

CLOSER TO HOME



AN EXCEPTIONAL COLLECTION OF SMALL GROUP TOURS AROUND THE UNITED KINGDOM & IRELAND

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Steeped in heritage and culture, the time is right to embrace the delights and treasures that are closer to home. Scotland, a wee country with a big personality, is a real favourite. From the Highlands and Islands of Caledonia Calling, the intricate inland waterways aboard a luxury yacht on the Lord of the Glens, an expedition cruise that is a real Scottish Affair to Aberdeenshire and Royal Alba, a Royal favourite since 1848, when Queen Victoria fell in love with the region.

Explore Yorkshire's Roman and Viking heritage amidst the valleys and dales of God's Own Country, discover crumbling coastal castles on Northumbrian Majesty, wonder at the beauty of the Lake District from splendid hotels and revel in glorious steam journeys. Experience the beauty of Dorset on a Jurassic Journey, the Wonder of Wales, and iconic heritage in the Charming Cotswolds. Experience England's eastern corner with A Different Kind of Broad and discover a series of historical, cultural and present day treasures in Secret Devon and Cornwall. Not forgetting the Emerald Isle where you can explore its Majestic Castles or travel In the Footsteps of Giants on a literary tour. Allow Jules Verne to introduce spectacular sights, unique experiences and fine accommodation as we celebrate our home nations.



THE JULES VERNE DIFFERENCE

That sense of adventure to discover the world is at the heart of Jules Verne. Established in 1978, our innovative small group escorted tours offer authentic travel with a twist for people who love to see the world. Packed with special touches and little extras, our expert guides will show you the true character of each destination and take you beyond the norm, whether your chosen destination is closer to home or far-flung. Fully ABTA and ATOL bonded and winner of many travel awards, our expert staff organise every detail so you can book in complete confidence.

- Inspiring tours to all seven continents
- Small groups and privately guided tours
- Knowledgeable local guides
- Expertly planned and organised

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JULES VERNE KEY FEATURES

EXCLUSIVE ARRANGEMENT

This most important of Key Features indicates that the touring arrangement is tailored just for our group, taking into account your preferences and our experience over many years. A unique itinerary where we are not combining services with other visitors. Sightseeing is undertaken by expert local guides and escorts who we consider to be the best source of information.

A few of our tours, such as cruise or rail programmes, will have arrangements such as sightseeing that may be shared with non-Jules Verne guests.

SPECIAL EVENTS

To enhance the experience of Jules Verne travellers, we arrange exclusive and memorable special events, illuminating the region and peoples you are visiting. You may attend a special performance, meal or drinks party at characteristic locations; learn about the heritage of the area; discover less-visited corners or special locations not normally open to the public.

NEW TOURS

Join us on one of our tours in 2022 on our selection of new itineraries. Some of our favourites are: Royal Alba Castle Country, The Charm of the Cotswolds, exploring from Oxford to Bath with a delightful tangle of golden villages betwixt, Norfolk, its nature, heritage and culture, and Secret Devon and Cornwall, with a stay in fabulous Padstow and a visit to HRH Prince Charles's nursery at Restormel. Please check vjv.com as we regularly add new tours.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

Single travellers will be provided with a twin or double room for sole use in almost all instances. Wherever possible we try to minimise the single supplement charged by hotels, cruise and rail companies.

SMALL GROUPS

Travelling as part of a small group you will enjoy a more intimate and sociable atmosphere, benefit from more personal attention from our guides, delve into your destination in more detail, getting closer to the places visited, and experience the region in a more personal and informal setting. Our small group sizes also avoid the congestion caused by travelling in a large group. Most tours have a maximum of 18 guests and many will operate with a small group size starting

from just 6 guests. The exception to this will be our cruise and rail journeys where group sizes tend to be higher.

HOTELS

We have specially selected hotels which we feel will enhance the experience of the destination. Look out for: Historic and Heritage Hotels or classic hotels of note, from our delightful Victorian Townhouse in Hexham to Country House hotels on the Northumberland coast, luxury properties in the Cotswolds to a delightful first class hotel in Poole. Some splendid hotels in The Lake District, including a former 16th-century Coaching Inn, and a former residence of the Knights Templar in Aberdeenshire, to mention but a few.

EXPERT LOCAL GUIDES

With Jules Verne you are in great hands. We work with award-winning expert local guides. In fact, we have been pioneers in employing local guides for over 40 years. As in our opinion there is no one better to introduce you to a region than someone born and raised in the area, with great connections to the community, an understanding of the culture and a passion for their region. They will help you find the best places to eat, point you in the direction of hidden treasures that don't always appear in the guidebook and provide you with practical information.



WHY BOOK WITH ? JULES VERNE

PRICE GUARANTEE

Our 100% Price Guarantee means your holiday price is fixed when you book and you won't ever pay more, even if our costs increase afterwards.

HONEST PRICING

We take care to offer simple, honest pricing where everything is clearly explained with no hidden extras. Make sure to call us for our latest prices

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES

Departures on many tours are guaranteed to operate with as little as six or more guests, so you can book with confidence that your tour will operate. Many of our tours will be guaranteed as we may have already reached our small minimum group size, please check with our sales staff.

FEEDO

Your opinion is important to us! We constantly review and evaluate our arrangements and act upon the feedback you send us. Our Feefo Platinum Trusted Service Award demonstrates our commitment to getting things right.

WE HAVE THE EXPERIENCE

We have over 40 years' experience of creating extraordinary adventures, pioneering voyages and inspirational journeys worldwide. We invest in our Personal Travel Experts who have genuine first-hand knowledge of our tours and destinations, and who are there to offer you guidance.

WE ARE RECOGNISED

We are proud to have been voted 'Best Specialist Tour Operator' by readers of the Times and Sunday Times, and 'Best Cultural Tour Operator' by Silver Travel Advisor.

HOW TO BOOK

Please call us on 020 3733 9504, complete our online booking form from the tour page of your choice, at vjv.com or send an e-mail to sales@vjv.co.uk. One of our Personal Travel Experts will be pleased to assist you in booking your holiday. You can also book at any Kuoni store which can be found at locations throughout the UK including some branches of John Lewis.





JULES VERNE FLEXIBILITY

INDEPENDENT ARRIVAL

Many of the tour arrangements featured allow for an independent arrival. Many of our travellers, especially booking to the Home Nations, have expressed a desire to travel independently to join the group. We have made provision for travellers to drive to the destination if so required, and where possible, made available parking arrangements. Please see tour pages for details.

CHOICE OF CONNECTIONS

Where practical, we offer scheduled rail travel from London. Supplements featured in the brochure are based on specific routes but other rail options may be available – let us know if you prefer an alternative routing or timing and we will endeavour to match your request.

Additionally, we offer 'First Class Rail' upgrades with benefits such as additional leg room, a wider seat, and, on some routes, complimentary meals and access to station First Class lounges.

PRIVATELY GUIDED

There has never been a better time to travel with family and friends, as our group size in many instances start from just 6 guests we can cater for your party with no additional costs.

Enjoy a more personal experience, visiting all the programmed sights with your own private vehicle and driver/guide allowing better access and more flexibility.

Choose a published departure or request an alternative date.

For special rates for 8 or more guests travelling together please see below.

PRIVATE GROUPS

If you prefer the company of your choice, we can normally offer a private departure on an existing tour or a tailored arrangement.

We offer a discount of 3% for groups of 8 or more passengers, rising to 5% for groups of 15 or more travelling together on one of our tours. Our experience, expertise and excellent rates are advantageous for study groups, societies, incentive groups and closed groups of friend and family. Please speak to our Personal Travel Experts or email our groups department at groups@vjv.co.uk.

EXTRA NIGHTS

Extending your stay is possible at the start and end of your tour on the majority of our arrangements. On many tours we can offer accommodation in the closest main town to allow you extra time before or after the tour to relax or explore. Please see tour pages for details.

MEALS

Given the wide range of cuisines in the UK, we believe in creating opportunities to sample local cuisine of your choice rather than provide the more standardised hotel fare. We try, where possible, to arrange a tasting of local specialities which can range from wine and cheese, to gin, whiskey, ale or even sea-salt.

Breakfast is, of course, included and on most arrangements, a welcome dinner to introduce you to your tour manager and fellow travellers, and a farewell dinner, a lovely opportunity to re-cap the adventures of the tour, are included. Included meals are indicated on the itinerary as B, L, D.





Cotswold Cottage

5 nights
from
£1765



Broadway Tower



Blenheim Palace

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Sundays

May 22	£1795	Sep 25	£1795
Jun 12	£1785	Oct 9	£1765
Sep 11	£1825		

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £375
Rail Travel from London Paddington to Oxford,
returning from Kemble – £65
First Class rail supplement – £55

Extra Nights – Oxford

Royal Oxford Hotel (per night) – £125
Single supplement – £85

Price Includes

5 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily,
2 dinners, 1 picnic lunch, entrance fees, itinerary
as described, services of expert local driver/guides
and representative.

Notes

*This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot
including several sites with inclines or steps,
comfortable walking shoes or boots are
recommended. National Trust Members will receive
a reduction of £35. Please register your membership
numbers when you book.*

*Parking is available at Pear Tree Park and Ride,
Oxford at the cost of £30 per vehicle. Return transfers
will be provided for those passengers that park.*

** The schedule for HRH The Prince of Wales should
be available in February 2022 after which visits
to Highgrove can be confirmed. The itinerary will
be adjusted to incorporate this visit and will be
available at an additional cost.*

OVERVIEW

Moreton in Marsh (2 nights)
Tetbury (3 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes
Exclusive Arrangement
Iconic History and Heritage
Incredible Gardens
Luxury Hotels
Expert Local Guides
Group Size: 6 – 16

THE CHARM OF THE COTSWOLDS

INTRODUCTION

Undulating gracefully across five counties,
the Cotswolds is a delightful tangle
of golden villages, thatched cottages,
evocative churches and honey-coloured
mansions. Immerse yourself in the best of
the Cotswolds as you experience gardens
galore, grandeur and 2000 years of history.
Explore Royal Castles, Romans Baths,
towers and nature. Visit Oxford University
for a private tour, and the World Heritage
site of Blenheim Palace. With amazing views
around every corner and over the Cotswold
escarpment, be enthralled by the slow pace
and charm of quintessential England.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Meet at Oxford Railway Station.
Walking tour of the University, home to
27 UK Prime Ministers and 55 Nobel Peace
prize winners, with access to one of the
famous colleges. Continue to Blenheim
Palace, home of the Duke of Marlborough,
associated forever with Winston Churchill.
Explore the Palace and its wonderful
gardens before transferring to The Manor,
Moreton in Marsh for two nights. (D)

DAY 2 Travel to Chipping Campden, a
golden-stoned medieval 'Wool Town',
and explore its ancient Market Hall.
Continue to Hidcote Gardens, private
talk on the wonderful Arts and Crafts
garden courtyards, designed by Lawrence
Johnson. Enjoy a pint of 'Yubby' in the 'UK's
No.1 village pub and later visit the striking
folly, Broadway Tower, set within a 200-acre
estate, brainchild of the great 18th-century
landscape designer Capability Brown. (B)

DAY 3 Take the train to Kingham to explore
iconic Daylesford Organic Farm, continue
to Bourton on the Water. Later visit The
Slaughters, taking their name from the Old
English word for 'muddy place', they are
regarded as two of the prettiest villages in
the Cotswolds, enjoy a riverside walk, then
visit the historic market town of Stow on
the Wold. Transfer to The Hare and Hounds,
near Tetbury, for a three nights stay. (B)

DAY 4 Travel to Lacock, frozen in history
and owned almost entirely by the National
Trust, thus remaining unspoiled over the
centuries. Tour the 13th-century Abbey,
founded by the Countess of Salisbury.
Picnic lunch, later visit Castle Combe and
the National Westonbirt Arboretum one of
the world's most beautiful and important
plant collections, explore its tree-top
walkway with stunning canopy views. (B, L)

DAY 5 Travel to Bath, exploring the canals
and the World Heritage City. Visit Holburne
Museum, the incredibly preserved Roman
Baths and the Regency architecture of the
Royal Circus and Royal Crescent. (B, D)

DAY 6 Visit Chedworth's Roman Villa, one
of Britain's grandest, with extensive mosaic
floors and hypocaust systems. There is the
option (dependant on the schedule of HRH
The Prince of Wales) to visit Highgrove for
a private tour of the gardens*. Since 1980,
His Royal Highness has been devoted to
transforming the gardens of his private
residence, which are renowned as some of
the most inspiring and innovative in the
United Kingdom. Transfer to Kemble station
for return rail journey, or transfer back to
Oxford. (B)



Portland Lighthouse ©Visit Britain, Rod Edwards



Jurassic Coast



Durdle Door

OVERVIEW

Poole (6 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes & Natural Wonders
Exclusive Arrangement
Harbour Cruise & Scenic Rail Journey
First Class Hotel
Fossil Tour with Resident Paleontologist
Tour Manager
Group Size: 6 – 18

6 nights
from
£1485

A JURASSIC JOURNEY

INTRODUCTION

The Jurassic Coast, England's only natural UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a feast for the senses, boasting azure waters and incredible geology dating back millions of years. Soak up the relaxed maritime atmosphere of Poole, one of England's most beautiful seaside towns, an ideal base from which to explore this region of outstanding natural beauty and intrigue. Enjoy this perfect introduction to Dorset's wild and beautiful landscape, where rolling hills stand in stark contrast to a procession of sculpted cliffs alongside ancient forts and crumbling castles, proudly guarding quintessential rural villages.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Make your way to The Hotel Du Vin, Poole, for a six-night stay. Meet your fellow travellers and tour manager over a welcome dinner. (D)

DAY 2 Visit Kingston Lacy, residence of the Bankes family, dating from the early 17th century, enjoy the beautiful fine arts and antiquities. Later, transfer to Banbury Rings, an Iron-age hill fort, enjoy a stroll and take time to admire the beautiful Dorset countryside. Later explore Wimborne Minster church with a visit to the inside chained library, continue to view the town's art-deco theatre. (B)

DAY 3 Take a short walk to Poole Harbour for a cruise out into the channel. Enjoy fantastic views from the open deck, passing picturesque Brownsea Island, Sandbanks Peninsula and Studland Bay. Transfer to Chesil Beach to see the Fleet Lagoon, then

on to the Isle of Portland, which forms the southern-most part of Dorset. View Portland Bill Lighthouse and Portland Castle. Built by Henry VIII in the 1540's as defense against the French and Spanish. Enjoy a tour of the Castle to learn of its 450-year history and its role in the Second World War. (B)

DAY 4 Transfer to the Jurassic Coast town of Lyme Regis, meet your fossil expert for an introduction to the history of fossils in the region over a tea or coffee. Learn about the famous coastline and Mary Anning, a famous fossil collector and paleontologist from the 1800's. Head to the beach with your local expert in search of fossils, see Durdle Door and enjoy the marine life. (B)

DAY 5 Travel to Swanage and enjoy a train journey on the heritage railway, passing through beautiful scenery enroute to iconic Corfe Castle. Free time to explore the castle ruins, a most iconic survivor of the English Civil War. Continue to Wareham and enjoy a looped-walk of the town Walls which date back to the Saxon period. (B)

DAY 6 Travel into the north of Dorset, through spectacular countryside, stopping in the market town of Blandford, at the prehistoric hill fort of Hambledon Hill and the town of Shaftesbury, a perfect place to enjoy the beautiful views of Golden Hills. Continue to Melbury Vale Winery for a light but delicious ploughman's lunch of local produce, a guided tour of the winery before partaking in a wine tasting. Return to your hotel for a farewell dinner. (B, L, D)

DAY 7 Return journey. (B)

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Sundays

May 22	£1485	Sep 18	£1575
Jun 12	£1545	Sep 25	£1565

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £595 (May 22 £525)
Rail Travel from London Waterloo to Poole (including transfers from the station to hotel) – £85
First Class rail supplement – from £70
Secure off-site parking – £65

Extra Nights – Poole

Hotel Du Vin (per night) – £195 (Apr 3 £155; May 22 £175)
Single supplement – £170 (Apr 3 £130; May 22 £155)

Price Includes

6 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 1 light lunch, 2 dinners, scenic rail journey, harbour cruise, wine tasting, itinerary as described, services of expert local driver/guides and representative.

