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JANUARY - DECEMBER 2024





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Welcome to our second 2024 Holidays Brochure

Welcome to our main 2024 holiday brochure. We have included all the tour details for the rest of the year. Please look closely at each holiday itinerary. We have a policy of including all entrances and excursions for each tour, so no extras or additional payments other than lunches and any purchases you choose during the holidays. Regards from all at Drury Holidays



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Family Values for over 60 years

Established in 1959 by Alan Drury and now a small independent family run holiday company, we pride ourselves on giving each and every customer a personal service. From the moment you make a booking to the final good bye after your tour, we expect to give you the very best in service.

Our Touring Coach

Built to our own specification with a host of facilities such as: reclining seats, air conditioning, hot drinks facilities, on board fridge & toilet. The coach also has a range of safety features built into the vehicle to make it both very safe and comfortable.

Your Holiday

- · No coach interchanges or feeder coaches.
- Entrances and excursions included as per itinerary.

Hotels

We carefully select all our hotels for comfort, location, cuisine and value for money. All bedrooms are en suite, and most hotels have a lift. Those without usually have ground floor rooms available. Most of the hotels in this brochure are either 3 or 4 star rating, and those of 2 star will still offer high quality accommodation. Please note most European hotels do not have Tea/Coffee facilities in the bedrooms.

Financial Security Statement

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



Therefore, you will benefit from all rights applying to packages; Drury Holidays Ltd will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole.

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THE JOE LOSS ORCHESTRA, 23rd - 25th FEBRUARY 2024 HARROGATE



Come and celebrate with us this special weekend marking 90 years of the Joe Loss Orchestra and Todd Millers 50th year with the Orchestra. The longest running orchestra in Britain. Playing big band swing 50s, rock and roll, 60s, 70s 80s and modern romance. We also enjoy free time in Harrogate during the weekend.

Itinerary Friday Day 1

After our door to door service we depart from our home area in the morning travelling to Harrogate and arriving during the afternoon at the Old Swan Hotel. 2 nights stay – dinner, bed & breakfast.

Saturday Day 2

Today is free for you to explore the pretty town of Harrogate. Enjoy a lovely stroll through beautiful Valley Gardens, explore the delightful Victoria Arcade for some retail therapy. Have a relaxing lunch in one of the many restaurants, cafes and bars – maybe even visit the famous 'Betty's Tearooms' Later, we return to the hotel to get ready for our

entertainment evening. This begins with a pre-dinner drink, followed by a Gala Dinner and tonight's extravaganza - the highlight of the weekend - an evening with the legendary Joe Loss Orchestra, Since 1930 the band has never disbanded or reformed. It has been in constant operation throughout the world with Britain's best musicians and singers performing totally live. The Big Band and singers will perform hits from the 50's to the 80's. The Orchestra, led today by

the 50's to the 80's. The Orchestra, led today by the very talented Todd Miller, is now Britain's longest running live entertainment company, and 2024 will be their 90th year, and Todd's 50th with the Orchestra.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 2 nights half board Old Swan Hotel
- Joe Loss Orchestra
- Pre dinner drink on Saturday
- Gala dinner Saturday night
- Porterage at hotel
- Luxury coach travel
- Door to door service

Sunday Day 3

After a leisurely breakfast we depart the hotel and head for home to our door to door serivce





The Old Swan Hotel, Harrogate ★★★

The Old Swan Hotel stands in the centre of the lovely town of Harrogate, in Yorkshire, and is famed as being Agatha Christie's hiding place during her disappearance in 1926. All bedrooms are stylishly furnished, en suite and have satellite television, telephone, hairdryer, and tea & coffee facilities. The hotel has a lift.



Over the years our mystery weekends have always proved popular, and we expect this to continue in 2024. Whilst we cannot reveal the destination or the hotel, we can say that neither are usually featured elsewhere in this brochure. The hotel will be to our usual standards All accommodation will be half board.

ITINERARY

The itinerary will include scenic drives with regular stops at some interesting destinations, but will these be cathedral cities, market towns or pretty villages? All will be revealed during the weekend.

Single room supplement £39 Travel Insurance £26.53

PRICE INCLUDES

- 2 nights dinner, bed and breakfast
- 1 mystery destination entrance
- or boat/train ride, museum etc
- Hotel Porterage
- Luxury coach travel

GIFT VOUCHERS

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Join us as we return to the family run Merrion Hotel. Our hotel is located along the prom with perfect access to the town attractions. We enjoy a variety of destinations during our visit including Conwy Town, Penderyn Distillery Tour as well as the spectacular Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens.

Itinerary

Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head north west, arriving late afternoon at The Merrion, Llandudno. Tuesday Day 2

We enjoy a hearty Welsh breakfast then join the coach for the short journey to Conwy. The town is rich in history, with much of it still preserved within the walls and traditional structures of its buildings. In the heart of it is the mighty 13th-century castle, whose walls encapsulate this remarkable medieval town. Later we make a visit to the Penderyn Distillery where we enjoy a short tour.

Wednesday Day 3 We enjoy a free day to

explore Llandudno town. Take the Tram up the Great Orme, enjoy a vintage bus ride (price not included), or simply stroll along the prom. **Thursday Day 4** We eniov an excursion to Anglesey where we visit the Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens, described as one of North Wales best kept secrets, situated at the side of the Menai Strait, hidden from view near to Menai. Bridge on the Isle of Anglesev. After our visit we travel the short distance to

Anglesey Sea Salt to find out

how their award-winning sea

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights half board at the Merrion Hotel Excursions to:
- Conwy, Anglesey
- Plas Cadnant Gardens
- Penderyn Distillery Tour
- Anglesey Sea Salt tour
- Porterage
- Luxury coach travel



Friday Day 5
After breakfast we begin our journey home, meeting our door to door service late afternoon.



