

# J.A.K. Travel Ltd

## Tours 2019



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# Booking is easy! - Information we need

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This booking will be made in the name of: Name:		The Members of this party will be: - Please list everyone and put a bracket against those who will share a room, please state children's ages. Continue on a separate sheet if required.			
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<b>TRAVEL INSURANCE 2017 ONWARD</b>		Amount Each		Totals	
<b>Changes to our Travel Insurance.</b>		The total number of people X		=	
As from 1st January 2017, we will no longer hold the necessary authorisation given by the Financial Conduct Authority for the sale of Travel Insurance, nor offer or advise on Travel Insurance related matters. Therefore you will have to make alternative arrangements with other Travel Insurance providers.		The amount that is enclosed is:		CASH / CHEQUE CREDIT / DEBIT CARD	
<b>We strongly advise all clients to take out travel insurance.</b>		I wish to pay by card. I understand that there is NO surcharge.		This is a CREDIT / DEBIT card	
It is not compulsory by law to take out Travel Insurance for a coach tour within the United Kingdom, but it is compulsory for our tours operating outside mainland United Kingdom.		Card No.			
You will only be required to provide us with your Travel Policy details and emergency contact number when travelling to Jersey, Isle of Man, Republic of Ireland, and European destinations.		Security No.	Issue No.	Expiry Date	
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I confirm that I am authorised to make a booking for the people named above:		Signed:		Date:	

- 1) Phone us on **01274 566200** to reserve your seat
- 2) Then **either**; Send a deposit of **£25.00 per person** and your fully completed booking form to us at;

**J.A.K. Travel Limited**  
**368 Bradford Road**  
**Sandbeds**  
**KEIGHLEY**  
**BD20 5LY**

**Or**; do it all on the phone with your 'plastic' - We take most Debit & Credit Cards

- 3) We will then send your confirmation and invoice
- 4) You send us the balance six weeks before the trip date (no further reminder is sent)
- 5) We will send tickets, luggage labels, etc. approximately two weeks before departure
- 6) Last - but by no means least

**Enjoy your trip!**

## Please note

- The deposit for all tours is just **£25.00 per person**.
- Cheque's should be made payable to **J.A.K Travel Ltd.**
- Other than in very exceptional circumstances, once you have boarded the coach, you will remain with the same vehicle throughout the tour and you should not need to see your luggage until you reach your destination (or overnight stop, where a small overnight bag is recommended).

# Hello

We hope that you will like this, our latest brochure, with its mix of old favourites and new ideas. If you don't want to be disappointed then we suggest that you contact the office as soon as possible to reserve your places, including your choice of seats. Single rooms in particular, are always sought after and sell out fast!

We do recommend that you book early to reserve your choice of seats and to avoid disappointment as rooming lists are confirmed and unsold rooms are usually released back to the hotel one month prior to departure. We do not 'late discount' as we believe that this is unfair on those who book promptly!

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

*All at J.A.K. Travel*

## Gift Vouchers Available

These can be for a specific amount or a specific tour - your choice!

**Call the office for details**

## Our Departure Points

- **Bradford** - Nelson Street, near Jacobs Well Car Park
- **Shipley** - in the Market Place
- **Saltaire** - on the A650, near the roundabout by the Old Tramsheds
- **Cottingley** - Bus Stops at Cottingley Bar
- **Bingley** - on Main Street near Boots
- **Keighley** - on Hanover Street
- **Depot** - J.A.K compound on Bradford Road, Sandbeds

\* *Pick ups at Riddlesden, Crossflatts and Nab Wood and other places 'en route' on request.*

**Depart Code:** **A** - AFTER Bradford pick up run  
**B** - BEFORE Bradford pick up run

The departure times shown in the brochure are always from Bradford. Other pick-ups will usually be before this time and occasionally after this time, depending on the direction of travel (Pick-up times will normally be confirmed at the time of booking) - but this is not a long, drawn out process - **the entire run normally takes only 45 minutes!**



**Our Main Pick-up Points**

**For groups of 20 or more, the 21st place is free!**

**As a reminder, if you require more information on the attractions or hotels featured please use the internet**

**bonded coach holidays**

Your financial protection

## All Tours Fully Bonded

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 EU rights applying to packages. J.A.K Travel LTD will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole.

Additionally, as required by law, J.A.K Travel LTD have protection in place to refund your payments and where transport is included in the package, to ensure your repatriation in the event that it becomes insolvent. J.A.K Travel LTD are

members of the Bonded Coach Holiday Group of the Confederation Of Passenger Transport UK LTD. This is a government approved consumer protection scheme. This ensures that in relation to the coach package holidays described in this brochure that clients' monies are protected by a Bond which may be called upon in the unlikely event of the Member's Insolvency. Clients are recommended to inspect the current membership certificate at our registered office or alternatively go to [www.bch-uk.org](http://www.bch-uk.org) or telephone **0207 240 3131** to confirm current membership. Your attention is also drawn to the Bonded Coach Holiday Trading Charter that will apply to these coach package holidays

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[www.legislation.gov.uk/ukdsi/2018/978011168479/contents](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukdsi/2018/978011168479/contents)

# Edinburgh Christmas Market

Monday 3rd – Wednesday 5th December 2018



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 08.00 we travel, with a stop en route, to **Carlisle** for a lunchtime stop in this beautiful

cathedral city famed for both its cathedral and castle. There is a range of shops and cafés for you to enjoy as well as an attractive park and gardens with a riverside walk.

**Tuesday** Today, from our centrally located hotel, you are free to explore **Edinburgh** and the delights of its Christmas Market. Whilst the city is famous for its vibrant atmosphere, it is even more pronounced during the Christmas season. The market and fairground attractions, set along Princes Street and in the gardens below, in the shadow of the iconic castle, are a feast of entertainment with food and gifts in ample supply. The festive atmosphere extends through this magnificent city at this time of year, providing a splendid experience for you.

**Wednesday** Morning with further time to savour the delights of Edinburgh, before our early afternoon departure home. With stops en route, arriving back mid evening.

## The Hotel



The Hilton Grosvenor Hotel is a historical grade two listed building which combines modern decor with old features. It is located in Edinburgh's stylish West End, with shops, restaurants and bars just minutes' walk away. Edinburgh Castle, Princes Street and the Royal Mile are also near by. The

hotel offers a range of contemporary guest rooms that provide the perfect place to relax, and all of the rooms feature internet access and an LCD TV. The Townhouse Restaurant is an elegant, yet informal restaurant serving delicious Scottish cuisine.

Hotel: Hilton Grosvenor Hotel, 5-21 Grosvenor St, Haymarket, Edinburgh EH12 5EF Tel: 0131 226 6001

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 205.00
Per Person in single	£ 245.00

Depart Code **A**

# Southport and Chester

Monday 10th – Tuesday 11th December 2018



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 09.30 we travel to **Gordon Riggs Garden Centre at Littleborough**. You will be amazed at the variety and choice of products on display, and not just for your garden. Plus at this time of the year there will be splendid displays of Christmas goodies, and when you're feeling weary there is an excellent Bistro in which to obtain refreshments. From here we travel to **Southport**, arriving early afternoon giving you chance to browse the shops down Lord Street, or take a bracing stroll around the sea front lake.

**Tuesday** We take a leisurely start to the day before leaving Southport to travel to **Chester**, where you will have ample time to explore the many varied attractions of this beautiful city. These range from the city wall walk, the Roman Museum, and the magnificent Cathedral, plus of course a range of classy shops. From here we travel home arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel

The Ramada Plaza Hotel offers the finest in four star luxury accommodation overlooking magnificent panoramic coastal views. It has a restaurant, bar and lounges. All rooms are lavishly designed with bespoke furniture and include en-suite bathrooms, hair-dryer, flat screen TV's, internet access, WiFi, mini bar, ironing facilities, in-room safe, selection of blockbuster movies and tea and coffee making facilities.



Hotel: Ramada, Marine Lake, Southport Promenade, Southport, Lancashire PR9 0DZ Tel: 01704 516 220

## This 2 day tour includes:

- Free time to explore Chester and Southport
- A luxury four star seafront hotel
- 1 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per person in twin/double	£ 75.00
Per person in single	£ 95.00

Depart code **B**

# Birmingham's German Christmas Market

Wednesday 12th – Friday 14th December 2018



**Wednesday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with a stop en route, to **Shugborough Estate**, with its variety of attractions from sweeping parkland, ancient woodland to Park Farm. In the Georgian mansion you can view unusual treasures, and experience life 'below stairs', then enter a world of glamour and royalty in the apartments of Patrick Lichfield, 5th Earl and fashion photographer.

**Thursday** We visit the famous **German Christmas Market in Birmingham**, which is the largest of its kind outside Germany, and features dozens of stalls, many from the twin city of Frankfurt. On offer, are German food, drink, toys, crafts, decorations and jewellery, and local traders also hold a craft fair at the same time. In addition, there are all the usual attractions of the city for you to enjoy, as it is dressed for the festive season.

**Friday** We travel to the ever popular town of **Stratford-upon-Avon**, with its range of attractions, not least the connections with Shakespeare. There is a large selection of shops, with both national chains and local stores being well represented, as well as attractive riverside walks. From here we travel home arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel



Set in the heart of the English countryside yet just a short drive from central Birmingham, the hotel is one of the most visually impressive luxury hotels the area has to offer, with its elegant Georgian facade. It has 112 stylish and comfortable bedrooms with modern amenities including soft

cotton duvets and complimentary toiletries. Guests can also enjoy flat-screen TVs and free Wi-Fi. Each room includes a hospitality tray with free tea and coffee.

Hotel: Manor Hotel Meriden, 127 Main Road, Meriden, Solihull CV7 7NH Tel: 01676 522 735

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 180.00
Per Person in single	£ 250.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 11.00</b>

Depart Code B

# Castle Howard at Christmas with Scarborough and York

Sunday 16th – Monday 17th December 2018



**Sunday** Departing Bradford at 09.30 we head to **Castle Howard** to see this wonderful house dressed resplendently for Christmas. The house will be adorned with the Howard family's decorations and traditional fresh foliage, with many rooms lit by flickering candles and cosy fires. Mid afternoon we continue to our hotel in Scarborough.

**Monday** After breakfast there will be time to look around **Scarborough**, or even take a bracing stroll on the promenade, before we make a late morning start with a stop en route, in **York**, with time to visit its popular **Christmas Market**. We return to Bradford for early evening.

## The Hotel



The Esplanade Hotel holds a commanding position above the cliffs overlooking Scarborough and the south bay, it is a large comfortable hotel, richly decorated with unique charm and character, and you are welcomed by hospitable staff. There are 70 en suite rooms spread over four floors served by a modern lift, and the restaurant is renowned for its excellent British cuisine.

Hotel: Esplanade Hotel, Belmont Road, Scarborough YO11 2AA. Telephone: 01723 360 382

## This 2 day tour includes:

- Free time to explore Scarborough and York
- A visit to Castle Howard
- 1 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double   £ 105.00  
Per Person in single (limited) £ 105.00

Depart Code B

# Christmas Festivities

Sunday 23rd – Thursday 27th December 2018



**Sunday** Departing Bradford at 9.30 we travel to **Boundary Mills** at **Grantham** where you will have a chance to explore the many departments including clothing, kitchenware and gifts. From here we travel onto our hotel, where there will be mulled wine and homemade mince pies served on arrival. There will be a 3 course dinner to enjoy, followed by evening entertainment.

**Monday** (Christmas Eve) The day starts with a full cooked breakfast (if desired), before we visit the beautiful cathedral city of **Cambridge**, with its numerous attractions. In addition to the magnificent college buildings, and wide range of shops, including many individual ones, there are attractive walks along the banks of the River Cam. We return to the hotel for a traditional afternoon tea and time to relax, before a 3 course dinner is served, followed by an evening with entertainment. For the hardy souls hot chocolate and shortbread will be served at midnight to welcome in Christmas Day.

**Tuesday** (Christmas Day) A leisurely day starting with a continental breakfast, following which you can enjoy the facilities of the hotel, before enjoying a four course Christmas lunch with all the trimmings. During the afternoon there will be tea and Christmas cake served to keep you going, before an evening buffet.

**Wednesday** (Boxing Day) A full cooked breakfast (if desired) is provided. Today we have a trip to nearby **Bury St Edmunds**, an attractive market town with a good selection of shops, as well as the grounds and ruins of the abbey to explore. Again, following a 3 course dinner this evening, entertainment is provided by the hotel.

**Thursday** After breakfast, we start the journey home with a visit to the beautiful city of **Lincoln**, dominated by its magnificent Norman cathedral. Other attractions include the Castle, and a wide range of shops from a riverside shopping centre to the antiques and retro shopping on the aptly named Steep Hill. From here we travel home arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel



The hotel stands just 5 miles northeast of the famous academic city of Cambridge, and is surrounded by 200 acres of flowers, trees and manicured lawns - including its own 18 hole golf course. There are 136 en suite rooms in contemporary style equipped with TV, free WiFi, tea and coffee making

facilities, complimentary toiletries. To help you relax there is a 16m swimming pool, Jacuzzi, sauna and steam room, plus gym and beauty rooms. Meals are taken in the bright and airy brasserie.

Hotel: Hallmark Cambridge, Bar Hill, Cambridge, CB23 8EU. Tel: 0330 028 3400

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double	£ 450.00
Per Person in single	£ 495.00

Depart Code B

# New Years Eve in Scotland

Sunday 30th December -  
Wednesday 2nd January 2019



**Sunday** Depart Bradford 08.00 with a stop en route, to visit **New Lanark Mills World Heritage Site**. Included is a **guided tour** to set the scene of this 18th century cotton mill village sitting in a beautiful location by the River Clyde. There are exhibitions, retail outlets to enjoy at this UNESCO World Heritage site, On then to our hotel to enjoy a welcoming Afternoon Tea on arrival. Prior to dinner there will be a 'Welcome Drink' with the management team, and there will be entertainment after dinner.

**Monday - New Years Eve** Following a hearty breakfast we take a scenic drive through **The Trossachs**, sometimes known as 'The Scottish Highlands in Miniature'. Situated on the physical boundary between the **Highlands and the Lowlands of Scotland**. Steeped in Scottish History, Legend and Myth and a landscape of Lochs, Glens and Mountains, the area is as popular a destination today as it was years ago when **Queen Victoria** and **Sir Walter Scott** came to the Trossachs and started a trend that has continued ever since. We will call at the woollen mill at Kilmahog, before our return to the hotel for a light buffet lunch. Then time to relax before preparing for the nights Gala Dinner, with dancing until late, and a glass of bubbly to see in the New Year.