Notes

This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot including several sites with inclines or steps, comfortable walking shoes or boots are recommended.

On occasion Wimborne Minster church can close without advance warning, at such times we will view the exterior.

Secure Parking is available on site at the cost of £10 per day, subject to availability on arrival, payable locally.



Bodmin ©Matt Jessop



Lanhydrock ©Neil Kennedy

5 nights
from
£1795



River Teign ©VisitBritain/Adam Burton

OVERVIEW

Chagford, Devon (2 nights)
Padstow, Cornwall (3 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Heritage & Culture
Landscapes & Seascapes
Exclusive Arrangement
Scenic Rail Journey
Splendid Gardens
Manor Houses
Group Size: 6 – 16

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Sundays

Apr 24	£1795	Sep 11	£1845
May 15	£1845	Oct 16	£1795
Jun 12	£1845		

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £315
Rail travel from London Paddington to Exeter, St. David's – £110
First Class rail supplement – from £75
Secure parking at Exeter, St. David's Station – £75

Price Includes

5 nights' hotel accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 dinners, 1 picnic lunch, scenic heritage rail journey, itinerary as described, entrance fees and the services of expert driver/guide.

Notes

This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot including several sites with inclines or steps
Passengers with National Trust Membership receive a credit of £10 per person, please register membership numbers at the time of booking.

SECRET DEVON & CORNWALL

INTRODUCTION

Visit wild and dramatic landscapes from the Dartmoor Tors and beautiful Devon valleys to stone circles, granite outcrops and rivers including the Fowey and the Camel which tumble from the moors to beautiful estuaries on their way to the sea. Experience the everchanging countryside and visit wonderful seaside locations at Fowey, Charlestown, Rock and Padstow. Enjoy Devon Cream teas, great Cornish seafood and pasties. Explore stunning gardens and country houses, including Lanhydrock, Castle Drogo and HRH Prince Charles's nursery at Restormel. This tour will immerse you in Devon and Cornwall, far from the crowds but rich in vistas and historical and cultural treasures.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Meet at Exeter Train Station at noon. Visit iconic Castle Drogo, perched over the Teign Valley. Designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, this remarkable building, the last castle built in England, is only 100 years old. Continue on foot along the Teign Valley to the Three Crowns in Chagford for a two night stay. Chagford has a heated, open air, river-fed lido for those fancying a late afternoon dip. Welcome dinner. (D)

DAY 2 A guided walk takes you into the heart of Dartmoor, on a loop through Gidleigh Park's woodlands and up onto the moors for some Tor spotting and round to an ancient stone circle. Learn the history of the area, its myths, landscape and secrets with panoramic views over Dartmoor's rolling hills. Visit the National Trust's Finch Foundry (the last water powered forge

in England) with time for lunch at Parke before exploring Haytor and Hound Tor – inspiration for Hound of the Baskervilles. (B)

DAY 3 Traverse Bodmin Moor, past Daphne Du Maurier's Jamaica Inn to the river Fowey. Walk along its banks to impressive Lanhydrock Gardens and explore this magnificent late Victorian country house, set within historic parkland. Later take the Bodmin and Wenford steam train for a step back in time aboard one of the country's most evocative old railways. Continue down the Camel Estuary, through the town of Wadebridge to the jewel in the North Cornish Coast, Padstow, and the Old Custom house for three nights. (B)

DAY 4 Ferry across the Estuary to Rock and explore this lovely village, marvelling at the Camel Estuary as we walk to St John Betjeman's Church at St Enodoc. Shifting sands over the centuries engulfed the church, and to receive its tithes the clergy had to dig down once a year to hold a service! Enjoy a picnic on the beach before the afternoon ferry back to Padstow. (B, L)

DAY 5 Travel to the south coast of Cornwall via Prince Charles's Nursery at Restormel, a haven for garden lovers, unique and typically English, inspired by HRH. Later we transfer to the tiny streets of Fowey, sit back and relax on a boat trip along the estuary to Golant. Return via Charlestown harbour (of Poldark fame) for our farewell dinner. (B, D)

DAY 6 Explore the North Cornish beaches of Harlyn and Trevone and take a stroll along the coastal cliffs before transferring back to Exeter to begin our homeward journeys. (B)



Norfolk ©VisitBritain/Rod Edwards



Sandringham

OVERVIEW

Norwich (6 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Nature & Wildlife
Exclusive Arrangement
Heritage & Culture
Scenic Heritage Rail Journey
Harbour & Broads Cruise
Private Tours with Expert Local Guides
Group Size: 6 – 18

6 nights
from
£1695



Wooden Clinker Boat ©VisitBritain/Rod Edwards

A DIFFERENT KIND OF BROAD

INTRODUCTION

From history and heritage to culture and art, our Eastern Corner has it all. Designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, it also boasts fantastic museums, stately homes and wonderful cathedrals. Enjoy a scenic steam train journey, a cruise onto Blakeney Harbour in search of wildlife and a cruise on the Broads. Visit Blickling Hall, former home to the Boleyn family, Oliver Cromwell's house and spend time at Sandringham Estate, the much-loved country retreat of Her Majesty The Queen, private home to four generations of British monarchs since 1862. Discover pretty market towns and villages, and the musical history of Aldeburgh, home of Benjamin Britten, famous for its annual music festival.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Make your way to the Barnham Broom hotel for a six-night stay. (D)

DAY 2 Transfer to the beautiful North Norfolk Coast, go in search of the famous Blakeney seals with your expert guide, exploring Morston Creek and Blakeney Harbour. Also an important region for migrating birds, keep an eye out for sandwich terns, black-headed gulls and Brent Geese Continue to Sheringham for an exciting steam train journey on the Poppy Line to the Georgian town of Holt. (B, D)

DAY 3 Visit Blickling Hall, previously home of the Boleyn family, birthplace of Anne. Transfer to the Broads town of Wroxham with time to enjoy the waterways and take to the Broads for a scenic cruise. This impressive network is an internationally

important wetland, with more than 40 Broads or small lakes linked together by six rivers that make up the 125 miles of lock free navigable waterways. (B, D)

DAY 4 Take a scheduled rail journey into Cambridgeshire to visit the family home of Oliver Cromwell, Lord Protector. Spend time in Ely and tour spectacular Ely Cathedral, with its 11th-century octagonal central tower and Romanesque styling. (B, D)

DAY 5 Travel to Sandringham House. Located on a 20,000-acre estate in the Norfolk Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, the estate was purchased by Queen Victoria in 1892. Now the royal residence of Queen Elizabeth II and one of her most loved country retreats. Discover the fascinating history of the house and explore some of the 24 hectares of formal gardens as well as the Grade II-listed, St. Mary Magdalene Church. Later, explore Norwich on foot, view the 11th-century cathedral, the ancient thoroughfare of Tombland, Norwich Castle and Elm Hill, the historic cobbled lane. This evening enjoy dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 6 Cross the border into Suffolk and enjoy a visit to Aldeburgh, home of famous British composer, Benjamin Britten. Be immersed in the musical history of this coastal town, famous for the annual Aldeburgh Festival. Explore the Red House, and enjoy the spectacular seascapes, so to the village of Snape, tour the art complex, Snape maltings, centre stage of the Aldeburgh Festival. (B, D)

DAY 7 Relax over a leisurely breakfast before starting our homeward journeys. (B)

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Sundays

Apr 24	£1695	Sep 11	£1765
May 15	£1725	Oct 9	£1695
Jun 19	£1765		

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £350
Rail Travel from London Liverpool Street, (including hotel transfers) – £70
First Class rail supplement – £75
Arrival and departure transfer – £50

Extra Nights – Norwich

Barnham Broom Hotel (per night)
Includes dinner – £110
Single supplement – £75

Price Includes

6 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 6 dinners, entrance fees, scenic rail journey, harbour cruise, Broads cruise, itinerary as described, services of expert local guides and tour manager.

Notes

This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot including some sites with inclines or steps

Parking, for those who wish to arrive independently by car, is included for the duration of your stay.

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New prices shown in white

5 nights
from
£1595

Fountains Abbey ©Andrew Bulterfountains

Ribbleshead Viaduct ©Visit Britain, Matt Cant

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Sundays

May 15	£1695	Sep 18	£1795
Jun 26	£1725	Oct 2	£1595
Sep 11	£1695		

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £375
Rail Travel from London Kings Cross to York – £120
First Class rail supplement – from £80
Secure parking in York – £75

Extra Nights – York

Middletons (or similar) (per night) – £110
Single supplement – £80

Price Includes

5 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily,
2 dinners, 1 lunch, beer tasting, itinerary as
described, services of expert local driver/guides
and representative.

Notes

*This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot
including several sites with inclines or steps,
comfortable walking shoes or boots are
recommended.*

*English Heritage card holders qualify for a reduction
of £10 and National Trust Members a reduction of
£20. Please register your membership numbers when
you book.*

OVERVIEW

Skipton (2 nights)
Hawes (3 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes
Nature & Wildlife
Exclusive Arrangement
Heritage Sites
Country Estate & Country House Stay
Expert Local Guides
Group Size: 6 – 16

IN GOD'S OWN COUNTRY

INTRODUCTION

In 'God's Own Country' embrace a variety of wonderful landscapes, historic abbeys, waterfalls and wildlife, Roman and Viking Heritage and fabulous National Parks. Enjoy great food and drink with a good dose of Yorkshire humour thrown in! Travel high into the Dales and visit some of the most beautiful valleys including Nidderdale, Wensleydale, Swaledale, and iconic Malham Cove. Visit stunning waterfalls and get up close and personal with wildlife in the region, with 29 bird species in the National Parks, don't forget your binoculars.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Meet at York Railway Station, travel to the fabulous Devonshire Arms, near Bolton Abbey, for lunch and an introduction to the tour. En-route to we plan to catch a local cricket match. Explore Bolton Abbey, seat of the 12th Duke of Devonshire. Take time to explore the magnificent ruins, at whose heart lies the Priory Church and Ruins of an Augustinian Priory in its beautiful riverside setting. Continue to Skipton, two nights at the Coniston Hotel and an address from one of Yorkshire's finest storytellers. (L, D)

DAY 2 Visit Fountains Abbey, one of the largest and best preserved Cistercian monasteries and explore Studley Water Gardens. Continue to Nidderdale, where we take some Alpacas for a walk through some of the valley's prettiest little villages. (B)

DAY 3 Travel west into the Dales to wonderful Malham Cove with its famous limestone pavement and huge, curved,

amphitheatre. Travel through wonderful countryside, and the slightly twisty roads to Settle with free time for lunch before we take the train towards Carlisle on this world famous line, over the Ribbleshead Viaduct, spanning Batty Moss, to Garsdale Head. Transfer to Hawes and the 16th century country house, Stone House. (B)

DAY 4 Stay in Wensleydale Valley and visit Hardraw Force waterfall, one of the finest in the Dales, with a spectacular drop of approximately 100ft. Enjoy a private demonstration from one of the world's premier sheepdog handlers for an insight into the lives of the sheepdog and their owners. After time for lunch in a local pub visit the Wensleydale Creamery to sample some of its wonderful cheeses. Afternoon at leisure to enjoy the hotel facilities. (B)

DAY 5 Following the route of the Tour De France, travel over Buttertubs pass and into Swaledale, a truly spectacular route. Explore Bolton Castle, with its 600 years of history, its lovely gardens, vineyard and maze. Continue to the delightful market town of Masham, famous for its breweries; Theakston's and Black Sheep. Enjoy a brewery tour with a chance to sample some wonderful beer before a final stop at Aysgarth falls on the River Ure, probably the most famous falls in the North of England. Farewell dinner, with time to reflect on your time spent in "God's Country". (B, D)

DAY 6 Travel towards York stopping at Richmond Castle, one of the greatest Norman fortresses, built to suppress the northern hordes! Continue to York Station for your return journey. (B)



Lake Windermere



Buttermere

OVERVIEW

Gilpin Valley (5 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes

Natural Wonders

Historic Hotel

Lecture and Recital

Lake Cruise on the Steam Yacht Gondola

Exclusive Arrangement

Group Size: 6 – 18



Coniston

LETTERS FROM THE LAKESIDE

INTRODUCTION

In England's north-western corner lies ancient Cumbria and the timeless countryside of the Lake District, replete with outstanding natural landscapes and links to literary history. Shimmering lakes and hushed mountains radiate beauty and wonder inspiring so many, from Wordsworth to Wainwright and Ruskin to Potter. It was Wordsworth who described the English Lake District as "the loveliest spot that man hath found" Explore Cumbria's living heritage visiting the homes of these great writers. Our base is near Kendal, staying at The Wild Boar, set amongst the beauty of the ancient Gilpin Valley, boasting exceptional standards of service, traditional interiors and delicious country-style cooking.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Make your way to The Wild Boar Hotel near Kendal. Enjoy dinner with a glass of wine and meet your fellow travellers. (D)

DAY 2 Transfer to the shores of Lake Windermere, cruise from Waterhead to Wray Castle and enjoy a walk along the banks. Stop at Claife viewing station for some superb views. Continue to Hawkshead, with free time for lunch. Next visit Hill Top, explore the former residence of Beatrix Potter, enjoy the gardens and interior, with time to relax. (B, D)

DAY 3 Visit Rydal Mount, former home of the romantic poet William Wordsworth. Our special tour begins in the spectacular gardens with a recital of some of Wordsworth's most famous poems. Enjoy

a glass of wine and gingerbread whilst you listen to a lecture before exploring the house. Continue around Rydal Lake to Grasmere, stopping at Dove Cottage (another former house of William Wordsworth) and Grasmere's famous Gingerbread shop. Continue to Keswick for some free time. Later enjoy a scenic drive around Derwent Lake and Buttermere, one of the lesser-known but equally splendid lakes in the region. (B, D)

DAY 4 Drive to Coniston via scenic Tarn How, a manmade mountain lake. Take a ride on the National Trust Steam Yacht Gondola, rebuilt to its Victorian glory and visit Brantwood, the former home of John Ruskin, on the banks of Coniston Water. Enjoy a picnic lunch on the lakeshore. Continue to Holehird in Windermere, an extensive 10-acre site, home to the Lakeland Horticultural Society, hosting a myriad of exotic and beautiful plant life, with time to explore. (B, L, D)

DAY 5 Head south today to explore another side of Cumbria. Visit Furness Abbey, a former Catholic and Cistercian Monastery dating back to 1123 and home to a number of individual Grade I Listed Buildings. Travel to Ulverston with free time to explore and later visit Blackwell, an internationally significant historic house and a rare and wonderful example of the survival of the Arts & Crafts Movement. Return to the hotel and enjoy a talk and tasting of three ales, one of which is brewed in the on-site microbrewery. Farewell dinner. (B, D)

DAY 6 Check out after breakfast for your return journey. (B)

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a double/twin room

2022 – Sundays

May 8	£1195	Sep 11	£1185
May 15	£1185	Sep 18	£1185
Jun 5	£1225	Oct 2	£1165
Sep 4	£1185	Oct 9	£1175

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £275

Rail Travel from London to Windermere

Travel from Euston via Oxenholme (including return transfers from the station to the hotel) – from £165

Extra Nights – Gilpin Valley, near Kendal

The Wild Boar (per night) – £88

Single supplement – £55

Price Includes

5 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 5 dinners with a glass of wine, 1 picnic lunch, ale tasting, recital and lecture, itinerary as described, services of expert local driver/guide and representative.

