perfect country retreat; you will experience a true sense of tranquillity and enjoy superb views of Lough Erne. Steeped in history; the origins of Manor House Country Hotel date back to the 17th century. A family owned property that combines old world charm with modern hotel luxury and a warm Fermanagh welcome to give this Fermanagh hotel a charming country house ambience. All rooms have en-suite facilities, TV, Telephone, tea/coffee making facilities, free Wi-Fi. Take in the view of Lower Lough Erne while enjoying a swim in the large Romanesque pool complete with pool lounge and conservatory area. Please note swim caps are required and can be purchased. Take time out in the Jacuzzi, enjoy a session in the Steam room or spend some time in the Sauna or simply enjoy a relaxing soak in their outdoor hot-tub.

### Outward

The Royal Hotel Bray  
Main Street  
Bray, Co. Wicklow  
A98 F8D3  
Ireland  
Tel: +353 1 286 2935

### Main

Manor House Country Hotel  
John Wesley Rd  
Enniskillen  
BT94 1NY  
Ireland  
Tel: 028 6862 2200

### Return

Talbot Hotel  
Stillorgan Rd  
Stillorgan  
Dublin  
Ireland  
Tel: +353 1 200 1800

### Day 5 - Belleek Pottery & Ulster American Folk Park

After breakfast, we head to Belleek Pottery for a tour of this amazing factory, Ireland's oldest pottery having produced delicate Parian China for over 150 years. Later we then visit the Ulster American Folk Park which is an open-air museum just outside Omagh, in County Tyrone. Immerse yourself in the story of the brave emigrants who made the journey across the Atlantic to America hundreds of years ago. Enter thatched cottages and meet costumed characters who will show you traditional crafts tell you a few stories and maybe even share a bit of their good food.

### Day 6 - Depart for Dublin & Hotel

After breakfast and our cases have been loaded on the coach, we say farewell to our hosts at the Manor House Country Hotel and head for Dublin. Free time can be had in Dublin for shopping and sightseeing before we head for our last overnight hotel, The Talbot Hotel.

### Day 7 - Depart for Home

After an early start, and a Grab & Go breakfast, and cases have been loaded into the coach, we say farewell to our hosts at the Talbot Hotel, and head for the port of Dublin for our morning ferry back to Holyhead at 8.05am. Breakfast will be on board (included). Arriving in Holyhead we make our way back through Wales with stops en route. Arriving home 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

**£749.00**

Single room supplement

**£106.00** (in double / twin room)

## SPECIAL NOTES

- The currency you will need for this tour is Pound Sterling & Euro's
- 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.
- To ring back to England, In Northern Ireland you dial: Your normal number. In Southern Ireland: \*44 then your number without the beginning 0.
- Program could be subject to alteration.
- Overnight bags can be taken

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel & Ferries
- ✓ 6 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Entrance: Blessingbourn Country Estate
- ✓ With Tea & Cakes
- ✓ Entrance: Ulster American Folk Park
- ✓ Entrance: Belleek Pottery
- ✓ Entrance to Battle of Boyne Museum
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **7 Days**

Departure: **Sunday**

Dates: **22 - 28 May**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**



5 DAYS  
£539

5 – 9 June

## History with Mystery in the Scottish Borders

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

New Lanark is an exceptional example of a purpose-built 18th century mill village, set in a picturesque Scottish landscape near the Falls of Clyde, where in the early years of the 19th century, the Utopian idealist Robert Owen (1771-1858) inspired a model industrial community based on textile production. It was there that Owen first applied his form of benevolent paternalism in industry. It was there, too, that he formulated his Utopian vision of a society without crime, poverty, and misery. New Lanark prospered under his enlightened management. New Lanark is a small village the imposing cotton mill buildings, the spacious and well-designed worker's housing, and the dignified educational institute and school still testify to Owens humanism.



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#### 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 New Lanark and our Hotel, where we will spend the next 4 night's half board.

#### Day 2 - New Lanark World Heritage Site

We spend today at New Lanark, one of Scotland's six UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and discover the fascinating 200 year social history of this beautifully restored cotton mill village. Listen to the story of a mill girl from 1820 during the Annie McLeod Experience, see working textile machinery, enjoy the views from the Imaginatively designed roof garden and explore the Millworkers house, The village store and Robert Owens house and school. The Mill Shop offers a selection of delightful gifts and Scottish produce including wool which is spun on site.

#### Day 3 - Drumlanrig Castle

After breakfast we depart for a guided tour of the majestic Drumlanrig Castle, one of Britain's grandest castles and a treasure-trove of delights, including a Rembrandt, remember to ask your guide about the Da Vinci that was stolen! The castle is one of the finest examples of 17th century Renaissance architecture in Scotland. With impressive gardens and breath-taking views across the Nith Valley, with afternoon tea on leaving the castle we travel back later to our hotel.

#### Day 4 - Rosslyn Chapel & Dawyck Botanic Garden

This morning we visit Rosslyn Chapel, a building that has intrigued historians, writers and artist over the years and its intricately carved stonework has inspired many theories, myths and legends.

## YOUR HOTEL - THE NEW LANARK MILL



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New Lanark Mill Hotel,  
Mill No.1, New Lanark Mills, New Lanark  
Rd, Lanark. ML11 9DB  
Tel: 01555 667200

The New Lanark Mill 4\* Hotel is located in the heart of the UNESCO New Lanark World Heritage Site in Scotland, a beautiful restored 18th-Century cotton mill village. Nestled in the spectacular

Clyde Valley in southern Scotland, a stone's throw from the Falls of Clyde. All thirty-eight of our bedrooms and the rooftop garden both offer stunning views of the river and the surrounding Conservation Area. All rooms are en suite with tea/coffee making facilities, TV, telephone, hairdryer, trouser press, iron/board. The restaurant overlooks the River Clyde and offers traditional Scottish dishes, whilst the Falls Bar serves a fine selection of drinks and bar food throughout the day. The hotel has extensive facilities, which include a heated indoor swimming pool, modern gym, sauna and steam room and spa facilities. The hotel is also surrounded by native woodlands and the Falls of Clyde the Hotel is ideal for woodland walks and wildlife spotting at the Wildlife reserve.

Situated on the outskirts of Edinburgh, the chapel's fame was boosted internationally by Dan Brown's novel *The Da Vinci Code*. Discover the highly decorated Lady Chapel, ponder the mystery of the exquisite carvings covering virtually every surface, count the "green men" and wonder at the stained glass windows depicting the chapel's rich history. Chapel guides give regular, free talks throughout the day. This afternoon we visit the stunning Dawyck Botanic Gardens renowned for its colourful seasonal displays, heritage tree collection and treasures from Nepal, Chile and China. We return back to the hotel to rest before dinner.

**Day 5 - Depart for home**

After all the suitcases have been packed and loaded onto the coach we say farewell to our hosts at the New Lanark Mill Hotel and head for home. With comfort stops on the way, we arrive back in 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.



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## 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 making facilities in the rooms
- Itinerary could be subject to change

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entrance to all Heritage site
- ✓ Guided Tour of Drumlanrig Castle & Country Estate
- ✓ Entrance to Rosslyn Chapel/Roslin
- ✓ Entrance to Dawyck Botanic Garden Peebles
- ✓ Services of Driver / Guide

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**  
 Departure: **Sunday**  
 Dates: **5 - 9 June**  
 Meals: **Half Board**  
**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person  
**£539.00**  
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 Single room supplement  
**£72.00** (double / twin  
 for sole use)



6 DAYS  
£629

12 – 17 June

## Rail & Sail in the Western Highlands

### 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 just 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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#### 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, plus tea and coffee.

#### Day 2 - Loch Katrine Steam Cruise

After breakfast we head into the Trossachs and the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park to enjoy a 2-hour relaxing cruise on Loch Katrine. As you watch the beautiful country side gently slip by from aboard the steamship SS Sir Walter Scott. Named after Scotland's much loved poet and author, this famous steamship captivates visitors with its intriguing 100 year history. We then retrace our steps back to the hotel.

#### Day 3 - Falkirk Wheel & Steam Railway

After breakfast we visit the iconic Falkirk Wheel the world's only rotating boatlift which connects the Forth & Clyde and Union canals. It was constructed to replace a series of 19th century lock gates. Here you will have a boat trip on wheel and the canal. The 50-minute journey lifts the boat up to join the Union Canal 35m above and sails smoothly from the Falkirk Wheel onto the Union Canal before returning to your starting point at the Visitor Centre. Leaving on the coach from the Falkirk Wheel, we travel to Bo'Ness station for a round trip on the heritage Bo'Ness & Kinneil steam railway with a traditional afternoon cream tea served on board. The Museum of Scottish Railways is also included and there is a short walk over a footbridge or a 500m level walk from the station to the museum buildings. After a great day we return to Drymen and our hotel.

## 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 packed lunch will be provided on three days.

## Day 4 - Oban and the Western Highlands

After breakfast we head for Glasgow Railway Station. Considered by many to be the most scenic rail journey in the world, the West Highland Line leaves Glasgow behind and delves deep into the wild west coast. You'll travel through a daunting landscape of mountains, steep-sided lochs, and heather moors. Keep an eye out for red deer, silhouetted on a skyline or half-hidden in the heather.

You'll pass some of the smallest, remotest stations on the network - a few buildings, and nothing more for miles around. And you'll be glad you've come by train, passing through country where no roads were ever built. There's a lot more to it than that, though. This is a side of Scotland you can only see from the train. The train sweeps along the north edge of Loch Awe, in the shadow of Ben Cruachan. Look out for Kilchurn Castle, a 15th century ruin at the head of Loch Awe. The train leaves the loch and pushes on along the River Awe towards Loch Etive. Look out for the frothing rapids at the Falls of Lora near Connell, before the train makes its way into Oban.