The Merrion Hotel ★★★

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Luxurious en-suite seafront hotel accommodation in the seaside resort of Llandudno. All rooms are en-suite, many have stunning views towards the pier and the spectacular sweep of Llandudno Bay. All rooms are equipped with tea & coffee making facilities and flat screen TV. The hotel has a lift.



On this new tour to Somerset we enjoy a delightful heritage steam ride on the Lynton & Barnstaple Railway, learn what goes into producing Sheppy Cider and watch the fine craftsman at work at Dartington Crystal. Alongside visits to the lovely seaside town of Ilfracombe, market day in Bideford and the county town of Ton.

Itinerary

Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head west, arriving during the afternoon at The Northfield Hotel.

Tuesday Day 2

This morning we travel to the town of Bideford, where it is Market Day. Browse amongst the farmers market and enjoy free time exploring this town with its elegant Georgian Buildings. Later we journey the short distance to Dartington Crystal, for a behind the scenes factory tour. Skilled craftsmen will be demonstrating how they handcraft glass into luxury homeware items.

Wednesday Day 3

We begin the day with a visit to Taunton where you are free to explore at your leisure and have the chance to purchase lunch. Our visit this afternoon is to Sheppy Cider who have been producing cider here since 1917. During our guided tour we learn what goes into producing this fine cider, before enjoying a tasting. Thursday Day 4

After a leisurely breakfast this morning we travel west to visit the Victorian seaside resort of Ilfracombe, known as the jewel in the North Devon Coast. Discover a quaint quayside and harbour, whitewashed villas, lovely

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights half board Northfield Hotel Minehead
- Dartington Crystal
- Sheppy Cider
- Lynton & Barnstaple Railway
- Hotel Porterage
- Luxury coach travel
- Door to door service

beaches, coastal paths and an abundance of cafes and shops. After lunch we journey the short distance to enjoy a steam ride on the Lynton & Barnstaple Railway.

Friday Day 5

After breakfast we begin our journey home, meeting our door to door service late afternoon.



Northfield Hotel, Minehead ★★★

The Northfield Hotel is set in nearly 2 acres of landscaped gardens reputed to have been laid out by Gertrude Jekyll. Enjoy wonderful views from the elevated position, from the coast to the Quantocks, Brendon Hills and indeed Exmoor itself. Each en suite room has free Wi-Fi and flat screen TV. The hotel has a lift and indoor swimming pool.

LOOE, CORNWALL

2nd - 6th MAY 2024



The seaside town of Looe in south east Cornwall is still very much a working fishing port. Many of the towns shops are located in buildings dating from the 16th and 17th centuries. We include visits to The Lost Gardens of Heligan, seaside town of Mevagissey and a morning stop at Padstow.

Itinerary

Thursday Day 1

After our door to door service we make our way to the south west and arrive in Looe late afternoon, with time to relax before dinner. A stop will be made with the chance to purchase lunch.

Friday Day 2

We travel to the fishing town of Padstow, on the North Cornwall coast, which is famous for the restaurants of celebrity chefs including Rick Stein and Paul Ainsworth. We return to Looe in the early afternoon

Saturday Day 3

Today we visit the Lost Gardens of Heligan. It was only the chance discovery of a door in the ruins that led to the restoration of this once great estate. After Heligan we enjoy a short break in Mevagissey with narrow streets and terraced houses leading down to the centre of old Mevagissey where the distinctive twin harbour provides a safe haven for the many fishing boats that land their daily catch.

Sunday Day 4

We enjoy a relaxing free day to explore Looe town. Why not visit Looe Museum which reveals a collection of smuggling memorabilia? Monday Day 5

We leave Cornwall behind and travel north where we make a stop for lunch. We meet our door to door service early evening.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights half board Portbyhan Hotel, Looe
- Entrance to Lost Gardens of Heligan.

Excursions to:

- Mevagissey, Padstow
- Porterage at hotel
- Luxury coach travel
- Door to door service





Portbyhan Hotel ★★★

The Portbyhan Hotel is situated in an unrivalled position right in the heart of Looe, allowing you to relish the panoramic views of the vibrant harbour with only a short stroll into Looe town. Feel at home in one of the welcoming bedrooms, each with a TV & hospitality tray. The hotel has a lift, however some rooms may have steps up to them.

ISLE OF WIGHT THE DIAMOND ISLE

13th - 17th MAY 2024



Situated just four miles from the mainland across the Solent, the Isle of Wight is often described as 'The Garden Isle'. The wonderful scenery and attractive resorts make it the perfect place for a relaxing holiday. Enjoying an unseasonable amount of warmth and sunshine, more than half the Isle of Wight has been designated an Area of Outstanding Beauty. Queen Victoria fell in love with the Island and after her first visit to Osborne House pronounced: 'it is impossible to find a prettier spot.'

Itinerary

Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head south and enjoy the short ferry crossing to the Isle of Wight.

Tuesday Day 2

This morning we visit Cowes, best known as the world's premier yachting centre and the island's main port with a natural harbour. From here we travel the short distance to Osborne House, where entrance to Queen Victoria's former residence is included. Get an intimate glimpse into royal life as you explore private apartments and grand reception rooms lined with furnishings and artworks.

Outside, wander among flower-filled gardens, discover the quirky museum in the Swiss Cottage and relax on the beach.

Wednesday Day 3

This morning we head to Godshill, one of the most photographed and prettiest villages on the Island. There are cafes, pubs, tearooms and maybe visit the Model Village. We return to Shanklin for a free afternoon.