**Tuesday New Years Day** After a leisurely start to allow time to recover from the night before, we will take a gentle drive to see the worlds' largest equine sculptures - **The Kelpies** - these 30m high sculptures of horse heads are truly breathtaking. We return to the hotel for a light lunch, and time to relax before dinner, and some evening entertainment.

**Wednesday** Another leisurely start, before its time to head south and home. Before we cross the border into England we will call at the **Gretna Gateway Outlet Village**. A chance to grab some early January Sale items at the many outlets, and relieve your purse of unwanted Scottish banknotes! With a further comfort stop en route, we arrive home early evening.

## The Hotel



Built in 1891 as the private home for a member of a famous Scottish steel dynasty, the beautiful main building was later extended and upgraded for commercial use. The hotel's new look interior is one of understated timeless refinement. The surroundings are undeniably chic but the vibe is unpretentious, verging on homely. All rooms are en-suite with everything you would expect from a hotel of this calibre and the service is first class. There is a homely bar, restaurant, and free Wi Fi in the hotel.

Hotel: Best Western Moorings Hotel, 114 Hamilton Road, Motherwell, Renfrew ML1 3DG  
Tel: 01698 258131

## This 4 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 339.00
Per Person in single	£ 459.00

Depart Code A

# Liverpool & Southport

Sunday 10th – Monday 11th February 2019



**Sunday** Departing Bradford at 9.30, we travel to **Liverpool**, to enable you to enjoy the many attractions of this vibrant city. These include two magnificent cathedrals, museums and art galleries, as well as the Liverpool 1 pedestrianised shopping centre which includes John Lewis.



**Monday** Prior to our departure at 15.00, you are free to explore **Southport** at your leisure, where the attractions include the beautiful pier and gardens, as well as the shopping along the elegant Lord Street. We arrive home early evening.

## The Hotel

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Hotel: Ramada, Marine Lake, Southport Promenade, Southport, Lancashire PR9 0DZ Tel: 01704 516 220

## This 2 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- A three star quality Hotel
- 1 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices:

Per person in twin/double	£ 75.00
Per person in single	£ 95.00

Depart Code B

# Regal Rococo Snowdrops

Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th February 2019



**Friday** Departing Bradford at 9.30 we travel, with a stop en route, to **Webbs of Wychbold** for our lunchtime break. Here, in addition to the usual range of plants and garden accessories there is a wide range of gifts, household items, cookware and food and drink on offer. From here we visit the city of **Gloucester** where in addition to the magnificent cathedral there are many other delights including the docks, waterways museum, and a new quayside shopping centre.

**Saturday** First we visit the delightful **Rococo Gardens at Painswick** where, seasonal weather permitting, you should enjoy a spectacular display of snowdrops. We start with a **short talk as an introduction to the gardens**, which are the sole surviving Rococo gardens, established in the 1740's and situated in a hidden valley providing extensive views. In addition, there are fanciful garden buildings to explore, woodland walks and a cafe providing light refreshments. We then travel to **Cheltenham**, a Regency town famed for its splendid buildings, and shops for you to enjoy at your leisure.

**Sunday** We start the journey home with a visit to one of the more unusual National Trust properties, **Croome** which was, amongst other things, a secret wartime air base. We start with a **guided tour** of Croome Court, once home to the Earls of Coventry, including the 6th Earl who was an 18th century trendsetter. Present day Croome follows his lead, using artists and crafts people to tell the story of its eclectic past in inventive ways. From here we travel home arriving early evening.

## The Hotel



Hotel Mercure Gloucester. This four star Georgian country house is one of the most beautiful hotels in the Gloucester area, and is set in 12 acres of its own parkland, allowing you to enjoy the stunning Cotswold scenery from the comfort of your own room.

The Classic Bedrooms all offer supremely comfortable beds, HD TVs, complimentary high speed WiFi, en suite bathrooms, hair-dryer and tea/coffee making facilities.

Hotel: Mercure Gloucester, Bowden Hall Hotel, Bondend Rd, Upton St. Leonards, Gloucester GL4 8ED  
Tel: 0844 815 9077

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- A three star quality Hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per person in twin/double	£ 198.00
Per person in single	£ 248.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 9.00</b>

**Depart code B**

# Cheshire Curiosities

Sunday 10th – Tuesday 12th March 2019



**Sunday** Departing Bradford at 10.00 we travel to see the green and stately side of Cheshire, by firstly calling at the ever popular **High Legh Garden Centre**, with its range of plants and gardening accessories for everyone from the amateur to the professional gardener. The Topiary Restaurant has a delicious selection meals and snacks for you to enjoy. We then travel on to **Capesthorne Hall**, a delightful family owned stately home set in 100 acres of Cheshire countryside. From the Entrance Hall with its collection of historical paintings, you can view a range of rooms with beautiful furniture, chandeliers, and paintings. The grounds include a lake and parkland with unusual 18th century plants, shrubs and trees.

**Monday** Today we visit two iconic Cheshire landmarks. Firstly we take a scenic **cruise on the River Dee at Chester** to hear tales of the river that is at the heart of the iconic city of Chester. There will be time to look around the city attractions before we move on to **Jodrell Bank**, dominated by the massive Lovell telescope, which for the last 50 years has symbolised the desire to understand the universe in which we live. The Space Pavilion exhibition shows how the Jodrell Bank scientists use radio telescopes to learn about distant objects.

**Tuesday** Cheshire is well known for its links with the production of salt, as shown by the number of towns whose name ends in 'wich'. We begin with a visit to the very pleasant medieval market town of **Nantwich**. Famous for its black and white buildings dotted around the town, as well as bijoux boutiques, antique dealers, craft shops, and market which is held on a Tuesday. Keeping with the salt connection we visit **the Lion Salt Works**, an award winning restored historic open pan salt making site, which offers a fascinating trip through its history and its impact on the economy of the area. The salt works are situated near to Northwich, whose history dates back to Roman times when salt from the town supplied the important garrison town of Chester. From here we travel home arriving early evening.

## The Hotel



The Best Western Forest Hills Hotel, is a modern 3 Star Hotel. Situated just off the M56 motorway, yet set amidst beautiful Cheshire countryside amongst quiet woodland, with panoramic views across the Cheshire plain and Mersey Estuary. The Hilltops Restaurant has built a justifiable reputation for quality food and service in the local area. All 58 bedrooms have en-suite bathrooms and showers, colour in-house satellite TV, hair-dryer, trouser press, free Wi-Fi in Public areas and bedrooms, direct dial telephone and hospitality tray. Plus there is a Leisure Club with a 20 metre indoor heated pool, spa bath, sauna & steam room in which to relax further.

Hotel: Best Western Forest Hills Hotel, Overton Hill, Frodsham WA6 6HH. T: 0844 387 6302

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double	£ 189.00
Per Person in single	£ 219.00

Depart Code B

# Daffodils, Cambridge and Burghley

Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th March 2019



**Friday** Departing Bradford at 9.00 we travel to **Clumber Park**, which was carved out of the ancient forest of Sherwood, and was created by the Dukes of Newcastle. The parkland frames a magnificent lake, Walled Kitchen Garden, and Gothic Revival Chapel. There is also a cafe if you desire a mid morning snack. We then travel on to visit the beautiful market town of **Oakham**, the county town of Rutland, England's smallest county, where you can enjoy the shops and quaint buildings.



**Saturday** We travel to **Thriplow** for their annual daffodil weekend, where you can explore the car free village looking at the daffodil displays, open gardens, and browse the stalls, all supporting charities. Refreshments are served in the tea rooms, and a variety of street food will be available. From here, we visit the magnificent cathedral city of **Cambridge** where you can wander through the streets admiring the magnificent college buildings, or stroll along the banks of the River Cam or even the botanical gardens. In addition there is a wide variety of shops and cafés for you to enjoy.

**Sunday** We visit **Burghley House**, the greatest Elizabethan house in the country, commissioned and largely designed by Sir William Cecil, Lord High Treasurer to Elizabeth I. Our visit starts with an informal introduction to the house and Cecil family over tea/coffee and biscuits, before entering the house and state rooms for a self guided tour. Within this magnificent building there is a variety of fine art for you to enjoy, including one of the best collections of Italian Old Masters in private hands. There will also be time to visit the gardens, where possibly more daffodils will be seen. From here we travel home arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel

Conveniently located just off the A14, the 4 star Kettering Park Hotel has 119 stylish air conditioned en suite bedrooms, all with tea/coffee making facilities and wifi. There is a large restaurant, nice bar, and lovely lounge areas with open fires to sit and relax in. There is also a luxurious spa area with pool, sauna, and jacuzzi open to hotel guests.



Hotel: Kettering Park Hotel & Spa, Kettering Parkway, Kettering, Northamptonshire NN15 6XT  
T: 01536 416666

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

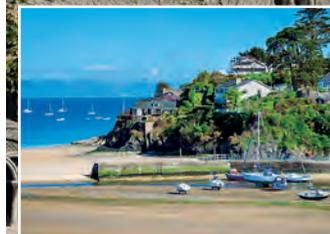
## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 215.00
Per Person in single	£ 260.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 4.00</b>

Depart Code B

# Lleyn Peninsula, Snowdonia and Anglesey

Monday 1st – Wednesday 3rd April 2019



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 09.30 we travel, with a stop en route, to **Llangollen**, where you will have a chance to explore the delights of this most attractive town situated on the banks of the River Dee. These include a selection of independent shops, a Victorian promenade, and riverside walk. From here, we travel via the Telford Heritage Route to the ever popular town of **Betws-y-Coed**, known as the gateway to Snowdonia, which has a decidedly Alpine feel. On then through the magnificent scenery of Snowdonia to our hotel.

**Tuesday** We travel to Caernarfon to join the **Welsh Highland Railway** for the spectacular scenic journey through the Snowdonia National Park to **Porthmadog**. After spending a little time in Porthmadog, we take a coastal drive down the Lleyn Peninsula to the delightful little town of **Abersoch**, with its great beach and traditional seaside shopping outlets.

**Wednesday** We visit the coastal town of **Beaumaris** on Anglesey, sited at the entry to the Menai Strait and dominated by the magnificent castle, built by Edward I as part of his chain of castles to dominate Wales. (Admission not included). Apart from the beautiful scenery the town has an attractive selection of shops and cafés. Our final visit is to the magnificent **Penrhyn Castle**, situated at the north end of the Menai Strait where the stone facade hides more than just its internal red brick shell. The unique architecture, opulent interiors and fine art collections sit alongside a history of sugar and slate fortunes. The extensive grounds offer spectacular views of Snowdonia and the North Wales coast. We travel home arriving early evening.

## The Hotel



The Royal Victoria Hotel is located close to the town of Llanberis at the foot of Snowdon, set within 30 acres of grounds which includes the historic castle of Dolbadarn.

All bedrooms are en-suite with modern decor, flat screen TV, tea/ coffee making facilities and hair-dryer. The hotel has two restaurants, a conservatory, and lounge in which to relax.

Hotel: Royal Victoria, Llanberis LL55 4TY. 01286 870 253

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double    **£ 190.00**  
Per Person in single (limited) **£ 190.00**  
**National Trust Reduction    - £ 10.00**

**Depart Code B**

# Blossoms, Archers and Elgar

Monday 8th – Thursday 11th April 2019



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 9.30, we travel to the ever popular **High Legh Garden Centre**, where in addition to the plants and gardening accessories, there are attractive ranges of gifts and foods for you to view. From here we travel to **Shrewsbury**, a most attractive town with quaint black and white buildings and a splendid Abbey, now associated with the fictional Brother Cadfael, but also with links to the World War I poet Wilfred Owen.

**Tuesday** In the morning, after meeting up with our **Tour Guide**, we set off to enjoy a two hour **guided 'Blossom Tour'** around the Vale of Evesham Blossom Trail, where, weather permitting the fruit tree blossoms should be at their best. In the afternoon, we head to **Hanbury Hall** a country retreat in the heart of Worcestershire, which offers a glimpse of life at the turn of the 18th century. The original formal gardens have been re-created and complement the relaxed later gardens with an orangery, orchards and walled garden.

**Wednesday** Morning visit to the beautiful town of **Great Malvern**, which prospered with the development of its hydrotherapy treatment in the 18th century, with many famous visitors including Charles Dickens, Florence Nightingale and Lord Tennyson. Malvern's most famous son is Sir Edward Elgar, the most significant British composer of his time. In the afternoon we meet our **Tour Guide** for a three hour **guided 'Archers Tour'** visiting the Worcestershire countryside and landmarks said to be the base for the long running radio programme.

**Thursday** We continue with the Elgar connection with a visit to **'The Firs'** the early 19th century cottage that was his birthplace. Set in sight of his beloved Malvern Hills in the village of Broadheath, you can visit Elgar's birthplace and immerse yourself in the place that gave him inspiration. We then visit **Worcester** where you will have time to explore this splendid cathedral city. You can if you wish, visit the Elgar Corner in the cathedral which also houses the tombs of King John and Henry VIII's older brother. We travel home arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel



The 4 star Heath Hotel combines 19th Century heritage, with up to date service and facilities, and is set in 20 acres of picturesque Worcestershire countryside. It has 44 contemporary bedrooms with flat screen TV, free wifi, hair dryer and tea/coffee making facilities. There is a well equipped spa and leisure facilities, including a 25m pool, and beauty treatment rooms (extra charges apply for treatments). For dining, Butlers Bar and Brasserie has established an excellent local reputation for fine food and a relaxed atmosphere.

Hotel: Mercure Bewdley The Heath Hotel, Habberley Rd, Bewdley, Kidderminster, DY12 1LA.  
Tel: 0844 815 9033

## This 4 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double   £ 275.00  
Per Person in single (limited)   £ 360.00  
**National Trust Reduction   - £ 17.00**

**Depart Code B**

# Leicestershire Connections

Sunday 14th – Tuesday 16th April 2019



**Sunday** Departing Bradford at 9.30 we travel to **Dobbies Garden Centre** at Barlborough, for a mid morning break. In addition to the normal plants and gardening accessories there are a selection of outlets including Cotton Traders, Hotter and Edinburgh Woollen Mills and Laura Ashley. From here we journey to Loughborough to join the **Great Central Railway**, Britain's only double track heritage railway, for a nostalgic return steam train trip to Leicester North, with views of the Charnwood countryside en route. *(NB Steam engine subject to availability).*

**Monday** We visit the county town of **Leicester**, where you will enjoy a 90 minute **guided walking tour of the city centre entitled Richard III – The Leicester Connection**. Included is admission to the **King Richard III Visitor Centre**, where you can learn about the Kings life, death, disappearance and rediscovery. There will be free time for you explore the rest of this vibrant city at your own pace, including visiting the Kings tomb situated in the Cathedral opposite the visitor centre if you so wish.