## Day 5 - Loch Lomond &amp; Cruise

A day exploring Loch Lomond with a stop at Lomond Shores for shopping, followed by a 2 hour cruise on the loch discovering its hidden Islands.

## 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.

## 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

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Entertainment on 2 Evenings
- ✓ Included Excursions:
- ✓ 2hr Cruise on Loch Katrine
- ✓ Ride on Falkirk Wheel
- ✓ Bo'Ness and Kinneil Steam Railway
- ✓ With Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Cruise on Loch Lomond (2hrs)

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **6 Days**

Departure: **Sunday**

Dates: **12 - 17 June**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£629.00**

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Single room supplement

**£95.00**





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**5 DAYS**  
**£469**
**4 - 8 July**

## Yorkshire Delights

### HOLIDAY CENTRE

Yorkshire is a historic county in northern England. It's known for its Roman and Viking heritage, as well as its Norman castles, medieval abbeys, and 2 national parks. The largest area is North Yorkshire, stretching from the Pennines in the west, to the north east coast, covering nearly 3500 square miles. Known by the locals as 'God's own county', it is celebrated for its varied landscape, which is host to two national parks. The North York Moors, with its spectacular heritage coastline, is a joy to behold. The Yorkshire Dales with its high peaks, low valleys, flowing rivers and patchwork fields ribboned with dry stone walling, is simply outstanding. The county town of York, founded by the Romans, is home to 13th-century cathedral York Minster, Tudor houses and medieval walls. The interactive Jorvik Viking Centre recalls the area's 9th-century Norse occupation.



#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we travel north with comfort stops en route, we are heading for York and the Burn Hall Hotel where we will spend the next 4 nights with dinner ( choice of 3 starters, 4 main and 3 desserts, plus tea/coffee) bed & breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Castle Howard

Today we spend most of the day at Castle Howard. (entrance included) This has been rated as "one of the world's top ten grandest Baroque mansions and the perfect setting for the hit TV series 'Brideshead Revisited.' Set within 1000 acres of breathtaking landscape, Castle Howard is an 18th century stunning mansion situated a short distance from York, as well as stunning architecture it boasts stunning grounds gardens and lakes and events are often held there. This afternoon we depart to the traditional market town of Thirsk, which is home to the famous vet and author James Harriot, after which we return back to our hotel to relax before dinner.

#### Day 3 - Boat Cruise & York

We start the day in York with a relaxing cruise along the river Ouse. Within York's towering medieval walls is a heart of rich and colourful character, with its history recorded in the streets, buildings and museums gathered around the mighty Minster. Discover as many of the treasures and architectural gems this remarkable city has to offer. Its cobbled streets, the famous Shambles and the National Railway Museum. Later we return back to the hotel, You may wish to visit the York Bird of Prey Centre just behind the hotel. It is home to over 50 birds and has become one of York and North Yorkshire's most popular tourist attractions. Complimentary entrance for hotel guests.

## YOUR HOTEL - THE BW BURN HALL HOTEL



The Best Western Burn Hall Hotel, Tollerton Road, Huby, York. YO61 1JB

Tel: 01347 825400

Set in the heart of North Yorkshire, The Burn Hall Hotel has an outstanding reputation for customer service. When visiting the hotel you will receive a very warm Yorkshire welcome

and will be looked after by a professional and friendly team to ensure that your expectations are exceeded at all times. Set in 8 acres of parkland, and surrounded by North Yorkshire countryside, Burn Hall offers 2 stylish restaurants, a modern bar and comfortable bedrooms. The Hotel offers 94 bedrooms including accessible rooms. The traditional rooms each have a private bathroom with free toiletries, rooms also feature a flat-screen TV, tea and coffee facilities and a work desk. Some rooms have scenic parkland views. The popular restaurants serve modern British cuisine, using fresh local produce. With quality service and elegant decor, the restaurants also offer a world wine list. Friendly Benson's Bar also offers a selection of beverages and snacks.

### Day 4 - North Yorkshire Moors Railway

Today we have a nostalgic trip on the North Yorkshire Moors Railway from Pickering to Whitby, with its famous cliff-top Abbey, harbour and Fish & Chips. Goathland railway stations was used as Hogsmeade in the Harry Potter Films, and the small town was called Aidsensfield in the Heartbeat TV series.

### Day 5 - Depart for Home

After all the suitcases have been packed and loaded onto the coach we leave our hosts at the Burn Hall Hotel and head for home. With comfort stops on the way, we arrive back in our local area late afternoon.

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.



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## 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

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Complementary Entrance to Birds of Prey Centre
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **4 - 8 July**

Meals: **Half Board**

Included Excursions

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£469.00**

Single room supplement

**£Nil** (8 rooms only)





5 DAYS  
£489

18 – 22 July

## Summer Mystery

### 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.

#### 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.

#### Days 2 to 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.

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



## YOUR 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.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ Included Excursions
- ✓ Services of Driver & Guide

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **18 – 22 July**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£489.00**

Single room supplement

**£100.00** (double / twin for sole use)





6 DAYS  
£609

3 – 8 August

## Isle of Man

### HOLIDAY CENTRE

Situated between the coast lines of England, Scotland Ireland and Wales, in the middle of the Irish Sea, you will find this beautiful island. Blessed with an extensive coastline, stunning natural landscape and unspoilt beaches, the Isle of Man is a perfect holiday destination.

Douglas, situated on the east coast of the Isle of Man. Douglas has been the island capital since 1863 and holds most of the island action. Its beautiful seafront is lined with picturesque hotels and restaurants. The shopping high street is filled with familiar names like Boots, Next etc, as well as many locally owned stores. From spring to early autumn the horse drawn trams run along the promenade which is two miles long. The magnificent sweep of Douglas Bay, against the background of green hills, has a charm hard to equal anywhere. Douglas was a pioneer in illuminations and at night presents a scene of spectacular beauty never to be forgotten.



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#### Day 1 - Depart for Heysham

After boarding our luxury coach, we start our journey heading north. There will be comfort stops en route. We head for Heysham in Lancashire for the 14:15hrs ferry to Douglas on Isle of Man. On arrival in Douglas at 18:00hrs, we make our way to the Empress Hotel only a few minutes away, where we spend the next 4 nights with dinner bed and breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Douglas to Port Erin

After breakfast, we head for the railway station in Douglas to take one of the great train journeys of the Isle of Man. Departing Douglas station for Port Erin at 09:50hrs. Step aboard the I.O.M steam railway, this is the longest narrow gauge steam line in the British Isle, running for 16 miles through glorious countryside between Douglas and Port Erin. The Port Erin Railway Museum tells the incredible story of Manx steam railways. Port Erin owes much of its existence to the Victorian tourist, who came for the beautiful sandy beach set in an enclosed harbour. Arriving in Port Erin, we can have time to explore and have lunch before we board our coach and travel down to Cregneash for wonderful views of the Calf of man returning to Douglas via Port Mary and Castletown. Don't forget to say good afternoon to the Fairies as you cross Fairy Bridge...this will bring you good luck.

#### Day 3 - Island Tour

Today we will have a tour of the island, places like St Johns, Tynwald Hill where the Isle of Man has its Parliament, Peel for lunch. Then on to Point of Aye Lighthouse, Bride to visit Norman Wisdoms grave, Ramsey, TT Racing Course and more. After an interesting day, we return to the hotel to relax before dinner.

## YOUR HOTEL - THE EMPRESS HOTEL



The Empress Hotel, Central Promenade, Douglas. IM2 4RA

Tel: 01624 661155

The Empress Hotel located right on the beachfront just a short walk away from the promenade and the busyness of the town centre and attractions. With 102 spacious bedrooms all equipped with LCD flat screen

TVs, direct dial telephone, free Wi-Fi, hairdryer and trouser press. There are two restaurants to choose from when dinner is served. The Brasserie is located on the upper floor which provides spectacular views of the bay, offering locally caught fish and mouth-watering grills. After a long day of sightseeing you can relax in one of the beauty rooms offering facials, waxing and massages or take advantage of the sauna and steam room.

## Day 4 - Ramsey, Laxey &amp; Snaefell Railway

After a hearty Manx breakfast you depart for Douglas on the Electric train to Laxey. Laxey is a village located on the East coast of the Island. The Laxey mines were the deepest mines in the world during the 1800s. The Great Laxey Wheel 'Lady Isabella' was used to pump water out of the mines. We then board the Snaefell Mountain Railway to the summit of Snaefell, the islands highest peak at 2034ft, this offers amazing views of the Laxey Glens and surrounding countryside. We rejoin our coach at Douglas to return to the hotel.

## Day 5 - Day at Leisure

Today you have a free day to do as you will. Shop, explore or just relax.

## Day 6 - Depart for Home

After an early Manx breakfast, and all cases have been loaded back onto the coach, we travel back to the port to catch the early morning ferry crossing to Heysham 08:45hrs. Arriving in Heysham approx 12:30hrs. We then retrace our steps back to our pick up area.

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.



## 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.
- Program could be subject to alteration.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel & Ferries
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Train Ride to Port Erin
- ✓ Manx Electric Railway & Snaefell Mountain Railway
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **6 Days**

Departure: **Wednesday**

Dates: **3 - 8 August**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Hotel not Suitable for Limited Mobility**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£609.00**

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Single room supplement

**£63.00**



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5 DAYS  
£589

8 - 12 August

## Edinburgh Tattoo - 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 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 just 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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#### 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' half board. 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/soft drink at dinner each night, plus tea and coffee. Free Bar from 6.30pm - 10.30pm.