Thursday Day 4

Today we travel to the Isle of Wight Steam Railway for a return journey onboard through the countryside. From here we head to the seaside resort of Ryde where you can purchase lunch.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights stay at the Channel View Hotel – Dinner, Bed & Breakfast
- Return ferry crossing Excursions to:
- Cowes, Godshill, Ryde. Entrances Included:
- Osbourne House
- Isle of Wight Steam Railway
- · Luxury coach travel
- Hotel porterage

Friday Day 5

We begin our journey home, crossing back to the mainland during the morning, to meet our door to door service during the afternoon.



THE CHANNEL VIEW HOTEL ★★★

The Channel View Hotel, overlooking Shanklin Bay, always gives a warm welcome, good service & tasty food. Hotel facilities include restaurant, bar, lift to most floors, frequent entertainment and an indoor swimming pool and sauna. All bedrooms are en-suite with TV, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities.

ABERDEENSHIRE DELIGHTS

19th - 25th MAY 2024



This tour visits the 'Granite City' of Aberdeen with excursions to Haddo House & Gardens. Pitmedden Gardens, Museum of Farming Life, a ride on the Royal Deeside Railway and a visit to the Royal Lochnagar Distillery, the whisky supplied to royalty at Balmoral Castle.

Itinerary

Sunday Day 1

After our door to door service we travel to southern Scotland for our overnight stay - dinner, bed and breakfast.

Monday Day 2

We depart our hotel continuing our journey north to Aberdeen.

Tuesday Day 3

After breakfast we travel north to Pitmedden Garden & Museum of Farming Life. This 17th century walled garden contains over 30,000 bedding plants, 6 miles of clipped box hedging and over 200 fruit trees. The adjacent museum brings to life the agricultural heritage of the local area, where you can admire an extensive range of agricultural artefacts. Later we visit Haddo House

and Gardens, stroll through the terrace garden with flower beds. lovely borders and fountain.

Wednesday Day 4

Today is free to explore Aberdeen at leisure – the Duthie Park Gardens are well worth a visit - admission is free. Aberdeen also has a great maritime history.

Thursday Day 5

This morning we travel into the Cairngorms National Park to the Royal Lochnagar Distillery. Located just one mile away from the famous summer retreat of the roval family, Balmoral Castle, this distillery is proud to have been supplying royalty since 1848. We enjoy a guided tour of the distillery followed by a tasting. Afterwards we travel to Banchory for free time, before joining the Royal

PRICE INCLUDES

- · 4 nights half board Aberdeen Altens Hotel,
- 2 overnights in Dumfries
- Royal Deeside Railway
- Pitmedden Garden & Museum of Farming Life
- Lochnagar Distillery tour
- Haddo House & Garden
- Porterage at main hotel
- Luxury coach travel
- Door to door service

Deeside Railway. A heritage railway in a beautiful setting running along the River Dee. Friday Day 6

After breakfast we journey south to the Holiday Inn Dumfries for our overnight.

Saturday Day 7

We leave our final hotel after breakfast, and meet our door to door service late afternoon.



Aberdeen Altens Hotel ***

The Aberdeen Altens Hotel is pleasantly situated on the outskirts of the 'Granite City' Aberdeen. Hotel facilities include heated swimming pool, sauna, steam room and a gym. All bedrooms are en suite and have television and tea/coffee facilities. There is a lift.

TOUCH OF CLASS IN SCARBOROUGH

3rd - 7th JUNE 2024



Scarborough enjoys an unrivalled position as one of Britain's premier coastal resorts, yet also lies tantalisingly close to North Yorkshire's rugged National Park. On this holiday you can enjoy the golden beaches, superb parks and gardens and wide range of amenities which have given Scarborough its justifiable reputation, as well as the natural beauty and heritage of Yorkshire.

Itinerary

Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head north, arriving late afternoon at the Crown Spa Hotel.

Tuesday Day 2

This morning we head north following the coast road to Whitby, the famous fishing port which was once the home of Captain James Cook. High above the harbour stands the 7th century Whitby Abbey, the inspiration for Bram Stoker's Dracula. We have time to wander around before leaving for a scenic coach ride across the moors to Pickering.

Wednesday Day 3

This morning we leave for a day in the ancient and historic City of York. There are lots of things to see and do - The National Railway Museum, The Jorvik Centre, The Castle Museum, stroll around the City Walls, wander around the excellent shops, explore the many quaint little alleyways, and, of course, no visit to York is complete without seeing magnificent York Minster.

Thursday Day 4

A free day to discover the varied attractions of Scarborough. Enjoy the delightful promenade in the Belvedere Gardens, take a short walk to the town centre and shops, or amble down to the beaches of South Bay.

PRICE INCLUDES

- · 4 nights half board at the Crown Spa Hotel Excursions to:
- · Historic Whitby, Pickering North Yorkshire Moors
- City of York
- Porterage at hotel
- Luxurv coach travel
- Door to door service



Friday Day 5

After breakfast we head for home. We will make a stop to purchase lunch, and meet our door to door service late afternoon.



The Crown Spa Hotel, Scarborough

The Crown Hotel enjoys a commanding position above Scarborough's South Beach, just a short walk from the beach and the town centre. Bedrooms are all en suite with TV and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel hosts its own swimming pool and modern fitness centre. Relax in the sauna, spa bath or steam room. There is a lift to all floors.



We return to the popular Best Western Plus Angel Hotel, Chippenham on this new tour to Wiltshire. Our itinerary includes visits to Lacock Village, Bath and the Great Western Railway Museum, Swindon, as well as time in Bradford-on-Avon, Chippenham and Devizes.

Itinerary

Thursday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head west, arriving at the Angel Hotel during the afternoon.