Notes

This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot including several sites with inclines or steps, comfortable walking shoes or boots are recommended.

Parking, for those who wish to arrive independently by car, is included for the duration of your stay.

Dinners are from a table d'hôte menu, with three choices over three courses.

"Interesting tour, lovely hotel, great guide and driver"

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Save up to £100
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Warkworth Castle



Holy Island



Hadrian's Wall

5 nights
from
£1595

OVERVIEW

Hexham (2 nights)

Northumberland Coast (3 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes

Exclusive Arrangement

National Heritage & Iconic Castles

Victorian Townhouse Stay

Country House Stay

Expert Local Guides

Group Size: 6 – 16

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a double/twin room

2022 – Sundays

Apr 24	£1595	Sep 11	£1695
May 15	£1695	Sep 25*	£1750
Jul 3	£1795	Oct 9	£1695

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £375

Rail Travel from London Kings Cross to Newcastle – £140

First Class rail supplement – from £130

Secure parking in Newcastle – £75

Extra Nights – Newcastle

Royal Station Hotel (per night) – £65

Single supplement – £40

Price Includes

5 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 dinners, 1 lunch, itinerary as described, services, of expert local driver/guides and representative.

Notes

This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot including several sites with inclines or steps, comfortable walking shoes or boots are recommended.

National Trust Members will receive a reduction of £10, English Heritage Members a reduction of £20. Please register your membership numbers when you book.

**25 September departure will be accommodated on the Northumberland Coast at the Doxford Hall Hotel and Spa.*

NORTHUMBRIAN MAJESTY

INTRODUCTION

Northumberland is a haven for history and heritage lovers with a plethora of Roman, Norman and Viking influences and some of the most wonderful castles. Hadrian's Walls' iconic villages and forts are beautifully preserved and sit within rolling countryside on the banks of the River Tyne. Enjoy private tours of Vindolanda and the iconic castles of the coastline including Warkworth, Alnwick, Bamburgh, Dunstanburgh, Tynemouth Abbey and of course mystical Lindisfarne.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Meet at Newcastle Station. Hugging Hadrian's Wall, depart the city, stopping at a wonderful country pub just outside Corbridge for an introduction to the tour ahead. Continue to the beautiful market town of Hexham, on the banks of the River Tyne. Visit the 6th-century Abbey, one of the first seats of Christianity in the country, and the Old Gaol, the oldest in England, explore and take the opportunity for afternoon tea. Check in at The Beaumont Victorian Townhouse for two nights. (D)

DAY 2 Travel to Hadrian's Wall, the northern frontier of a mighty empire that once covered the known world. Visit Housesteads, the most complete Roman Fort in England, with the option to walk along the wall to Sycamore Gap. Free time for lunch at The Sill and an introduction to the history and legacy of Hadrian's Wall. Continue to Vindolanda, considered by many as the jewel in the crown of the wall, for a private guided tour with one of its

prominent archaeologists. (B)

DAY 3 After a couple of days inland, head to the more remote coast for the first of two days of iconic castle visits. Walk into Warkworth Castle, visit the Hermitage, a chapel and priest's house built into the cliff on the River Coquet. Continue to wonderful Alnwick Castle, one of the best-preserved, with exquisite gardens and a private tour with a local expert. Continue to Eshott Hall*, set in the rural heart of Northumberland, surrounded by its own sprawling estate, for a three night stay. (B)

DAY 4 Journey the short distance to Chillingham Castle to view the famous herd of cattle and one of England's most haunted castles. Head to the wonderful village of Craster on the coast where we lunch at a great pub overlooking the sea, eating world-famous kippers and other seafood followed by a stroll along the coastal path to the atmospheric Dunstanburgh Castle with its spectacularly dramatic views. (B, L)

DAY 5 Travel to spectacular Bamburgh for a private tour, with behind the scenes access to this majestic castle. Continue to Lindisfarne, undoubtedly a highlight of the tour. Access is dictated by the tide which cuts off Lindisfarne twice daily. We take the bus across to the island to visit the Priory and 16th-century castle and take a looped walk of the castle and her grounds. Farewell dinner at Eshott Hall. (B, D)

DAY 6 Travel to Tynemouth, visit the beach, the Priory and Castle. Time at leisure before returning to Newcastle for the return journey. (B)



3 nights
from
£1485



Ribblehead Viaduct ©John Woolley

OVERVIEW

Bowness-on-Windermere (3 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Steam-Hauled Journey
Scenic Landscapes
Historic Locomotive
Specially Selected Hotels
Lake View Rooms
Assigned Seats in Pullman Style Carriage
Group Size: 2 – 42



Windermere

WHISTLE-STOP TO WINDERMERE

INTRODUCTION

Indulge in a bygone era onboard the steam-hauled 61306 Mayflower. Discerning travellers can experience the romance and craft of the Golden Age of Travel on a breathtaking short-break to one of the country's most scenic and beautiful regions, travelling in Pullman Style carriages, staying in splendid hotels on the most splendid of lakes. Enjoy the timeless Lake District, replete with outstanding natural landscapes. Shimmering lakes and hushed mountains radiate beauty and wonder inspiring so many, from Wordsworth to Wainwright and Ruskin to Potter. Indeed, described by Wordsworth as "the loveliest spot that man hath found."

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Steam hauled departure from London with the 61306 Mayflower. Enjoy a sumptuous breakfast and a glass of fizz as you leave the capital. Travel via the West Coast Main Line, with a steam-hauled journey along the famous Settle and Carlisle Railway as the sun sets. Dinner is served before arriving into Oxenholme for the short transfer to your chosen hotel in Bowness-on-Windermere. (B, D)

DAY 2 A day at leisure to enjoy the hotel facilities or explore the Lakelands. Steamers and launches operate from Bowness Bay to Lakeside, in the south, and Waterhead at Ambleside. Nearby Brockhole, set in 30 acres of magnificent terraced gardens, with grounds stretching down to the shore of Windermere and splendid views of the surrounding countryside, is a wonderful place to start. (B)

DAY 3 Enjoy an optional excursion on two private railway lines. Travel to Ravenglass and Eskdale Railway for a return journey along the stunning seven and a half mile line which lays claim to be one of England's most beautiful. Then by road to Haverthwaite Railway, for the three and a half mile journey through lovely scenery. Returning to Lakeside, we will round off the day with a pleasure cruise on Lake Windermere to Bowness (£55). (B)

DAY 4 Depart from Carnforth, the filming location of Brief Encounter. Elevenses will be served as we travel to Stratford-Upon-Avon. Here there will be time to stretch your legs and grab a light bite before continuing the journey to London. A delightful dinner will be served before returning to the capital. (B, L, D)

THE BELSFIELD HOTEL

The Belsfield dates back to 1845, with some of its original features still remaining. This Grade II listed hotel overlooking the Bay of Bowness has a restaurant, lounge bar and WiFi (Free). 62 impeccable, Laura Ashley designed bedrooms with lake view, hairdryer, tea/coffee making facilities and TV.

MACDONALD OLD ENGLAND HOTEL & SPA

Set on the shores of Lake Windermere, with traditional country house charm, this 4-star hotel is set in mature gardens with stunning views. Restaurant, bar, spa, health centre, WiFi (Free) and 106 luxurious, traditionally furnished bedrooms. The Super Deluxe rooms have partial lake view, hairdryer, tea/coffee making facilities and TV.

DEPARTURE & PRICES

per person in a Lake View room at your choice of hotel
From London, in Pullman Style carriages at a table for 4

2022 – Tuesday

Sep 27 £1485

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £465
Table for 2 – £250
The Belsfield, Superior Lake View Suite – £165
MacDonald Old England, Superior Full Lake View Room – £165
Single supplement – £300

Price Includes

Rail travel as indicated, 3 nights' accommodation at your chosen hotel, breakfast daily, 1 lunch, 2 dinners and elevenses served on board the train, seating in Pullman Style carriages, portage, itinerary as described, services of guides and local representative.

Notes

Seating is at a table for 4 in Pullman Style carriages. Meals on the train comprise a full English breakfast, 4-course dinners, including wine, water tea & coffee and elevenses. The train operates a full complement with standard, premium and Pullman Carriages. Pullman Carriages have a maximum capacity of 42 travellers.

61306 MAYFLOWER

Built in 1948 for the London and North Eastern Railway, 61306 Mayflower is one of two surviving B1 Class locomotives. Resplendent in the early British Railway's apple green livery, the Pullman Style carriages provide a premium railway dining experience. Passengers are seated in 1950s or 1960s carriages with wood panelling, comfortable seats, table lamps and curtains at the windows, evoking memories of a bygone era.



6 nights
from
£1695



Oban, Scotland



MV Lord of the Glens

OVERVIEW

Inverness (Days 1-2)
Fort Augustus (Day 3)
Banavie (Day 4)
Tobermory (Day 5)
Oban (Day 6)
Homeward Journey (Day 7)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes
Unique Luxury Yacht
Internal Waterways Cruise
Group Size: 2 – 52

DEPARTURE & PRICES

per person in a Lower Deck cabin
Standard Class Rail travel from London King's Cross

2022 – Wednesday

Oct 5	£1695
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Supplements per person

Single supplement – £650
Standard Middle Deck cabin – £295
Single supplement – £695
Superior Middle Deck cabin – £495
Single supplement – £865
Top Deck cabin – £495
Single supplement – £1395
First Class rail – £150 (Edinburgh/Glasgow)

Extra Nights – Inverness

The Royal Highland Hotel (per night) – £95
Single supplement – £60

Independent Arrival

Save £150

Price Includes

Rail travel, taxes and port charges, 1 nights' hotel accommodation with breakfast and dinner, 5-night cruise on full board, with complimentary tea/coffee, excursions, boat manager, local expert guides and representatives.

Notes

**On occasion, due to ferry movements, the vessel cannot moor overnight at Tobermory, mooring instead in Oban after the visit to Tobermory.*

Please refer to Page 17 for a deck plan of the MV Lord of the Glens, and full vessel description.

HIGHLANDS LOCK TO LOCH

INTRODUCTION

Scotland's highlands are exceptionally beautiful, cloaked in a haunting air of mystery. The region's turbulent history has left behind some beautiful and romantic castles and there is the most unparalleled scenery. Explore, as few have, on this enchanting highland cruise from Inverness to Oban. Travelling from lock to loch, along the scenic seas and the narrow Caledonian Canal. Enjoy a panoramic voyage, from the Capital of the Highlands to the, Gateway to the Isles, through the very heart of Scotland.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Travel by train from London to Inverness, via Edinburgh. Check in at the 3-star Royal Highland Hotel, conveniently located adjacent to the railway station. Dinner and overnight. (D)

DAY 2 The morning is free for independent exploration. Early afternoon, tour Inverness and Culloden, the site of the final battle of the Jacobite Rising. Late afternoon embarkation, settle into your cabin, prior to the welcome reception and dinner. Moor overnight in Inverness. (B, D)

DAY 3 This morning, we set sail along the first man-made section of the Caledonian Canal into Loch Dochfour, before reaching Loch Ness. The 21-mile transit of Loch Ness provides a brief pause in front of the ruins of Urquhart Castle, ahead of our arrival in the historic and scenic village of Fort Augustus. The afternoon is free to explore Fort Augustus, and perhaps enjoy a visit to the Caledonian Canal Heritage Centre

which details the history of the canal. Overnight in Fort Augustus. (B, L, D)

DAY 4 Lord of the Glens is elevated from the shores of Loch Ness through five inter-connected locks that run through the centre of Fort Augustus, before entering beautiful Loch Oich, the highest point of the canal. Later, we continue into the stunningly impressive tree-lined Laggan Avenue, Loch Lochy and finally to Banavie in the very shadow of Ben Nevis. In the afternoon, we travel on the scheduled West Highland Train to Glenfinnan, a most scenic rail journey, travelling over the Glenfinnan Viaduct; curving high over the waters of Loch Shiel. Moor Banavie overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 5 Descending the spectacular eight inter-connected locks of Neptune's Staircase, Lord of the Glens is lowered to sea level at Corpach, where we enter the serenely beautiful and sheltered waters of Loch Linnhe. Onwards to the Sound of Mull, we are bound for the gaily painted waterfront at Tobermory. Best explored on foot, our afternoon is spent at leisure, exploring the harbour town and island capital. Overnight in Tobermory*. (B, L, D)

DAY 6 Cruise to Craignure, on the Isle of Mull, for a visit to Duart Castle, home of great Jacobite supporters, Clan Maclean. Finally, we sail to the 'gateway of the isles', Oban, for a walking tour and the impressive McCaig's Folly which dominates the skyline. The voyage concludes with an evening farewell reception and dinner. Moor Inverness overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 7 Disembark, by road to Glasgow, then homeward train to London. (B)



Island of Iona



8 nights
from
£2595

OVERVIEW

Glasgow (Day 1)
Greenock (2), Isle of Islay (3)
Island of Iona / Oban (4)
Islands of Staffa & Rùm (5)
St. Kilda Archipelago (6)
Stornoway (7), Orkney Islands (8)
Aberdeen (9)

KEY FEATURES

Wildlife & Natural Wonders
Small Ship Expedition
On Board Lectures
Excursions by Zodiac
Group Size: 6 – 28

A SCOTTISH AFFAIR

INTRODUCTION

Wild and evocative, this unique expedition cruise visits isolated islands, deep fjords, rugged hillsides and dramatic castle ruins, towering mountains and lochs, rich in wildlife and mystical history, many dating back to the Iron Age. The Coast of Scotland is one of Europe's last remaining wilderness areas. Island hopping is the perfect way to explore and revel in this natural world, forming stepping stones to the very edge of the Atlantic. Rugged and primitive, the islands are a haven for wildlife with a multitude of marine species, including seals, dolphins, basking sharks and whales and an assemblage of birdlife species, from nesting seabirds, puffins and white-tailed eagles. Sail along the beautiful Scottish Coast and visit the picturesque Isles of Islay, Iona, Staffa, Rùm, St. Kilda, Lewis and Harris and The Orkney Islands with stops at the charming and classic port towns of Oban and Lerwick. Enjoy tastings in whisky's homeland, visiting some of the most distinctive and famous distilleries

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Arrive in Glasgow. Overnight at the 3-star Jurys Inn Glasgow.