**Tuesday** We start the day with a visit to the delightful market town of **Melton Mowbray**, home of the famous pies and where the original pie shop still exists. The town still boasts many historic buildings for you to explore. From here, we travel to **Belvoir Castle**, ancestral home of the Dukes of Rutland for nearly 1,000 years. The castle you can see today was designed by the architect James Wyatt and was built between 1801 and 1832. The unusual name Belvoir (nowadays pronounced beaver) is French for 'beautiful view', and is one of the most magnificent and beautiful Regency houses in England, surrounded by fine formal gardens and revived parkland designed by Capability Brown, whose plans thought lost in a fire in 1816, have recently been found and form the basis of the restoration. From here we travel home arriving early evening.

## The Hotel

This is a 4 star country retreat situated on the banks of the River Soar in the charming village of Quorn. The basis of the hotel is a 17th Century listed building which exudes elegance with an oak panelled reception, wide staircase, and magnificent chandeliers. Its 36 air conditioned bedrooms, all have bespoke furniture to fit the general ambiance, and are equipped with LCD TV, tea/coffee making facilities, hair-dryer and free Wifi.



Hotel: Best Western Quorn Country House, Leicester Road, Quorn, Leics, LE12 8B. Tel: 01509 415050

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- A three star quality Hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices:

Per person in twin/double   £ 219.00  
Per person in single (limited)   £ 219.00

Depart Code B

# Dunoon, Argyll and Bute

Tuesday 23rd – Saturday 27th April 2019



**Tuesday** Departing Bradford at 8.00, we travel, with a comfort stop en route to Carluke, for a lunchtime break at an award winning garden centre. Onwards then to Gourrock, taking the ferry across the Clyde to the resort of Dunoon, which is beautifully situated on the Cowal Peninsula.

**Wednesday** Travelling over the **Kyles of Bute**, we take a short ferry crossing from Colintraive to the **Isle of Bute**, where we travel to the Victorian seaside town of **Rothsay**, where you will have time to explore. We then visit the impressive Gothic mansion of **Mount Stuart**, a testament to the Stuart's passion and flamboyance. A lavish Palace, arguably one of the finest in the UK, with sumptuous rich rooms including a marble staircase. Also outside a 300 acre labyrinth of impressive gardens.

**Thursday** Hugging the shoreline of Lochs Eck and Fyne we travel to the 18th century town of **Inveraray**, where you will have time to look around before we enter **Inveraray Castle**, the ancestral home of the Duke of Argyll. There has been a castle on the site since the 1400's though this castle dates back to the 1700's and was inspired by a sketch by Vanbrugh, architect of Castle Howard and Blenheim Palace. Of particular interest is the Armoury, with the highest ceiling in Scotland at 21 metres, with exhibits including the dirk and sporran of Rob Roy McGregor. The beautiful grounds reach down to the edge of the loch. We then enjoy a scenic drive back to our hotel.

**Friday** This morning is free to enable you to enjoy the delights of **Dunoon** before we take a short drive into the mountainous countryside of Ben More within Loch Lomond National Park to discover **Benmore Botanical Gardens**. These gardens date back to the mid 1800's, and are set against the back drop of Holy Loch. Highlights include the Bhutanese Glade, the Redwood Tree Avenue and Chilean Rainforest Glade.

**Saturday** The journey home takes us via Arrochar and the banks of Loch Long, to visit **The Hill House**, the domestic masterpiece of Charles Rennie Mackintosh with its mixture of Arts and Crafts, Scottish Baronial, and Art Nouveau which has been restored to look almost exactly as it did in 1904. From here we travel home, with stops as necessary, arriving in mid evening.

## The Hotel



Situated on the sea front, the Esplanade is a traditional hotel for those who like to sit, relax and watch the world go by. There are 65 refurbished rooms, with WiFi, tea/coffee making facilities and flat screen TV's, and the restaurant serves renowned Scottish fare daily.

Hotel: Esplanade Hotel, Victoria Parade, Dunoon PA23 7HU Tel: 01369 704070

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- A three star quality Hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices:

Per person in twin/double £ 320.00

Per person in single (limited) £ 360.00

**National Trust Reduction - £ 10.00**

**Depart Code A**

# Freetime in London

Saturday 4th – Monday 6th May 2019



**Saturday** Departing from Bradford at 8.30am, we will travel south with stops en route to arrive in **London** for early afternoon. After checking into the hotel you will then be completely free to enjoy and explore the city just as you choose. We have deliberately chosen a very central hotel for you, so that although many attractions will be within easy walking distance, there are also very good transport links via the tube, the bus, taxi or even by rail, so that what ever your interest, it is within easy reach.

**Sunday** After an English breakfast at the hotel, following feedback from previous tours, again we have left the day completely free for you to make your own choices of itinerary. Perhaps you might want to visit an art gallery, or a museum, or a cathedral or to have a blitz on the shops. Perhaps you might want to take a flight on The Eye, or you might want to take in a West End Show - the time is free for you to decide.

**Monday** After Breakfast you will need to take your bags to the luggage room, but then you will have until mid afternoon to continue your exploration of the city's delights. We will then depart from the hotel for our return journey to Bradford, arriving back for mid evening.



## The Hotel

The four star **Tower Hotel** is located on the north bank of the River Thames alongside Tower Bridge and the Tower of London and overlooking St Katharine's Dock. All of the en suite bedrooms

have high speed Internet access, air conditioning, hair dryer, coffee maker and trouser press. The hotel has a gym and a choice of bars and restaurants.

Hotel: The Tower Guoman Hotel, St Katharine's Way, East London, E1W 1LD Tel: 0870 3339106

## This 3 day tour includes:

- Return travel to London and Free time to use as you choose
- A Four Star rated centrally located river-front hotel
- 2 nights bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double    **£ 189.00**  
Per Person in single (limited) **£ 285.00**  
Guaranteed Tower Bridge View  
**£50.00** per room supplement

**Depart Code B**

# Delightful Treats of the North East

Friday 10th – Sunday 12th May 2019



**Friday** Departing Bradford at 9.30 we travel to the **Himalayan Gardens and Sculpture Park in Ripon**, a privately owned garden, open to the public since 2005. Here you can enjoy spectacular colours, amongst the lakeside walks. The recently added pagoda built in Bali sits on the edge of the Magnolia Lake adding a final touch to the hillside valley, and rising up to the house which stands 850 feet above sea level.

**Saturday** We start the day with a visit to the historic market town of **Barnard Castle**, which is famous for its antique shops as well as independent shops selling locally produced food. Included is a visit to the **Bowes Museum**, where paintings by artists such as El Greco, Canaletto, Goya, Fragonard and Boucher are displayed. Possibly the most famous exhibit is the 18th century Silver Swan automaton, which periodically preens itself, looks around and appears to catch and swallow a fish.

**Sunday** We enjoy a single journey on the heritage **Weardale Railway**, passing through a designated area of outstanding beauty on our 11 mile journey from Stanhope to Witton Le Wear. From here we visit the historic city of **Durham** which is dominated by the magnificent cathedral overlooking the River Wear, as well as the castle which since 1840 has housed part of the university. The narrow streets house a selection of quirky independent shops as well as national chains, and there are attractive walks along the riverbank. We arrive home mid evening.

## The Hotel



The 4 star Mercure Darlington Kings Hotel is located in the heart of Darlington, looking out over the Pease statue and Market Square, and is arguably one of the town's most iconic buildings dating back to Victorian times. The property was lovingly restored in 2012 after

a devastating fire and now houses 83 guest rooms, magnificent Kings Ballroom, stunning cocktail bar and restaurant. Guest rooms contain a decor of natural materials with warm tones, flat screen TV, Free WiFi, complimentary refreshment tray, Iron, Hair-dryer, Laptop safe, and Quality toiletries. It provides the perfect base to relax and explore the local area.

Hotel: Mercure Darlington Kings Hotel, 9 - 12 Priestgate, Darlington DL1 1NW Tel: 01325 380222

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 175.00
Per Person in single	£ 205.00

Depart Code B

# Castles and Gardens of Ayrshire & Arran

Monday 13th – Friday 17th May 2019

**Monday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with a stop on route, to **Castle Douglas**, regarded as the food capital of Scotland where there are around 50 shops specialising in food and drink. From here we travel on to our hotel at Irvine.

**Tuesday** We depart from nearby Ardrossan taking the 40 minute sea crossing to the **Isle of Arran** where we visit the Baronial styled **Brodick Castle**. The present building dates back to 1844, but the seat dates back centuries, as its strategic position made the fortress a place to be reckoned with. The interior boasts splendid collections of period furniture, silverware and paintings and the exterior has formal gardens, ponds and woodlands to explore with stunning views over the Firth of Clyde. Afterwards we enjoy a tour of the island before rejoining the ferry back.

**Wednesday** A morning visit to **Ayr** where you will have time to enjoy the attractions of this delightful town, especially the walk along the seafront. From here we travel to **Dumfries House** set in 2,000 acres of land. We have a guided tour of this marvellous stately home, with its sumptuous interiors and magnificent furnishings. Regarded as an 18th century time-capsule since the principle rooms and their contents have remained virtually unchanged for 250 years.

**Thursday** We travel into the Southern Uplands to visit **Drumlanrig Castle and Gardens**, the Dumfriesshire seat of the Duke and Duchess of Buccleuch and Queensberry. Amongst the many attractions are works by Rembrandt and Gainsborough, set in splendid surroundings of ornate rooms and staircases. The extensive grounds have attractive walks amongst the 40 acres of gardens with items of interest for all gardeners from novice to expert.

**Friday** We start the journey home with a visit to the delightful town of **Moffat**, where there is much more than the famous Woollen Mills to visit. The main street has a mix of historic inns, antique shops and cafés, whilst the nearby gardens are well worth a visit. We arrive home mid evening.

## The Hotel



The Riverside Lodge Hotel, Irvine (formerly part of Menzies Hotels) has 128 bedrooms all with free WiFi and toiletries, hair dryer, iron and board, and tea/ coffee making facilities. The Riverside Bar & Grill provides the perfect setting for

acclaimed cuisine using the finest local ingredients, and there is a cocktail bar and lounge in which to relax.

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 339.00
Per Person in single	£ 419.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 7.00</b>

**Depart Code A**

Hotel: Hallmark Riverside Lodge Hotel, 46 Annick Rd, Irvine KA11 4LD Tel: 01294 279274

# Secrets of the Garden of England

Monday 20th – Friday 24th May 2019



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with a stop en route to **Waresley Park Garden Centre outside Cambridge**, a family owned award winning centre with a full range of gardening goods, together with gifts and fine food departments. There is also an extensive restaurant for you to enjoy providing a range of snacks or full meals.

**Tuesday** We start the day with an **exclusive morning visit to Godinton House and Gardens** with a one hour **guided tour** of the house and free time to explore the gardens with a lily pond, walled, Italian and wild gardens. This is followed by a visit to the 'chocolate box' village of Chilham, then an **exclusive visit to Chilham Castle** a family home with an extensive history, and where again you will have a **guided tour** and free time to explore the gardens.

**Wednesday** We travel to **Riverhill Himalayan Gardens**, with over 170 years history of planting and gardening, creating a rich and valuable collection for you to enjoy. We will be taken on an entertaining exploration of the grounds, together with a viewpoint that provides a panoramic view over the Weald of Kent. From here we visit **Igham Mote**, a perfectly preserved moated manor house, with history dating back over 700 years. Built from Kentish ragstone and great Wealden oaks, the architecture and decoration trace the development of the English country house. The tranquil gardens have streams and lakes fed by natural springs, with an orchard and flower borders.

**Thursday** We visit Tenterden to join the **Kent and Sussex Railway** for a scenic trip to Bodiam, where we visit the iconic **Bodiam Castle**. The castle, a symbol of power for over 700 years, is encircled by a wide moat rising up from a peaceful river valley setting. Inside there are spiral stairways, tower rooms and battlements which have dizzying viewpoints. The ruins of the inner rooms are brought to life through stories told by a range of medieval characters. We then visit **Great Dixter**, family home of gardener and gardening writer Christopher Lloyd, it is a house, garden and place of pilgrimage for horticulturists from across the world. There is a wide range of gardens with a variety of themes for you to explore, and maybe get a few ideas!

**Friday** We travel home, with stops en route, arriving home arriving early evening.

## The Hotel



The four-star QHotels Ashford International Hotel boasts an idyllic location for those on a holiday break, it has 179 contemporary bedrooms at this state-of-the-art hotel, plus there is a spa and health club on site. The modern and vibrant Horizon Bar & Restaurant serves a seasonal menu designed by the Head Chef and delivers modern British cuisine, using locally-sourced produce where possible.

Hotel: Ashford International Hotel, Simone Weil Avenue, Ashford, TN24 8UX Tel: 01233 219 988

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 440.00
Per Person in single	£ 545.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 20.00</b>

**Depart Code B**

# Mystery Tour

Saturday 25th – Monday 27th May 2019



**Day One** Departing at 09.00, we will try to keep you guessing as we head for a 'market town' or other attraction as our lunchtime stop. In the afternoon we will probably continue to our main destination of the day where a choice of options to try to suit all tastes and interests will hopefully be on offer. On one of the days of this tour, we will be visiting one of the main local attractions of the area - and **including the admission**. Whatever the weather we will find something really nice for you to enjoy! From there it is usually not long before you are at your hotel, settling in to your rooms and looking forward to dinner.

**Day Two** After breakfast we head on to our next attraction. It may be an 'old favourite', a well known location, or it may be somewhere completely new - to you anyway. Throughout this tour we try to include as much scenery, sightseeing and interest as we can, but making sure that you have a range of options that the weather cannot spoil.

**Day Three** The last, but certainly not the least day! Another day of interest and exploration discovering the delights of our chosen location with places of interest, places to eat and scenery to enjoy. Still, all good things have to come to an end and we will begin making our way back home, arriving back in Bradford for early evening.

## The Hotel

Our Mystery Tours are usually based in good quality, three star standard hotels. All rooms have en suite bathrooms, colour TV, telephone, hair-dryer and many have tea/coffee hospitality trays. The hotel will have its own bar and restaurant and some may have leisure facilities.

Most will have a lift or low floor rooms. We will confirm all facilities on your final confirmation.