#### Day 2 - Loch Lomond & Inveraray

Today we explore the West side of Loch Lomond and take the breathtaking route over the 'Rest and be Thankful' to the Royal Burgh of Inveraray, which enjoys a picturesque setting on the shores of Loch Fyne, where it meets Loch Shira. It was built on the site of an earlier fishing village in the mid 1700s by the 3rd Duke of Argyll, Chief of the powerful Clan Campbell. He demolished the original village to give his rebuilt castle more space, and rehoused the population in a new town that is one of the most attractive in Scotland. Here you can explore the town or visit the Jail House or take an optional visit to Inveraray Castle. Later we return back to the hotel.

#### Day 3 - Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Today we have an early lunch of soup and sandwiches, before leaving for Edinburgh. You will have the afternoon and early evening to explore and discover Edinburgh until a given time to be back to enter the castle for the Tattoo which starts at 6.30pm. Their story began seven decades ago and had humble beginnings. It was inspired by a simple show called 'Something About a Soldier' performed in 1949 at the Ross Bandstand. The bandstand is still there, in Princes Street Gardens just below the Castle.

## 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 packed lunch will be provided on three days.

Make sure to look out for it when you visit. Lieutenant Colonel George Malcolm was the first Producer of the Edinburgh Tattoo. He aimed to bring the Army's contribution to the Edinburgh International Festival to life. From a modest event in a park to today's global showcase at the Castle. After the Tattoo you will return to the coach where we will then return to the hotel for a light snack and drinks before bed.

**Day 4 - National Wallace Monument ½ Day**

After a leisurely breakfast we depart the hotel for Stirling and the Wallace Monument. Sir William Wallace, a hero of Scotland and a true patriot. He had a burning desire for peace and freedom which united the country's clans, gained the loyalty of its people, struck fear into his enemies and defied the cruel hand of an evil, warring and invading King - Edward I of England. All the drama of Wallace's campaign for freedom is captured at the world-famous National Wallace Monument - proudly standing on the Abbey Craig, overlooking the city of Stirling. (Entrance Included). From the car park a steep path leading to the top takes approx 10 - 15 mins (not for the infirm) or a complementary mini bus runs to the top. There are museums on each floor, and outside on the crown there are beautiful views over Stirling.

**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.

## 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

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ 4 Nights Hotel
- ✓ Dinner - 3 evenings
- ✓ Full Scottish Breakfast
- ✓ Free Bar 6.30pm - 10.30pm
- ✓ Lunch on Tattoo Day
- ✓ Light snack on return
- ✓ Entrance to Tattoo
- ✓ Entertainment on 2 Evenings
- ✓ Excursions

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**  
 Departure: **Monday**  
 Dates: **8 - 12 August**  
 Meals: **Full Board**  
**Included Excursions**  
**Edinburgh Tattoo Tickets**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£589.00**

Single room supplement

**£86.00**



5 DAYS  
£489

21 – 25 August

## Cheltenham - Tewkesbury & the Cotswolds

### 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 Cotswolds 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 arboreta's 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.



#### 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 the beautiful Cotswolds, to the Marriott Cheltenham Chase Hotel, where you will spend the next 4 nights with dinner, bed and breakfast. On Arrival there will be tea/coffee served in the lounge while your luggage is taken to your rooms. Relax before dinner.

#### Day 2 - Cotswold Villages & Hidcote Manor Garden

Today you can enjoy a scenic tour of the honey-coloured limestone towns and villages of the Cotswolds. Bourton-on-the-Water, the Venice of the Cotswolds; Stow-on-the-Wold, with its many fine antique shops and the wonderful historic village of Chipping Campden. This afternoon, enjoy a visit to Hidcote Manor Garden, where you can discover one of the country's great gardens, with its magnificent vistas and dazzling arrays of plants and flowers. Returning back to the hotel for dinner.

#### Day 3 - Cheltenham & Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway

Today you visit Cheltenham, England's most complete Regency town whose town houses, characterised by intricate ironwork balconies and painted stucco facades, line the historic Promenade, squares and terraces. Later you can enjoy a trip in the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway through the heart of the Cotswolds from Cheltenham to the wonderful honey-coloured village of Broadway. Returning by coach back to the hotel to relax before dinner.

#### Day 4 - Tewkesbury & Sudeley Castle

Discover the picturesque medieval town of Tewkesbury (market day).

## YOUR HOTEL - DELTA BY MARRIOTT CHELTENHAM CHASE HOTEL



Delta by Marriott Cheltenham Chase Hotel, Shurdington Rd, Brockworth, Gloucester. GL3 4PB

**Tel: 01452 519988**

Situated at the foot of the Cotswold Hills, the 4\* Delta Hotels by Marriott Cheltenham Chase offers 122 luxurious modern spacious rooms and have en suite bathrooms, free Wi-Fi and a plasma-screen TV. Rooms also offer

seating space, a work desk and tea and coffee-making facilities, iron and ironing board. The Reflections Leisure Club features an indoor swimming pool, hot tub and fully-equipped gym with personal trainers. There is also a beauty salon, offering an extensive range of spa treatments. The Hardy's Restaurant serves an international menu, with views over Cooper's Hill. The Hunter's Bar and Lounge serves a traditional bar menu in a casual setting.

Rich in timber-framed buildings, Tewkesbury has a long and fascinating history as well as being home to a famous Abbey. This afternoon you will visit Sudeley Castle, once the home of Katherine Parr, the last and surviving wife of Henry VIII, and its award-winning gardens. We return back to the hotel after a busy day.

### 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 Marriott Hotel and head for home. There will be comfort stops en route, and you should be back in your local area by late afternoon.

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.



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## SPECIAL NOTES

- Insurance
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- There are Tea/Coffee Facilities in the rooms
- Itinerary could be subject to change

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entrance to Hidcote Manor
- ✓ Train Ride
- ✓ Entrance to Sudeley Castle
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Sunday**

Dates: **21 - 25 August**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£489.00**

Single room supplement

**£100.00** (Double /  
Twin for Sole use)



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5 DAYS  
£589

28 Aug - 1 Sep

## Dublin & Wicklow - River & Rail

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

County Wicklow is named after the town of Wicklow, which derives from the Old Norse name *Vikingaló*, meaning "Vikings' Meadow". It is a region south of Dublin in the east of Ireland. It's known for its namesake mountains, Irish Sea coastline, country estates and the Wicklow Way. The 129km walking trail traverses the county, passing through Wicklow Mountains National Park. Within the park are glacial lakes, rivers and Glendalough, the remains of an early-medieval monastic settlement in a forested valley. Wicklow, colloquially known as "the Garden of Ireland", is the 17th-largest of Ireland's 32 counties.

#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, you make your way through Wales with comfort stops en route to Holyhead and your ferry to Dublin. On arrival in Dublin you then make your way to Enniskerry and the Summerhill House Hotel where you will spend the next 4 nights with dinner bed and breakfast. A Welcome drink for you on arrival, of cocktail or fruit punch, and complementary newspapers.

#### Day 2 - Wicklow Mountains

After breakfast we make our way into to Powerscourt Gardens and House, just a short way away. One of the world's great gardens situated 20km south of Dublin in the foothills of the Wicklow Mountains. (Entrance Included) Its formal gardens, Sweeping terraces, statuary and ornamental lakes together with secret hollows, are a sight to be seen. After the gardens, we travel to Glendalough an ancient monastic city. One of the most popular tourist destinations in Ireland. The remains of the famous early Christian monastic settlement first established in 6th century in the Glendalough Valley.

#### Day 3 - Train Journey on the Dart Railway

Begin today with a journey on Ireland's oldest railway (included), following the coast from Bray to Dublin. Accompanied by a local tour guide you'll enjoy a panorama of city, coast and countryside as the DART train carries you to the seaside resort of Malahide, where tea and scones will be served. This afternoon, you could include a visit to Malahide Castle.

#### Day 4 - Boat Trip

After a full Irish breakfast, what better place to begin your day in Dublin than on the River Liffey, with a boat cruise through the heart of the capital (included). A detailed commentary brings the city's history to life as you discover some of the major landmarks including Ha'penny Bridge and Customs House. Then enjoy a free afternoon in Dublin's many galleries, museums, shops and cafes or pubs. Returning to hotel to relax before dinner. A complimentary Irish coffee will be served after dinner.



## YOUR HOTEL - SUMMERHILL HOUSE HOTEL



Summerhill House Hotel, Enniskerry Demesne, Cookstown, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow. A98 WA40, Ireland  
Tel: +353 1 286 7928

This beautiful country-house hotel on the edge of Enniskerry features spacious rooms and seasonal cuisine, Rooms at Summerhill House

Hotel feature a private bathroom with free toiletries, Direct Dial telephone, Ironing facilities, Hairdryer and Tea/Coffee making facilities with herbal tea selection. Most rooms also offer scenic views of Bray Head. The Restaurant at Summerhill House serves seasonal, locally sourced cuisine, along with traditional Sunday lunches. The Cooper Beach Bar features an open fire, serving a wide range of drinks in cosy, relaxing surroundings. The Rainforest Day Spa is located next to the hotel and offers a range of spa packages. The spa overlooks the Irish Sea and the hills, with loungers surrounding the spa's hot tub. There is a sauna and a range of luxurious holistic and beauty treatments including Swedish massages.