DAY 2 Afternoon transfer to Greenock for embarkation on MV Ocean Atlantic. (B, D)

DAY 3 Stop at Bunnahabhain distillery on the Island of Islay for a tasting. The Island of Islay is a wildlife paradise for seals, dolphins and basking sharks. (B, L, D)

DAY 4 Brief visit to the Sacred island of Iona, considered to be the birthplace of Christianity in Scotland. Later, cruise along

the Isle of Mull towards Oban with time to explore. (B, L, D)

DAY 5 Arrive at the small uninhabited island of Staffa. The islands hexagonal basaltic pillars were formed many million years ago. Visit Fingal's cave (depending on weather conditions). Look out for puffins and herring gulls, there may also be sighting of dolphins, porpoises and minke whales. Continue to the Isle of Rùm for a walk on this mountain filled island. Tour of the famous Kinloch Castle, built by George Bullough. (B, L, D)

DAY 6 Arrive at the isolated island of Hirta in St. Kilda archipelago, famous for its high sea cliffs. One of the most remote parts of the United Kingdom. The volcanic archipelago is on the UNESCO World Heritage list and has a bird rich coast. Look out for northern gannets Leach's petrels, puffins and northern fulmar. (B, L, D)

DAY 7 Sail to the Outer Hebrides and the Isle of Lewis and Harris, a rugged and beautiful land of heather and moor, loch and stream. Optional excursion of the Outer Hebrides and ancient history in the form of the Neolithic Callanish Standing Stones (part of excursion package £245, pre-bookable). Circumnavigate the Shiant Islands with a large population of sea birds. (B, L, D)

DAY 8 Enjoy the stunning scenery of Orkney and visit Kirkwall. Optional excursion to Skara Brae and Skaill House with a distillery visit and tasting in Kirkwall. (part of excursion package £245, pre-bookable). (B, L, D)

DAY 9 Disembark in Aberdeen. Transfer to Aberdeen railway station. (B)

DEPARTURE & PRICES

per person in a Category D Cabin

2022 – Saturday

May 21	£2595
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Supplements per person

Single supplement – £1275
Category C cabin – £285
Category B cabin – £2195
Optional excursion package – £245

Price Includes

All port fees, transfers from/to the vessel, 1 nights' hotel, breakfast daily, 7-night cruise, full board on cruise with complimentary tea and coffee, whisky tasting, excursions, expedition leader, naturalists and lecturers.

Notes

Whilst the vessel carries more, the group size specified refers to transfers and excursions. Excursions are by Zodiac or on foot, they may be over uneven ground and a reasonable level of mobility is required. The programme may be altered due to navigational factors with locks, water levels or congestion at certain sites.

MV OCEAN ATLANTIC

The 459 ft. MV Ocean Atlantic is the perfect vessel for expedition cruising, with an international ice class rating of 1B. The shallow draft allows for extended voyages into isolated fjords and bays, creating exciting adventures for the intrepid traveller. Renovated in 2016 and with a crew of 140, accommodation is for 214 passengers. With five decks and two lifts, facilities include elegant public areas, a restaurant, panoramic lounge, library, observation deck, lecture theatre, sauna, pool and gym. Cabins have twin or double beds, hairdryer, safe and TV. For Deck plan and full vessel information please refer to vjv.com.



Neptune's Staircase, Caledonian Canal



Lord of the Glens

6 nights
from
£1995



Loch Glenfinnan

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double Lower Deck Cabin
Standard Class Rail Travel from London Euston

2023 – Monday/Thursday

Apr 24	£1995	Oct 19	£2045
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Supplements per person

Single supplement – £795 (limited availability)
Standard Middle Deck cabin – £295
Superior Middle Deck cabin – £495
Top Deck cabin – £495
First Class rail – £150

Extra Nights – Glasgow/Inverness

Carlton George, Glasgow (per night) – £90
Single supplement – £60
The Royal Highland Hotel, Inverness (per night)
– £95
Single supplement – £60

Price Includes

Rail travel, taxes and port charges, 1 nights' hotel accommodation with breakfast and dinner, 5-night cruise, full board on cruise vessel with complimentary tea/coffee on board, excursions, boat manager, local expert guides and representatives.

Independent Arrival

Save £150

Note

On occasion, due to ferry movements, the vessel cannot moor overnight at Tobermory, mooring instead in Oban after the visit to Tobermory.

OVERVIEW

Glasgow (Day 1)
Oban (Day 2)
Tobermory (Day 3)
Banavie (Day 4)
Fort Augustus (Day 5)
Inverness (Day 6)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes
Unique Luxury Yacht
Internal Waterways Cruise
Free Cabin Selection
Exclusive Small Ship Sailing
Group Size: 15 – 52

LORD OF THE GLENS

INTRODUCTION

Across millennia, the Scots remain fiercely proud of a landscape where high mountains meet deep lochs and a thousand islands rise above dramatic seas. Wonderful scenery awaits on this journey of Scotland's inland Waterways. Explore, as few have, on this enchanting highland cruise from Oban to Inverness. Travelling from lock to loch, along the scenic seas and the narrow Caledonian Canal. Enjoy this panoramic voyage through the very heart of Scotland.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Travel by train from London to Glasgow. Short transfer to the Carlton George Hotel (or similar). Dinner, with time to explore the Victorian and art nouveau architecture, a rich legacy of the city's 18th-20th-century prosperity. (D)

DAY 2 Transfer to Oban for a late afternoon embarkation. The 'Gateway to the Isles', Oban is a Victorian town on a delightful bay, with sweeping views to Kerrera and Mull. Evening welcome reception and dinner. Moor in Oban overnight. (B, D)

DAY 3 Explore Oban on foot including a visit to McCaig's Folly. Later, sail to Craignure on the Island of Mull for a visit to Duart Castle, home of Clan MacLean sited on a high crag at the end of a peninsula, commanding the channel between Mull and the mainland, entrances to Lochs Linne and Etive and the neck of the Firth of Lorne. Moor in Tobermory overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 4 Tobermory is best explored on foot with time in the morning to visit the famed

gaily painted waterfront. Cruise the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe to Corpach and the entrance to the Caledonian Canal. From sea level, Lord of the Glens ascends the spectacular eight inter-connected locks of 'Neptune's Staircase'. Built by Thomas Telford between 1803 and 1822, it is the longest staircase lock in Scotland. Moor in Banavie overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 5 From Banavie, in the very shadow of Ben Nevis we take the West Highland train across the Glenfinnan Viaduct. Later, cruise through Lochs Lochy and Oich and the stunningly impressive treelined Laggan Avenue before descending the six inter-connected locks to Loch Ness. Moor in Fort Augustus overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 6 Free time to explore Fort Augustus before setting sail along Loch Ness. Stopping briefly to view the ruins of Urquhart Castle, we continue the 21-mile transit of Loch Ness and Loch Dochfour and along the first man-made section of the Caledonian Canal. The voyage concludes with an evening farewell reception and dinner. Moor in Inverness overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 7 Disembark. Transfer by road to Edinburgh, for the train to London. (B)

EASTER IN THE HIGHLANDS

7 nights from £1995

Alternatively, travel to Inverness for an overnight stay before joining the Lord of the Glens for a 6-night cruise to Oban, with a visit to the beautiful Isle of Iona. Returning by road and rail, via Glasgow to London.

Unique Luxury Yacht

MV LORD OF THE GLENS



Lounge



Cabin

VESSEL DESCRIPTION

At just 150 feet, this elegant vessel can explore the region with ease. Featuring polished wood, teak decks and sumptuous furnishing. 27 outward facing State Cabins spread over three decks, sequentially named after well-known Scottish personages. Each State Cabin has rich hardwood finishes, plush carpeting, air-conditioning/heating, dressing table, stool, wardrobe, satellite TV and en-suite facilities with shower, WC and washbasin. WiFi free/limited. Cabin wall lighting is from the SS France. In addition to the storage for suitcases under the beds there is a full size wardrobe.

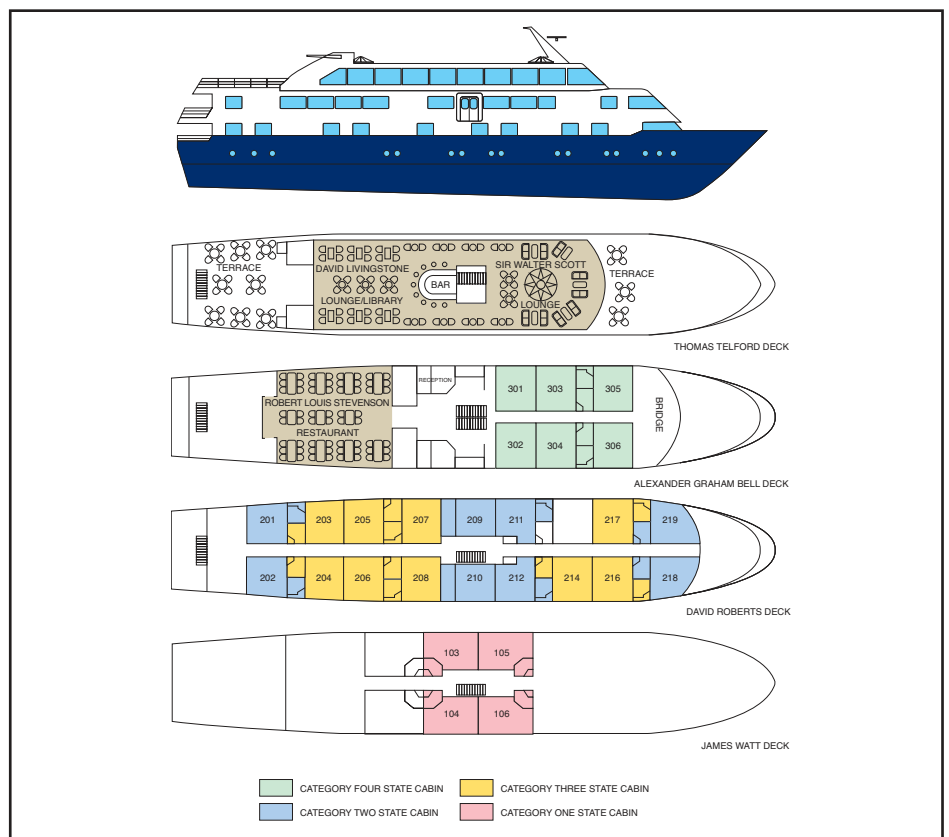
Cabin Descriptions:

Top Deck cabin – Located on the 'Top Deck' at reception and restaurant level. All cabins have picture windows. (9.2 – 10.8 square metres)

Middle Deck Superior cabin – Located one deck below the reception level, with picture windows. (13 square metres)

Middle Deck Standard cabin – Comprising twin-berthed and double-bedded cabins with picture windows. (11 – 12 square metres)

Lower Deck cabin – Located two decks below the reception level, each cabin has two large portholes. (7.6 square metres)





Pullman Style Carriage



61306 Mayflower

3 nights
from
£1699



Edinburgh

DEPARTURE & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room. Train departs from London King's Cross, returning to London Euston

2022 – Thursday

Jun 16	£1699
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2023 – Thursday

Jun 15	£1799
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Supplements per person

Single supplement – £580
Table for two – £200

Optional Excursions

Forth Bridge Special: Firth Circular with champagne cream tea – £245 (Day 2), Stirling Castle – £45 or Royal Yacht Britannia – £40 (Day 3)

Price Includes

Rail travel as indicated, 3 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 dinners on board the train, seating in Pullman Style carriages with a premium dining experience, portage, itinerary as described, services of guides and representative.

Notes

Seating is at a table for 4 with the option to upgrade to a table for 2. The train operates a full complement with Standard, Premium and Pullman Style carriages. Pullman Style carriages have a maximum capacity of 48 travellers. The journey is diesel hauled to Hellifield, then Steam-Hauled to Edinburgh and from Edinburgh to York, returning to London by modern traction. Optional excursions are pre-bookable. Limited availability.

61306 MAYFLOWER

Built in 1948 for the London and North Eastern Railway, 61306 Mayflower is one of two surviving B1 Class locomotives. Resplendent in the early British Railway's apple green livery, the Pullman carriages provide a premium railway dining experience. Passengers are seated in 1950s or 1960s carriages with wood panelling, comfortable seats, table lamps and curtains at the windows, evoking memories of a bygone era.