Hotel: Mystery

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double	£ 180.00
Per Person in single	£ 200.00

Depart Code B

# Llandudno

Friday 31st May – Monday 3rd June 2019



**Friday** Departing Bradford at 9.30 we travel, with a stop en route, to the **Tweedmill Shopping Outlet, St Asaph**, with its wide range of shops including Eastex, Dash, Pavers Shoes, Viyella, and Yankee Candle. There is also a restaurant offering both meals and snacks, as well as a coffee shop for you to enjoy. We then pay a brief visit to the famous St Margaret's church at **Bodelwyddan**, known as the '**Marble Church**', whose 62 metre high tower is a landmark for miles around.



**Saturday** We take a scenic journey on the famous **Ffestiniog Railway** through Snowdonia to Porthmadog. After lunchtime there is a **choice** of what to do. **Either** travel by the coach to spend time in **Caernarfon** where you will have time to explore this beautiful town which overlooks the Menai Strait, or perhaps visit the castle (admission not included). **OR**, if you like the trains, book your own ticket onto the **Welsh Highland Railway** for another journey with spectacular scenery en route to Caernarfon, where you will rejoin the coach for the journey back to the hotel.

**Sunday** Today you are free to enjoy the numerous attractions of the resort.

**Monday** We visit the magnificent **Bodnant Gardens**, situated in the foothills of Snowdonia. This 80 acre garden is filled with attractive features, one of the highlights being 'The Dell' with its waterfalls and towering conifers, but there is also an Italianate terrace, herbaceous borders and shrub borders for you to enjoy. From here we travel home, with a stop en route, arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel



The Kensington Hotel in Llandudno is a classically styled Victorian, seafront hotel prominently positioned on the central promenade with spectacular views of the Great Orme and Llandudno Bay. It has a restaurant, and large comfortable residential lounges with views across the sea. For

entertainment, there are two lounge bars, one with dance floor and facilities for live entertainment. All rooms include en-suite bathrooms, hair-dryer, tea and coffee making facilities and colour TV. There is a lift to all floors.

Hotel: Kensington Hotel, 6-8 Nevill Crescent, Llandudno, Conwy LL30 1AT Tel: 01492 876784

## This 4 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

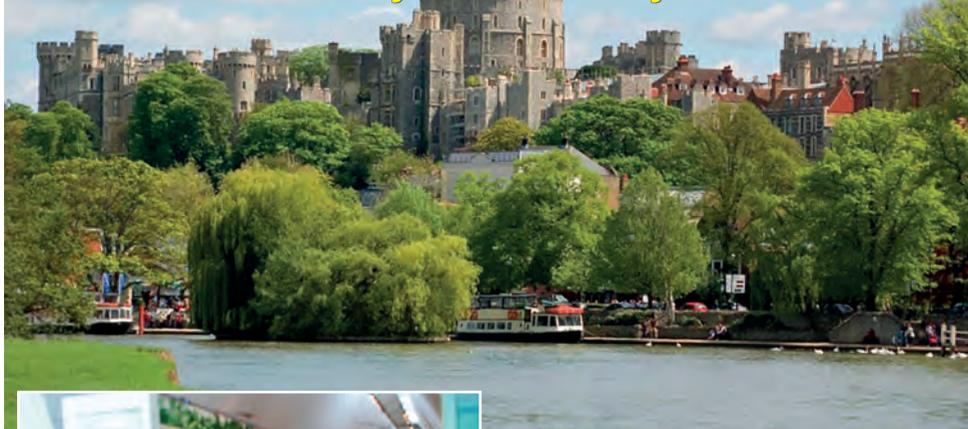
## Prices:

Per Person in double	£ 259.00
Per Person in single	£ 279.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 11.00</b>

**Depart Code B**

# Windsor & Secrets of the Thames

Saturday 8th – Monday 10th June 2019



**Saturday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with stops en route, to **Waterperry Gardens**, which date back to 1932 when Miss Beatrix Havergal founded her School of Horticulture for Ladies. The eight acre ornamental gardens include rose and formal knot gardens, water-lily canal, riverside walk and one of the finest purely herbaceous borders in the country. The site also boasts five acres of commercial orchards producing the famous Waterperry apple juice.

**Sunday** We travel to **Windsor** where you will have a chance to explore the delights of this picturesque town as well as enjoying a **boat trip along the Thames**, Runnymede to Windsor.

**Monday** We visit **Henley-on-Thames** and the award-winning **River and Rowing Museum**, where you can learn more about the history of Henley and its river and discover the story behind the Kenneth Grahame classic story 'The Wind in the Willows'. In the afternoon we visit **Nuffield Place**, home of Sir William Morris and Lord Nuffield, founder of the Morris Motor Company. The home is a time capsule of early 20th century taste and thrift with the interior decoration and possessions just as they left them. We will also enjoy an included cream tea, before we travel home arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel



Located four miles from Reading town centre, the Hilton Reading hotel is an excellent starting point for exploring this beautiful area of England. Relax in a spacious guest room with contemporary decor, which is air-conditioned,

and features internet access, a widescreen LCD TV, and comfortable Hilton Serenity® beds. The hotel offers amenities to help you relax and rejuvenate during your stay, there is a heated pool, sauna and steam room. Dining offers delicious International and British specialties created from fresh ingredients and locally sourced produce.

Hotel: Hilton Reading, Drake Way, Reading RG2 0GQ Tel: 0118 916 9000

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 220.00
Per Person in single	£ 275.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 7.00</b>

**Depart Code B**

# Eastbourne

Thursday 13th – Monday 17th June 2019



**Thursday** Depart Bradford at 8.00 with stops en route to Eastbourne, including a call at **Polhill Garden Centre** near Cambridge.

**Friday** Our morning visit takes us to **Rye**. Once surrounded by sea, this fortified hilltop town played an important role in the defence of the south coast of England. The town has ancient buildings, cobbled streets and secret passages. Once the haunt of smugglers and highwaymen, it nowadays attracts film crews in search of historical settings for period productions. Our afternoon visit is to **Bateman's**, former home of Rudyard Kipling. Surrounded by the wooded landscape of the Sussex Weald, **Bateman's** provided a much needed sanctuary to this world-famous writer. The rooms remain much as he left them, with oriental rugs and artefacts reflecting his strong association with the East.

**Saturday** Our day starts at **Battle Abbey**, where on this spot in the year 1066, the armies of King Harold and William the Conqueror clashed at the Battle of Hastings. Now you can stand on the very site where this decisive struggle was fought and England's future decided. Explore the abbey ruins, listen to the complimentary audio unit, and visit the new gatehouse exhibition revealing the abbey's role in the country's future. We then travel to the more sedate surrounding of **Scotney Castle**, a country house with a romantic garden, and 14th century moated castle in a beautiful wooded estate. Discover the delights of the Victorian country mansion with its secrets and stories.

**Sunday** Free day to discover resort at your leisure.

**Monday** Journey home with stops as required, including a break in the delightful town of **Stamford**. We arrive back mid evening.

## The Hotel

This elegant Victorian hotel boasts a stunning seafront position just 400 yards from Eastbourne pier, 20 yards from the beach and a 10 minute walk from Eastbourne town centre.

The hotel has 85 well appointed guest rooms, many offering panoramic sea views, all with free Wi-Fi.

The Verandah Restaurant offers a selection of modern British dishes with a focus on local, seasonal ingredients sourced from quality ethical producers and local farms whenever possible.

For relaxation there is an indoor heated swimming pool, a unique open-air veranda, and with comfortable and contemporary lounges this makes for a perfect getaway location.



Hotel: Best Western York House Hotel, 14-22 Royal Parade, Eastbourne, Sussex, BN22 7AP  
Tel: 01323 412918

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

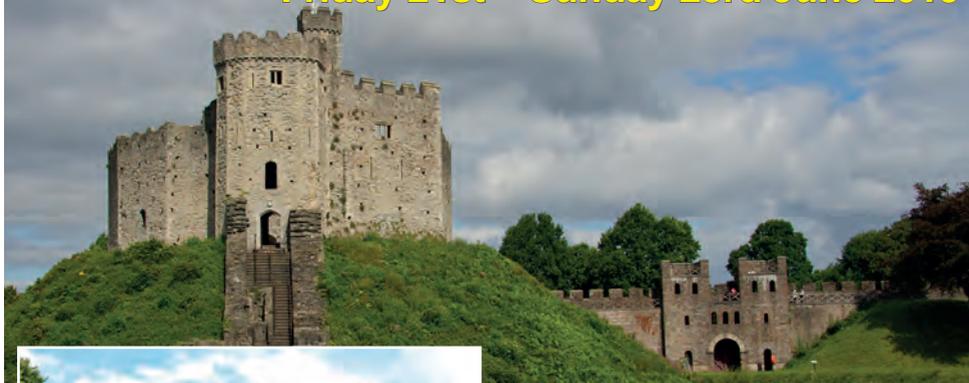
Per Person in twin/double	£ 345.00
Per Person in single	£ 405.00
Sea View Supp. (Per Person)	£ 80.00
National Trust Reduction	- £ 20.00
English Heritage Reduction	- £ 10.00

Depart Code B



# Castles around Cardiff

## Friday 21st – Sunday 23rd June 2019



**Friday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel with a couple of breaks en route, to **Castell Coch**, know as the 'Red Castle' and the ultimate fairytale castle. Its conical towers and needle-sharp turrets peek out from a woodland slope. Due to its 'Camelot' style it has been the location of many TV productions and films including Wolf Hall and Doctor Who. With a drawbridge, portcullis, courtyard and lavish interiors this is a picture perfect castle.

**Saturday** Today you are free to explore the magnificent city of **Cardiff**, with its wonderful shopping areas and parks. Included is a morning entry to **Cardiff Castle**, which is situated in the heart of the city and is a reconstructed Roman fort, an impressive Norman Castle and a fantasy palace, all of which explains its popularity as a filming location. The jewel in the castles' crown is the wonderful decoration of the spectacular apartments and with the wartime shelters, clock tower and museum there is lots to see.

**Sunday** We visit **St Fagans Natural History Museum**, one of Europes leading open air museums and Wales most popular heritage attraction. Standing in the grounds of the magnificent Fagans Castle and gardens, over forty original buildings from different historical periods have been reconstructed in the 100 acre parkland and include a farm, chapel, and school. Traditional crafts and activities bring this living museum to life. From here we travel home arriving mid evening.

### The Hotel



The hotel is located 3 miles from Cardiff City Centre, and has 95 modern contemporary bedrooms equipped with TV, hair-dryer and tea/coffee making facilities. There is an open plan restaurant, bar and lounge, and the hotels leisure facilities include an indoor pool, sauna, and steam room.

### This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

### Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 175.00
Per Person in single	£ 225.00

Hotel: Holiday Inn Cardiff North, Merthyr Rd, Tongwynlais, Cardiff CF15 7AD Tel: 029 2052 2262

Depart Code B

# High Peak of Luxury in the Scottish Highlands

Tuesday 25th – Saturday 29th June 2019



**Tuesday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with stops en route including a lunchtime break to view the amazing **Falkirk Wheel** - the world's only rotating boat lift. On then to our Spa Hotel resort in Crieff.

**Wednesday** A leisurely start to the day within the luxurious confines of Crieff Hydro, or strolling around the estate. This afternoon we enjoy a guided tour and tastings at the world-famous **Grouse Whisky Distillery** at nearby Glenturret. Then, for those who wish, a chance to visit picturesque **Crieff** with its shops and cafés.

**Thursday** We travel to the magnificent **Glamis Castle**, childhood home of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, and also the setting for Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, where Duncan is believed to have been murdered. Whilst the original tower remains the centrepiece of the castle 17th and 18th century additions provide the current look of a French château. From here we visit the city of **Perth** with its attractive shops, gardens and riverside walks.

**Friday** We start the day with a visit to the beautiful town of **Dunkeld** with its cathedral which is part ruin and part parish church. Together with specialist shops Dunkeld Bridge, the work of Thomas Telford is well worth viewing. From here we travel to **Scone Palace** with its 1500 years of history. Scone has been the seat of the Scottish Parliament and the crowning place of many Scottish Kings including *Macbeth* and Robert the Bruce.

**Saturday** We start the return journey with a visit to **Stirling**, a city dominated by its magnificent castle (with time to visit if you wish), or you can enjoy the wide range of shops and cafés. We travel home with a stop en route arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel



Crieff Hydro Hotel is Scotland's leading Spa Hotel Resort, and is set in a 900-acre estate with a Victorian spa, 18-hole golf course and over 60 indoor and outdoor activities.

There are individually designed en suite rooms in which to relax, equipped with tea/coffee making facilities and hair dryers, and fine food is served to complement the marvellous setting.

Hotel: Crieff Hydro, Strathearn House, Ferntower Road, Crieff PH7 3LQ Tel: 01764 655555

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 430.00
Per Person in single	£ 530.00

Depart Code **A**

# Brighton

Monday 15th – Friday 19th July 2019



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with stops en route, to **Frosts Garden Centre**, Milton Keynes which in addition to the usual plants and gardening accessories has a food hall with a wide range of products including many locally sourced. The restaurant provides a range of goodies from coffee and cakes to full meals for you to enjoy. From here we travel to our hotel.

**Tuesday** We start the day with a trip on the famous **Bluebell Railway**, where you can enjoy a scenic 11 mile steam hauled trip on the UK's first preserved heritage standard gauge railway. We then visit **Sheffield Park Gardens**, with its winding paths, woodlands, glades and waterfalls amidst its vibrant summer blooms. Kingfishers can be seen around the water whilst buzzards can sometimes be seen circling overhead.

**Wednesday** Today we explore the delights of **Brighton**, which include the magnificent pier, and attractive shops in 'The Lanes'. We have included entry to two of the most popular attractions, one old, one new. The **Royal Pavilion** created as a seaside pleasure resort for the Prince Regent, later King George IV, which mixes Regency grandeur with the visual styles of India and China. For the new we take a flight on the **British Airways i360**, which takes visitors 135 metres into the air providing spectacular panoramic views over the city, the sea and the countryside.

**Thursday** We make a half day visit to Arundel, a town which captures the essence of heritage, urban chic and country pursuits. It combines a thousand years of history with independent shops, contemporary art galleries, cafés are amongst the attractions. One of which dominates the town, **Arundel Castle**, home to the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal of England, a stunning castle dating back to the 11th century. (NB this is NOT included in the price of the tour, but there will be time to visit if you wish). Afternoon is at leisure in Brighton.