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## Day 5 - Depart for Ferry &amp; Home

After an early start and cases have all been loaded onto the coach, we say farewell to our hosts at the Summerhill House Hotel, with a Grab & Go breakfast and head back to Dublin Port for our Ferry crossing back to Holyhead. Breakfast is supplied onboard the ferry (included). We arrive back in our local area, 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

**£589.00**

Single room supplement

**£96.00** (Double / Twin for Sole use)

## 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.
- The currency you will need for this tour is the Euro.
- To ring back to England you dial: +44 then minus the 0 from your code, followed by your number.
- Program could be subject to alteration.
- Exchange Rate: The price is NOT guaranteed against any fluctuations as a result of currency fluctuations. We have done our best to calculate in advance.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel & Ferries
- ✓ Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ 1 Nights Entertainment
- ✓ Entrance to Powerscourt Gardens
- ✓ Train Ride on Dart Railway
- ✓ Boat Cruise on the Liffey
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Sunday**

Dates: **28 Aug - 1 Sep**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**





8 DAYS  
£799

7 - 14 September

## The Almabtrieb Festival - Cows Come Down

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Lermoos lies on one of the old trade routes through Europe it has historically had much in common with its German neighbours to the north and was recently described as one of the most economically booming areas of western Austria. Lermoos is situated in a bowl with The slightly elevated position of the village gives spectacular views across to the Zugspitze, Germany's highest mountain. The village is located around three main streets along the main roads to Reutte, the Fern pass and Garmisch-Partenkirchen. Much of the through traffic has however been diverted into a tunnel built underneath the ski mountain. Lermoos may be a relatively small village but it has a surprisingly wide range of hotel and other accommodation. The village combines tradition with modern spirit and offers a wide range of activities, Young and old feel like home in Lermoos and return every year. It is most popular for its skiing and snowboarding in the winter and is very popular resort in the Zugspitze Arena. The village is set on a beautiful location looking towards the Zugspitze and the Sonnenspitze.

#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we make your way down to Dover and your early morning ferry. After arriving in Calais, we continue our journey through France, Belgium with stops en route, then crossing the border into Germany. Arriving in Bruhl at the Hotel, early evening, where we shall spend our first night with dinner, bed and breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Arrive at Lermoos Austria

After breakfast, we depart for Austria. Traveling through Germany, with stops en route. We arrive at our Hotel Edelweiss in Lermoos late afternoon. Here we will spend the next 5 nights with dinner, bed and buffet breakfast.

#### Day 3 - Day at Leisure

After our journey to Austria you have a free day to do whatever you wish. Relax, use the facilities in the hotel or explore the town and surrounding area of Lermoos. Maybe take the local bus to Obermoos and the Tiroler Zugspitzbahn and get the cable car to the summit of the Zugspitze, Germany's highest mountain that straddles the border between both Germany and Austria. On a clear

day it's like being at the top of the world. Return to Obermoos by the cable car and back to the hotel by bus. (Cost approx €62).

#### Day 4 - Parade of Cows

The Almabtrieb or homecoming of the cows from the Alpine pastures where they spend the summer is a celebration in Tyrolean villages. The farmers are so thankful when their herds return unharmed, that they want to give thanks and celebrate the occasion. Thus a tradition started where the animals are adorned with beautiful headdresses, wreaths and flower arrangements. The bells and headdresses can weigh up to 20kg. There are stalls with food and drink, music, and things to buy. A good time is had by everyone.

#### Day 5 - Innsbruck

Departing after breakfast we head for Innsbruck, capital of the Tyrol. First we visit the Olympic Ski Jump, towering high above Innsbruck on the wooded Berg Isel Hill. (Included) There is a vanicular that takes you to the top where you will be able to see what the skiers see. There is also a cafe on top. We then go into Innsbruck; full of

## YOUR HOTEL - HOTEL EDELWEISS

The 4\* Hotel Edelweiss, the "most beautiful flower of the Alps", is run by the Gerber family. The guest's which should feel at home, is still their top priority. Surrounded by the Tyrolean Mountains and the Zugspitzarena amidst unspoiled nature, this comfortable 4 star hotel promises a holiday as you would want it to be. The ambiance of the lovingly furnished, wood-panelled lounges and dining rooms, such as the cosy fireplace, is just one of the many rooms. Twice a week the Hotel Edelweiss also offers an entertainment program with music and dance. The 140 rooms are very well furnished, very clean, they are also very spacious. All rooms are equipped with a TV, a radio a safe, and a hairdryer. There is a dining room and bar. A rich breakfast buffet and dinner provide daily culinary delights. The Wellness centre offers relaxation and healthy bathing in the indoor pool, sun terrace, Jacuzzi. Guests can choose from a wide range of indoor sports, including a gym, table tennis, billiards and squash. There are various treatments in the wellness area, including a sauna, a steam bath, a beauty salon and massage treatments, as well as a solarium for an additional fee.

### Outward

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Romerstrass 1  
50321 Brühl,  
Germany

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### Main

Hotel Edelweiss  
Danielstrasse 7  
A-6631 Lermoos  
Tiroler Zugspitzarena  
Austria

Tel: +43 (0) 56732214

### Return

H+ Hotel Koln Hurth  
Kreuzstraße  
Theresienhöhe 99,  
50354 Hürth  
Germany

Tel: +49 2233 94400

historical old world charm. The Royal Palace of Empress Maria Theresa, the Golden Roof, Cathedral and lots more. Time to explore before returning back to the hotel.

### Day 6 - Linderhof Palace

This morning we head back into Bavaria. This is like stepping into the pages of a Bavarian story book as you venture to the beautiful Linderhof Palace. Discover the magic of the Royal Estate, dreamed up by the reclusive King Ludwig II. Linderhof Palace is a spectacular Rococo estate set amid manicured formal gardens and fountains. Inspired by Versailles, this gem-like castle features its own Hall of Mirrors.

### Day 7 - Austria to Germany

After breakfast and all cases have been loaded on to the coach we start our journey back to Germany. We travel back through Germany with comfort stops en route to our overnight hotel at the Bruhl Hotel, for our last overnight stay with half board.

### Day 8 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and our overnight bags have been loaded on the coach, we leave the Hotel and depart for Calais. There will be comfort stops along the way. Arriving at Calais for our afternoon ferry crossing to Dover. Arriving back in our local area, mid to late evening.

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£799.00**

Single room supplement

**£46.00** (1st 4 rooms)

**£85.00** (5th -8th room)

(Double / Twin for Sole  
use)

## SPECIAL NOTES

- The currency you will need for this tour is the Euro.
- A Valid Passport.
- 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.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel & Ferries
- ✓ 5 Nights Half Board Main Hotel
- ✓ 2 Nights Half Board Overnight Hotels
- ✓ Porterage Main Hotel (in & out)
- ✓ City Tax
- ✓ Entrance to Linderhof Palace
- ✓ Entrance to Ski Jump
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ 1 Nights Entertainment
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **8 Days**

Departure: **Wednesday**

Dates: **7 - 14 September**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**



5 DAYS  
£479

18 – 22 September

## Heart of Wales

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Llandrindod Wells evolved from a small farming village into a popular tourist resort and Spa town. As the name suggests, the history of the town is linked with the health-giving waters. Hundreds of Victorians flocked to take to the water and you can still try the waters at the Chalybeate Spring in the Rock Park. The buildings architecture around the town all date back to the Victorians making it feel like you've stepped back in time. Located in the heart of Wales it has a reputation as one of the country's most beautiful and breathe taking areas. The Elan Valley, with spectacular dams and reservoirs, the Brecon Beacons magnificent mountain range and the small market towns such as Hay-On-Wye and the Cardigan Bay Coast all create the contrasting yet stunning scenery.



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#### Day 1 – Depart for Llandrindod Wells

After boarding your luxury coach, we head west and over the border in to Wales, with comfort stops en route. We arrive at The Metropole Hotel 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 – Elan Valley

Today we escape to the Elan Valley and its Visitors Centre, a world away from normal life, for a coach tour by a local Ranger for 1½ hrs. Taking in the best parts of this wonderful area. This also includes entrance to the Visitors Centre. This beautiful and unspoilt area made even more compelling by the Dams and Reservoirs which together create a wonderful living landscape. Later explore Llandrindod Wells, whose towers and ornate ironwork reflect its heyday as a Victorian spa town.

#### Day 3 – Vale of Rheidol Railway

Today we take a scenic ride through beautiful Welsh countryside to Aberystwyth. Aberystwyth is the principal holiday resort of the west coast of Wales. The town is nestled between three hills and two beaches, and has some castle ruins, a pier and a harbour. The surrounding hills hold the visible remains of an Iron Age fort and also a monument to Wellington and once climbed offer stunning views of Cardigan Bay. Later we board the Vale of Rheidol steam railway to Devils Bridge. A narrow gauge heritage steam railway, opened in 1902. Runs between Aberystwyth and Devils Bridge. After arriving at Devils Bridge there will be time to explore the little town and the devils bridge, and for the more adventurous you can walk the many many steps down to the Devils Falls. Later we return to the hotel to relax before dinner.

## YOUR HOTEL - THE METROPOLE HOTEL



The Metropole Hotel and Spa, Temple Street, Llandrindod Wells, Powys. LD1 5DY  
Tel: 01597 823700

The Metropole Hotel, built in 1896, was the largest hotel in Wales upon completion and provides a great location in the heart of Wales. Each of our comfortable 122 bedrooms have en-suite

bathroom and shower, colour television, direct dial telephone, trouser press, hair dryer and tea and coffee making facilities. You can enjoy traditional cuisine using only the finest of local ingredients in the elegant Radnor Restaurant. There is also the Spencer's Bar and Pantry which has a more informal atmosphere if you just want a drink. The hotel has a superb indoor Leisure Complex in a Victorian style conservatory. Facilities include a 54ft heated swimming pool, sauna, whirlpool, steam room, beauty salon and exercise machines to help you relax after a long day.

**Day 4 - Boat Cruise on Brecon & Monmouthshire Canal**

Today we head off to the Brecon to Spend a delightful few hours cruising through some of the most beautiful scenery in Britain lying within the Brecon Beacons National Park. Travel on the Monmouth and Brecon Canal - a historical waterway and fantastic feat of engineering, built before roads and railways. Cruise through a canal lock and over an aqueduct carrying the canal over the River Usk. A buffet lunch will be provided on board. Consists of Sandwiches, pastries, welsh cakes and scones, followed by a choice of hot or cold drinks. Returning back to hotel.