OVERVIEW

Edinburgh (3 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Steam-Hauled Journey
Scenic Landscapes
Assigned Seats in Pullman Style Carriages
Historic Locomotives
Historic Luxury Hotel
Group Size: 2 – 48

STEAM TO EDINBURGH THE BALMORAL EXPRESS

INTRODUCTION

Whilst we have yet to figure out a way of travelling back in time, we believe we have found the ideal experience to indulge in a bygone era. On board the steam-hauled 61306 Mayflower, travelling in Pullman Style carriages, we can offer the discerning traveller an opportunity to experience the romance and craft of the Golden Age of Travel. A breathtaking long weekend to Scotland's dazzling capital. Departing from London we travel towards Yorkshire and, at Hellifield, join the 61306 Mayflower for the wonderful journey through Cumbria to Edinburgh. A stunning journey along on the Settle and Carlisle line, traversing the famous Ribbleshead Viaduct, that never disappoints. After three-nights at the splendid 5-star Balmoral, we travel from Edinburgh, joining the East Coast mainline, past the Yorkshire Moors, the Pennines and Durham cathedral before a stop at York. From York we take modern traction back to London.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Enjoy a superb full English breakfast, served with a glass of champagne as we depart from London King's Cross, for an express run towards Yorkshire. At Hellifield, it is planned that steam locomotive 61306 Mayflower will join our train for the wonderful journey through Cumbria to Edinburgh. This stunning journey never disappoints, with its dramatic backdrop of beautiful scenery and impressive architecture, including the iconic Ribbleshead Viaduct. We continue through southern Scotland to reach Edinburgh in

the late evening. Check-in at the 5-star Balmoral Hotel for a three night stay. Here you can look up to Edinburgh Castle, savour Michelin-starred dining, French-Scottish bistro fare, award-winning afternoon tea and a serene urban spa at the city's most majestic spot. (B, D)

DAY 2 At leisure with the opportunity to join the Forth Bridge Specials with a champagne brunch/cream tea (£245). Explore Scotland's dazzling capital and UNESCO World Heritage site, visit the Old Town with its medieval tenements and narrow wynds, as well as the sweeping elegance of the Georgian New Town. Below the famous Royal Mile, you'll find the 17th-century Palace of Holyroodhouse and the prehistoric extinct volcano famously known as Arthur's Seat. (B)

DAY 3 A day at leisure in Edinburgh, or join an optional excursion to Stirling Castle (£45) or the Royal Yacht Britannia (£40). (B)

DAY 4 After an early breakfast, we depart Edinburgh steam-hauled and join the East Coast mainline which takes us through the Lowlands before ascending to run for miles along the cliffs as we approach the English Border and then cross the Royal Border Bridge as it curves high above the river. We continue at express speeds as we take in distant views of the Yorkshire Moors and the Pennines, followed by Gormley's famous sculpture, the Angel of the North and Durham Cathedral. At York we have a short break and say goodbye to our Steam Engine, from where we are whisked back by modern traction to London Euston, arriving in the late evening. (B, D)



Isle of Skye



Dunvegan Castle, Scotland

OVERVIEW

Edinburgh (1 night)

Skye (2 nights)

Stornoway for Lewis & Harris (2 nights)

Inverness (1 night)

Edinburgh (1 night)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes

Natural Wonders

Exclusive Arrangement

Jacobite Steam Train

Local Expert Driver/Guide

Group Size: 8 – 18

7 nights
from
£1995



Jacobite Steam Train, Scotland

CALEDONIA CALLING

INTRODUCTION

This spectacular 'Highlands and Islands tour' starts in Edinburgh and traverses the beautiful scenery of Loch Lomond, the Trossachs National Park and the haunting landscape of Glen Coe. Enjoy a journey on the Jacobite Steam Train and explore the Hebrides. Skye is truly magical, the largest of the Inner Hebrides and home to some of Scotland's most iconic landscapes and majestic geological features; the Old Man of Storr, the Quiraing and the Cuillins. The beauty of the Outer Hebrides is world-renowned. Explore untouched coasts of pristine white sands and discover ever-changing landscapes as you delve into the fascinating history and heritage. Lewis, largest of the Outer Hebrides, is an island of exciting contrasts with a rich Norse history and strong Gaelic traditions. Continue to Inverness, capital of the Highlands and site of the final battle of the Jacobite Rising.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Arrive in Edinburgh, make your way to the 4-star Voco Haymarket, located to the west of the city center. Afternoon panoramic tour, continue to meet with a local kilt maker and learn a little of their craft before enjoying a welcome dinner. (D)

DAY 2 Head to the Stirling district of central Scotland, skirting the Trossachs National Park and Glencoe, stopping in Fort William, dominated by Ben Nevis. Join the Jacobite Steam Train and cross the Glenfinnan Viaduct. On arrival in Mallaig there is free time to explore before the short ferry ride over the sea to Skye. Transfer to the 3-star

Kings Arms Hotel for two nights (Dunollie Hotel on Oct 19). (B, D)

DAY 3 The Isle of Skye is a stunning 50-mile long patchwork of velvet moors, jagged mountains, sparkling lochs and towering sea cliffs. Spend a full day exploring. Enjoy sights such as the craggy Cuillin Mountains, beautiful Trotternish Peninsula, Kilt Rock and Mealt Waterfall, The Old Man of Storr and the Iron Age Dun Beag Broch. Visit Dunvegan Castle and gardens, in its idyllic loch side setting, and stop at the iconic Skeabost hotel for a delightful afternoon tea. (B, D)

DAY 4 Morning at leisure to explore. Afternoon ferry to Tarbet for Stornoway, transfer to the 3-star Caladh Inn (Cabarfeidh Hotel on May 2 & Oct 10). (B, D)

DAY 5 From Stornoway enjoy a tour of the islands, exploring the Isle of Lewis and Harris, with a visit to a traditional Harris Tweed weaver. (B, D)

DAY 6 Head to the UK's windiest corner and the Butt of Lewis Lighthouse. Continue to ancient Callanish Standing Stones and Carloway Broch before taking the ferry to Ullapool. Travel via Loch Broom and Loch Glascarnoch to Inverness, capital of the Highlands. Overnight at the 3-star Royal Highland hotel. (B, D)

DAY 7 Visit the Battlefield of Culloden, site of the defeat of the Jacobite forces. Travel through the Cairngorms National Park, stopping at Glenturret Distillery, home of the Famous Grouse, to enjoy a wee dram or two. Continue to Edinburgh for a traditional farewell dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 8 Breakfast at leisure, check-out. (B)

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Tuesday/Wednesdays

Apr 27	£1995	Oct 19	£1995
Oct 4	£2095		

2023 – Tuesdays

May 2	£2185	Oct 10	£1995
Sep 19	£2195		

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £295
Rail Travel from London to Edinburgh – £115
First Class rail supplement – £175
Flight from London Gatwick – from £125
Arrival or departure transfer – £40

Extra Nights – Edinburgh

Voco Haymarket (per night) – £115
Single supplement – £90

Price Includes

Transportation from Edinburgh, coach travel, travel by ferry, a journey on the Jacobite Steam Train, 7 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 7 dinners, whisky tasting and an afternoon tea, itinerary as described, services of expert driver/guide and representative.

Note

On occasion, alternative hotels of a similar standard may be used.

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Balmoral Castle ©John R Rogers

5 nights
from
£1445



Dunnottar Castle

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Sundays/Wednesday

May 8	£1475	Sep 11	£1475
Jun 5	£1495	Oct 5	£1445
Sep 4	£1465		

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £345

Rail Travel from London to Aberdeen – £195

Flight from Heathrow to Aberdeen – from £275

Flight from Gatwick to Aberdeen – from £215
(including return transfers from the station to the hotel)

Optional Extras

Upgrade to Champagne Afternoon Tea at the Fife Arms – £17

Drink Pairing with the Jacobite farewell dinner
(each course is matched; Gin, Whiskey, Ale, Malt
and Liqueur) – £28

Price Includes

5-nights' accommodation, breakfast daily,
5 dinners including a five-course Jacobite
themed farewell dinner, scenic train journey on
the Royal Deeside Railway, distillery visit with
whisky tasting, afternoon tea at the iconic Fife
Arms Hotel. Parking at the hotel. Itinerary as
described, services of expert local guides and local
representative.

Notes

At Dunnottar, there are a number of steps up and
down to reach the castle with limited access for those
with mobility issues.

Parking for those who wish to arrive independently
by car is included for the duration of your stay.

OVERVIEW

Maryculter (5 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes & Natural Splendour

Historic Hotel

Scenic Rail Journey on the Royal Deeside Railway

Exclusive Arrangement

Expert Local Guides

5 Dinners & an Afternoon Tea

Group Size: 6 – 18

ROYAL ALBA CASTLE COUNTRY

INTRODUCTION

Rich in history and heritage, the picturesque Dee and Don Valleys in the north east of Scotland, make Aberdeenshire truly majestic. In 'Scotland's Castle Country' lie acres of heather-clad hills, ancient woodland, stunning gardens and splendid castles, sitting proudly amid Scots pine. Royal Deeside has been a Royal favourite ever since Queen Victoria and Prince Albert first visited and fell in love with the region in 1848. Since then successive generations of the Royal Family have adopted the area as their tranquil retreat. Before them the Jacobites, The Knights Templar and Robert the Bruce all called it home. Our base is the stunning Maryculter House, dating back to the 13th Century, in a breathtaking location on the banks of the River Dee. This truly unique hotel has the threads of history woven throughout.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Make your way to Aberdeenshire.

Enjoy a welcome dinner and meet your fellow travellers over a glass of wine. (D)

DAY 2 Explore Old Aberdeen, from the 15th-century university, founded by William Elphinstone, Bishop of Aberdeen to the 18th-century merchant quarter and cobbled streets of the Channory and St. Machar's Cathedral. Continue to Seton Park on the River Don and the 13th-century Brig o' Balgownie, immortalised in Lord Byron's poem Don Juan. Travel to pretty, coastal Stonehaven, with free time to explore before visiting dramatic Dunnottar Castle, a ruined medieval fortress perched on a rocky promontory. During the English

Civil War, the 'Honours of Scotland' were hidden here from Oliver Cromwell. (B, D)

DAY 3 Visit Balmoral Castle (May-June only).

Purchased by Prince Albert as a gift for his Queen in 1852, the Balmoral Estate has been the Scottish home of the Royal Family ever since. Explore the gardens, grounds and exhibitions. Autumn departures visit the National Trust Nature Reserve, at Mar Lodge, for a guided tour and pine-flavoured gin tasting. Continue to Braemar for a fabulous afternoon tea at the iconic Fife Arms Hotel, also known for its extensive art collection. Later, visit Royal Lochnagar Distillery (or similar) for a wee dram. (B, D)

DAY 4 Enjoy an exclusive behind the scenes tour of Drum Castle and its historic rose garden. Discover tales of intrigue and romance from the turbulent days of the Jacobite risings, when the Laird of Drum fought at Culloden and eluded the Redcoats, hidden in the castle walls. Enjoy a short ride on the Royal Deeside Railway, used by the Royal Train for travel to Balmoral. (B, D)

DAY 5 Visit magnificent 16th-century Crathes Castle with its intricate maze of turrets, towers, oak panels, painted ceiling, and historic walled garden. Built by the Burnetts on land granted to them by Robert the Bruce. Later, visit the Glen Tanar Estate, Royal Deeside, in the heart of the Cairngorms National Park, famed for its beautiful Caledonian pine and wildlife. Admire the private loch and beautiful scenery. Later, enjoy a farewell Jacobite themed dinner. (B, D)

DAY 6 Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before your return journey. (B)



Pontsticill Reservoir



Brecon Beacons

5 nights
from
£1595

OVERVIEW

Llangefni (3 nights)

Llangammarch Wells (2 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes & Natural Wonders

2 UNESCO World Heritage Sites

Steam Train Journey

Island Tour

Artisan Produce Tastings

Local Expert Guides

Group Size: 6 – 15



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THE WONDER OF WALES

INTRODUCTION

Discover the ancient history of Wales hidden in the hillsides, as the country and coast play host to a mix of historic sites and World Heritage fortresses which form links in Edward I's medieval 'Ring of Iron'. Explore slate quarries, Celtic shrines and cultural centres. Centuries ago, pilgrims in their thousands were finding their way to Bardsey Island, that sense of a sacred place continues to draw pilgrims here today. Experience a different aspect of Wales each day as you explore; from the myths and legends to the coast and mountains that inspire them. Journey to the mountain's summit and travel deep into the country's heart. Revel in inspirational landscapes and a living Welsh language. Snowdonia National Park and Llŷn Peninsula are Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the Brecon Beacons is a living, working landscape, all to enjoy as you discover the artisan produce created in the region.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Arrive Llangefni, Anglesey. Check-in at Tre-Ysgawen Hall, country house hotel. Enjoy a welcome dinner and relax as you listen to the myths, legends and tales of the Tylwyth Teg (Welsh fairy folk). (D)

DAY 2 Explore Beaumaris, home to the 'greatest castle never built'. Wander the narrow streets of pastel-coloured homes, art galleries and craft shops. Visit Halen Môn and discover how the finest Anglesey Sea Salt is made, and perhaps the most unusual food tasting you'll ever try! Continue to Newborough Forest and walk out to the iconic lighthouse on Llanddwyn

Island. This small tidal island is beautifully wild and romantic, home to St. Dwynwen, Wales' patron saint of lovers. (B)

DAY 3 The Llŷn Peninsula juts out from the mainland's west coast into the Irish Sea, two miles beyond lies Bardsey Island, (Ynys Enlli). Take the island ferry to explore this island of 20,000 saints, the legendary burial site of Merlin, now mostly populated by wildlife, including choughs, Manx shearwaters, seals and rare plants. Later, head to Cwrw Llŷn, enjoy a tour of this little Welsh brewery, concluding with a well earned tasting session in the tap room. (B)

DAY 4 Discover a little of North Wales' famous slate. Visit Ffestiniog, a designated UNESCO World Heritage site and home to Llechwedd slate mine. Travel deep below Snowdonia and into the caverns on Europe's steepest cable railway. Later, continue to Elan Valley, famed for its spectacular dams, six in total, that together create a spectacular sight. Enjoy a Ranger guided drive of the Estate, discovering the area's rich history. Continue to the Cammarch Hotel for a two-night stay. (B, D)

DAY 5 Journey through the Brecon Beacons National Park to Pant. Step back in time and enjoy a steam train journey to Torpantau, the summit of the original Brecon & Merthyr Railway. On the return journey, stretch your legs with a walk along Pontsticill Reservoir. Home to Wales' most famous spirit; Penderyn Whisky, take a tour of the distillery and taste their award-winning whisky and gin. (B, D)

DAY 6 Enjoy a leisurely breakfast, then begin your return journey. (B)

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room

2022 – Sundays

May 22	£1625	Aug 7	£1650
Jun 12	£1595	Sep 11	£1625
Jul 10	£1650	Oct 2	£1595

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £445

Rail Travel from London Euston (Via Crewe) to Bangor, returning from Llandrindod Wells – £165

Price Includes

5 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 3 dinners, scenic steam train journey, Bardsey Island cruise, beer tasting, sea salt tasting, whiskey/gin tasting, itinerary as described, car parking at Llangefni with return transfer for vehicle collection, services of expert local driver/guides and representative.

Notes

This is a full itinerary with most visits on foot including several sites with inclines or steps, comfortable walking shoes or boots are recommended.

Parking for those who wish to arrive independently by car is included for the duration of your stay at Llangefni, with return transfer for vehicle collection.