Friday Day 2

Our excursion today takes us past the famous Caen Hill Locks, a staircase of 16 locks on the Kennet and Avon canal to Devizes for a stop. From here we continue to beautiful Bradford-on-Avon for an afternoon break Saturday Day 3

This morning we have a short drive to the time warp National Trust village of Lacock, famous for its picturesque streets and as a location for TV and film. After exploring this beautiful village

we return to Chippenham for free time. The combination of old and new, the historic architectural gems and modern shopping centres make this an ideal place to explore.

Sunday Day 4

This morning we head for historic Bath which has been a wellbeing destination since Roman times. The waters are still a big draw today, at the ancient Roman Baths and the thoroughly modern Thermae Bath Spa. The compact, visitor-friendly city centre is overflowing with places to eat and drink, plus some of the finest independent shops in Britain. Monday Day 5

After breakfast we begin our

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights half board Angel Hotel, Chippenham
 Entrance to:
- 'Steam' Great Western Railway Museum Swindon Excursions to:
- Historic NT Lacock Village
- · Cathedral City of Bath
- Bradford-on-Avon, Chippenham & Devizes
- Porterage at hotel
- Luxury coach travel
- Door to door service

journey home, making a stop at the Steam Railway Museum and McArthur Glen Shopping Outlet where you have a chance to purchase lunch. We meet our door to door service during the afternoon.



Best Western Plus Angel Hotel ★★★

Originally a 17th century coaching inn, the Best Western Plus Angel Hotel offers the best in surroundings and comfort with a unique blend of traditional and contemporary style. The hotel's leisure facilities include indoor heated swimming pool & gym. All bedrooms are en suite and have television, telephone, hairdryer and tea & coffee making facilities. No lift, ground floor rooms on request.

WEYMOUTH

26th - 30th JUNE 2024





Weymouth has always been a firm favourite with Drury Holidays. Its elegant Georgian seafront is an impressive backdrop to the long arc of fine, golden sand. The views from the bay are spectacular, stretching across the horizon, taking in the World Heritage Jurassic Coastline. We stay at the Hotel Rex once again and include visits to Lyndhurst, Abbotburys Gardens, West Bay and Swanage, with a ride on the Swanage Railway.

Itinerary

Wednesday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we make our way to Lyndhurst, the capital of the New Forest. After the opportunity to purchase lunch in this pretty village, we continue our drive to Weymouth arriving late afternoon.

Thursday Day 2

After breakfast we travel to Swanage where we enjoy a ride on the Swanage Railway, followed by free time to explore this pretty seaside town.

Friday Day 3

Today we start with the short journey to Abbotsbury

Gardens. The hills that shelter the village provide a warm microclimate, allowing many exotic and unusual species of plant to thrive at the Subtropical Gardens. We then travel to West Bay for a visit. It has attracted the attention of many TV and film productions looking for the perfect spot to set their scenes. Most recently (2013) it was the home of ITV's hit drama Broadchurch.

Saturday Day 4

We enjoy a free day in Weymouth. Take a stroll around the historic harbour, visit Nothe Fort and Gardens or just spend time relaxing by the sea.

PRICE INCLUDES

4 nights – dinner, bed and breakfast

Excursion to:

- Swanage, West Bay
- Abbotsbury Gardens
- Swanage Railway
- · Hotel Porterage
- · Luxury coach travel



Sunday Day 5
After breakfast we depart
Weymouth and head for home
to meet our door to door
service by late afternoon. A
stop will be made to purchase
lunch.



Hotel Rex, Weymouth ★★★

We return to the 3-star Hotel Rex which is situated on the Esplanade overlooking the stunning Weymouth Beach and the Jurassic Coastline beyond. The 17th Century Harbour, with its busy fishing fleet, is always a hive of activity and just a few yards away. Hotel facilities include a residents' lounge, fully licensed bar, wireless internet access and a passenger lift that serves all floors. Please note there are several steps up to the hotel and on some room levels.

NEWCASTLE, HOLY ISLAND & 8th - 12th JULY 2024 HEATHERSLAW RAILWAY



We once again return to the popular Copthorne Hotel in Newcastle, where we enjoy an updated itinerary, whilst retaining a full day at Alnwick Gardens and Castle. This year we are joined on the coach by local guide Alan Appleton who takes us to Holy Island, then onto the Heatherslaw Light Railway for a train ride. Also included is a free day in Newcastle.

Itinerary

Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head north, arriving late afternoon in Newcastle.

Tuesday Day 2

After breakfast we meet our guide Alan and travel to Holy Island, then depending on the train times we visit the villages of Ford and Etal, travelling between Heatherslaw and Etal on a twenty-minute single journey following the course of the River Till. The narrow gauge train is usually steam hauled.

Wednesday Day 3

Today we take the road north, past Blyth and Ashington, to Alnwick where we include entrance to the



Gardens and Castle. The Alnwick Garden is one of the most exciting contemporary gardens on earth. A garden for gardeners with a design that looks to the future. Dubbed the 'Windsor of the North,' Alnwick Castle is the second largest inhabited castle in the country and has been home to the Duke of Northumberland's family, the Percys, for over 700 years.

Thursday Day 4

A free day for you to explore and enjoy Newcastle. Just a short walk along the quayside from your hotel is the Millennium 'Winking Eye' bridge and Newcastle's famous quayside. Enjoy a riverside stroll before maybe enjoying lunch in a quayside

PRICE INCLUDES

- · 4 nights half board
- Entrance to Alnwick Gardens & Castle
- Ride on Heatherslaw Light Railway
- Guided coach tour including Holy Island
- Porterage at hotel
- Luxury coach travel
- · Door to door service

pub or take a walk into the city centre for lunch and some retail therapy in Eldon Square shopping centre.