**Day 5 - Depart for Home**

After breakfast and all cases have been loaded onto the coach, we say farewell to your hosts at the Metropole Hotel, and start the journey home. With comfort stop en route we shall arrive in your local area by late afternoon.

The tour 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.



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## 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.
- Itinerary could be subject to change.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment on one evening
- ✓ Guided Tour Elan Valley
- ✓ Train Ride
- ✓ Boat Cruise with Buffet Lunch
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**  
Departure: **Sunday**  
Dates: **18 - 22 Sept**  
Meals: **Half Board**  
**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£479.00**

Single room supplement

**£40.00** (Only 6 rooms)





7 DAYS  
£589

2 - 8 October

## Kingdom of Kerry

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

County Kerry contains some of Ireland's most iconic scenery: surf-pounded sea cliffs and soft golden sands, emerald-green farmland criss-crossed by tumbledown stone walls, mist-shrouded bogs and cloud-torn mountain peaks. With one of the country's finest National Parks as its backyard, the lively tourism hub of Killarney spills over with colourful shops, restaurants and pubs loud with spirited traditional music. The town is the jumping-off point for Kerry's two famed loop drives: the larger Ring of Kerry skirts the mountainous, island-fringed Iveragh Peninsula. The more compact Dingle Peninsula is like a condensed version of its southern neighbour, with ancient prehistoric ring forts and beehive huts, Christian sites, sandy beaches and glimpses of a hard unforgiving land. Kerry's exquisite beauty makes it one of Ireland's most popular tourist destinations. But if you need to escape from the crowds, there's always a mountain pass, and isolated cove or an un-trodden trail to discover.

#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we make our way to South Wales and the port of Fishguard and our afternoon Ferry to Rosslare Port. On arrival we make our way to Wexford for our overnight stay at the 3\*Maldron Hotel located in the centre of town, where we will spend 1 night with dinner bed & breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Depart for Castleisland

After breakfast we continue our journey across the most southern part of Ireland via Youghal to Blarney, a visit can be made to the Castle (at own expense) and take part in the long-standing tradition of kissing the Blarney Stone to receive "the gift of eloquence" (but only for the fit ones) we will stop at the Blarney Woollen Mills close to the village green, which offers the best range of genuine Irish products. We continue our journey to Castleisland and the 3\* River Island Hotel where we will spend the next 4 nights half board.

#### Day 3 - Killarney & Jaunting Car Ride

After breakfast we travel to Killarney, Set in the Irish Lake District and internationally renowned for its scenic beauty.

There will be a ride on the traditional Jaunting cars, which will take you for a ride through the National Park and along the edge of Lough Leane to Ross Castle. From here catch the Lily of Killarney to cruise across the lake, (all included) a memorable way to view the surrounding mountains. Killarney town for free time. Later we return back to Castleisland to relax before dinner and entertainment.

#### Day 4 - Ring of Kerry

Departing after breakfast we take a full day excursion around the Ring of Kerry. Dominated by MacGillycuddy's Reeks, savour 100 miles of spectacular scenery as you travel along the narrow coastal road of the Iveragh Peninsula. Beginning at Killorglin, home of the world's oldest market, the famous Puck Fair, through Glenbeigh, continue through the villages of Rossbeigh and Kells, with their beautiful golden beaches to Caherciveen for lunch. Passing through villages to Molls Gap, a cutting between bogland and mountains. The winding road passes Ladies View, before returning back to our hotel in Castleisland.

## YOUR HOTEL - RIVER ISLAND HOTEL



The 3\* River Island Hotel is ideally located on Castleisland's Main St. and offers guests and locals alike a wonderful choice of onsite facilities. The River Island Hotel is a hotel which is not compromised by design or over styled, but a place where the overall effect is relaxed and homely. The hotel boasts 52 wonderfully appointed guest rooms, all with en-suit, free toiletries, safe, TV, Telephone, Iron and hairdryer, while these wonderfully appointed guest rooms offer a haven of peace and tranquillity in the heart of town. The Con's Bar & Restaurant offers afternoon menus that celebrate the wealth of locally sourced produce.

**Outward**

Maldron Hotel Wexford  
Dublin Road  
Wexford  
Co Wexford  
Ireland  
Tel: 00353 53 9172000

**Main**

River Island Hotel  
Lower Main Street  
Castleisland  
Co Kerry  
Ireland  
Tel: 00353 66 7142555

**Return**

Royal Hotel  
Main Street  
Bray  
Co Wicklow  
Ireland  
Tel: 00353 1 2862935

**Day 5 - Dingle & the Dingle Peninsula**

The Dingle Peninsula stretches 30 miles (48 kilometres) into the Atlantic Ocean from Ireland's south-west coast. Dominated by the range of mountains that form its spine. The peninsula has something to offer to everyone: sandy beaches safe for swimming, walking routes for all abilities, a thriving Irish language community, a rich musical tradition. There is a resident dolphin called Fungie, the name given to him by the fishermen. It's a fully grown, middle aged, male bottlenose. His home is Dingle Bay. There are boat trips which are able to be taken to see Fungie in the Bay, (at own expense) Returning back to our hotel to relax before dinner.

**Day 6 - Depart for Dublin**

After breakfast we depart for Dublin, stopping en route at the Irish National Stud (entrance Inc.) The Irish National Stud offers you a unique experience that can be enjoyed at your own leisure or as part of a guided tour. The Japanese Gardens are among the most loved of all Ireland's gardens, a veritable feast for the eye and ear with the sight and sound of trickling streams perfectly complementing the greenery and vivid colours that provide a tranquil backdrop to the beautiful Bridge of Life and Tea House. After our break here we continue onto Dublin for our last overnight stay at the Royal Hotel Bray, with dinner.

**Day 7 - Depart for Home**

After an early "Grab & Go" breakfast and all overnight cases have been loaded onto the coach we travel into Dublin to catch the early morning ferry crossing from Dublin to Holyhead at 8.15hrs. (Breakfast is included on the ferry) Arriving in Holyhead approx 11.50am. We will make our way back through Wales with stops on-route. Arriving home early evening.

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£589.00**

Single room supplement

**£96.00** (Dbl/tw room

for sole occupancy)

## SPECIAL NOTES

- The currency you will need for this tour is the Euro
- 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.
- There is Tea/Coffee making facilities in all hotels.
- To ring back to England you dial: +44 then minus the 0 from your code, followed by your number.
- Overnight bags required.
- Program could be subject to alteration.
- 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.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ Ferries
- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Porterage
- ✓ 6 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Main Hotel: Complementary drink with dinner each evening. Wine, Beer, Soft Drink
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **7 Days**

Departure: **Sunday**

Dates: **2 - 8 October**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**



5 DAYS  
£449

9 - 13 October

## Back in Tyne & Northumbria

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

The county of Northumberland is the most northern of the English counties bordering County Durham and Newcastle upon Tyne in the south, Cumbria and The Lake District to the west and, of course, Hadrian's Wall and the Scottish Border country to the north. Much of the area is unpopulated, tranquil, with mile-after-mile of clean and safe award-winning golden sandy beaches, quiet country lanes and an unequalled sense of freedom. Explore mile upon mile of gloriously uncrowded golden sandy beaches and stunning countryside set amongst two Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the rugged Northumberland National Park. Discover more castles than anywhere else in England, the birthplace of English Christianity on the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, the historic World Heritage Site of Hadrian's Wall, picturesque towns and villages and, at the end of it all. Historic Houses and Heritage Sites abound in Northumberland.

#### Day 1 - Depart for Newcastle

Departing our local area, we travel north to the City of York, one of the most attractive old cities in England. The city walls, themselves among York's main attractions, enclose streets which follow their narrow and irregular medieval course, with overhanging rows of old buildings. The beautiful York Minster is the largest English medieval cathedral. We will stay here for lunch and sightseeing, and then we will continue on to our hotel, for the next 3 nights with dinner bed & breakfast.

#### Day 2 - Alnwick Castle & Gardens

Today we travel into Northumbria to Alnwick gardens, set within a secretive walled garden, its centrepiece the Grand Cascade, the largest water feature of its kind in the country. More than 120 separate water jets create spellbinding water displays. It is a garden for all seasons; the Tree House (one of the largest structures of its kind in the world) will provide an amazing selection of buildings linked together by suspended walkways in the sky. A place to eat, walk, rest and much more. The Castle, which has been made famous as the setting for the Blackadder series and Harry Potter Films. Home to the Duke and Duchess of Northumbria. The castle has magnificent views over the river Aln and surrounding countryside. Within the massive stone walls, the beautifully kept grounds contain fascinating exhibitions. Enter the wonderful family home; see the staterooms, refurbished in the mid 19th century by the fourth Duke, the Library also used in the Harry Potter Movie. Just a short walk away is the lovely old town of Alnwick. We return to our hotel after a great day out.

#### Day 3 - Bamburgh Castle

Today we visit the North East coast of Northumbria and Bamburgh Castle. Follow in the footsteps of Uhtred into the real Last Kingdom of Bebbanburg, an Anglo-Saxon citadel where saint kings ruled the Kingdom of Northumbria. Discover a Norman stronghold, Royal seat and the first castle in the world to fall to gunpowder. Experience the magic



## YOUR HOTEL - COPTHORNE HOTEL NEWCASTLE



Copthorne Hotel Newcastle, The Close, Quayside, Newcastle upon Tyne. NE1 3RT  
Tel: 0191 2220333

The 4\* Copthorne Hotel Newcastle is located right on the quayside, overlooking the River Tyne in the heart of the city, just 0.5 miles

from shops, restaurants and The Theatre Royal. All 156 spacious bedrooms are well-equipped with a satellite TV with on-demand movies, tea/coffee facilities, hair dryer, iron/ironing board and a trouser press. Each room also has a private bathroom and riverside views. Quay 7 Bar provides a stylish space to enjoy a cocktail or snack, while the outdoor terrace on the quayside offers panoramic river views. Guests may also dine in the hotel's contemporary restaurant. It also offers an on-site fitness room.

of magnificent Bamburgh Castle for yourself that captured the heart and mind of one of the Victorian's greatest inventors, William George Armstrong. Its treasure filled staterooms, including the castle's centrepiece - The King's Hall, discover a fortress like no other at Bamburgh Castle. Bamburgh Castle remains the private, family seat of the Armstrong family to this day and has starred in countless films and small screen productions, from Transformers The Last Knight, to Netflix hit Frontier and of course, The Last Kingdom.