Giant's Causeway



Ring of Kerry

10 nights
from
£2395



OVERVIEW

Belfast (2 nights)
Sligo (1 night)
Galway (1 night)
Limerick (1 night)
Killarney (2 nights)
Cork (1 night)
Dublin (2 nights)

KEY FEATURES

Scenic Landscapes
UNESCO World Heritage Sites
Exclusive Arrangement
Literary Tour
Lecture at Dublin Writers Museum
Expert Local Guides
Group Size: 8 – 24

DEPARTURES & PRICES

per person in a twin/double room
British Airways to Belfast/from Dublin

2022 – Thursday

Sep 8 £2395

2023 – Sunday

May 14 £2495

Supplements per person

Single supplement – £395
British Airways Club Europe – from £205

Extra Nights – Belfast / Dublin

Holiday Inn Hotel, Belfast

(per night) – £135
Single supplement – £65

The Address Connolly Hotel, Dublin

(per night) – £135
Single supplement – £65

Price Includes

Air travel and taxes, transfers, 10 nights' accommodation in specially selected hotels, breakfast daily, 3 lunches, 5 dinners, itinerary and excursions as described, local representatives and expert driver/guide, lectures and private visits. If our specially negotiated airfares are unavailable at the time of booking, a supplement may apply.

Independent Arrival

Save £150
Arrival transfer £25
Departure transfer £40

Note

On occasion, alternative hotels of a similar standard may be used.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE GIANTS

INTRODUCTION

The Irish as a nation have an eloquence and gift when it comes to communicating. An incredibly creative people, producing four Nobel Laureates of Literature and four winners of the Booker Prize, impressive by any standards, more so for such a small nation. Trace the footsteps of some of the literary giants of Ireland and explore the island's beautiful landscape which has evoked this creativity and inspired their wonderful writing. Discover the beauty of Ireland's stunning coastal and mountain scenery. From the geological wonder of the Giant's Causeway, to the dramatic and rugged Cliffs of Moher. Visit the isolated Aran Islands, travel the spectacular Ring of Kerry, and explore the beautiful lakeland scenery of Killarney National Park. Discover the captivating cities of Belfast, birthplace of the Titanic, bohemian Galway, Limerick, a city of literary focus, Cork, home of the revolutionary leader Michael Collins and finally Dublin, the lively capital of the Republic with a long and colourful history.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Fly to Belfast, enjoy a panoramic city tour, visit Titanic Belfast and Shankill and Falls area. Two nights at the Holiday Inn. (D)

DAY 2 Explore Giant's Causeway, the UNESCO World Heritage site, consisting of 40,000 basalt polygonal columns formed 60 million years ago. Discover the regions mythology and geology. Visit Seamus Heaney's homeplace, winner of Nobel Prize in Literature and the most widely published poet in the English language. (B, L, D)

DAY 3 Travel to Sligo, via Portora Royal school whose pupils include Oscar Wilde and Samuel Beckett, on to Belleek Pottery, then Drumcliff Churchyard, final resting place of W.B. Yeats, at the foot of Benbulbin. Clayton Hotel (or similar). (B)

DAY 4 Explore Connemara, a vast peninsula bordered by the arid and rocky coastline of Galway. Enjoy a cruise onto Lough Corrib, with a traditional tea and explore the city. Optional dinner and entertainment at Padraicins (£49 pre-bookable). Overnight Salthill hotel. (B)

DAY 5 Visit the Aran Islands to encounter 'old Ireland' and cruise beneath the Cliffs of Moher. Overnight at the Strand Hotel. Enjoy a medieval banquet at Bunratty Castle. (B, D)

DAY 6 Travel through the Dingle Peninsula, visit Muckross House and Gardens before two nights at the Killarney Oaks Hotel. (B, L)

DAY 7 Explore the Ring of Kerry, the most famous and panoramic route in Ireland. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 8 Visit Blarney Castle with its mythical stone, then enjoy a culinary tour of Kinsale. Overnight at the Clayton Cork City Hotel. (B)

DAY 9 Travel to Dublin via the Rock of Cashel. Visit the Irish National Stud and Japanese Garden with a stop for lunch. Two nights at The Address Connolly Hotel. (B, L)

DAY 10 Private tour of Glasnevin Cemetery Museum, visit Trinity College and the Book of Kells, then to the Dublin Writers Museum for a lecture on Irish literature. Enjoy a traditional Irish evening, listening to storytellers mythical tales over dinner. (B, D)

DAY 11 Fly from Dublin to London. (B)



Blarney House



Irish Coastline



Giant's Causeway

OVERVIEW

Dublin (2 nights)
Belfast (2 nights)
Donegal (1 night)
Galway (2 nights)
Kerry (2 nights)
Dublin (1 night)

KEY FEATURES

'Great Journey'
Scenic Landscapes
Castles & Manor Houses
Exclusive Arrangement
Expert National Guide
Group Size: 6 – 18

MAJESTIC CASTLES OF THE EMERALD ISLE

INTRODUCTION

Explore the Emerald Isle on an itinerary of exceptional grandeur and experience incredible Irish hospitality. Nowhere is Ireland's history more eloquently expressed than in its castles, whether ruined, regal or otherwise, they are historic features set in beautifully stunning natural landscapes. Some have survived and are relatively intact while others are ruins of time, but even in their dilapidated state they still evoke the grandeur they were built to convey. Visit stunning heritage sites and stay in authentic Irish castles and manor houses on this small group luxury tour, encompassing the very best of Ireland.

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Fly to Dublin. Enjoy a walking tour of this cosmopolitan capital, visiting Chester Beatty Library located in the grounds of Dublin Castle. Transfer to the Fitzpatrick Castle Hotel for a two night stay. Enjoy a cocktail making class before taking dinner at the castle. (D)

DAY 2 Sightseeing today includes Trinity College; founded in 1592. See the Book of Kells, the centrepiece for visitors to Trinity College; it is Ireland's greatest cultural treasure and the world's most famous medieval manuscript. Continue to the Guinness Brewery, then Christchurch Cathedral. (B)

DAY 3 Depart for Belfast, visit Slane Castle, set in 1,500 acres in the heart of the historic Boyne Valley. Enjoy lunch and a visit to the distillery. Continue to Culloden Estate for a two night stay. (B, L)

DAY 4 Enjoy a city tour including the Harland and Wolff Shipyard and the Shankill Falls road area. Continue to Belfast Castle. (B)

DAY 5 Visit Giant's Causeway. This UNESCO World Heritage site consists of 40,000 basalt polygonal columns formed 60 million years ago. Continue to Donegal and to Lough Eske Castle for an overnight stay. (B, L, D)

DAY 6 Depart for Galway, visit Lissadell Estate. Continue to Drumcliffe Cemetery set against the striking backdrop of the Benbulbin mountains, and best known as the final resting place of W.B. Yeats. Two nights stay at Gleno Abbey. (B, D)

DAY 7 Travel to Connemara; visit Brigit's Garden and enjoy free time in Galway before returning to the hotel. (B)

DAY 8 Take a cruise beneath the Cliffs of Moher, which rise more than 700 feet above the crashing North Atlantic. Visit Doolin Music House. Continue to Cahernane House in Kerry for two nights. (B)

DAY 9 Travel the Ring of Kerry, the most famous and panoramic route in Ireland. Enjoy views of the Dingle Peninsula and Dingle Bay. See Waterville and Sneem, famous for their brightly coloured houses; Molls Gap and Ladies View, so named by Queen Victoria, with views of the famous Lakes of Killarney. (B)

DAY 10 Return to Dublin via Blarney Castle and the Rock of Cashel. Our last night is spent where we started at the Fitzpatrick Castle Hotel. Dinner and traditional Irish entertainment. (B, D)

DAY 11 Return flight. (B)

DEPARTURE & PRICES

per person in a twin/double bedded room
British Airways from London/ Aer Lingus from Manchester

2022 – Friday

May 13	£4745
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Supplements per person

Single supplement – £1130

Price Includes

Air travel and taxes, VIP return transfers*, 10 nights' accommodation, breakfast daily, 2 lunches and 4 dinners, entrance fees, itinerary as described, services of expert local driver/guides and representative.

Notes

Alternative hotels of a similar standard may on occasion be used. * On this 'Great Journey', we provide a VIP chauffeur driven transfer for passengers living within a 70-mile radius of the point of departure. For those passengers that live outside of this 70-mile radius, we will provide the most competitive quotation for the additional mileage.

IRELAND'S CASTLES & MANORS

9 nights from £4495 – 4 Sep 2022

An autumn departure to explore and stay in Ireland's Castles and Manors. Visiting Dublin, County Cavan, Belfast, Carrick on Shannon, Connemara, Galway and Meath. Discover castles, abbeys and gardens that sit at the heart of Celtic heritage and mythology, and the natural wonders of Giant's Causeway and The Marble Arch Caves Geopark. Includes breakfast daily, 2 lunches, 5 dinners.

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Before you book

1. Choosing your Holiday

It is very important that you choose the right holiday arrangements for you. Our staff are always happy to advise and give you their professional opinion; however, it is essential that you also conduct your own independent research to ensure you are happy with the arrangements being made.

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Experiences which form part of your package: We are pleased to be able to offer various 'experiences' and activities, which you can pre-book in the UK and pay for as part of your holiday package. By booking with us you confirm that you and your party are in good health and have no medical history that would make it dangerous for you or others to participate. You must observe safety instructions at all times, take reasonable care and provide any necessary certification that may be required. We will only accept responsibility for these experiences and activities in accordance with these booking conditions. Please note that they may be subject to minimum numbers and could be cancelled at short notice.

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A 'from' price is indicative of the lowest price available for your itinerary but this may vary on your date of travel. Please call our Sales team or visit our website for further information about services and prices.

7. Services Outside of your Contract with us

We will not be liable to you for any independent arrangements made to complement the holiday services being provided by Jules Verne Ltd. Your contract(s) will be directly with the third-party supplier(s) providing those arrangements. Where we agree to provide flights or transfer services to or from any such third-party product or destination, our doing so offers no endorsement of the product or destination and our liability will remain limited only to ensuring that the contracted elements of your holiday package with Jules Verne Ltd are provided as promised.

Booking & Paying for your Holiday

8. Confirming your Holiday

The combination of travel services offered to you is a package within the meaning of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018. Jules Verne Ltd will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole. Additionally, as required by law, Jules Verne Ltd has protection in place to refund your payments and, where transport is included in the package, to ensure your repatriation in the event that we become insolvent. More information on key rights can be found by visiting vjv.com/your-package-holiday.

9. Your Commitment to us

When you or your Travel Agent wish to confirm a booking you must pay a deposit of between £250 to £450 per person and on some of our arrangements a higher deposit may apply. Full balance is required at the time of booking in some instances and if you make a holiday booking within 61 days of your departure date then you must pay the full cost of the holiday at the booking stage. All money paid by you to one of our authorised travel agents for your holiday will be held by the agent on our behalf until paid to us.

When you make a booking, the lead name confirms that you understand and have accepted these booking conditions and our Important Holiday Information which forms our booking conditions. Once your booking is confirmed, you will be given a reference number.

10. Out of Date Range Services

Where you make your booking enquiry well in advance of departure, it may not be possible at that time to book the flights, accommodation and/or other services you have requested as they are not then available. Scheduled airlines, for example, will generally not have loaded their seats to sell until approximately 10 months before departure. Should this apply, we will inform you at the time of booking and calculate the price in anticipation that the service(s) will be available in keeping with the specially negotiated fares that apply.

Where you ask us to make a booking, we will confirm any such services subject to availability, issue an invoice recording the arrangements reserved for you and take a deposit. A contract between us will then come into existence on the basis that the price payable will be that applicable when the supplier releases its service(s) for sale. When services become available to book, we will tell you the updated price and other relevant details, such as transport timings, as these may be different to those advised at the time of booking. We will give you 7 days to tell us whether you wish to continue with the booking.

If the out of date range services cannot subsequently be booked as requested or you are not prepared to pay the applicable price, you may cancel them and receive a refund of the amount you have paid in respect of these services. Cancellation or non-availability of these services does not, however, entitle you to cancel any other confirmed element of your booking without paying the applicable cancellation charges for these. If you wish to continue with the booking, we will issue a revised invoice. In the event that services do not become available, you will receive a full refund of your deposit. We will have no other liability and will not be responsible for refunding the cost of any services booked in conjunction with the flights.

11. Travel Information & Documents

After booking you will receive a confirmation invoice with important information relevant to your holiday, inclusive of the total payment due. You must check the details carefully and notify us immediately if you believe that any of the details are incorrect. Please also check your flight timings carefully each time you receive new documentation from us, as the scheduling may have changed since the last time we contacted you.

Approximately 14 days prior to departure you will receive your final itinerary. Please check all information, including your flight times, carefully to ensure you are prepared for your trip.

12. Paying for your Holiday

Full payment must be received not less than 61 days before departure. If we, or your travel agent, have not received full payment as detailed above, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you and you will forfeit your deposit or any higher sum that we are entitled to retain – see section 21 - Cancelling your Holiday by way of cancellation charges. If we do not cancel straight away because you have promised to make payment, you must pay the cancellation charges shown in section 21 depending on the date we reasonably treat your booking as cancelled.

13. Holiday Insurance

This is a vital part of any holiday so please ensure you take out comprehensive travel insurance as soon as your booking has been confirmed. We strongly recommend that this includes, but is not limited to, appropriate cover against the cost of termination of the holiday contract and the cost of any medical/other assistance, including repatriation, you might require whilst overseas. We are not insurance providers and cannot offer advice on insurance products. It is essential that you discuss both your itinerary and your specific needs with your chosen policy provider to ensure you are suitably protected. Please read your policy details carefully, ensure that you are familiar with the scale of your cover and take the relevant documentation with you on your holiday.





14. Health & Vaccinations

It is your responsibility to ensure you are aware of all recommended and required vaccinations, health precautions, screening and self-isolation requirements in good time before departure. You should take health advice about your specific needs as early as possible and ensure that vaccinations or preventative measures such as malaria tablets are taken in time to be effective for the duration of the holiday.

Please ensure you allow sufficient time to successfully book appointments for screenings or tests that may be required. It is your responsibility to find out about any entry restrictions, screening or quarantine requirements for destinations that you are visiting (including those you are transiting through) that might affect you. Please ensure you include any domestic requirements that may be in place for when you return home. Be aware that there may sometimes be enhanced screening/monitoring at entry and exit ports. In some instances, borders may close or you may be required to self-isolate for a set period, even if you do not have any symptoms of illness.

Sources of information include your GP surgery, the National Travel Health Network and Centre www.nathnac.org, the Department of Health free leaflet 'Health advice for travellers' (available on request Tel. 0207 210 4850), or your specialist travel clinic.

The Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office also provides useful information on health and entry requirements. Please visit gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice for advice by country. Contact the UK embassy for the destination(s) you intend to visit and/or transit through if you require further information.

It is essential that you check health and entry requirement information regularly. Failure to take the appropriate action could result in denied boarding by the airline or denied entry, as countries become stricter with respect of their entry requirements.

15. Passports

Every traveller requires a valid passport to travel. If your passport is endorsed in any way, please check with the relevant embassy. British passport holders should ensure a valid ten-year passport is held. We recommend that all passports are valid for a minimum of 6 months after your scheduled return to the UK as many countries require passport expiry dates to fall a considerable time beyond the dates of travel.