Friday Day 5

After breakfast we leave Newcastle behind and travel south where we make a stop for lunch. We meet our door to door service late afternoon.

The Copthorne Hotel ★★★★

The Millennium Copthorne Hotel stands in one of the finest locations in Newcastle, on the banks of the River Tyne, just a short stroll from the city centre. Bedrooms are all facing the river with views across, are en suite and have satellite television and all the modern day facilities you would expect from a hotel of this standard. The hotel has a lift.

DESIRABLE DOLOMITES SOUTH TYROL

16th - 23rd JULY 2024



The Dolomites is an Italian region bursting with natural beauty and diversity. We include a free bar at the hotel each evening, wine tastings, a Trentino dinner and a grolla evening, plus fantastic views and scenic drives! With stunning scenery, incredible inclusions and hospitality that is second to none, this will make for an unforgettable holiday.

Itinerary Tuesday Day 1

We travel to Dover for the short ferry crossing. Arrive at our overnight hotel during the evening.

Wednesday Day 2

We continue our journey through Austria and into Italy, arriving at the hotel early evening.

Thursday Day 3

Today, Fausto will play host and take us out for a gentle walk around this friendly village. We enjoy a picnic with great company, food and wine.

Friday Day 4

This morning we arrive in Merano In true 'Sound of Music' fashion, this beautiful spa town sits nestled between the Dolomites. In the afternoon, we enjoy a tour and tasting of some top quality wines.

Saturday Day 5

Today we drive north towards Moena, based in the heart of the Dolomites, and ascend towards the vibrant town of Canazei.

Sunday Day 6

Our route this morning takes us past Lake Molveno, and from here we enjoy the route taking us through to the back of Lake Garda.

Monday Day 7

We start our return journey and cross back into Germany where we spend our final evening at the Mercure Saarbrucken.

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PRICE INCLUDES

- 7 nights dinner, bed and breakfast
- Porterage and welcome glass of prosecco at Hotel Paganella
- Guided walk of Fai & picnic Excursions to:
- Lake Garda, Lake Molveno & Merano
- Kettmeir tour and wine tasting
- Free bar between 1800-2230hrs at main hotel
- Scenic drive of the Dolomites

Tuesday Day 8

Our last day of the tour, we join the late afternoon ferry from Calais, to meet our door to door service late evening.



¬ HOTEL PAGANELLA ★★★

This friendly, family-run hotel is ideally located for touring this area. Fausto and his family ensure a warm welcome in this typically Austrian style chalet hotel. All bedrooms have a TV and hairdryer. There is a cosy bar, a traditional restaurant, a comfortable lounge and seating areas. Leisure facilities include a sauna, jacuzzi and steam room. The hotel has a lift.

ISLE OF MAN

3rd - 8th AUGUST 2024





A return visit to this ever popular Island. We are based in Douglas where you can enjoy the rich folklore and unique culture of the island. Included this year is entrance to Cregneash, illustrating farming and crofting in the 19th century. There is also a tour of the island with a local guide, as well as a 3-day Explorer public transport pass for unlimited travel during our visit.

Itinerary Saturday Day 1

Following our morning door to door service we travel to the Trentham Estate with free time to look around the shops and purchase lunch. We arrive at our overnight hotel in time for dinner.

Sunday Day 2

After breakfast we head to Heysham for the afternoon crossing to the Isle of Man, arriving at our hotel in time for dinner.



Monday Day 3

Today, after breakfast, we are joined on the coach by local guide Andrew Foxon who will take us to some of the most interesting sights on the island. We include a visit to Cregneash, a living illustration of a farming and crofting community in the 19th and early 20th century. Tues Day 4 & Weds Day 5 Free time to explore the island using your Go Explore travel pass. This gives unlimited travel on all the bus, train, electric tram and horse tram services including the Snaefell Mountain Railway and the Isle of Man Steam Railway.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights at Empress Hotel half board
- 1 night at Mercure Dunkenhalgh Hotel half board
- Entrance to Cregneash
- 3 Day Go Explore Transport pass
- Guided island tour
- Porterage at Empress Hotel
- Luxury coach travel

Thursday Day 6

After an early breakfast we catch the morning ferry to the mainland. We will make a stop to purchase lunch, and meet our door to door service during the afternoon



The Empress Hotel ★★★

The hotel overlooks Douglas Bay, with shops less than 10 mins away. The hotel has a bar/lounge with sea views. The leisure facilities include a gym, sauna and steam room. All rooms have tea/coffee making facilities, flat screen television, hairdryer and trouser press. The hotel has a lift, however there are several steps up to the front door.

Please note there are no walk in showers available for this hotel.

KYNREN - AN EPIC TALE OF ENGLAND

23rd - 26th AUGUST 2024



A unique tour, combining a visit to the historic and beautiful city of Durham, and the live action extravaganza, Kynren – An Epic Tale of England. This mesmerising show takes you on a whistle stop tour of 2,000 years of history, myth and legend. We also include a free day in Newcastle.

Itinerary Friday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head north, arriving late afternoon in Newcastle.

Saturday Day 2

We enjoy the day at leisure in Newcastle Upon Tyne. The hotel will provide an early dinner before heading to Bishop Auckland where we join Kynren – An Epic Tale of England.

Taking place on a vast landscaped stage with a huge lake at its centre hiding a host of surprises, you'll meet many of the characters and events that have shaped England, with scenes encompassing the Roman occupation to World War II.



History will unfold in front of your eyes, thanks to a cast and crew of almost 1,500 performing on a vast openair stage.