**Friday** We travel home, with stops en route, arriving home early evening.

## The Hotel



With parts dating back as far as 1559, The Old Ship is Brighton's most historic hotel, seamlessly combining modern design with the building's original period features. Its iconic seafront location lends itself to stunning panoramic sea views, alongside excellent accessibility to local attractions. The bedrooms

are all individually designed with their own distinct character, providing the perfect base for the seaside town that sits on the doorstep. Guests can enjoy en-suite facilities, a flat screen TV with Freeview channels and complimentary Wi-Fi in each and every room.

Hotel: Old Ship Hotel, King's Road, Brighton BN1 1NR Tel: 01273 329001

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 420.00
Per Person in single	£ 545.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 10.00</b>

**Depart Code B**

# Shetland – Island of the Vikings

Tuesday 23rd – Sunday 28th July 2019



**Tuesday** Departing Bradford at 9.00 we travel, with stops en route for our overnight stay in central Scotland near Stirling.

**Wednesday** We continue north to spend time in **Aberdeen**, before boarding for an overnight sailing with dinner on board to Lerwick. When we arrive in Lerwick we will be closer to Scandinavia than to mainland Scotland.

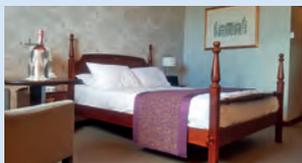
**Thursday** After breakfast on board, you will meet our local guide for the next 3 days, starting with a tour of the Northern Isles of **Yell and Unst**, by visiting the **Old Haa Museum** which is full of unusual artefacts depicting the lives of islanders. A light lunch is included, before we see **Muckle Flugga Isle**, the most northern tip of the UK, and then visiting **Skidbladner** to see the replica Viking Long Ship. On then to our hotel in Lerwick for the first of our 2 night stay.

**Friday** We start with a coastal tour towards **Sumburgh Head RSPB**, stopping at probably the best beach on Shetland – St Ninians. We then visit **Jarlishof archaeological site**, which is one of Europe's largest and most complex, also included is entry into the **Croft House Museum**. In the afternoon, there is a photo stop of **Shetland Ponies** in the Tingwall Valley, before we arrive in Scalloway, the former capital of the Shetlands, with its 15th century castle. We visit the museum displaying local island exhibitions and folklore.

**Saturday** We travel via the village settlements of Voe and Brae to the **'Drongs'** a spectacular series of sea stacks, and then have entry to **Tangwick Haa Museum**. We then enjoy a guided tour of the **Shetland Jewellery Workshop**, where gold and silver jewellery is hand-crafted using traditional Nordic themes. We head back to Lerwick via **Wormadale Viewpoint** and the **Shetland Museum**, then to board our ferry at Lerwick for the overnight journey back to Aberdeen.

**Sunday** After breakfast we depart the ferry and journey home with stops en route as necessary arriving late evening.

## The Hotel



Shetland Hotel, Lerwick, is a modern, purpose-built hotel with large spacious bedrooms. Overlooking the bay and ferry terminal, conveniently situated only a few minutes walk into the centre of town. It is a modern 65 en-suite bedroom hotel.

Hotel: The Shetland Hotel, Holmsgarth Road, Lerwick, Shetland ZE1 0PW Tel: 01595 695515

## This 6 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double    £ 839.00  
Single (sole occupancy cabin) £ 1,039.00  
NB Ferry is twin berth only. Hotel has twin/double bedded rooms available

Depart Code A

**TATTOO  
TICKET  
INCLUDED!**

# Edinburgh Tattoo

Monday 5th – Wednesday 7th August 2019



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 8.30 we travel, with a stop en route, to **Jedburgh** a delightful little town situated in the Scottish Borders dominated by the ruins of the spectacular abbey for our lunchtime break. From here we travel to our hotel.

**Tuesday** After a leisurely start to the day we travel to the resort town of **Ayr**, with its beautiful walks along the shore, and selection of attractive shops. In the evening we visit the world famous **Edinburgh Tattoo (admission included)** for the evening show with its marching bands, displays, and fireworks at this spectacular pageant.

**Wednesday** We return to **Edinburgh** with its many attractions for you to enjoy, including the iconic castle, the Royal Mile, the shops along Princes Street and the museums and art galleries. From here we travel home arriving mid evening.

## The Hotel



The Radstone is a spacious and unique hotel with a modern stylish design and dynamic atmosphere, located in the Clyde Valley within easy reach of Glasgow and Edinburgh. All rooms have a hospitality tray

with tea and coffee making facilities, en-suite bathroom with shower, and provided with a hair dryer, iron & ironing board, television & telephone. Free Wifi throughout the Hotel. The hotel boasts a fine restaurant, bars, open lounge and landscaped garden in which to relax.

Hotel: Radstone Hotel, 3 Ayr Rd, Shawburn, Larkhall ML9 2TZ Tel: 01698 791111

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 night dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 220.00
Per Person in single	£ 250.00

Depart Code A

# Isle of Man

Tuesday 13th – Saturday 17th August 2019



**Tuesday** Departing Bradford at 9.30 we travel to **Settle** for a mid morning break, before we take a mid afternoon ferry crossing from Heysham to the Isle of Man, and on to our hotel.

**Wednesday** First stop of the day is the **Silverdale Glen complex**, and the award winning Manx Ices. Powered by a refurbished 18th century waterwheel, learn how historical methods are used in modern day production. We continue south to the ancient capital of **Castletown**. From here we travel to Port Erin, which nestles in a scenic bay, before taking a journey on the historic **Isle of Man Steam Railway** for the scenic trip back to Douglas.

**Thursday** We travel across the island, with a brief stop at **Tynwald Hill**, site of the ancient Manx Parliament, before visiting **Peel**, a typical Manx town with a dramatic castle, and if lucky, there may be a chance of spotting the seals that frequently visit the harbour. For the afternoon we travel back to Douglas so you can enjoy the many attractions of the capital.

**Friday** First stop of the day is **Laxey** for an included visit to the '**Lady Isabella**' the world's largest working waterwheel, and perhaps the best known image of the island. We continue to the resort of **Ramsey** the largest town on the north of the island where there is included admission to the delightful **Miintown Gardens**.

**Saturday** We journey home on the ferry again back to Heysham.

**Included We have included a 'Go Explore' Rover Ticket for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. This means you have the option of following our itinerary, or exploring the island by yourself, or a mixture of the two. This gives unlimited travel on Manx Electric Railway, Snaefell Mountain Railway, Isle of Man Steam Railway, Douglas Corporation Horse Tram Services and Bus Vannin Bus Services (excluding Manx Express)**

## The Hotel



Following a multi-million pound refurbishment, The Rutland Hotel (part of the Sleepwell Hotel Group) has been transformed into a stunning 64 bedroom hotel offering comfort, style and quality. Situated on the Queens Promenade in Douglas it enjoys panoramic views across Douglas Bay and is only a short walk to the town centre. Guest enjoy complimentary Wi Fi, and the Queens Carvery Restaurant offers buffet breakfast, and in the evenings hearty Manx fare, and there is a residents bar in which to relax.

*Please note that due to the original architectural features of The Rutland hotel, we advise that they are not suitable for any guests requiring, wheelchair, mobility assistance or street level access. These properties have a number of external steps to access the hotel entrance, as well as internal steps to the upper floors, including the access route from the lift to adjacent bedroom corridors.*

Hotel: The Rutland Hotel, 19-23 Palace Terrace, Queens Promenade, Douglas, Isle of Man IM2 4NF  
Tel: 01624 695 240

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double	£ 499.00
Per Person in single	£ 559.00

Depart Code A

# Rich & Famous

Monday 19th- Friday 23rd August 2019



**Monday** Departing Bradford 8.00, we travel with stops en route as required, to the historic town of **Guildford** for a guided tour of this riverside town, with a castle dating from 1066, a cathedral from 1936 and its most famous attraction- the cobbled high street.

**Tuesday** Our morning call is to **Godalming**, a town with 5 conservation areas and 350 listed buildings. Built on the banks of the River Wey, it is regarded as one of the most prosperous places in Britain. In the afternoon we visit **Jane Austen's House Museum in Chawton, Hampshire**. This is the house where Jane Austen lived and wrote all her major works, and is regarded as the most treasured Austen site in the world.

**Wednesday** The day starts in **Richmond Upon Thames** which possesses a timeless charm more akin to a village than a town. Henry VIII named Richmond after his favorite Earldom, Richmond in Yorkshire, and the gateway of his magnificent Palace still remains. We then visit **Syon**; one of the last great houses of London, that has been in the family of the present owners (Duke of Northumberland) for more than 400 years. Profoundly historic, the House holds a wealth of art within its grand classical interiors, while the Park and Gardens feel like deep countryside, although barely nine miles from the centre of London.

**Thursday** We start the day at a viewpoint - **Box Hill**. This is the summit of the North Downs in Surrey, overlooking the River Mole situated in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Nearby is the fabulous Edwardian country retreat of **Polsden Lacy**, with its glorious views across the rolling Surrey Hills and acres of countryside. It was home to the famous Edwardian hostess Mrs Greville, who entertained royalty and the celebrities of her time. We can marvel at the glittering Gold Saloon designed to impress kings and maharajahs, and Mrs Greville's extensive collection of art and ceramics. The gardens offer seasonal climbing roses, and a beautiful herbaceous border.

**Friday** Before journeying home, we visit the home of perhaps the most famous person connected with this tour – Winston Churchill – by visiting **Chartwell**. The much-loved Churchill family home remains much as it was when he lived there. The hillside gardens reflect Sir Winston's love of the landscape and nature. Leaving early afternoon, with stops as required, we arrive back mid evening.

## The Hotel



Located just a mile from Reigate town centre the hotel has comfortable and well equipped en suite rooms, with TV, free Wifi, tea/coffee making facilities, there is a light and airy dining area, and comfortable bar.

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 385.00
Per Person in single	£ 509.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 25.00</b>

Hotel: Best Western Reigate Manor Hotel, Reigate Hill, Reigate, Surrey, RH2 9PF Tel: 01737 240125

**Depart Code B**

# Buckingham Palace & Thames River Cruise

Tuesday 27th – Thursday 29th August 2019



**Tuesday** Departing Bradford at 9.00 we travel, with stops en route, to **London** arriving early afternoon to give you a chance to start exploring this vibrant city.

**Wednesday** We visit **Buckingham Palace**, one of the most recognisable buildings in the world and since 1837 the residence of the Kings and Queens of the United Kingdom. You have a chance to see the magnificent Staterooms with their stunning furnishings and works of art. A tremendous sense of history pervades the building for you to soak in, enabling you to feel part of history. Then you have a chance to further take in the delights of the city.

**Thursday** We travel by coach to **Greenwich** where you will have time to visit some of the attractions, which include the 'Cutty Sark', National Maritime Museum, and the Royal Observatory with the chance to stand on the Prime Meridian, NB admissions not included. You will then enjoy a **cruise, with commentary**, back to the hotel ready to join the coach at 15.00 for the journey home. We arrive home mid evening.

## The Hotel



The four star **Tower Hotel** is located on the north bank of the River Thames alongside Tower Bridge and the Tower of London and overlooking St Katharine's Dock. All of the en suite bedrooms have high speed Internet access, air

conditioning, hair dryer, coffee maker and trouser press. The hotel has a gym and a choice of bars and restaurants.

Hotel: The Tower Guoman Hotel, St Katharine's Way, East London, E1W 1LD Tel: 0870 3339106

## This 3 day tour includes:

- Return travel to London and Free time to use as you choose
- A Four Star rated centrally located river-front hotel
- 2 nights bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double £ 288.00

Per Person in single (limited) £ 348.00

Guaranteed Tower Bridge View

£50.00 per room supplement

**Depart Code B**

# Bournemouth & Guernsey

Monday 2nd- Friday 6th September 2019



**Monday** Depart Bradford at 8.00, we travel with stops en route, to **Winchester**, England's ancient capital and former seat of King Alfred the Great, with time to explore the medieval streets of Winchester and admire the history of Winchester Cathedral. From here we travel on to our hotel.

**Tuesday** Our morning run takes us through the New Forest (famous for its wild ponies) to **Lyndhurst**. Known as the capital of The New Forest since William the Conqueror established it as a royal hunting ground in 1079. There is a centrally located New Forest Centre (if you wish to visit), to guide you through the history and heritage of the area, plus a range of shops selling crafts, gifts and a cosy tea room for you to enjoy. From the beauty of the forest we travel to **Kingston Lacy** to admire the beauty of an Italian style Palace housing an internationally acclaimed art collection, majestic gardens, and a herd of award winning Red Ruby Devon cattle roaming the estate. We will have a guided house tour to enhance our visit and reveal the stories of the Banks family, their collections and no doubt much more!

**Wednesday** We catch the morning high speed Condor ferry from Poole for the 3 hour sailing to **St Peter Port in Guernsey**, arriving around 13.00, with a departure at 17.00, so you will have the afternoon to explore this treasure trove of an island. There are hourly buses which complete a circuit of the island in an hour and a half, plus all sorts of historic sites to explore. (NB no fares or admissions on the island included. Sailing subject to weather conditions, and no evening meal at the hotel today).

**Thursday** Day in resort to explore Bournemouth at your leisure.

**Friday** We journey home with stops as required to arrive back mid evening.

## The Hotel



The Mayfair Hotel Bournemouth is centrally situated within an easy walking distance of the Town Centre. The hotel has 40 en-suite bedrooms, all designed with comfort and relaxation in mind. They have flat screen TV,

free Wifi, tea/coffee making facilities and hair dryer. Enjoy the ambiance of the Restaurant with widely acclaimed food, and relax in the Garden Room, which overlooks a secluded courtyard garden.

Hotel: The Mayfair Hotel, Bath Road, Bournemouth, BH1 2NW Tel: 01202 551983

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- 1 night bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double      £ 335.00  
Per Person in single (limited) £ 335.00  
**National Trust Reduction** - £ 14.00

**Depart Code B**

# Hadrians Wall & Galloway Delights

Monday 9th – Wednesday 11th September 2019



**Monday** Depart Bradford at 9.30, with a stop en-route to Hadrians Wall, our first visit is **Lanercost Priory**. The beautiful and now tranquil setting of Augustinian Lanercost Priory belies an often troubled history. Standing close to Hadrian's Wall, it suffered frequent attacks during the long Anglo-Scottish wars. We then move on to **Birdoswald Roman Fort**, one of the best preserved forts of the iconic Hadrian's Wall. Visitors can enjoy the extensive remains found at the fort, which include much of its defensive structures such as the walls and gateways as well as buildings such as granaries and workshops. The visitor centre offers a further glimpse into life in Roman Britain, with a model of the Wall as it would have once looked. On then to our hotel at Lockerbie.

