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Unforgettable Britain
9 days – 8 nights
London, Stonehenge, Bath, Cardiff, Brecon, Chester, Liverpool, Edinburgh, York, Stratford-upon-Avon, Cotswold's
Fun, Discovery, Culture, History

This program may be operated for individual or for groups This is a suggested itinerary – Please call us to customize

Push the door of a tea room and enjoy a cream tea. Watch dolphins in Cornwall. Stroll through the pretty medieval streets of Rye. Alternate shopping and pubs in the excitement of North Laine in Brighton. Find the world of Alice in Wonderland in Oxford or the New Forest. Take a leap to prehistoric times at Stonehenge. Hiking on the mysterious trails of the Dartmoor Nature Park. Attend a football match in Liverpool, Newcastle or Manchester. Stay quiet in front of the stained-glass windows of York Cathedral. Face the mummies at the British Museum. Start a shopping session on Oxford Street. Cross the Millennium Bridge. Stroll on the banks of the Thames. Walk the neighborhood of Southwark, symbol of the renewal of London. Roll in the daffodils of Hyde Park. Start a pub crawl. Try to put a name on the masterpieces of the National Gallery. Attending a musical in the Soho district. Edinburgh is rather picturesque while remaining quite touristy. Cut in half by the gardens of Princes Street, the city offers many faces ... To the south is the "Old Town", with a still medieval appearance. A cobbled alley with the impressive castle on one side and the Holyrood Royal Palace on the other side of the Royal Mile. So you travel a very royal mile from the castle to visit the queen, if it is there ... At worst, you will only climb the Arthur's Seat.

### Day 1: London

Arrive at your chosen London airport where you'll be picked-up and transferred to your London hotel. At 2 pm, you will meet with your driver and guide in the hotel lobby before departing for a panoramic tour of London. Discover the iconic landmarks, architectural and cultural diversity, and fascinating history that makes London the most visited city in the world. Your London sightseeing tour will take you on a non-stop procession of recognizable sights, including The Houses of Parliament, Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, Nelson's Column, and Tower Bridge. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner and drink at your hotel. Overnight and dinner at your London hotel. [B/D]

### Day 2: London

This morning you will visit Kensington Palace, which has been the residence of the British Royal Family since the 17th century and currently houses several members of the family. The State Rooms are open to the public to be explored, the palace offers exhibits incorporating cutting-edge digital presentations, interactive experiences, and even audio sequences that bring to life the gatherings of gowns, antique furniture, and other memorabilia of notable residents of the palace. The balance of your day is free for personal sightseeing and shopping. Overnight in London. [B]

**Option**: Theatre tickets to a West End Show.

# Day 3: London, Stonehenge, Bath, Cardiff

Today you will travel from London to Cardiff. As you travel through one of England's most historical areas, enjoy an en-route visit to Stonehenge. See the giant stones and explore the visitor center to make up your own mind about how and why this mysterious stone circle came to be. Continue to the old Roman city of Bath and discover the Roman Baths, where well-preserved ruins bring Roman Britain to life. On arrival in Cardiff enjoy a panoramic tour and discover the old sites of Cardiff Castle alongside the futuristic architecture of the Cardiff Bay area and the Principality Stadium. Experience an unforgettable evening of Welsh hospitality in the historic surroundings of Cardiff Castle. Enjoy the best of Welsh entertainment, Welsh food and the warmest of welcomes from your hosts, who will entertain you with a selection of traditional and contemporary songs in both English and Welsh. Transfer back to your hotel. [B/D]

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### Day 4: Cardiff, Brecon Beacons National Park, Chester, Liverpool

Depart Cardiff and enjoy a scenic drive through Brecon Beacons National Park. From mountains to moorlands, the Brecon Beacons offer a stunning mixture of peaks and rolling hills as far as the eye can see. Stop on the border of England and Wales at Hayon-Wye - a bustling market town known as 'the town of books': for some free time. Then the black and white half-timbered houses and medieval buildings of Shrewsbury make it the perfect place for lunch under own arrangements. Your final sightseeing on this day is a walking tour of Chester where you will discover a treasure trove of Roman, medieval and Tudor architecture and history. Arrive in Liverpool and check into your hotel for the night. [B]

# Day 5: Liverpool, Edinburg

This morning, visit The Beatles Story and discover everything you will ever need to know about the world's greatest ever rock band at this award-winning attraction. The Beatles Story explores the lives, careers and times of The Beatles from their childhoods to world domination through fascinating exhibits and interactive themed areas. Leaving Liverpool head north through the Lake District – England's largest National Park which is home to sixteen lakes and Scafell Pike, the highest peak in England. On the Scottish border, you will then stop at Gretna Green, where generations of couples have eloped to get married – Britain's answer to Las Vegas! Continue to Edinburgh for dinner and overnight at the hotel. [B/D]

## Day 6: Edinburgh

Today discover Edinburgh, the inspiring capital of Scotland, with a panoramic city tour. From the historical closes of the Old Town to the wide avenues of the New Town, explore an outstanding city of contrasts. See Calton Hill and its National Monument, rightfully giving Edinburgh its nickname: the "Athens of the North". Visit Edinburgh Castle. Sited on top of an extinct volcano, gaining stunning views across the City of Edinburgh, the castle has witnessed many of the defining events of Scottish history and has dominated its surroundings with majesty for centuries. Spend the balance of the day at leisure. Dinner and entertainment at the Spirit of Scotland Show involving a rip-roaring evening of traditional Scottish song and dance accompanied by a great selection of quality Scottish food to delight your pallet. The resident band and traditional Scottish Dancers provide breath-taking performances for their audience and never fail to entertain. Return to the hotel for overnight. [B/D]