**Day 4 - Beamish Museum**

Departing after breakfast, we head just a little south from Newcastle to Beamish Open Air Museum. Beamish is a large museum with a rich and varied range of exhibits reflecting life in northern England during the early 1800s and 1900s. Covering an area of 300 acres, the buildings from around the region have been dismantled, moved to Beamish, and rebuilt and furnished appropriately. The Town, Colliery Village, Farm and Railway Station are set in 1913. Pockerley Manor and Wagon way are set in the early 1800s and depict the lifestyle of a Yeoman farming family. At Beamish you will not see any 'Don't Touch' labels. Objects are displayed in their appropriate settings - desks in the School, drills etc. in the Dentists, coal picks and shovels in the Drift Mine and cash machines in the Co-op Shops. This enables everyone to understand more about how things worked, who used them and how ordinary people lived. Costumed demonstrators around the Museum will make the visit even more enjoyable, explaining the displays or demonstrating traditional crafts and pastimes. To get the most out of a visit you should talk to the costumed demonstrators, and ask questions! They will explain, in detail, what life was like all those years ago! The Beamish Tramway runs right around the museum, with trams running every 20 minutes. In each direction. The Beamish Tramway is the longest period tramway in Britain. Rides on the trams and busses are free.

**Day 5 - Depart for Home**

After breakfast and the cases have been loaded onto the coach, we say farewell to our hotel and head for home first stopping at the beautiful City of Durham. Durham is a compact city and was once described as 'a perfect little city'. Durham Castle and Cathedral are renowned as one of the most popular historic sites in Europe and they are now designated a World Heritage Site. The Cathedral was founded in 1093 and is regarded as a fine Example of a Norman Cathedral. The castle was formerly a Norman Fortress built in the 11th century by William the Conqueror on a hill overlooking the river Wear and was an ideal location to defend Northumbria against the Scots. On departing Durham, we continue our journey home, arriving in your local area by early evening.

## 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.
- If you have a Bus Pass this can be used in Durham from coach park to Cathedral.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Portage
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions & Entrances
- ✓ Services of Driver/Guide

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**  
Departure: **Sunday**  
Dates: **9 - 13 October**  
Meals: **Half Board**  
**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£449.00**

Single room supplement

**£84.00** (Twin/double)



9 DAYS  
£789

16 - 24 October

## 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 hoards of tourists.

#### Day 1 - Depart For St Avoird 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 Avoird near Metz, where we will spend our first overnight stop at the Novotel Avoird 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, then crossing 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 Road, 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 and 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.

## YOUR HOTEL - THE HOTEL PAGANELLA

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 facet of your vacation will be cared for in detail, so that you can dedicate your time to find 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.

### Outward/Return

Novotel Saint Avold 4\*  
Avenue de Fayetteville  
57500 Saint-Avold  
France

Tel: +33387922593

### Main

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

### 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 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. Then returning back to our hotel.

### Day 8 - Depart Paganella for St Avold

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 Avold. Arriving at our hotel in St Avold, here we will spend our last night with dinner, bed and breakfast.

### Day 9 - Depart for Home

After breakfast and bags have been loaded, retracing 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.

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **9 Days**  
Departure: **Sunday**  
Dates: **16 - 24 October**  
Meals: **Half Board**  
**Included Excursions**  
**City Tax - payable at Resort**  
**(not Included)**  
**Ranging from €1 - €5 pppn**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£789.00**

Single room supplement

**£131.00** (Dbl/tw room  
for sole occupancy)

## SPECIAL NOTES

- Currency for this tour is the Euro
- Full valid Passport
- Insurance
- 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 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



5 DAYS  
£449

27 - 31 October

## Autumn Mystery

### 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.

#### 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.

#### Days 2 to 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.

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

## YOUR 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.



## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Included Excursions
- ✓ Services of Driver & Guide

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**

Departure: **Thursday**

Dates: **27 - 31 October**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£449.00**

Single room supplement

**£120.00** (DbI/tw room for sole occupancy)





5 DAYS  
£479

Nov 28 – Dec 2

## A Taste of Christmas

### 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 vast array of amusements, shops, piers, and of course, the 'Blackpool Tower', there is a lot to offer to people of all ages.

#### 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.

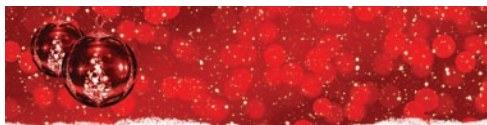
Relax with coffee in the lounge

**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???

**8:00 – 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.

## 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, colour 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).

**Boxing Day**

- 8:00 - 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  
**8:00 - 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.

## SPECIAL NOTES

- All rooms have tea & coffee making facilities
- Dinner is at 7:00pm every evening (subject to change)
- 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

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Full Board
- ✓ Full Entertainment Program
- ✓ Swimming Pool
- ✓ Jacuzzi

## TOUR INFORMATION

- Duration: **5 Days**  
 Departure: **Monday**  
 Dates: **Nov 28 - Dec 2**  
 Meals: **Full Board**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£479.00**

Single room supplement

**£Nil**





4 DAYS  
£409

December 5 - 8

## Valkenburg Christmas Markets

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Uniquely situated on the borders of three countries - Holland, Germany and Belgium. Valkenburg is not only the perfect destination for a fabulous festive break, but it is also the most popular holiday resort in Holland. Dispelling the myth that everything in Holland is flat and below sea level, Valkenburg sits up amongst the South Limburg Hills, surrounded by rolling countryside and meadows. It's a bustling place with parks and gardens, lively bars, excellent restaurants and Roman Grottoes.

In the weeks leading up to Christmas, Valkenburg's spectacular limestone caves are transformed into glittering festive grottoes. Add to this a myriad of shops festooned with sparkling fairy lights and you have the perfect destination for a seasonal shopping spree.

### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding your luxury coach, we head straight down to Dover for our morning ferry to Calais.

We drive through France, Belgium, with comfort stops en-route, then into the Limburg region of the Netherlands. Arriving in Valkenburg late afternoon, where we will spend the next 3 nights with dinner, bed & breakfast at the Hotel Schaepekens van St Fijt. There is a token payment system in place for all drinks. These can be purchased at reception.

### Day 2 - Valkenburg Christmas Markets

Enjoy a full day in the pretty Dutch town of Valkenburg to enjoy all the festivities of the Christmas markets, which are held in the underground Marlstone caves (Fluweelengrot, the Velvet Cave), the oldest and largest underground Christmas market in Europe. (A small admission charge is payable upon entering the Valkenburg Grottos approx €5). With its many shops boutique's and café's, lining the narrow cobbled streets. Feel the atmosphere, smell the Gluehwein and spicy biscuits, hear the music. Visit the ruins of the Castle with commanding views of the town and countryside. Returning later to the hotel to relax before your evening meal.





## YOUR HOTEL - SCHAEPKENS VAN ST. FYT



Schaepkens van St. Fyt, Nieuweweg 40-44,  
6301 EV Valkenburg, a/d Geul

Tel: +31 (0) 43 6012000

If you want to enjoy real Limburg hospitality, we can guarantee an unforgettable stay. This one, which was founded in 1885, is surrounded by a picturesque garden in the centre of the historic town of Valkenburg. Hotel Schaepkens

van St Fijt is a 5-minute walk from the city centre. It also features bicycle rental and packed lunch services. Guests can make use of the indoor and outdoor swimming pools only 800 metres away from the hotel. The hotel restaurant serves a buffet dinner in the evening. All rooms have en-suit facilities such as bath/shower, WC, TV and a free safe.

## Day 3 - Aachen City Christmas Market

After breakfast we will travel to the ancient city of Aachen. We will first go to "Drielandpont" the three land point where Germany Belgium and Nederland's meet. There will be time for coffee & cake. Aachen's brightly lit Christmas market is set around the cathedral and town hall. This lovingly decorated "Christmas village" on the market square has everything your heart could desire. One local speciality you really must try is the Aachen Printen, a kind of gingerbread.

Every year before Christmas the squares and streets round the Aachen Town Hall are transformed into a paradise of lights and colours, festive sounds and seductive smells, especially the mulled wine. Potato fritters are eaten at all times of the day. Naturally you will find a large variety of Printen and other Christmas cakes and biscuits, "Domino Stones", gingerbread, "Spekulatius" and marzipan bread. These are distributed all over the world by Aachen bakeries. However in the Aachen Christmas Market they come oven fresh and taste much more delicious. We return back to our hotel to relax before our evening meal.

## Day 4 - Depart Valkenburg

After breakfast and the cases have been loaded on the coach, we say farewell to our hosts at the Schaepkens van St Fijt Hotel and depart for Calais. We will make stops along the way for coffee and lunch. Arriving at Calais for our late afternoon ferry crossing to Dover. Arriving home mid to late evening.



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## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£409.00**

Single room supplement

**£65.00** (DbI/tw room  
for sole occupancy)

## SPECIAL NOTES

- The currency you will need for this tour is the Euro
- A Valid Passport
- 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
- 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.