Spectacular sets appearing as if by magic, mass choreography and fierce battles are illuminated with dazzling special effects, effervescent lighting, and pyrotechnics, set to a spinetingling original score which you'll experience in movielike surround sound.

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A REASONABLE WALK FROM THE DROP OFF POINT TO THE SHOW AREA

Sunday Day 3

This morning, we head to Durham. Here you can

PRICE INCLUDES

- 3 nights half board
- Entrance to Kynren Excursion to:
- Durham
- Free time in Newcastle
- Porterage at hotel
- Luxury coach travel
- Door to door service

explore the city. Perhaps visit the world-famous Durham Cathedral, enjoy a rivercruise to see the city from a different perspective, or explore one of various museums a short walk from the city centre.

Monday Day 4

After breakfast we begin our journey home, meeting our door to door service late afternoon.

The Copthorne Hotel ★★★★

The Millennium Copthorne Hotel stands in one of the finest locations in Newcastle, on the banks of the River Tyne, just a short stroll from the city centre. Bedrooms are all facing the river with views across, all are en suite and have satellite television and all the modern day facilities you would expect from a hotel of this standard. The hotel has a lift.



Join us as we visit Hampshire with a new itinerary and inclusions. Enjoy a Hovercraft crossing to Ryde on the Isle of Wight, with a talk from the Pilot and demonstration of the Hovercraft's capabilities. Also included is time in Chichester with a boat cruise from the harbour, and "Ultimate Explorer" tickets for Portsmouth Historic Dockyard.

Itinerary Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head south, arriving at the Langstone Hotel during the afternoon. Tuesday Day 2

Today after breakfast we join the coach and travel to Southsea where we meet the pilot of our Hovercraft to the Isle of Wight. We have included a talk by the pilot and a longer crossing involvong special turns and a demonstration of the hovercraft capabilities. On arrival in Ryde you will have free time to explore the town and purchase lunch before we enjoy the 10 minute crossing back to Southsea, where we rejoin the coach to

travel back to our hotel. Wednesday Day 3

We travel to Chichester for free time in the city. After lunch we drive to nearby Itchenor Harbour for an hour long boat cruise.

Thursday Day 4

We enjoy a full day in Portsmouth. Included is a pass covering all the following attractions:

- The Mary Rose Museum
- HMS Victory
- HMS Warrior
- HMS M.33
- NMRN Galleries
- Explosion Museum of Naval Firepower
- Royal Navy Submarine Museum
- Action Stations

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights half board at the Langstone Hotel
- Portsmouth Dockyards Explorer ticket
- Meet the pilot, Hovercraft talk & demonstration.
- Chichester free time & Harbour cruise.
- Isle of Wight free time
- Porterage
- · Luxury coach travel
- Harbour Tours
- Boathouse 4
- · Dockyard Apprentice

Friday Day 5

After breakfast we begin our journey home, meeting our door to door service late afternoon



The Langstone Hotel ★★★

The Langstone Hotel is situated on the south coast between Portsmouth and Chichester on the northern shore of Hayling Island. Hotel facilities include swimming pool, sauna, jacuzzi and gym. All bedrooms have tv, radio, telephone, hairdryer and hospitality tray. Ground floor rooms are available.



Join us on a return tour to South Devon. Included in the itinerary is a journey on the Dartmouth Steam Railway and a boat cruise on the River Dart, as well as free time in Torquay. We are based at the Headland Hotel situated in an elevated position on the outskirts of Torquay.

Itinerary Friday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we head west, arriving late afternoon at The Headland Hotel.

Saturday Day 2

We start the day with a short drive to Paignton, where we join the Dartmouth Steam Railway for our journey to Kingswear. From here we cross the river using the ferry boat. During the day we enjoy a 60 minute boat cruise up the River Dart and back to Dartmouth, where we also have time to purchase lunch. Later we re join the train from Kingswear back to Paignton and journey back to the hotel by coach.

Sunday Day 3

A free day to explore Torquay. You can't get much more of a 'traditional British seaside' resort than this vibrant and cheerful town. Set at the very heart of the English Riviera, Torquay is famous for its sandv beaches, attractions and genteel Victorian appearance. Made famous by the legendary comedy series Fawltv Towers. Torbav is distinctly Mediterranean and is a family favourite with plenty of attractions and things to do.

Monday Day 4

Today we travel home meeting our door to door service during the afternoon.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 3 nights half board at the Headland Hotel
- Dartmouth Steam Railway
- River Dart Cruise
- Luxury coach travel
- Porterage





The Headland Hotel ★★★

Majestically overlooking Meadfoot Beach and the sea, set on the headland, the Headland Hotel was originally built for the Romanoff's, the Russian Royal Family. All bedrooms are en suite and have TV, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift. Please note the town is a ten minute walk from the hotel.



This Scottish tour visits the recently opened Perth Museum housing the Stone of Destiny. The Stone has been used to crown Kings and Queens since the 9th Century. We also explore historical royal homes Glamis Castle, Scone Palace and include a mini afternoon tea at Peel Farm. We stay at the Salutation Hotel, Perth and overnight on day one in Lancashire.

Itinerary Thursday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we travel north to Lancashire and our overnight hotel.

Friday Day 2

After breakfast we continue our journey north through Scotland to Perth, arriving during the afternoon at our hotel.

Saturday Day 3

This morning we travel to Pitlochry. We have the morning free to enjoy the beautiful scenery, shops and museums. After time to purchase lunch we visit the famous Blair Athol Distillery for a guided tour and tasting and a chance to learn how their famous single malt is made.