### Day 7: Edinburgh, York

Travel from Edinburgh back to Northern England via the Scottish Borders. En-route stop for photos

at the ruins of Hadrian's Wall. Built in AD 122 by Roman Emperor Hadrian, the purpose of this 80-mile long defensive structure was to keep out the 'Barbarians' to the north. Continue to the historically important city of York. York was a roman garrison town, Viking stronghold and prosperous medieval city and aspects of all this can still be seen today. Your York walking tour will follow medieval city walls and snake through the narrow medieval passageways of the Shambles. Continue to York for a

traditional dinner in a local pub. Overnight in York. [B/D]

# Day 8: York, Stratford-upon-Avon, Cotswold's, London

Travel from York to London. En-route visit Shakespeare's Birthplace, the charming town of Stratford-upon-Avon, a distinctive 16th century, half-timbered house where the great Bard William Shakespeare lived for much of his life. Today the building is a literary shrine to millions of pilgrims every year and gives visitors a glimpse into his life and times. Leaving the Midlands, journey south through the Cotswold's. Honey-colored limestone



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houses, historical market towns and rolling green hills represent an unspoiled idyll of quintessential England. Continue to London and enjoy your final evening at leisure. [B]

## Day 9: London, USA

Enjoy a final breakfast at your hotel. At the appointed time you'll be picked-up for your transfer to the airport to board you flight back home.

[B] = Breakfast | [B/D] = Breakfast and Dinner

#### Your Tour includes:

- Arrival and departure transfers
- 8 nights' accommodation
  - o London 3 nights
  - o Cardiff 1 night
  - o Liverpool 1 night
  - o Edinburgh 2 nights
  - o York 1 night
- Meals:
  - o Daily full regional breakfast
  - o 3 dinners
  - o Welcome drink
- Visits:
  - o Welsh Banquet at Cardiff Castle
  - o Roman Baths
  - o The Beatles' Liverpool
  - o Kensington Palace
  - o Tour of Edinburgh Castle
  - o Brecon Beacons Nat'l Park,
  - o The Cotswold's
  - o Kensington Palace
  - o Stonehenge
  - o Roman Baths

- o The Beatles Story
- o Edinburgh Castle
- o Shakespeare's Birthplace
- o Sightseeing of:
- o London
- o Edinburgh
- o Cardiff
- o Walking tour of:
- o Chester
- o York
- Modern vehicle with driver/guide
- English speaking tour escort for groups
- Porterage at hotels
- Service charges and taxes

### Tour does not include:

- Airfare between USA and United Kingdom
- Airport taxes
- Travel insurance
- Meals not mentioned under inclusions
- Tips to guides or drivers
- Expenses of a personal nature
- Any item not mentioned as "Included"

# **Recommended Hotels in your Tour:**

City	Hotel Name	Tripadvisor
Tourist Class		
London	Luna & Simone	4.5
Cardiff	The Mynydd Lodge	5
Liverpool	Holiday Inn Centre	4.5
Edinburgh	Hilton Edinburgh Grosvenor	4.5
York	Primrose Lodge	5
First Class		
London	Nadler Soho	5
Cardiff	Indigo	4.5
Liverpool	Staybridge Suites	4.5
Edinburgh	Hilton Edinburgh Grosvenor	4.5
York	Ascot House	5
Deluxe		
London	Ambar Hotel Charing Cross	5
Cardiff	Voco St. Davis	4.5
Liverpool	Signature Living Hotel	5
Edinburgh	The Dunstane Houses	4.5
York	The Judges Lodging	4.5

Hotels will be confirmed at time of booking

**Note:** Additional nights in London available upon request

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#### **Tour Prices:**

These programs can be customized for individuals and groups.

Changes to this program may be requested by phone (1855-55-TOURS) or using the web FIT Quote Request

#### Airfare

We also be glad to add the necessary airfare from your gateway so you take advantage of our special discounted leisure fares

## Program

You may add or remove;

- o Trip days
- o Cities and sites
- Meals

# Other options

- o The program was designed with private services; however, we may substitute shared sightseeing where available
- o If you prefer deluxe services we may operate this program including private driver, private guide and concierge service.

#### Quotation

Once we have designed the program the way you want we'll give you a quote within 2 business days.

### Tour Code: GB08L0N19XX

### **Options:**

- Lunches and dinners can be arranged for individuals, families and groups at top restaurants or any restaurant requested by you.
- We can revise the itinerary to spend more time and provide more depth in those areas that you are interested on.
- Any other changes to the itinerary will be accommodated depending on the facilities available in the area.

### **Group Quotations**

- If you wish to use these programs for your group or as the basis for a customized journey please either call us (1-855-55-TOURS or use the web Group Quote Request.
- In either case our specialists will work with to refine all the details and they will get you a quote with 2 business days. Quotes may be obtained for the air and land portions of just for the lad journey.
- Booking both air an land with us will represent savings for you because of our buying power and longtime relationship with the airlines.
- We will also may have the choice between regular fares and special leisure fares not available to the public.