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ Ferries
- ✓ 3 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ City Tax
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **4 Days**

Departure: **Monday**

Dates: **December 5 - 8**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**



5 DAYS  
£659

23 – 27 December

## Christmas at Llyndir Hall

### YOUR HOLIDAY CENTRE

Cheshire is a county in northwest England, known for its rural villages of half-timbered and local red sandstone buildings and for its Industrial Revolution heritage, with links to neighbouring Manchester and Liverpool. Its county seat is Chester, founded as a Roman fort in the first century A.D. and home to Roman walls and a cathedral displaying 1,000 years of architectural history. Chester is arguably the richest city in Britain for archaeological and architectural treasures preserved to this day from the time of the Roman occupation.

But throughout its chequered history, the Roman walls remained virtually intact. The walls extend in a 2 mile circuit and give a vivid reminder of what a medieval fortified town was like. In the middle Ages, several towers and gates to the walls were made: the most important of these was at Eastgate, now astride a main thoroughfare and crowned with an anachronistic clock commemorating Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee (1897). The most distinctive medieval feature of the city is The Rows. These are double-level walkways with a continuous line of balconies and with shops at street and first-floor levels. The Rows are unique and were certainly in existence in the 14th century.

#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

After boarding our luxury coach, your holiday has now started. We start our journey by travelling to North Wales, with comfort stops en route. Our Lunchtime stop will take us to the Welsh town of Llangollen, where there are plenty of places to eat or maybe that do that last minute shopping. After lunch we continue our journey to the Llyndir Hall hotel. On arrival take the chill off by enjoying a glass of mulled wine and partake in tea or mulled wine and mouth-watering Mince Pie in the lobby and lounge areas. Time for unpacking and relax before we join the management for a drinks reception before dinner, followed by organised fun & games.

#### Day 2 - City of Chester

Awake to a fabulous all-you-can-eat breakfast. We are off to the City of Chester. Explore the famous Rows for that little something different, or visit the Cathedral, the Roman Amphitheatre or walk along the walls. We return to the hotel for Festive cream tea. This evening at dinner we will be serenaded by Carol Singers followed by entertainment. For those who wish to attend mid-night church services, the hotel has the times for all denominations and somebody to guide you. A warming cup of hot chocolate/mulled wine & shortbread will welcome you on your return.

#### Day 3 - Merry Christmas

Enjoy your Bucks Fizz breakfast. Have a leisurely morning before their 4 course Christmas Lunch which is legendary and you will be uncomfortably full by the time of the Queens speech at 3pm. The rest of the afternoon is for you to relax, play games, go for a walk or probably have a contented snooze. This evening they serve their traditional yuletide buffet of festive favourites. Evening entertainment.

## YOUR HOTEL - LLYNDIR HALL HOTEL



The Best Western Wrexham Llyndir Hall Hotel, Llyndir Lane, Rossett, Chester, Cheshire. LL12 0AY. The Llyndir Hall Hotel proves you can have it all. This magnificent early 19th century villa, surrounded by five acres of landscaped gardens including a majestic 200-year-old beech tree lies in the undulating Welsh borders, just a short

distance from the Roman city of Chester with its fabulous shopping and architecture. A Grade II listed historic property, it's a serene riot of flagstones and vaulted ceilings with an original wooden staircase, panelled doors and mullioned windows, housing 48 en-suite bedrooms and luxury suites. All combine rich earth tone interiors and warm splashes of colour and views of glorious countryside. All rooms have: En-suite bathroom, flat screen TV, tea/coffee making facilities, hair dryer, complimentary toiletries, CD player and free internet and work station. The elegant Garden Restaurant serves inventive, locally sourced modern British cuisine. The state-of-the-art gym with its highly qualified instructors comes with a small but peachy pool and sauna.

## Day 4 - Cheshire Oaks

We will spend the morning exploring Cheshire Oaks for those after Christmas bargains. Where do the North West's fashion lovers get their designer fix? McArthurGlen Designer Outlet Cheshire Oaks, the UK's largest outlet shopping destination. Indulge in 145 luxury and high street brands, including must have British labels Burberry, Superdry and All Saints - all at up to 60% less and with tax-free shopping available. Back to the hotel for tea/coffee and cake. Then relax before dinner, followed by music & dancing.

## Day 5 - Depart for Home

After another wonderful breakfast and cases have been loaded on to the coach. It is time to wave goodbye to our hosts at the Llyndir Hall hotel and head for home. There will be comfort stops en route, and you should be back in your local area by 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.



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## 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.
- Itinerary could be subject to change

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 4 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Christmas Day Lunch
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Use of Leisure Facilities
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **5 Days**Departure: **Friday**Dates: **23 - 27 Dec**Meals: **Half Board +****Christmas Day Lunch****Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£659.00**

Single room supplement

**£160.00** (Dbl/Tw room

for sole occupancy)





**4 DAYS**  
**£439**

**30 Dec - 2 Jan**

## New Year in Folkestone - 2022/23

### HOLIDAY CENTRE

Folkestone is a port town on the English Channel, in Kent. The town lies on the southern edge of the North Downs at a valley between two cliffs. It was an important harbour and shipping port for most of the 19th and 20th centuries. Folkestone was only a small fishing community until 1809, when Thomas Telford was commissioned to build a pier and harbour. Today it is a cosmopolitan port with easy access to the channel, the delights of France and the rest of Europe. There is always something to do here with all year round festivals, including the Folkestone Harbour Festival in July, and all year round entertainment with Folkestone's music and theatre attracting stars from far and wide to perform. With a colourful history, this lovely town has been home to many famous people, including HG Wells who once lived and wrote here.



#### Day 1 - Depart Local Area

Step aboard your luxury coach as you start your journey to Folkestone. There will be stops en route for comfort. We arrive at The BW Burlington Hotel, where you will spend the next 3 night's with Dinner bed and breakfast. Time to settle in before a welcome Bucks Fizz in the Martello Bar at 6pm. Live entertainment after dinner.

#### Day 2 - Canterbury

Today we will visit Canterbury. Experience Canterbury's history and heritage; see the stunning architecture and world famous buildings. Today it is one of the most beautiful and historic cities in England. The Norman cathedral still dominates the skyline; it is the Mother Church of the worldwide Anglican Communion and also the seat of the Archbishop of Canterbury. The Cathedral is both a holy place and part of a World Heritage Site. Time to explore or shop, visit the Cathedral, before we return to the hotel. New Years Eve dinner and entertainment.



## YOUR HOTEL - BW PLUS BURLINGTON HOTEL



BW Plus Burlington Hotel, 3-5 Earls Ave,  
Folkestone. CT20 2HR

Tel: 01303 255301

The 4-star Best Western Plus Burlington Hotel is a charming Victorian building in the West end of Folkestone. Set in tranquil

surroundings and overlooking the English Channel, this family-friendly hotel was built in the 1890s and still holds its Victorian charm, whilst offering all the mod cons you'd expect of a contemporary hotel. Just a 10 minute walk from Folkestone's town centre, 4 miles from the Channel Tunnel and 8 miles from the UK's most popular ferry port in Dover, it's the ideal base whether you're visiting for a break or simply passing through. Wining and dining are catered for by the Bay Tree Bar & Grill, a modern stylish yet comfortable setting to enjoy a glass of wine or a signature cocktail and a dinner menu that is based around local produce from Kent, also known as The Garden of England. All rooms have En-suite, Tea & Coffee Making Facilities, TV with Free view, Hairdryer, Toiletries, Safe and Direct Dial Telephone, Free Internet Access.

**Day 3 - New Years Day at Leisure**

After last night's festivities you will be able to chill out and relax, or maybe take a walk along the prom

**Day 4 - Depart for Home**

After breakfast we say goodbye to our hosts at the Burlington hotel and start our journey home. We will stop en route for lunch. Continuing our journey we arrive back in our local area late afternoon.

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.



## 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.
- Itinerary could be subject to change

## TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ✓ All Coach Travel
- ✓ 3 Nights Half Board
- ✓ Excursions
- ✓ Entertainment
- ✓ Courier Escorted

## TOUR INFORMATION

Duration: **4 Days**

Departure: **Friday**

Dates: **30 Dec - 2 Jan**

Meals: **Half Board**

**Included Excursions**

## TOUR PRICE

Price per person

**£439.00**

Single room supplement

**£54.00** (Double for sole occupancy)





# Ambassador Cruises 2022/2023

## INTRODUCING AMBIENCE

Here she is, the flagship of the fleet, the first lady of the sea: **Ambience**.

Derived from the French word for “Surrounding” our ambition at Ambassador is to create the optimum atmosphere on board, one that brings out the best in each of us. The perfect ambience.

With an average 1,400-guest capacity and careful configuration, she offers both a feeling of spaciousness and freedom, whilst retaining that sense of intimacy and camaraderie we each crave, it’s whatever makes you comfortable.

Entertainment-wise, she really will spoil you for choice. Let your hair down at the Observatory and bring out your finest ensembles for The Palladium. Whether you like it shaken or stirred, she has numerous bars to whet your whistle, including Raffles Bar, Botanical Lounge, SW19 and The Purple Turtle Pub.

Dining options are plentiful at our Buckingham restaurant or the Borough Market, with plentiful cuisine options, and for those wanting to soak in nature’s glory; we have our glorious Alfresco Grill.

Aces & Eights bridge and card room and the Ambassador Casino or revive and renew at the gym and Wellness Centre. Other facilities include Kapoor’s, our on board crafting studio, Bronte’s library, the shopping galleria, not to mention two swimming pools, four hot tubs and a large screen for outdoor movies. Sound good?

Ambience’s maiden season commences 6th April 2022 to Hamburg from London Tilbury.

## ACCOMMODATION

We offer a number of different accommodation grades, varying in size and deck locations, but no matter what cabin you choose, each is guaranteed with an impressive array of amenities and personal touches. Our cabin stewards are always here to take care of you on board, where no request is too big or too small.