Sunday Day 4

Today we travel the short distance to Scone Palace. The Palace has an exciting and colourful history as one of Scotland's most important stately homes. Later we return to Perth to visit the Perth Museum. The highlight of the collection is the recently returned "Stone of Destiny".

Monday Day 5

This morning we travel to Glamis Castle, one of the finest castles in Scotland and former home of Princess Margaret. We then visit Peel Farm Café, a family run business using locally sourced produce. We enjoy a mini afternoon tea that includes tea/coffee, small sandwiches, savoury pastries and fresh scones.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights stay at the Salutation Hotel, Perth – Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
- 1 Overnight stay at the Lancashire Manor Hotel – Dinner, Bed and Breakfast Entrance to:
- Glamis Castle, Perth Museum, Scone Palace
- Blair Athol Distillery
- Peel Farm mini afternoon tea
- · Luxury coach travel
- Porterage

Tuesday Day 6

After breakfast we depart our hotel and begin the journey home with fond memories of our time in Scotland. meeting our door to door service during the afternoon.



The Salutation Hotel ★★★

The Hotel is located in the centre of the Scottish city of Perth. Hotel facilities include bar lounge area, restaurant and function rooms. All bedrooms are ensuite and have television, telephone, hairdryer and tea & coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift.



A return visit to one of our most popular destinations in recent years, the Jurassic Coast resort of Sidmouth, staying at the highly respected Royal York & Faulkner Hotel on the sea front. We include visits to Seaton including a ride on the Tramway, Budleigh Salterton and Exmouth.

Itinerary

Tuesday Day 1

Following our morning door to door service we head towards Devon. After a stop to purchase lunch, we arrive late afternoon at our hotel. Wednesday Day 2 After breakfast we travel to Budleigh Salterton. This picturesque town has a 2.5 mile pebble beach, overlooked by stunning red sandstone cliffs. Budleigh remains one of Devon's most unspoilt and charming towns, containing many interesting shops and other attractions. Later we visit Exmouth, one of the oldest and most picturesque seaside towns in Devon. The town is the gateway to the World Heritage Jurassic Coast and

has two miles of sandy beach.

Thursday Day 3

We board the coach and travel the short distance to Seaton to join the trams for a return journey. Seaton Tramway operates narrow gauge heritage trams between Seaton, Colyford and Colvton in East Devon's glorious Axe Valley, travelling alongside the River Axe estuary through two nature reserves and giving an unrivalled view of the abundant wading bird life. Around lunch time we head to Seaton Town for free time to explore.

PRICE INCLUDES

4 nights half board at the Royal York & Faulkner Hotel

Excursions to:

- Exmouth, Budleigh Salterton, Seaton
- Seaton Tramway ride
- Porterage
- Luxury coach travel

Friday Day 4

Today we enjoy a free day relaxing in Sidmouth. Along the front is the Millennium Walkway which stretches the length of the beach, providing the perfect background for an afternoon stroll.

Saturday Day 5

After breakfast we begin our iournev home, meeting our door to door service late afternoon.



Royal York & Faulkner Hotel ☆☆☆

A regency hotel with an unrivalled position on Sidmouth's elegant Esplanade. Guest bedrooms feature the essential amenities. including en-suite bathroom, TV, radio, telephone, hairdryer, free Wi-Fi and tea and coffee-making facilities. The hotel has a lift, however some rooms have several steps to access them.



Join us as we return to the comfortable Bridgewood Manor 4 star hotel in the heart of Kent, close to all the destinations on our tour. For the first part of the tour the emphasis is on food and drink, including a guided tour and tasting at Chapel Vineyards. We also enjoy a tour and lunch at Sheperd Neame Brewery, followed by a tour of Canterbury Cheesemakers. A treat awaits us at the Chatham Dockyard as we enjoy our own tour of the Call The Midwife set, as well as free time to enjoy the dockyard museum attractions.

Itinerary

Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service, we travel to Kent where we make a lunch stop, arriving at our hotel during the afternoon.

Tuesday Day 2

After a leisurely breakfast we travel to Chapel Down Winery where we have a tour of the vineyards followed by wine tasting. We then travel the short distance to Tenterden where we enjoy free time around this pretty town.

Wednesday Day 3

Today after joining the coach we travel to Faversham. Here we have a guided tour

of the Shepherd Neame Brewery. Lunch is included after the tour. In the afternoon Cheesemakers of Canterbury guide us through the cheese making process and allow us to taste the produce.

Thursday Day 4

We spend our day at Chatham Historic dockyards. If you're a fan of the hit series and you've been wondering where Call the Midwife is filmed, put yourself in the picture and explore where the real drama happens with the Call the Midwife Official Location Tour. The rest of the day is free to look round the historic dockyards museums.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights half board at the Bridgewood Manor Hotel Included:
- Call The Midwife Filmset tour & Chatham Dockyard.
- Chapel Down Winery, Tour, Tasting.
- Shepherd Neame Brewery Tour, Tasting & Lunch.
- Cheesmakers of Canterbury tour & Tasting.
- Porterage
- · Luxury coach travel

Friday Day 5

Today we head home to our door to door service, arriving during the afternoon.



THE BRIDGEWOOD MANOR, CHATHAM ★★★★

The Bridgewood Manor Hotel & Spa, Chatham, is renowned for its fine food and service. Hotel facilities include Squires restaurant, open plan lounge and relaxing bar. Spa facilities include gym, swimming pool and sauna. Bedrooms are all en suite, and have television, hairdryer, telephone and tea/coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift

WEYMOUTH

28th OCTOBER - 1st NOVEMBER 2024



We return to Weymouth for our second tour of the year. We stay at the Hotel Rex once again and include visits to Poole, Wareham and the Fleet Air Arm Museum near Yeovilton, where we have the chance to view the first British Concorde. You can even catch a glimpse of what life is like on Europe's busiest military Air Station from the airfield viewing area.