**Tuesday** We travel to **Stranraer to catch the mid morning train to Girvan**. Unlike the road which follows the line of the coast, the railway goes inland and passes through wild and unspoilt countryside passing over a number of spectacular bridges, and at Girvan we will have views of Ailsa Craig lying offshore. We have a short break here, before we take the coach to **Newton Stewart**. This picturesque and friendly market town is situated on the banks of the River Cree, and may be regarded as a gateway for the Galloway Hills.

**Wednesday** Morning visit to **Castle Douglas**, an 18th century market town that is also a designated Food Town with lots of local produce. Our final visit is to **Threave House and Garden**. The wonderful garden has been created over the years by students of the NTS School of Heritage Gardening - and is a fine example of landscaped beauty. The garden is divided into a series of smaller gardens to showcase different styles, including a rose garden, rockery and walled garden. At the centre stands Threave House, designed in the Scottish Baronial style in 1871 for the Gordon family. Many of its rooms are displayed as they were in the 1930s. With a mid afternoon departure, and stop en route, we arrive back mid evening.

## The Hotel



Located amid acres of magnificent grounds with stunning views of the beautiful Scottish countryside, BEST WESTERN Dryfesdale Country House Hotel provides the perfect backdrop. Steeped in history, the hotel dates

back to 1762, but with all the up-to-the-minute amenities you would expect from a top class 4 star hotel.

Hotel: Best Western Dryfesdale Country House Hotel, Lockerbie, Dumfries, DG11 2SF  
Tel: 01576 202427

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double	£ 229.00
Per Person in single	£ 279.00

**National Trust Scotland Reduction** - £ 10.00

**English Heritage Reduction** - £ 10.00

**Depart Code A**

# Hidden Gems in the Heart of Wales

Sunday 15th – Thursday 19th September 2019



**Sunday** Departing Bradford at 9.00 we travel, with a stop en route, to **Llangollen** where you will have a chance to explore this delightful town, where attractions include a heritage steam railway, canal rides and riverside walks. The town also has a range of attractive shops and cafés for you to enjoy. (NB No admissions included today).

**Monday** We start the day with a visit to **Hay-on-Wye**, the 'town of books' and home of the famous literary festival, where you can wander through the maze of narrow ancient streets. We then take the short journey to **Brecon for a two and half hour canal trip, with lunch included**, on the Monmouthshire and Brecon Canal which hugs the mountainside above the valley of the River Usk. This is followed by a visit to the impressive **Brecon Cathedral**.

**Tuesday** This morning we visit the seaside town of **Aberystwth**, with its sweeping promenade and harbour and marina. In the afternoon we board the steam hauled narrow gauge **Vale of Rheidol Railway** for a scenic return journey to Devil's Bridge.

**Wednesday** We enjoy a morning visit to the **Elan Valley** where a **park ranger will join the coach** for a one hour circular tour to view the Victorian dams and man made lakes of this 73 square mile wildlife park. Then onto **Abbey-Cwm-Hir**, a quite marvellous Hall set in 12 acres of gardens, with 52 individual themed rooms. The owners will welcome you with a **Welsh afternoon tea** and then show you around.

**Thursday** We start the journey with a visit to the delightful town of **Welshpool** where you will have a **choice** to either **A)** enjoy the shops and cafés of this historic town, **B)** Visit Powis Castle, **C)** have a ride on the steam hauled narrow gauge Welshpool & Llanfair Railway, before we travel home arriving mid evening. (NB No admissions included today).

## The Hotel



The Metropole Hotel and Spa is located in the beautiful spa town of Llandrindod Wells in the heart of Wales. It was built by the great-grandmother of the present managing director in 1897, and the hotel has been run by the family for 5 generations. It is renowned for its' warm and friendly atmosphere,

comfortable accommodation, relaxing spa and superb cuisine. All of the 110 en-suite bedrooms are decorated and furnished to a high standard and include flat screen TV, free Wifi, tea/coffee making facilities and hair dryer, and there is complimentary use of the spa facilities.

Hotel: Metropole Hotel and Spa, Temple St, Llandrindod Wells LD1 5DY Tel: 01597 823700

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double /Twin £ 425.00  
Per Person in single £ 490.00

Depart Code B

# North Devon Coastal Highlights

Monday 23th – Friday 27th September 2019



**Monday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with stops en route to our hotel in **Ilfracombe**.

**Tuesday** We visit the beautiful little town of **Bideford** situated on the banks of the River Torridge, once home to the author Charles Kingsley whose novel 'Westward Ho!' was based on this area of North Devon. The town is also home to the famous 'Pannier Market' popular with both residents and visitors alike. From here we travel to the quirky **Gnome Reserve and Wild Flower garden** where you can wander amongst a wide variety of gnomes set in four acres. You can also borrow a fishing rod and gnome hat to enable you to blend in. On then to **Hartland Abbey**, built in the 12th century and a monastery for 400 years, passing through the female line three times it has never been sold. Consequently, it houses a collection of pictures, furniture and porcelain accumulated over many generations. The 18th C woodlands have walks leading to a Walled Garden.

**Wednesday** The day starts travelling to Bishops Lydeard to join the **West Somerset Railway**, for a 20 mile journey to **Minehead**. From our heritage carriages hauled by a steam locomotive, we see views of distant Exmoor, the rolling Quantock hills, and the coast of the Bristol Channel. There will then be time to explore this delightful resort town. (NB Steam loco subject to availability).

**Thursday** We travel to the nearby well known resort of **Lynton and Lynmouth**, where you can explore these delightful little towns with an included trip on the **Lynton and Lynmouth Cliff Railway**. We return to **Ilfracombe** to enable you spend time exploring the resort.

**Friday** We travel home with stops en route, arriving home early evening.

## The Hotel



The Osbourne Hotel has been owned by the Cox Family for over 46 years, and all areas of the Hotel are personally run by a member of the family to ensure your stay is a pleasant one..The Hotel boasts 53 bedrooms, all pleasantly furnished with en suite facilities, complimentary tea/coffee,TV and free WIFI. There is a ballroom, dining-room, bar lounge, and a small games room, and the hotels executive chef provides a mouth-watering menu of treats. Plus there is nightly evening entertainment in the bar area. The Hotel itself is ideally situated to explore Ilfracombe. The seafront is just a short 5 minute walk away, and the heritage Harbour & Quay are all on a level walk from the Hotel.

Hotel: Osbourne Hotel, Wilder Road, Ilfracombe, Devon, EX34 9AQ Tel: 01271 863641

## This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in double /Twin	£ 290.00
Per Person in single	£ 330.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 10.00</b>

**Depart Code B**



**Friday** Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel, with stops en route, to **Gloucester** where you will have a chance to explore this beautiful city. The attractions include the magnificent cathedral which has been used as a film location for, amongst others, Wolf Hall, Sherlock, Harry Potter and Doctor Who. The nearby Gloucester Quays have also been a popular location for such films as Martin Chuzzlewit, Terry Pratchett's 'The Colour of Magic', Vanity Fair, and probably most famously of all, Tim Burton's 2014 production of 'Alice in Wonderland – Through the Looking Glass'.



**Saturday** We visit the historic city of **Bath**, which as well as being renowned for its splendid architecture has been a prime film and TV filming location. Here you will enjoy a **half day guided tour** which will include entry to **The Holburne Museum** - a grade 1 listed building which houses a fine arts collection and was used as a location for The Duchess and Vanity Fair. Then to Bath Parade Gardens – from where we can enjoy the best vantage point for viewing Pulteney Bridge (where Les Miserables was partially filmed), and finally to **North Parade Passage** (location for both Dracula and Persuasion). The rest of the time is your own, to perhaps visit Bath Abbey, the Roman Baths, or just wander around this splendid city.

**Sunday** We start with a visit to **Cheddar Gorge**, (recently used as a location for the TV series Poldark) Britain's highest inland limestone cliffs rising up to 450 feet, where we will have entry to one of the caves plus a hot drink and a cake. Next to **Tyntesfield**, a Victorian country house and estate, home to four generations of the Gibbs family, whose fortune was created by the import of guano. Their achievements are celebrated through ornate Gothic carvings, flower filled terraces and expansive estate. Tyntesfield has also been used as a location for Sherlock and Doctor Who.

**Monday** Our final visit takes us to a place often used in film and TV period dramas, the home of the S.S. Great Britain, where a new museum '**Being Brunel**' explores the life and legacy of Isambard Kingdom Brunel its designer. He built bridges, tunnels, ships and railways that were longer, faster and bigger than anything seen before. Brunel was also an innovator, a leader, a dreamer and an artist. He was extraordinary, but he was also human, and had many faults and failures. This is the Brunel you will meet when visiting Being Brunel. Leaving early afternoon and with a break en route, we arrive back mid evening.

### The Hotel



The Mercure Bristol Holland House Hotel & Spa is a stylish 4 star hotel with 275 spacious and contemporary bedrooms with air conditioning, hospitality tray, satellite TV, hair dryer and big beds ! Enjoy the food at the Urban Bar & Kitchen or indulge yourself in the large indoor heated pool, fitness suite and spa.

### This 4 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

### Prices:

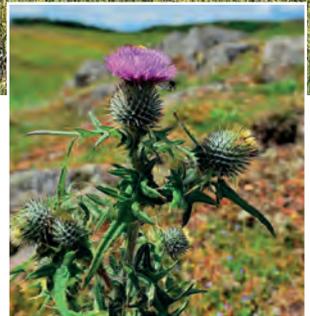
Per Person in double /Twin	£ 315.00
Per Person in single	£ 410.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 12.00</b>

**Depart Code B**

Hotel: Mercure Holland House & Spa, Redcliffe Hill, Bristol, BS1 6SQ Tel: 0117 968 9900

# Scotch Broth

Friday 11th – Sunday 13th October 2019



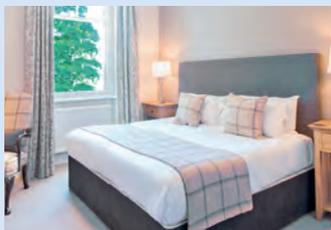
**Friday** Departing from Bradford at 9.00 am, the one thing that you can be certain of on this tour will be that we are going to be heading North and that we will include a 'tasty' mix of Scottish ingredients! Our aim is to be north of the Scottish border by lunchtime and then this mystery tour will really get going as we travel through the wonderful scenery of this 'bonnie' country on the way to our hotel for the tour and dinner. We will stop en route of course, to give you a chance to explore one of the regions towns - and possibly even to top up your tartan!

**Saturday** Today will be our chance to explore our chosen region - and that **will include a visit to one of the local attractions**; it might be a castle, it might be a boat ride, it might be something completely different - you will just have to trust us! Scenery galore will of course not be an optional extra. We return to our hotel for dinner.

**Sunday** What will we have on offer for you today? Whatever it is, you can be sure that there will be a real flavour of Scotland to it. There will be a visit to one of the regions most attractive towns and chance to sample the attractions that it has to offer - a mix of something for everyone is, as always, what we are trying to achieve today. We expect to return to Bradford by mid evening.

## The Hotel

We always try to maintain the highest possible standards of accommodation on our Mystery tours; they are usually based in good quality, three star standard hotels. All rooms have en suite bathrooms, colour TV, telephone, hair-dryer and many have tea/coffee hospitality trays. The hotel will have its own bar and restaurant and some may have leisure facilities. Most will have a lift or low floor rooms. *We will confirm all facilities on your final tour confirmation.*



Hotel: Mystery

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- Admissions to a local attraction
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double £ 179.00

Per Person in single (limited) £ 199.00

Depart Code A

# Northumberland 'Dark Skies'

Sunday 20th- Tuesday 22nd October 2019



**Sunday** Depart Bradford at 9.30. We travel to **Barnard Castle** with time for a break, before heading via the glorious Tees Valley to Alston, for a ride on the highest narrow gauge railway line in the country – the **South Tyndale Railway**. With more stunning scenery in this area of outstanding natural beauty, plus much wildlife to keep a look out for on our journey to Slaggyford, before heading to our hotel at Gretna.

**Monday** We visit **Carlisle**, where you will have a chance to look around the cathedral, castle, museums and shops, before we return to the hotel for a late afternoon meal. We then travel to Kielder Forest for a visit to the **Kielder Observatory**. Here is the third largest dark sky in the world, where we will have a tour of the night sky with planets, galaxies, meteors, and comets, as well as the milky way described by our hosts. There will be binoculars and telescopes available to view this amazing scene (weather permitting of course). A full tour of the observatory is included as well as a presentation by slides and computer.

**Tuesday** Following our late finish the day before, we have a leisurely start before heading for a visit to the market town of **Penrith**, which was once the capital of Cumbria. The attractive town is the hub of the Eden Valley. It is now an important shopping centre, with a good mix of traditional shops and sophisticated arcades. We then head through the splendour of the Lake District with a call at **Hayes Garden Centre, Ambleside**, with time for a browse before heading for home arriving early evening.

## The Hotel

Originally built in 1710 as a private manor house, Gretna Hall is set in 10 acres of beautiful gardens; offering all the character of a substantial historical building, with all the comfort you would expect from a contemporary hotel. The en-suite bedrooms are equipped with digital TV, tea/ coffee making facilities and hair dryer.



Hotel: Gretna Hall Hotel, Gretna Green, DG16 5DY Telephone 01461 338257

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double £ 205.00  
Per Person in single (limited) £ 235.00

Depart Code B

# Autumn Colours Around the Cotswold's

Sunday 27th- Tuesday 29th October 2019



**Sunday** Depart Bradford at 9.00. With a stop en route, to **Oxford, The City of Dreaming Spires**, famous the world over for its University and place in history. For over 800 years, it has been a home to royalty and scholars, so with its mix of ancient and modern, there is plenty to do. Whether its visiting one of the many historic buildings, colleges or museums, going for a meal, or shopping till you drop, Oxford has it in abundance, plus don't forget the Oxford Botanic Gardens for those autumn colours. Its the UK's oldest botanic garden, with nearly 6,000 different types of plant, a Garden with a year-round oasis of biodiversity, right in the heart of the city. (Sorry no admissions included today).

**Monday** With a rich copper glow of autumn as a backdrop, we will spend the day at the picture-perfect stately home of **Blenheim Palace**. Home to the 12th Duke of Marlborough and his family and the birth place of Sir Winston Churchill. Blenheim Palace is a UNESCO World Heritage Site boasting a long and diverse history. From the spectacular 'Capability' Brown parkland (with its lake fringed by ancient oaks, cedars and hanging beech) to the mix of sweeping lawns and the award-winning formal gardens. The house was designed by Sir John Vanbrugh and the inside can only be described as spectacular, a masterpiece of Baroque architecture. Blenheim Palace provides an awe-inspiring experience for visitors with its gilded State Rooms and priceless collections set against the striking stonework of this Grade 1 listed masterpiece.