## LIST OF AMBASSADOR CRUISES 2022/2023

Please find below a list of all cruises that we can offer. All Cruises leave from the Port of Tilbury, Essex.  
If you require further information or current prices, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

DEPARTURE DATE	DESTINATION		NUMBER OF NIGHTS	AMBASSADOR SHIP PRICES
6 April 2022	Maiden Voyage to Hamburg	A12201	4 nights	from £429pp
10 April 2022	A Taste of Fjordland	A12202	6 nights	from £569pp
16 April 2022	Majestic Easter Fjordland	A12203	8 nights	from £729pp
24 April 2022	Fjordland	A12204	7 nights	from £619pp
6 Aug 2022	Summertime Fjordland	A12212	7 nights	from £619pp
25 Aug 2022	Summertime Fjordland	A12214	7 nights	from £619pp
16 Oct 2022	Autumn Fjordland	A12217	7 nights	from £619pp
1 May 2022	British Isles Discovery	A12205	11 nights	from £929pp
12 July 2022	British Isles Discovery	A12210	11 nights	from £929pp
1 Sept 2022	British Isles Discovery	A12215	11 nights	from £929pp
3 April 2023	Easter British Isles Discovery	A12305	11 nights	from £929pp
12 May 2022	Baltic Treasures & St. Petersburg	A12206	14 nights	from £1,209pp
23 July 2022	Baltic Treasures & St. Petersburg	A12211	14 nights	from £1,209pp
26 May 2022	Round Britain & Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration	A12207	12 nights	from £1,139pp
7 June 2022	Land of Ice & Fire	A12208	14 nights	from £1,209pp
21 June 2022	Arctic Voyage to Greenland & Iceland	A12209	21 nights	from £1,949pp
13 August 2022	Iceland, Faroes & Edinburgh Festival	A12213	12 nights	from £1,049pp
12 Sept 2022	Grand Canada, Greenland & Iceland Experience	A12216	34 nights	from £2,889pp
23 October 2022	Grand Black Sea and Mediterranean	A12218	32 nights	from £2,579pp
14 April 2023	Grand Black Sea and Mediterranean	A12306	32 nights	from £2,579pp
24 Nov 2022	Canaries, Madeira & Morocco Winter Sun	A12219	15 nights	from £1,039pp
11 Dec 2022	Christmas Markets	A12222	5 nights	from £399pp
18 Dec 2022	Christmas Markets	A12225	3 nights	from £259pp
9 Dec 2022	Festive Events		Lunch & Show	from £119pp
10 Dec 2022	Gain a taste of Ambassador? Join on board		Dinner & Show	from £159pp
16 Dec 2022	an Ambience for a festive lunch, dinner, or dinner		Dinner, Show &	from £169pp
17 Dec 2022	and overnight experience		Overnight	
21 Dec 2022	Christmas & New Year Canary Islands	A12226	15 nights	from £1,249pp
5 Jan 2023	Cuba & Treasures of the Caribbean	A12301	42 nights	from £2,709pp
16 Feb 2023	Cape Verde, Canaries & Morocco Winter Escape	A12302	21 nights	from £1,309pp
9 March 2023	Norway's Land of the Northern Lights	A12303	14 nights	from £1,079pp
23 March 2023	Iceland's Land of the Northern Lights	A12304	11 nights	from £859pp
16 May 2023	Hidden Baltic Treasures & St. Petersburg	A12307	16 nights	from £1,319pp

# Taurus Holidays Fair Trading Agreement (Continued on Page 59)

Our Fair Trading Agreement and holiday information sets out clearly and simply responsibilities which we at Taurus Holidays have to you and which you in turn have to us when a contract is made between us. The contract is made when you make a booking and we accept it by written confirmation. When signing the Booking Form for your holiday you will sign on behalf of yourself, and the others named in your party, that you have read, understood and have accepted this Fair Trading Agreement and the Holiday information provided. Your obligation is to pay the price of the holiday and to recognise your liabilities if you wish to alter the holiday or have to make a cancellation. On our part we have obligations to provide you with the holiday you have booked. Our specification of that holiday and our terms are clearly stated. This Fair Trading Agreement applies to all holidays sold by Taurus Holidays

**Our promise to you** We reserve your holiday. When we have provisionally confirmed that we have available space on the holiday of your choice, a confirmation/invoice will be forwarded to you normally within 21 days of receipt of your signed booking form and the contract is made between us when you receive this confirmation

**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 do the holiday unless otherwise stated.

**Holiday Insurance (Optional)** Competitive insurance cover is offered and is strongly recommended that either this or alternative cover is taken at the time of booking. In the event of private arrangements being made, it is essential to furnish the company with the relevant details when paying the due balance. All clients who take our insurance cover will be covered by a special Holiday Travel policy. Our Tour Managers and we can help to ensure prompt and efficient service if you use this insurance. We summarise below the details of the insurance cover provided which includes International Medical Rescue 24 hour emergency services. Full details of cover will be forwarded with your confirmation of booking.

Cover	Sum insured
Cancellation or Curtailment	up to £1,500
Missed Departure	
Non UK Trips	up to £400
UK Trips	up to £100
Travel Delay	up to £60
Personal Accident	up to £10,000
(Benefits limited for persons under 18 or 65 and over)	
Medical and Treatment Expenses	
Including Curtailment	£5000, 000
(Non UK trips only)	
Other Expenses (UK trips)	up to £1,000

Hospital Confinement Ben	up to £600
	(£10 per 24hr day)
Personal Property	£1,500
Loss of Passport	£100
Personal Liability	£1000, 000
Delayed Baggage	up to £100

**You're 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.

**You're Contract with Taurus Holidays** You pay a deposit. When you make your booking, you must complete a booking form, accepting on behalf of all your party the terms of this trading agreement, and pay a deposit of £50 per person on each holiday. You pay the balance by the due date shown on your invoice. If you book within eight weeks of the departure date you must pay the full amount at the time of booking. Generally deposits paid are not refundable.

**If You Change you're 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	Amount of cancellation charge shown as % of holiday price
Within which written Cancellation is required	

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 years 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 you're booking

If you choose (a) or (b) we will pay you compensation on the scale below. If you choose (c) we will refund all monies paid by you, plus compensation on the scale below. No other claims for compensation or expenses will be considered.

More than 42 days	Nil
29-42 days	£10
15-28 days	£15
8-14 days	£20
0-7 days	£25

**If We Cancel Your Holiday** It is necessary for they're 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



# Booking form (Please use BLOCK CAPITALS)



The Garage, Isham Road, Pytchley, Kettering,  
Northants NN14 1EW

**Tel:** 01536 791066 **Fax:** 01536 791490

**Email:** taurus@rbtravel.co.uk

**Website:** www.taurusholidays.co.uk

DEPARTURE DATE:
NUMBER OF DAYS:
TOUR TITLE:
SPECIAL REQUESTS:
DISABILITIES: (wheel chairs, walkers or mobility scooters)




## CLIENTS & ROOMING DETAILS

MR/MRS/MISS	INITIALS	SURNAME (PERSON SIGNING BOOKING FORM FIRST)	AGE IF UNDER 16	TWIN/DOUBLE/SINGLE	BOARDING POINT

## PAYMENT DETAILS

<b>HOLIDAYS Deposit: Up to 5 days</b>	£40 per person
£ _____	
<b>HOLIDAYS Deposit: Over 5 days</b>	£50 per person
£ _____	
<b>CRUISES Deposit: All Cruises</b>	£200 per person
£ _____	
<b>FULL PAYMENT</b>	£ _____
<b>TOTAL SUM ENCLOSED:</b>	£ _____

Please make all cheques payable to: R.B. Travel

## CLIENTS NAME & ADDRESS

NAME:
ADDRESS:
POSTCODE:
TEL NUMBER HOME:
TEL NUMBER WORK:
PASSPORT NO. (CONTINENTAL TOURS ONLY):
DATE OF BIRTH:
SIGNATURE:

### Important:

Signed booking form must accompany every booking

INSURANCE: GOLD COVER COACH INSURANCE (TEL: 01892 615511)

For more information visit: [www.taurusholidays.co.uk](http://www.taurusholidays.co.uk)

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Gloucester Cathedral

**NEW** April 2022 - March 2023 Day Trip Brochure will be available end of January 😊

**ideal HOME SHOW**

IDEAL HOME SHOW



Emmerdale Village Tour



# Taurus Holidays Fair Trading Agreement (Continued from Page 56)

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 it 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 (howsoever 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' non-smoking

**4. Travel Documents** When you have paid 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. Tour Operators Liability Insurance Section 1.

Public/Product Liability	Limit of Liability
	£5,000,000

Any one occurrence, and in the annual aggregate in respect of Products.

### Section 2.

Limit of Liability	£1,000,000
Any one loss and in all any one period of Insurance. Excess: £250 per person, but limited to £1,250 in all any one occurrence.	

**12.** Due to the forth coming Brexit, we do not know how this will affect the travel industry. UK operators may have to consider contractual terms with their customers that allow them to sub-contract all or part of the coach travel to EU based operators if necessary.

**13. Covid 19** The government recently issued new guidelines that allow us to consider the re-start of our holiday programme, albeit with many precautions and may be limited passenger numbers on board. We want to ensure that while Covid 19 restrictions are in place you are still able to fully enjoy your holiday with us. Throughout this pandemic period and in this transition as we return to normal operation, 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 follow this guide to help maintain the hygiene levels that we currently have in place to reduce the spread of any disease.

"Temperature checks when boarding the coach, anyone found with a temperature or signs of having the virus will not be allowed to travel. Always wash your hands, Sanitizer to be used every time you get on the coach, Face coverings must be worn whilst on the coach (whether a mask or a visor). All areas which are touched will be cleaned by the drive. A Fogging Machine is used after every tour to disinfect the coach in places we can't reach ready for the next tour." If Masks or visors cannot be worn because of health conditions, please inform us on booking.

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