Itinerary

Monday Day 1

After our morning door to door service we make our way to Lyndhurst, the capital of the New Forest. After the opportunity to purchase lunch in this pretty village, we continue our drive to Weymouth arriving late afternoon.

Tuesday Day 2

After breakfast we join the coach and travel to Poole, well known for having Europe's largest natural harbour, a bustling quayside and beautiful historic old town. Later we travel to the pretty, riverside town of Wareham, one of the few

remaining Saxon walled towns in England.

Wednesday Day 3

Today we travel to the Fleet Air Arm Museum close to Yeovilton. With four exhibition halls, over ninety aircraft, more than 2 million records, and 30 thousand artefacts, the Museum is Europe's largest naval aviation museum. It is also home to the first British Concorde and the award-winning Aircraft Carrier Experience.



PRICE INCLUDES

- 4 nights dinner, bed and breakfast
- Excursions to:
- Poole, Wareham
- Entrance to:
- Fleet Air Arm Museum
- Hotel Porterage
- Luxury coach travel

Thursday Day 4

We enjoy a free day in Weymouth.

Friday Day 5

After breakfast we depart the Hotel Rex and head for home to meet our door to door service by late afternoon. A suitable stop will be made to purchase lunch.



Hotel Rex, Weymouth ★★★

We return to the 3-star Hotel Rex which is situated on the Esplanade overlooking the stunning Weymouth Beach and the Jurassic Coastline beyond. The 17th Century Harbour, with its busy fishing fleet, is always a hive of activity and just a few yards away. Hotel facilities include a residents' lounge, fully licensed bar, wireless internet access and a passenger lift that serves all floors. Please note there are several steps up to the hotel and on some room levels.



Experience the unique after dark experience at RHS Harlow Carr. See the iconic features such as Streamside, the Queen Mother's Lake, Winter Walk, Doric Columns and Kitchen Garden all spectacularly glow up with festive sparkle and magic. The tour is rounded off with a visit to festively decorated Castle Howard. Our hotel is the Cedar Court Harrogate.

Itinerary Friday Day 1

Following our morning door to door service we head to Yorkshire. After a stop to purchase lunch, we arrive late afternoon at our hotel.

Saturday Day 2

The morning is free for you to explore delightful Harrogate. Have a relaxing lunch in one of the many restaurants, cafes and bars, enjoy some retail therapy or just sit and watch the world go by. Late afternoon we travel the short distance to RHS Harlow Carr where the gardens have been spectacularly decorated with light displays. See the iconic features such as Streamside, the Queen Mother's Lake.

Winter Walk, Doric Columns and Kitchen Garden glow up with festive sparkle and magic.



Sunday Day 3

Today we enjoy a trip to Castle Howard, one of Britain's finest historic houses. Discover the festively decorated house at your own pace, admiring its awe-inspiring architecture, interiors and world-renowned collections, with something to capture everyone's imagination.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 3 nights half board at the Cedar Court Hotel Excursions with entrance:
- RHS Harlow Carr
- Castle Howard
- Porterage
- Luxury coach travel

Monday Day 4

After breakfast we begin our journey home, meeting our door to door service late afternoon.





Cedar Court Harrogate Hotel ★★★

The Cedar Court Hotel is a Grade II listed building and was Harrogate's first hotel. It enjoys a peaceful location in landscaped grounds close to the town centre and provides spacious and well equipped accommodation. Public areas include open plan lounge and bar. All bedrooms are en suite and have television, telephone, hairdryer and tea & coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift.



Join us as we travel to Norfolk to enjoy the 47th Thursford Christmas Spectacular Show. Set in the magical surroundings of mechanical organs and fairground carousels, with a cast of 130 professional singers, dancers and musicians – many of whom are West End performers. The 3 hour performance delivers an extravaganza of non-stop singing, dancing, music, humour and variety. It's a fast moving celebration of the festive season featuring an eclectic mix of both seasonal and year-round favourites. We also enjoy free time in the city of Norwich.

Itinerary

Sunday Day 1

After our morning door to door service, we travel to Norwich and the Mercure Hotel. 1 nights stay Half Board - (Lunch or Dinner on Sunday depending on afternoon or evening performance at Thursford). The Thursford Christmas Spectacular Show is the largest Christmas production in England, and is a celebration of Christmas with choirs, carols, and the best organs including the mighty Wurlitzer playing.

Monday Day 2

After a leisurely breakfast we travel into Norwich for a free morning to explore the City. Norwich is a wonderful fusion of the modern and historic. one complementing the other. Like any great city its centre is easy to walk around and has a river at its heart. As well as being the most complete medieval city in the UK with stunning Norman Cathedral and Castle, it has a flourishing arts, music and cultural scene, superb independent as well as High Street shopping, and quaint covered market.

PRICE INCLUDES

- 1 nights half board at the Mercure Hotel
- Lunch or dinner on Sunday depending on performance times
- Thursford Christmas Spectacular
- Free time in Norwich
- Porterage
- Luxury coach travel

In the afternoon we head home to our door to door service.



THE MERCURE HOTEL, NORWICH ★★☆

The Mercure Hotel Norwich is located just outside of the city of Norwich, ideally placed for our excursions. All bedrooms are ensuite and have television, telephone, hairdryer and tea & coffee making facilities.

HOW TO BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY

Once you have selected your holiday, please call our office on 01234 711318 and you will be notified of all available seats. Once you have chosen your seat, please complete and return the booking form enclosed with this brochure and send it to our office address. We will hold the seats and room provisionally for 7 days.

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