

# Tinsel Upon Tyne – Christmas in the North

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2019

**Monday.** Depart Bradford 09.30, with a stop en route to



*either* the **Bowes Museum at Barnard Castle, OR Locomotion at Shildon.** The choice is yours to *either* visit Bowes with its nationally renowned art collection, or go to Locomotion, the North East



outpost of the National Railway Museum. (Please note there will

be an additional entry charge of £12.00 per person for the Bowes Museum. Locomotion at present is Free entry). There will be a hot drink and mince pie on arrival at the hotel, with a carvery dinner and live entertainment later in the evening.



**Tuesday. (Christmas Eve).** Today we travel to Christmas past, to experience the magic of Christmas in Georgian, Victorian and Edwardian times at **Beamish Living Museum.** All will be decked out for Christmas, plus seasonal food and gifts in the Bazaar on offer. We return to the hotel for a carvery dinner and a quiz.



**Wednesday. (Christmas Day).** Today's festivities include a plated lunch with special gift. Time to watch the Queens

speech accompanied by delicious Christmas cake, and if you can still move, a light dinner in the evening, with entertainment.

**Thursday. (Boxing Day).** After breakfast we head north for a scenic drive taking in Rothbury Forest, ending at the **Alnwick Garden** and a chance to blow your cobwebs away, and stretch your legs on the garden winter trail. We return to the hotel for time to relax, have dinner, and once again be entertained.



**Friday.** With a leisurely start, we call in at the historic city of **Durham**, where you can look out for bargains in the shops, or take in the sights. We return home early evening.

## The Hotel



The George Washington hotel is a 4 star Golf and Spa hotel situated in the tranquil surrounds of Washington, with Newcastle only a 15 minute drive away. The hotel has a restaurant, lounge bar, indoor pool and spa, as well as an 18 hole golf course on site. All 103 bedrooms are ensuite, have complimentary wifi, tea/coffee making facilities as well as irons and boards.



Hotel Mercure George Washington Hotel, Stone Cellar Road, Washington NE37 tel 0191-402-9988

## This 5 day Tour Includes

- Visit to Bowes Museum at Barnard Castle OR Locomotion at Shildon
- Beamish Living Museum
- Alnwick Garden
- Durham
- 4 nights Dinner Bed and Breakfast

## Prices

Per person in twin/double £495.00  
Per person in single £550.00

Depart code B

# New Years Eve in Scotland

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2019 to Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2020



**Monday.** Depart Bradford 08.00, with a stop en route, to **Summerlee, the Museum of Scottish Industrial Life**, where in this award winning museum set in a former ironworks, we can find out what made Scotland such an industrial powerhouse. 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.



**Tuesday – New Years Eve.** Following a hearty breakfast, we take a "Three Lochs and a Shop" scenic tour, taking in the delights of Gare Loch, Loch Long and Loch Lomond, as we travel through the stunning National Park. We will stop at **Loch Lomond Shores**, a complex of a number of shopping outlets including Jenners. We return to the hotel for a light buffet luncheon, then time to relax, before a gala dinner followed by dancing until late, with a glass of bubbly to see in the new year.

**Wednesday – New Years Day.** After a leisurely start, (to allow time to recover from the late night before),



and a buffet lunch, we take a gentle drive to **South Queensferry** to view "The Three Bridges over the Forth", these are the two road bridges and the iconic Forth Rail Bridge. We will then travel over the new road bridge to the northern shore, before returning to the hotel for dinner and evening entertainment.

**Thursday.** Another leisurely start, and time to head south and home. Before we cross the border into



England we will call at **Gretna Gateway Outlet Village.** A chance to grab some early January sale items, and relieve yourself of unwanted Scottish banknotes! We arrive home for 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.



Hotel. Best Western Moorings Hotel, 114 Hamilton Road, Motherwell, Renfrew ML1 3DG. 01698-258131

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.

## This 4 day Tour Includes

- Visits to Museum of Scottish Industrial Life, Loch Lomond Shores, South Queensferry & Gretna Gateway outlet shopping village.
- Scenic drive past Gare Loch, Loch Long & Loch Lomond.
- 3 nights Dinner Bed and Breakfast

## Prices

Per person in twin/double £355.00  
Per person in single £490.00

Depart code A