It can take at least six weeks to get an adult passport. Requirements may change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure. Please visit gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice for advice by country. If you are travelling on a non-British passport, you must check your requirements with the appropriate embassy, high commission or consulate. It is your responsibility to ensure you hold passports that are valid for your trip. We regret we cannot accept any liability if you are refused entry onto any transport or into any country due to failure on your part to carry all required documentation.

16. Visas & Entry Requirements

Visa and entry information can change at very short notice. If you are a British passport holder, please check gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice regularly for the latest information. If you are travelling on a non-British passport, you must check any visa requirements with the appropriate embassy, high commission or consulate. For assistance with any visa enquiry we recommend CIBT Visas. <http://www.cibtvisas.co.uk/vjvisas>

It is your responsibility to ensure you are in possession of all necessary travel documents before departure. Any costs incurred in obtaining such documentation must be paid by you. We regret we cannot accept any liability if you are refused entry onto any transport or into any country due to failure on your part to carry all required documentation.

If failure to have any necessary travel or other documents (see also section 15 – Passports) results in fines, surcharges or other financial penalty or expenses being imposed on or incurred by us, you will be responsible for reimbursing us accordingly.

17. Our Commitment to you

We will arrange to provide you with the various services which form part of the holiday you book with us. Before your booking is confirmed and a contract comes into existence, we reserve the right to increase or decrease, and correct errors in advertised prices and to change any of the information. Changes will be made known to you at the time of booking. The prices we advertise are based on specially negotiated rates and fares

A booking is not accepted until we issue an invoice. The date shown on the invoice is the date of booking. Please check the details on the invoice when you get it and if any details appear to be incorrect or incomplete, contact us or your Travel Agent immediately as it may not be possible to make changes later. We cannot accept any liability if we are not notified of any inaccuracy (for which we are responsible) in any document within 10 days of our sending it out (5 days for tickets). We will do our best to rectify any mistake notified to us outside these time-limits but you must meet any costs involved in doing so.

The Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018 require us to provide security for the monies that you pay for the package holidays booked and for your repatriation in the event of our insolvency. We hold an Air Travel Organiser's Licence issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, 45-59 Kingsway London WC2B 6TE (ATOL no. 11234). When you buy an ATOL protected air inclusive holiday or flight from us you will receive a confirmation invoice from us (or via our authorised agent) confirming your arrangements and your protection under our ATOL. In the unlikely event of our insolvency the CAA will ensure that you are not left stranded abroad and will arrange to refund any money you have paid to us for an advance booking. Please note: Not all holiday or travel services offered and sold by us will be protected by the ATOL scheme. For further information, visit the ATOL website at www.atol.org.uk.

We are a member of ABTA (ABTA no. V1661). When you buy a package holiday that isn't covered under ATOL, protection is provided by way of a bond held by ABTA. You can contact ABTA – The Travel Association at: 30 Park Street, London SE1 9EQ, consumerprotection@abta.co.uk, 0203 758 8779, www.abta.co.uk for a copy of the guide to ABTA's scheme of Financial Protection.

If we, or the suppliers identified on your ATOL certificate, are unable to provide the services listed (or a suitable alternative, through an alternative ATOL holder or otherwise) for reasons of insolvency, the Trustees of the Air Travel Trust may make a payment to (or confer a benefit on) you under the

ATOL scheme. You agree that in return for such a payment or benefit you assign absolutely to those Trustees any claims which you have or may have arising out of or relating to the non-provision of the services, including any claim against us, the travel agent (or your credit card issuer where applicable). You also agree that any such claims may be re-assigned to another body, if that other body has paid sums you have claimed under the ATOL scheme.

18. Jules Verne's Price Guarantee

All prices quoted on our website are calculated using dynamic rates of exchange as set by Jules Verne Ltd. Many services are typically paid in the currency of your holiday destination and pricing will fluctuate accordingly. Website guide prices can go up or down and we will give you the up to date price before you make booking, including the cost of any peak season supplements, fuel surcharges, upgrades or additional facilities which you have requested*. Once you have accepted this price and a booking has been made, the price is fully guaranteed and will not be subject to any surcharges.

*See section 10 - Out of Date Range Services

19. Price does not Include

Unless otherwise stated, your booking does not include visa fees, overseas airport taxes, overseas portage, any government taxes or compulsory charges to be paid locally, (these will be communicated within your documentation, where such fees are known to us); taxes, levies or other compulsory charges that require payment by you, directly. Where possible, we will advise you of any local charges that may be due. Optional excursions or activities booked during your holiday are payable by you. Any sundry costs incurred by you in preparation for your holiday, including but not limited to insurance, vaccinations, screening and medical certifications are at your own cost.

If you want to Change or Cancel your Holiday

20. Changes or Additions to your Holiday

If you want to make changes to your holiday arrangements after the invoice has been issued, we will do our best to assist but it may not be possible. Changes will be subject to an administration charge of £50 per booking and payment of any further costs incurred as a result of the change. Costs are likely to increase, the closer to the departure date the changes are made. If we agree that you may change your booking to a holiday of lower value and then you cancel that holiday, we reserve the right to levy cancellation charges on the value of the original booking.

Scheduled airlines normally regard name changes as a cancellation and rebooking, so any alteration may incur a 100% cancellation charge in respect of the air fare. Any changes to destination or routing may incur the loss of the original deposit collected. Date and name changes are permitted, subject to availability and the relevant charges imposed as per the airline's own policies (details available on request). Any changes made may also result in additional charges due to an increase in airfare or charges imposed.

Please note that save for the transfer of a booking (see below) or the addition of any offers made by Jules Verne Ltd which were not requested at the time of booking, it will not be possible to make changes within 30 days of your scheduled departure date.

Jules Verne flexible booking policy arrangements may differ from the term set out above. For further information please visit <https://www.vjv.com/flexible-booking-policy/> or speak to your Personal Travel Expert.

21. Transferring Bookings

You can transfer your booking to another person, who satisfies all the conditions that apply to this booking, by giving us notice at least 7 days before departure. Both you and the new traveller are jointly liable for paying all costs we incur in making the transfer. Additionally, an administration charge will be made of £50 per person for requests made more than 61 days before departure, and £100 per person within 61 days. For flight inclusive bookings, you must pay the charges levied by the airline concerned. As most airlines do not permit name changes after tickets have been issued for any reason, these charges are likely to be the full cost of the flight. If you request to change all names on a booking, this will be considered as a cancellation and new booking and full cancellation charges will apply.

22. Cancelling your Holiday

If you or anyone on your holiday booking decides to cancel the holiday, the lead name or their travel agent must notify us of the decision as soon as possible. A cancellation invoice will be sent within 7 days. If you do not receive this, please contact us immediately in order to prevent an increase in charges. Since we incur costs in cancelling your travel arrangements, the following scale of charges will be payable. Amendment charges are not refundable in the event of cancellation. References to the deposit include all sums paid or payable at the time of booking.

Period prior to departure, notice of cancellation is received by us or your travel agent
Cancellation charge per person cancelling

Prior to 61 days = loss of deposit

60 – 42 days = 50% of total holiday cost, 41 – 33 days = 60% of total holiday cost

32 – 15 days = 90% of total holiday cost, 14 days or less = 100% of total holiday cost

Please be aware that in some instances, airline ticketing deadlines may result in higher cancellation charges being applied to your booking. Similarly, hotels may charge a higher cancellation fee and you may therefore be charged a higher amount than detailed above. Amendment and cancellation charges for bookings containing cruising elements will be applied in line with the cruise provider's own booking conditions. These could be up to 100% of the total holiday cost and may vary between cruise providers.

If you have taken advantage of an airline offer and paid a higher deposit, the cancellation charge payable by you will be the higher of this deposit or the appropriate cancellation charge detailed above.

You may cancel your booking without paying cancellation charges if the performance of your package, or the carriage of passengers to your destination, is significantly affected by unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances. In such circumstances, we will arrange for your booking to be terminated and for you to receive a full refund. We will observe advice provided by the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office.

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It is important to enquire for full details of cancellation terms at the time of booking and cancellation. You must ensure that you have appropriate travel insurance in place for your needs. We would strongly recommend that this includes, but not be limited to, cover against loss of deposit and cancellation fees.

23. Changing your Holiday due to Covid-19

We will have no liability for any refunds, compensation, costs, expenses or other losses of any kind incurred by you (including, where applicable, the cost of medical treatment), in the following circumstances:

a) If you, or anyone in your booking party, test positive for Covid-19 and have to quarantine for a period of time, or are notified or otherwise become aware that you have, or suspect you may have, come into close contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19 (or where they otherwise suspect they may have Covid-19) and have to self-isolate for a period of time.

If this happens within 14 days of your departure date, you must contact us as you may no longer be able to travel. We will offer you the following options where possible and subject to availability:

- Postponing your holiday to a later date. We will notify you of any impact on the price the postponement may have (please note that you may have to pay full cancellation charges on some elements of your holiday, such as the flight, as well as any increase in cost imposed by other suppliers);
- If not everyone on the booking is affected, you will have the right to transfer your place on the holiday to another person nominated by you, please refer to the section Transferring Bookings.

• Cancelling your holiday, in which case our standard cancellation charges will apply as at the date of cancellation by you. You may be able to claim these costs back from your travel insurance provider.

If this happens whilst you are on your holiday, please notify us without delay and we will provide such reasonable assistance as we can in the circumstances. However, we will not be responsible for covering the cost of any curtailment of your holiday, missed transport arrangements, additional accommodation required, or other associated costs incurred by you. You must ensure you have travel insurance which covers these costs.

b) You fail any tests, checks or other measures imposed by a supplier, airline, port or airport, border control authority or other government body or local authority or fail to submit for testing or assessment when requested to do so, and as such you are denied entry to board the flight, entry to the destination, access to the services or you are otherwise unable to proceed with the holiday, or that portion of the holiday.

You are responsible for complying with any official guidance from governments or local authorities, both in the UK and whilst on your holiday. You also acknowledge that the suppliers providing your holiday, including airlines, hotels and excursion providers, will need to comply with national and/or local guidance and requirements relating to Covid-19, and have implemented certain measures as a result. This will likely include specific requirements regarding personal protective equipment, such as use of face-masks by staff (and you may be required to wear a face-mask as well), social distancing, maximum number restrictions on the use of certain facilities, designated alternative entrance and exit routes, mandatory hand sanitisation, limited entertainment options and limited food/drink availability. We do not expect these measures to have a significant impact on your enjoyment of the holiday and all measures will be taken with the purpose of securing your safety and those around you.

Jules Verne Flexible booking policy arrangements may differ from the term set out above. For further information please visit <https://www.vjv.com/flexible-booking-policy/or> speak to your Personal Travel Expert.

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24. Website/Brochure Accuracy

We rigorously check all holiday information to ensure it is correct to the best of our knowledge before being published. Product descriptions and facilities may change before and after you book as our marketing material is prepared well in advance. Please check the up to date position at the time of booking as service providers may wish to maintain or improve their facilities. Flight times, carriers and routes are given for guidance only as there may be changes and details will be shown on your final itinerary and e-tickets. Tour, excursion, cruise or safari itineraries may change as a result of local conditions. Circumstances such as these, or weather conditions, time of year, events occurring in the destination or other situations beyond our control etc., may cause some of the amenities we have described to be unavailable or different from those advertised. When we are told of any significant or long-term changes we will always endeavour to advise you prior to your departure.

25. Pricing Errors

Whilst we make every effort to ensure the accuracy of the pricing information provided, regrettably errors may occasionally occur. We will endeavour to notify you at the time of booking of pricing errors (if we are then aware of the mistake), within 7 days of the time of booking or as soon as reasonably possible. If a booking is already in place, you will have the choice to continue with the chosen itinerary at the corrected price or amend to a different holiday. We reserve the right to cancel the booking if you do not wish to accept the price that applies to your holiday or any quoted alternatives.

26. Flight Changes

Transportation timings, routings and days of operation shown on our website, in our brochures and/or detailed within your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and may be subject to change. They are set by suppliers and are determined by various factors. Any changes to such arrangements are outside of our control. Transportation suppliers will on occasion change their equipment without advance warning. We will advise you of any significant changes and any minor timing changes will be shown on your travel documentation, which you should check carefully when received. Any change in the identity of equipment (if advised) will not entitle you to cancel or change to other arrangements without paying our normal charges, except where specified in these conditions.

27. If we Change or Cancel your Holiday Before your Departure

We plan arrangements a long time in advance of your holiday using independent suppliers over whom we have no direct control. On occasions changes do have to be made, and we reserve the right to make these. Most of these changes are minor. However, occasionally, changes are significant.

Examples of a significant change include: a change of accommodation to that of a lower category and/or price for the whole or a major part of your time away, a change of flight time of more than 12 hours, a change of UK departure airport (except between London airports), or a significant change of resort area. We do our best to avoid cancelling holidays but we must reserve the right to do so and will only cancel your confirmed booking after you have made full payment where we are forced to do so as a result of 'force majeure' as defined below (see section 28 – Changes Due To Circumstances Beyond Our Control) or lack of minimum numbers. Please note, some of our holidays require a minimum number of participants to enable us to operate them. If the minimum number has not been received, we are entitled to cancel it. We will notify you or your travel agent of cancellation for this reason no later than 61 days prior to departure.

If we have to make a significant change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible. If there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of the following options:-

- accepting the changed arrangements (with any refunds that may be due to you for changes to a lower category of service); or
- selecting an alternative holiday from us, of a similar standard to that originally booked if available. If this holiday is cheaper than the original, we will refund the price difference. You will be liable to us for any additional costs payable for the new arrangements; or
- cancelling the booking or accepting our cancellation of the booking, in which case you will receive a full refund of all monies you have paid to us, within 14 days.

If we have to make a significant change or cancel we will, where appropriate, pay you compensation as set out in the table below. Compensation entitlements will vary depending on the circumstances and when the significant change or cancellation is notified to you subject to the following exceptions: Compensation will not be payable and no liability beyond offering the above mentioned choices can be accepted where

- we are forced to make a change or cancel as a result of unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances beyond our control, the consequences of which we could not have avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken or
- we have to cancel because the minimum number of bookings necessary for us to operate your holiday has not been reached (see above). No compensation will be payable and the above options will not be available if we cancel as a result of your failure to comply with any requirement of these booking conditions entitling us to cancel (such as paying on time) or where a change is a minor one. A change of flight time of less than 12 hours, airline (except where otherwise stated), type of aircraft (if advised) or destination airport will all be treated as minor changes.