**Tuesday** Today we visit **Batsford Arboretum**, with its collections of plants from around the world. There are over 2,850 labelled specimens including about 1,300 different trees, shrubs and bamboo. Autumn brings with it a riot of leaf colour ranging from deep butter yellow through to orange reds and crimsons as well as an abundance of berries. It is a natural fireworks spectacular throughout the autumn months. Departing early afternoon, with a break en route, we arrive home early evening.

## The Hotel



Best Western Banbury House Hotel is a Georgian gem with a contemporary, modern twist. Located with a short walk to Banbury Town where the famous Banbury Cross is situated. All rooms have 32" flat screen televisions, Super Sleep Mattress Topper,

Hypo Allergenic Pillows, Courtesy tea, coffee & biscuits tray, Iron & Ironing Board, Hairdryer and Free high-speed WiFi. Dine in the surroundings of the refurbished Restaurant with a new modern theme and enjoy the locally renowned food, plus there is a lounge bar in which to relax.

Hotel: Best Western Banbury House Hotel, Oxford Road, Banbury, Oxon, OX16 9AH  
Telephone 01295 259361

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double £ 175.00  
Per Person in single (limited) £ 195.00

Depart Code B

# Chatsworth House Dressed for Christmas

Sunday 17th – Monday 18th November 2019



hall with a wide range of attractive products. The shops include some famous names including Edinburgh Woollen Mill, Antler Luggage and Thorntons Chocolate. Also here are some of the most popular brands in the pottery industry including Royal Worcester and Port Meirion. From here we travel onto the hotel to give you a chance to enjoy the facilities.

**Monday** The chance on a quieter day to enjoy **Chatsworth House dressed for Christmas**. Its Christmas decorations offer a unique experience, with beautiful traditional decorations in the grand rooms on the two lower floors of the house. In addition to the craft activities and gifts in the courtyard there is the **Christmas Market**. Here you will find an excellent range of crafts, gifts and foodstuffs in a wonderful festive atmosphere. There is also the cafe and restaurant offering seasonal treats as well as the usual range of delights. On many days there are musicians or other entertainers to enhance your visit. We return for early evening.

## The Hotel



The Hallmark Mickleover Court Hotel is one of the best four star hotels in Derby. It has a restaurant and bars as well as a Leisure club with Indoor swimming pool, Gymnasium, Sauna and steam room, Solarium,

Spa bath and whirlpool and the Beauty room - Beau Chic Hair & Beauty. All rooms include en-suite bathrooms, hair-dryer, tea and coffee making facilities, TV with satellite channels, trouser press and in many cases iron and ironing board.

Hotel: Hallmark Mickleover Court, Etwell Road, Mickleover, Derby DE3 0XX Tel: 01332 521234

## This 2 day tour includes:

- Free time to explore Trentham Shopping Village
- A visit to Chatsworth House 'Dressed for Christmas'
- 1 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double £ 110.00  
Per Person in single (limited) £ 125.00

Depart Code B

# Ludlow Medieval Christmas Fayre

Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th November 2019



**Friday** Departing Bradford at 9.30 we travel to **Denby Pottery Village** for our mid morning break. In addition to the popular store and cookshop, there is also a farm shop, Dartington Crystal shop, factory outlet and gift emporium. From here we visit **Worcester**, dominated by its magnificent cathedral which overlooks the river. As well as the cathedral, there are a wide range of shops to explore as well as an attractive walk along the riverbank. We then travel onto our hotel.

**Saturday** We travel to **Ludlow for their Medieval Christmas Fayre** where you can mingle with medieval jesters and live musicians whilst you browse over 100 stalls selling quality ware, handmade gifts and seasonal products, as well as food and drink. There is a full programme of entertainment including music, comedy, fighting knights and puppets. Ludlow itself is a thriving medieval town with attractive architectural features, and a delightful range of shops.

**Sunday** We visit **Berrington Hall**, a splendid Georgian mansion sitting in 'Capability' Brown's final garden and landscape. In the house, discover jewel-like interiors designed by Henry Holland and home to the Harley, Rodney, and Cawley families. From here, we travel home, with a stop en route, arriving early evening.

## The Hotel



The Bank House hotel and Spa is a classic Worcester hotel where traditional meets modern for a unique and memorable experience. Nestled in the heart of the Worcestershire countryside, the hotel combines modern style and comfort with the meticulous attention to detail which only

a family run hotel can provide. The en-suite bedrooms boast superior mattresses for all the beds, the finest linen for bedding and the softest towels in the bathrooms. They are equipped with TV, tea/coffee making facilities, and hair dryer. The Malvern View Spa is an oasis of relaxation and indulgence, with an Indoor Swimming Pool, Jacuzzi, Sauna, Steam Room as well as luxurious Treatment Rooms (Treatments require booking and are chargeable).

Hotel: Best Western Bank House & Spa, Bransford, Worcester, WR6 5JD Tel: 01886 833551

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 225.00
Per Person in single	£ 275.00
<b>National Trust Reduction</b>	<b>- £ 9.00</b>

**Depart Code B**

# Thursford Christmas Spectacular

Monday 2nd – Wednesday 4th December 2019



**Monday** Depart Bradford at 9.30. We travel with a stop en route to **Springfields, near Spalding**. This is a dynamic shopping complex with over 50 outlets selling everything for the person, home and garden. Then on to our hotel.

**Tuesday** Today we have a morning visit to **Norwich**, with time to explore this pleasant city, before heading to **Thursford for the afternoon Christmas Spectacular Show**. Set indoors amongst the collections of traction engines and fairground rides with the sound of the mighty Wurlitzer organ, this is one of the most exciting and spectacular Christmas Shows with songs, carols, dazzling dancers in beautiful costumes, outstanding music, singing and variety acts with a cast of over 100 persons. Exhilarated, we return to our hotel for evening meal.

**Wednesday** We start the journey home with a visit to majestic city of **Cambridge**, with time to stroll the streets to view the colleges, visit the shops, or enjoy the cafe culture. With a break en route, we arrive home early evening.



## The Hotel



The QHotels Dunston Hall is an imposing red brick country house hotel set in 150 acres of beautiful wooded Norfolk parkland. It has restaurants and bars as well as a Spa and Leisure club with swimming pool, sauna, steam room, spa treatments and work out facilities. The stylishly decorated rooms at

Dunston Hall are a treat. Some retain period features and all are extremely comfortable. All rooms include Satellite TV with Pay TV and Movies, Direct Dial telephone, Hairdryer, Sky TV, Tea / Coffee making facility, Irons and ironing boards, En-suite bathrooms.

Hotel: QHotels Dunston Hall, Ipswich Road, Norwich, Norfolk, NR14 8PQ Tel: 01508 470444

## This 3 day tour includes:

- Visits and excursions as described
- Tickets for the Thursford Christmas Spectacular
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double £ 255.00  
Per Person in single (limited) £ 305.00

Depart Code B

# Bygone Christmas Times at Tatton Hall & Ironbridge

Saturday 7th – Monday 9th December 2019



**Saturday** Depart Bradford at 10.00. We head for **Tatton Park** in Cheshire, where the mansion will be beautifully decorated with natural decorations from the estate, and you can enjoy the sights, smells and sounds of a traditional celebration. The mansion will be themed (to be confirmed), while the impressive gardens will be in their winter colours. Tatton's speciality shops will also be offering quality gifts for friends and family including gift hampers.

**Sunday** We journey back in time at **Ironbridge**, with a visit to the iron bridge itself and Museum of the Gorge, for an explanation of the areas place in the development of the industrial revolution. We then move along to see that The Victorians were on a mission - to make tiles and to use them, with a visit to the **Jackfield Tile Museum**, which was once at the very heart of British tile production and here you can see why. Walk amongst the very best examples in-situ at a recreated pub, tube station, church and more. Then its Christmas, as we head to **Blists Hill Victorian Town** to travel back over 100 years to experience the festive sights, sounds and smells of a Victorian Christmas. Soak up the Yuletide atmosphere with seasonal entertainment and watch as the townsfolk busily make preparations for Christmas, Victorian style. The emphasis is on traditional and this is a Christmas event that is a real snapshot of history, from the old-fashioned brass band and carol singers, to traditional Morris dancing in the main High Street.

**Monday** We head for home with a stop en route at **Bridgemere Garden World**, Britain's largest garden centre, which along with its range of plants and gardening products, will have a superb range of Christmas gifts and goodies to tempt you. We arrive home early evening.

## The Hotel



a few extras. The brasserie style restaurant offers a choice of delicious British and international dishes. The chef uses the best of seasonal ingredients available and with a menu that is changed on a regular basis, you are guaranteed freshness and great choice.

Located in the heart of Shropshire, The Telford Whitehouse Hotel boasts extensive health and leisure facilities. The 90 en-suite bedrooms have all the facilities you would expect from a modern hotel, plus cotton duvet, power shower, ironing centre and in-room safe to name

## This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above.
- A good quality hotel
- 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

## Prices:

Per Person in twin/double	£ 155.00
Per Person in single	£ 175.00

Hotel: Whitehouse Hotel, Watling Street, Telford, TF1 2NJ Tel: 01952 250700

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# Bonded Coach Holidays - Trading Charter (and Booking Conditions)

## 1 - Financial Protection

Your contract is with **J.A.K Travel LTD** of 368 Bradford Road, Sandbeds, Keighley, BD20 5LY. When you book a holiday with us, which doesn't include a flight, the money you pay us for the booking will be protected by the Bonded Coach Holidays (BCH), this is a Government approved consumer protection scheme. The scheme will also ensure your repatriation in the event the company becomes insolvent. Our Trading Charter and Booking Conditions set out clearly and simply the responsibility we have to you and in turn, you have with us, when a contract is agreed. Please see the BCH Consumer Guarantee at [www.bch-uk.org](http://www.bch-uk.org). There is no financial protection if you purchase just transport or accommodation-only from us. We fully comply with the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018. The combination of travel services offered to you is a package holiday within the meaning of the Regulations. Therefore, you will benefit from all rights applying to package holidays. J.A.K Travel LTD will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the holiday and providing assistance if you are in difficulty. Your key rights will be in the details of the tour which will be provided prior to booking.

## 2 - Booking And Payment

When a booking is made, the 'lead name' on the booking guarantees that he or she is 18 or over and has the authority and accepts on behalf of the party the terms of these booking conditions and pays the deposit indicated in the brochure and as confirmed in the pre-confirmation information. After we receive your booking and all appropriate payments, if the arrangements you wish to book are available, we will send you or your booking agent a confirmation invoice within 14 days. This confirmation will include any special requests we have agreed. All monies paid to your booking agent are held by them on your behalf until we issue our confirmation invoice, thereafter your booking agent holds the money on our behalf. A binding agreement will come into existence between us and we dispatch this invoice to the 'lead name' or your booking agent. Please check the confirmation carefully to ensure all the information is correct. This contract is governed by English Law, and the jurisdiction of the English Courts.

Single occupancy of rooms, when available, may be subject to a supplementary charge and these will be shown in the brochure. You can book by paying a deposit for each person named on the booking but our commitment is always conditional upon the balance being paid as below;

Deposit £25.00 per person.

The balance of the price of your holiday must be paid at least **6 weeks** before your departure. If you book within our balance due period, you will need to pay the total holiday cost at the time of booking. If the balance is not paid in time we reserve the right to cancel your holiday, retain your deposit, and apply the cancellation charges set out in the paragraph below. The date of cancellation will normally be the date we receive your written confirmation that you intend to cancel or 15 days after the balance due date, whichever comes first.

Where optional items are purchased as part of the holiday, these are payable on the balance due date except where items, such as theatre tickets, have been specifically purchased for you. In this case the cost will be payable at a separate date notified to you and will not normally be refunded unless we obtain a refund from the supplier we use.

## 3 - Brochure Accuracy

Although **J.A.K Travel LTD** make every effort to ensure the accuracy of the brochure information and pricing, regrettably errors do sometimes occur. You must therefore ensure you check the price and all other details of your holiday with us at the time of booking and when you receive our confirmation invoice.

## 4 - Our Pricing Policy

J.A.K Travel LTD endeavour to ensure that the most up to date and correct prices are shown in our brochure. Occasionally, an incorrect price may be shown, due to an error. When we become aware of any such error, we will endeavour to notify you at the time of booking (if we are then aware of the mistake) or as soon as reasonably possible. We reserve the right to cancel the booking if you do not wish to accept the price which is applicable to the holiday. Local Authorities in many towns and cities throughout Europe have introduced new tourist taxes which must be paid directly to the hotel by all guests in person. These taxes are not included in our prices but we will notify you when applicable.

Holiday prices include all travel, hotel accommodation and meals as specified in the holiday description and VAT payable in the UK where applicable. The price of the holiday will not be subjected to any surcharges except those arising from exchange rate changes, transportation including the price of fuel, air & ferry operator fares and tolls, embarkation or disembarkation fees at terminals, duties and taxes (including the rate of VAT). Even in these cases we will absorb the cost equivalent to that of the first 2% of the holiday price. Amounts more than this plus £1 administration fee and Travel Agents commission will be charged to you. If this means the total cost of the holiday increases by more than 8%, then you are entitled to cancel your holiday and receive a full refund of all monies paid except any insurance premium and amendment charges. We will communicate the options with you either through email or letter, with a reminder if necessary. If you exercise the right to cancel we must receive written notice within 20 days of the date of the surcharge invoice. The currency exchange rate used in the holiday costings are based on rates as at 30/08/18.

## 5 - If You Change Your Booking

If, after our confirmation has been issued, you wish to change to another of our holidays or change departure date, we will do our utmost to make the changes, but we cannot guarantee to do so. **However, notification must be received in writing at our offices from the person who signed the booking form, at least 6 weeks before departures.** This must be accompanied by a payment of **£10.00** to cover our administrative costs, plus costs we incur in making the amendment. **Alterations cannot be made within 6 weeks of departure and any such request for an alteration will be treated as a cancellation of the original booking and will be subject to the cancellation charges set out in paragraph below.** Some arrangements cannot be changed without paying a cancellation charge of up to 100% of the ticket cost.

## 6 - Transferring Your Booking

You can transfer your booking to somebody else but the person must satisfy all the conditions of the holiday and you must inform us either by letter or email no less than 7 days before departure. This transfer will cost £10 plus reasonable costs to make the transfer. You will remain responsible for ensuring payment before the balance due date. This is in addition to (and does not affect) the separate liability of the transferee to us.

## 7 - If You Need To Cancel Your Holiday

You or any member of your party, may cancel your holiday at any time provided the cancellation is made by the person signing the booking form and is communicated to us in writing via the office who made your original booking. You must pay cancellation charges to cover our administration costs and to compensate for the risk of us not reselling the holiday. If the holiday is resold a refund will be made. Your cancellation will take effect from the date on which we or our agent receive your written confirmation of your cancellation. You must also return any tickets or vouchers you have received. A reduction in room occupancy may increase the charges for the remaining passengers by the application of supplements for low occupancy of rooms. Where bought in supplies, such as ferries, hotel accommodation etc., have been bought in on your behalf, and where the terms and conditions of the supplier are non-refundable, these products will be charged to you at the full retail rate. If this applies, the non-refundable items will be deducted from your holiday costs and the following scale of charges will be applied to the remainder:

Period before departure within which written cancellation of package price is received	Amount of cancellation Charge as a % of total package cost
More than 56 days	Deposit only
55 - 49 days	30% or Deposit, if greater
48 - 22 days	50%
21 - 8 days	70%
7 - 1 days	90%
Departure day or later including voluntary termination during the package	Total Package Cost

You may cancel your holiday without paying any termination

fee before the start of the holiday in the event of special circumstances, for instance if there are serious security problems at the destination which are likely to affect the package.

## 8 - Alterations To Your Holiday By Us

We hope that we will not have to make any change to your holiday but, because our holidays are planned many months in advance, we sometimes do need to make minor changes. We reserve the right to do this at any time. We will let you or your booking agent know about any important changes as soon as possible, including the minimum number of passengers required on the trip. If after booking, and before departure, we make a major change to your holiday, you will have the option of withdrawing from the holiday without penalty or transferring to another holiday without any charge. In either case, we will pay you compensation, according to the scale set below. A major change includes the time of your departure or return for more than 12 hours, a change in departure point, location of resort or type of hotel, a change in cross channel travel, or specification of the coach. If we tell you about any of these changes after we have confirmed your holiday booking (other than force majeure), you may either:

- accept the new arrangements offered by us; or
- accept a replacement holiday from us of equivalent or similar standard and price (at the date of the change), if we can offer you one; or
- cancel your holiday with us and receive a full refund of all monies

Either way, we will pay you compensation, using the Compensation table shown:

Period before departure in which significant change is notified to you or your agent	Amount per person
More than 28 days	Nil
21 days to 27 days	£10
15 to 20 days	£15
8 to 14 days	£20
0 to 7 days	£25

**IMPORTANT NOTE** Compensation will not be payable if the holiday is cancelled because the number of persons booked is less than the number required, or for events beyond our control, which include: war, threat of war, riots, civil disturbances, terrorist activity and its consequences, industrial disputes, natural and nuclear disasters, fire, epidemics, health risks and pandemics, unavoidable and unforeseeable technical problems with transport for reasons beyond our control or that of our suppliers; hurricanes and other actual or potential severe weather conditions and any other similar events. You are also advised to check with The Foreign and Commonwealth Office Advice Unit regularly at [www.fco.gov.uk/travel](http://www.fco.gov.uk/travel) prior to travel. All holidays operate if the minimum number of participants is met. However, in no case will we cancel your holiday less than 2 weeks before the scheduled departure date, except where you have failed to pay the final balance or because of force majeure (force majeure means an event which we or the suppliers of the services in question could not foresee or avoid and is therefore beyond our control).

## 9 - Our Responsibility To You

We accept responsibility for ensuring the holiday which you book with us is supplied as described in our publicity material and the services offered reach a reasonable standard and if you are in difficulty we will assist you. If any part of our holiday contract is not provided as promised, you may terminate the contract without paying a termination fee and we will pay you appropriate compensation if this has affected your enjoyment of your holiday. We will however, not be liable if there are any unforeseeable or unavoidable actions of a third party not connected with our travel services, or there were unavoidable or extraordinary circumstances, or the lack of conformity is due to a traveller in the party. We accept responsibility for the acts and/or omissions of our employees, agents and suppliers except where they lead to death, injury or illness. Our liability in all cases shall be limited to a maximum of twice the value of the original holiday cost (not including insurance premiums and amendment charges). We accept responsibility for death, injury, or illness caused by the negligent acts and/or omissions of our employees or agents together with our suppliers and sub-contractors, servants and/or agents of the same whilst acting

within the scope of, or during their employment in the provision of your holiday. We will accordingly pay to our clients such damages as might have been awarded in such circumstances under English Law. In respect of carriage by air, sea, tunnel and rail and the provision of accommodation our liability in all cases will be limited in the manner provided by the relevant international convention.

If we make any payment to you or any member of your party for death or personal injury or illness, you will be asked to assign to us or our insurers the rights you may have to act against the person or organisation responsible for causing the death, personal injury or illness. This clause does not apply to any separate contracts that you may enter for excursions or activities during or outside of your holiday. If you or any member of your party suffer death, illness or injury whilst overseas arising out of an activity which does NOT form part of your holiday, we may offer guidance and where legal action is contemplated and you want our assistance, you must obtain our written consent prior to any proceedings (We limit the cost of our assistance to you or your party to £5,000 per party).

#### 10 - If You Have A Complaint

If you have a problem during your holiday, please inform your Tour Manager, your driver or the relevant supplier/resort representative immediately who will endeavour to put things right. If your complaint cannot be completely resolved locally, you must complete a **Holiday Report Form** which can be obtained by your driver or local representative, which you should keep. Our contact number, for unresolved complaints will be our office number on 01274 566200 (open in office hours.) If you remain dissatisfied please follow this up within 14 days of your return home by writing to **J.A.K Travel LTD** giving your original booking reference number and all other relevant information, including the reference of the Holiday Report Form. It is therefore a condition of this contract that you communicate any problem to the supplier of the services in question AND to our representative whilst in resort and obtain a written report form. If you fail to follow this simple procedure, we cannot accept responsibility as we have been deprived of the opportunity to investigate and rectify the problem. Should you wish to pursue the complaint further, the BCH/CPT have an Alternative Dispute Resolution scheme and full details are available from them. Please contact them at, The Confederation of Passenger Transport UK, Fifth Floor South, Chancery House, 53 – 64 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1 QS.

#### 11 - Our Coaches

We will always use our reasonable endeavours to provide a coach to the specification in our brochure or advert, but reserve the right to substitute an alternative vehicle should there be unforeseen circumstances. There is a seating plan but in some cases, operational reasons may require a coach with a different configuration. We reserve the right to alter a coach seating plan and allocate seats other than those booked. Single passengers may be required to share a double seat with other single passengers. When your booking is confirmed, you will be offered the best seats that are available at that time. If you feel that you require two seats, then these must be booked and paid for in advance, at the time of booking. If you fail to do this and it transpires that the seat allocated to you is insufficient for your needs and there is no alternative seating available then you will be refused access to the coach and any payments made will be liable to forfeiture.

Specific seats will not be allocated on coaches operating a feeder service between joining points and main holiday departure points or on coaches that carry out transfers between airports, seaports etc...

#### 12 - Hotel Facilities

Some hotel facilities and entertainment may be withdrawn for routine maintenance or be subject to seasonal availability and provision of the facilities cannot be guaranteed. Single occupancy of rooms may be subject to a supplementary charge.

#### 13 - Health And Safety

In some foreign countries, standards of infrastructure, safety and hygiene may be lower than those to which we are accustomed in the UK. You should therefore exercise greater care for your own protection. There may be countries that we visit that have special medical requirements for tourists. These regulations are subject to change and our clients are responsible for complying with entry and current health requirements. If you are not sure of the health requirements for the country you are visiting, you are advised to check with your

own GP before travelling. You are also advised to refer to the Department of Health leaflet "Health Advice for Travellers" Some people may be at risk from discomfort or deep vein thrombosis (DVT) if they remain immobile on a journey for a long period. If you are planning to undertake a journey of more than three hours, you should consult your doctor, if you have ever had DVT, pulmonary embolism, a family history of clotting conditions, cancer or treatment for cancer, stroke, and heart or lung disease or if you have had major surgery in the past three months.

We reserve the right to refuse any booking in the absence of a doctor's certificate confirming that you are fit to travel. Where we provide comfort stops you are encouraged to walk around. Exercise reduces any discomfort, which may be caused by periods of immobility.

**NO SMOKING** is allowed on our coaches (including E-Cigarettes) and we do not allow pets or any other animals, although we accommodate registered assistance dogs, but not on overseas holidays.

#### 14 - Travel Documents, Itineraries, Pick-Up Points And Passports

For all Continental holidays, you will require a full 10-year British Passport (machine readable) valid for a further 3 months after your holiday. If you do not hold a full British Passport or you have any doubts about your status as a resident British subject, you must check with the Embassies or Consulates of the Countries to be visited to confirm the Passport or visa requirements when you book. We cannot accept responsibility if passengers are not in possession of the correct travel documents. For full details on passport requirements, please contact "the identity and passport service" on 0300 222 0000 ([www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk))

You are responsible for ensuring you are at the correct departure point, at the correct time and with the correct documents. J.A.K Travel LTD reserve the right to modify itineraries to conform with requests from competent authorities both within the UK and abroad.

Excursions which are included in the cost of your booking are detailed on the brochure page and refunds will not be made for excursions not taken. Optional excursions booked and paid for in resort do not form part of your booking. Admission fees to buildings may not be included in the price of the holiday, please check.

#### 15 - Special Requests

All special needs and requests, if agreed, should be entered on the booking form and be included in the confirmation of the holiday. These cannot be guaranteed except where confirmed as part of our holiday commitment to you and are detailed on your holiday booking confirmation. We are keen to ensure that we plan the arrangements for your holiday so that special needs and requests can be accommodated as far as possible. If you will need assistance, or may be unable to fully enjoy all aspects of your holiday you must tell us in advance so that we can maximise your enjoyment of the holiday. We will need to know if you will need special facilities in the hotel, taking part in the excursions or have difficulty boarding and travelling on the coach or other means of transport. Before booking your holiday, you should be sure that you and your party are both physically and mentally capable of completing the itinerary. If you need advice or further information either you or your booking agent should contact J.A.K Travel LTD. If you will require a special diet please tell us at the time of booking, or as soon as you are medically advised, together with a copy of the diet.

#### 16 - Passengers With Disabilities

We want everyone to enjoy our travel arrangements. We are happy to advise and assist you in choosing a suitable holiday. But, as some of the accommodation and resorts featured may not cater for even minor disabilities, it is important that, when booking, you advise us of any disability, specific need or complex need you may have and any special requirements that will make sure the holiday is suitable. If a passenger requires personal assistance (for example, assistance with feeding, dressing, toileting, mobilising) then this passenger must travel with an able-bodied companion or carer and written confirmation that such assistance will be provided for the entirety of the holiday is required at the time of booking. Coach drivers/Tour Managers are unable to provide such assistance.

#### Important

You must tell us if you have an existing medical condition, disability or complex need that may affect your holiday or other

group members' enjoyment of it before you book your holiday. We reserve the right to request a doctor's certificate confirming the passenger is fit to travel. If, in our reasonable opinion, your chosen holiday is not suitable for your medical condition or disability, we reserve the right to refuse your booking. You are responsible for bringing with you the proper clothing and equipment, which we advise you about in our printed trip information. We want you to enjoy your holiday and will help you select an appropriate trip.

#### 17 - Passenger Behaviour

We want all our customers to have a happy and carefree holiday. You are responsible for your behaviour and hygiene and the effect it may have on others. If you or any other member of your party is abusive, disruptive or behaves in a way that could cause damage or injury to others or affect their enjoyment of their holiday or which could damage property, we have the right to terminate your contract with us and we will have no further liability or obligation to you. The coach driver/representative, ship's captain, or authorised official is entitled to refuse you boarding if in their reasonable opinion you are unexpectedly under the influence of drink or drugs or you are being violent or disruptive. If you are refused boarding on the outward journey we will regard it as a cancellation by you and we will apply cancellation charges. If on your return journey, we have the right to terminate the contract with you. We also request that mobile telephones are not used on the coach.

#### 18 - Travel Insurance

We strongly advise that you take out personal travel insurance for the trip. We can suggest an insurer to contact upon request. You may use an alternative insurer but you must advise us. The insurance should cover medical and repatriation costs, personal injury, loss of baggage and cancellation charges. If you do not have adequate insurance and require our assistance during your holiday, we reserve the right to reclaim from you any medical repatriation or other expenses which you may incur on your behalf which would otherwise have been met by insurers. You must advise us if you use an alternative insurer, the policy number and 24 hour contact number.

#### 19 - Luggage

Please restrict your luggage to a suitcase weighing no more than **25kgs per person**. We cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to luggage unless through our negligence. Please do not leave valuable items in your suitcase when left on the coach. Please contact us for our policy on mobility scooters.

#### 20 - General Data Protection Regulations

We comply with the GDPR 2018 Regulations, our data controller is Mr A Bonson and our data protection policy can be found at [www.jaktravel.co.uk](http://www.jaktravel.co.uk) or you can request a copy from **J.A.K Travel LTD, 368 Bradford Road, Sandbeds, Keighley, BD20 5LY**.

#### 21 - Emergency Contact

Our emergency contact details are  
Tel: **01274 566200**  
Email: **office@jaktravel.co.uk**



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# Great reasons to travel with us!



All Tours are **Fully Bonded** - we are members of Bonded Coach Holidays (the coaching equivalent of ABTA).



**Excursions are included** - there are no 'optional' extra cost tours and admissions to main venues are usually included - if not we will tell you clearly in the brochure.



**Frequent Breaks** - we aim to stop every two to three hours - even on long journeys and NO overnight coach travel.



**Good Quality Hotels** - All tours have en suite bathrooms and are usually three star rated (sometimes even four star!)



**Parking Available** - We can offer FREE parking for your car in our Depot compound



**No feeder coaches** - you stay on the same coach throughout and no long pick up run either! Our pick up run is normally completed within 45 mins.



**No compulsory Insurance** - we do recommend that you are insured and have the European Health Insurance card for overseas travel, but you are free to shop around.



**Air Conditioned Coaches** - which is especially welcome on the summer tours! Most of our tours also have an on board toilet.



A **friendly, local**, professionally run company that is a member of the professional Trade body for the Coach Industry; the Confederation of Passenger Transport; We are happy to talk to you, to receive your feedback - and, hopefully, your praise!



**We also offer:**  
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