Period before departure within which a significant change or cancellation is notified to you or your travel agent. Compensation

More than 60 days = NIL, 60 – 42 days = £20, 41 – 28 days = £30, 27 – 15 days = £40, 14 – 0 days = £50

28. Changes due to Circumstances Beyond our Control

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these booking conditions, we cannot accept liability or pay any compensation where the performance or prompt performance of our obligations under our contract with you is prevented or affected by, or you otherwise suffer any damage, loss or expense of any nature as a result of, "force majeure". In these booking conditions, "force majeure" means any

unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances beyond our control which we or the supplier of the service(s) in question could not have avoided, even if all reasonable measures had been taken. Such events may include but are not limited to, whether actual or threatened: war, riot, civil strife, terrorist activity and its consequences, industrial dispute, natural or nuclear disaster, adverse weather conditions; epidemics, pandemics or other outbreaks of illness, fire and any other situations which are outside our control.

29. Minimum Numbers

We will indicate whether a particular holiday is subject to a minimum number of participants for its operation. We will advise you at least 61 days before departure if minimum numbers have not been reached and as a direct result your tour has to be cancelled.

You will then have the choice of booking an alternative holiday with us, changing your departure date at the appropriate additional cost, or having a refund of monies paid. No compensation will be payable and we are unable to offer refunds of any associated costs i.e. visas etc.

On Holiday

30. Flight Delays

In your flight is delayed we will arrange for the following to be provided, whenever practical, and subject to the airport being able to cater for this: over 4 hours, an appropriate meal, for delays of at least 8 hours extending beyond midnight, overnight accommodation will be provided wherever possible. However, this will depend on such factors as the expected length of delay, local availability of accommodation, immigration rulings etc. Where long flight delays result in lost holiday time, no refunds are given by hotels for unused accommodation, as rooms are held for delayed arrivals, not re-let.

31. Our Commitment to you for your Holiday Arrangements

(a) We promise to ensure that the holiday arrangements we have agreed to make, perform or provide as part of our contract with you are delivered with reasonable skill and care. Subject to these booking conditions, we will accept responsibility if, for example, you suffer death or personal injury or your contracted holiday arrangements are not provided as promised or prove deficient as a result of the failure of ourselves, our employees, agents or suppliers to use reasonable skill and care in making, performing or providing, as applicable, your contracted holiday arrangements. You must inform us without undue delay of any failure or improper performance of the travel services included in this package. It is your responsibility to show that reasonable care and skill has not been used if you wish to make a claim against us and we will only be responsible for what our employees, agents and suppliers do or do not do if they were at the time acting within the course of their employment (for employees) or carrying out work we had asked them to do (for agents and suppliers).

(b) We will not be responsible for any injury, illness, death, loss (for example loss of enjoyment), damage, expense, cost or other sum or claim of any description whatsoever which results from any of the following: -

- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected or any member(s) of their party or
- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party not connected with the provision of your holiday and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable or

- unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, which means a situation beyond our control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures had been taken. See 'force majeure' as defined in section 28 – Changes Due to Circumstances Beyond Our Control.

(c) For claims which do not involve personal injury, illness or death, the most we will have to pay if we are liable to you is three times the price the person affected paid for their holiday (not including insurance premiums and amendment charges). We will only have to pay this maximum amount if everything has gone wrong and you have received no benefit from your holiday. Where enjoyment of only some days has been affected, we will refund reasonable related expenses and pay a daily sum of compensation up to £50 per day per person affected.

(d) Further to (b) above, our liability will also be limited in accordance with and/or in an identical manner to:

- The contractual terms of the companies that provide the travel services which make up your package. These terms are incorporated into this booking; and
- Any relevant international convention, for example the Montreal Convention in respect of travel by air, the Athens Convention in respect of travel by sea, the Berne Convention in respect of travel by rail and the Paris Convention in respect of the provision of accommodation, which limit the amount of and conditions under which compensation can be claimed for death, injury, delay to passengers and loss, damage and delay to luggage. We are to be regarded as having all benefit of any limitation of the extent of or the conditions under which compensation is to be paid under these or any other applicable conventions.

In the event that any claim is made directly with us, our liability to pay compensation and/or the amount of compensation will be limited in accordance with these conventions, where applicable.

(e) Under EU law you have rights in some circumstances to refunds and/or compensation from your airline in cases of denied boarding, cancellation or delay to flights. Full details of these rights will be publicised at EU airports and will also be available from the airlines. However, reimbursement in such cases will not automatically entitle you to a refund of your holiday cost from us. If any payments to you are due from us, any payment made to you by the airline will be deducted from this amount. If your airline does not comply with these rules you should complain to the CAA www.caa.co.uk.

(f) Please note, we cannot accept responsibility for any services which do not form part of our contract. This includes, for example, any additional services or facilities which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you where the services or facilities are not advertised by us and we have not agreed to arrange them as part of our contract and any excursion you purchase in resort. In addition, regardless of any wording used by us on our website, in any advertising material or elsewhere, we only promise to use reasonable care and skill as set out above and we do not have any greater or different liability to you.

(g) The promises we make to you about the services we have agreed to provide or arrange as part





of our contract – and the laws and regulations of the country in which your claim or complaint occurred – will be used as the basis for deciding whether the services in question had been properly provided. If the particular services which gave rise to the claim or complaint complied with local laws and regulations applicable to those services at the time, the services will be treated as having been properly provided. This will be the case even if the services did not comply with the laws and regulations of the UK which would have applied had those services been provided in the UK. The exception to this is where the claim or complaint concerns the absence of a safety feature which might lead a reasonable holiday maker to refuse to take the arrangements in question. Please note, however, our obligation is to exercise reasonable skill and care as referred to in 5.11(a). We do not make any representation or commitment that all services will comply with applicable local laws and regulations and failure to comply does not automatically mean we have not exercised reasonable skill and care.

(h) Our suppliers (such as airlines, accommodation or transport providers) have their own booking conditions or conditions of carriage, and these conditions are binding between you and the supplier. Some of these conditions may limit or remove the relevant transport provider's or other supplier's liability to you. You can get copies of such conditions from our offices, or the offices of the relevant supplier.

(i) If we make any payment to you or any member of your party for death, personal injury or illness, you must agree to transfer to us or our insurers any rights you may have to take direct action against the person or organisation responsible for causing the death, personal injury or illness and you must co-operate fully with us in seeking recovery of any payment that we make.

(j) Operational decisions may be taken by air carriers and airports resulting in delays, diversions, overbookings, downgrades or rescheduling. Jules Verne Ltd has no control over such decisions and is therefore unable to accept responsibility for them. Where, as a result of unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances we are obliged to change or end your holiday after departure, but before the end of your holiday, we will not pay compensation or reimburse you for expenses incurred. You should have adequate travel insurance for your holiday and claim via your insurance company for any loss or damage to luggage and/or personal possessions.

If it is impossible to ensure your return as scheduled due to unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances, we will bear the cost of necessary accommodation, if possible of equivalent category, for a maximum of three nights. The limit doesn't apply to persons with reduced mobility and any person accompanying them, pregnant women and unaccompanied minors, or persons in need of specific medical assistance, provided that you notified us of these needs at least 48 hours before the start of your holiday.

(k) Whilst you are away on holiday you may be offered the opportunity to buy optional excursions and activities. These are provided by independent local companies, which are neither owned nor controlled by Jules Verne Ltd, and for whom Jules Verne Ltd acts only as an agent (if we make a booking for you). If you decide to buy an excursion or activity, your contract will be made with the local company which provides it and it will not form part of your contracted holiday arrangements with us. See 1.39 – Services Outside of your Contract with Jules Verne Ltd. The contract will be subject to the excursion/activity provider's terms and conditions, some of which may exclude or limit its liability to you and will be governed by local law and jurisdiction. Jules Verne Ltd accepts no liability for any breach of contract or act or omission of any excursion/activity provider. Some excursions/activities may contain an element of risk or require a good level of physical fitness, and, if in doubt, you should make direct enquiries with the local provider, before deciding to buy and check that you are covered by your travel insurance policy.

32. If we Curtail your Holiday after Departure

Very rarely, we may be forced by "force majeure" (see section 28 – Changes due to Circumstances Beyond our Control) to change or terminate your holiday after departure but before the scheduled end of your time away. This is extremely unlikely but if this situation does occur, we regret we will be unable to make any refunds (unless we obtain any refunds from our suppliers), pay you any compensation or meet any costs or expenses you incur as a result. Please ensure you have adequate travel insurance in place to cover any such eventuality.

33. Curtailment

If you cut short your holiday and return home early in circumstances where i) you have no reasonable cause for complaint about the standard of accommodation and/or the holiday services provided, or ii) any lack of conformity could reasonably have been remedied via the provision of alternative arrangements or an appropriate price reduction, your decision to curtail will be deemed elective and we will not offer you any refund for the unused elements of your holiday that were not completed, or assist with any associated costs that you may incur while returning home. Depending on the circumstances, your travel insurance may offer cover for curtailment and we suggest that any claim is made directly with them.

34. Behaviour

If in our reasonable opinion or in the opinion of any other person in authority, your behaviour is causing or is likely to cause danger, upset or damage to property or is persistently affecting the enjoyment of others, we reserve the right to terminate your holiday. Should this happen no refund or compensation will be paid to you or any member of your travelling party and we will have no further responsibility for your holiday arrangements, including return travel.

35. If you have a Complaint while you are on Holiday

You must bring any complaint to the attention of our local representative or agent and the hotel immediately and they will do their best to rectify the situation. If matters remain unresolved, your concerns must be brought to the attention of the Jules Verne Ltd Duty Officer, without undue delay (see section 35 – Emergency Duty Officer). It is unreasonable to delay or take no action whilst on holiday, but then to complain upon your return and this may affect our ability to investigate and take remedial action and it may impact on the way your complaint is dealt with.

36. Emergency Duty Officer

Jules Verne Ltd offers 24-hour assistance for emergency situations and to help resolve any general issues while you are on holiday. Many destinations have local representation and they should be contacted in the first instance, should you have a problem.

On Return from your Holiday

37. Surveys

As a valued customer, we may periodically send you email surveys to complete, so we can track your satisfaction throughout the course of your booking journey. We would like to know about your experience with Jules Verne Ltd before, during and after you travel and whether there are any elements of our service that you feel we could look to improve along the way.

38. If you had a Problem

If a problem remains unresolved during your holiday, you should make a complaint in writing to Jules Verne Ltd within 28 days of the completion of the holiday. Please direct your correspondence to our Customer Experience team at customerexperience@jv.com quoting your booking number and a daytime telephone number. We will acknowledge your correspondence as soon as possible and aim to reply to you within 28 days, as set out within ABTA's Code of Conduct.

We are a member of ABTA, membership number V1661. We are obliged to maintain a high standard of service to you by ABTA's Code of Conduct. You may wish to refer any unresolved matters relating to this contract to ABTA's scheme for the resolution of disputes, which is approved by the Chartered Trading Standards Institute. You must have previously filed your complaint with ABTA in order to qualify for their ADR services. (See section 39 for further advice on Law & Jurisdiction.) For more information on the Code and ABTA's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) services please visit www.abta.com.

General Information

39. Health, Safety & Security Abroad

We take the safety and security of our clients extremely seriously. If the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office advises that people should not visit a particular destination and we reasonably believe this is going to affect your holiday arrangements, we will act on this and we reserve the right to cancel your holiday.

However, we are sure you appreciate from press and television coverage that the political, economic and social conditions in many of the countries we feature in this brochure are not as stable as we are used to in the United Kingdom. Sadly, crimes against both people and their property are a fact of life the world over, and when in a foreign country it is very important to be extra vigilant and avoid drawing attention to yourself by wearing expensive jewellery, carrying expensive camera equipment etc. Travellers have the same responsibility for their health, personal safety and that of their possessions as they do at home. We sell holidays to many parts of the world, some of which do not conform to British health and safety standards. We request that all hotels comply with the local regulations applicable in their country for health and safety but we cannot guarantee that these meet British standards and therefore urge that you undertake reasonable precautions to protect your family and yourself whilst on holiday.

To make the most of your trip abroad, check out the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office website at <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice>. Packed with essential travel advice and tips, this website offers a wealth of country-specific information that only the FCDO can provide.

40. Law & Jurisdiction

We both agree that English Law (and no other) will apply to your contract and to any dispute, claim or other matter of any description (hereinafter referred to as "claim") which arises between us (except as set out below). We both also agree that any claim (and whether or not involving any personal injury) must be dealt with under the ABTA arbitration scheme (if the scheme is available for the claim in question and you wish to use it – see 6.3) or by the Courts of England and Wales only unless, in the case of Court proceedings, you live in Scotland or Northern Ireland. In this case, proceedings must either be brought in the Courts of your home country or those of England and Wales. If proceedings are brought in Scotland or Northern Ireland, you may choose to have your contract and claim governed by the law of Scotland/Northern Ireland as applicable (but if you do not so choose, English law will apply).

41. Data Protection Policy

In order to process your booking, send you a brochure or respond to an enquiry, we need to collect personal data from you. Depending on what's required, the personal data we collect may include names and contact details, credit/debit card or other payment information and special requirements such as those relating to any disability or medical condition which may affect holiday arrangements and any dietary restrictions which may disclose your religious beliefs ("sensitive personal data"). All references in this privacy policy to personal data include sensitive personal data unless otherwise stated. The person who makes the booking is responsible for ensuring that other members of your party are aware of our booking conditions and this privacy policy and that they consent to your acting on their behalf in your dealings with us.

We may disclose personal data to companies within the DER Touristik Group for business purposes and to companies who act as data processors on our behalf. In making your booking, you consent to personal data being passed on to the relevant suppliers and other third parties. We take appropriate technical and organisational measures which are intended to prevent unauthorised or unlawful processing of personal data and accidental loss or destruction of, or damage to, personal data.

By making a booking with us, you agree to allow your insurers, their agents and medical staff to disclose relevant information to us in circumstances where we may need to act in your interests or in the interests of everyone in any group with whom you are travelling.

For information on how we collect, process and manage your data in line with the General Data Protection Regulation please refer to jv.com/legal/#Privacy-Policy.

You are generally entitled to ask us what details of yours are being held or processed, for what purpose and to whom they may be or have been disclosed. Please identify any such enquiry as a Subject Access Request and direct your enquiry to a member of our Customer Experience team, who will respond to you within one month. In certain circumstances we are entitled to refuse your request. If you believe that any of your personal data which we are processing is incorrect, please contact us immediately so it may be updated.



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That sense of adventure to discover the world is at the heart of Jules Verne. Established in 1978, our innovative small group escorted tours offer authentic travel with a twist for people who love to see the world. Packed with special touches and little extras, our expert guides will show you the true character of each destination and take you beyond the norm, whether your chosen destination is closer to home or far-flung. Fully ABTA and ATOL bonded and winner of many travel awards, our expert staff organise every detail so you can book in complete confidence.

PRICE GUARANTEE & EARLY BOOKING

Our 100% Price Guarantee means your holiday price is fixed when you book and you won't ever pay more, even if our costs increase afterwards, we therefore recommend booking early so that you are covered by our included price guarantee.



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