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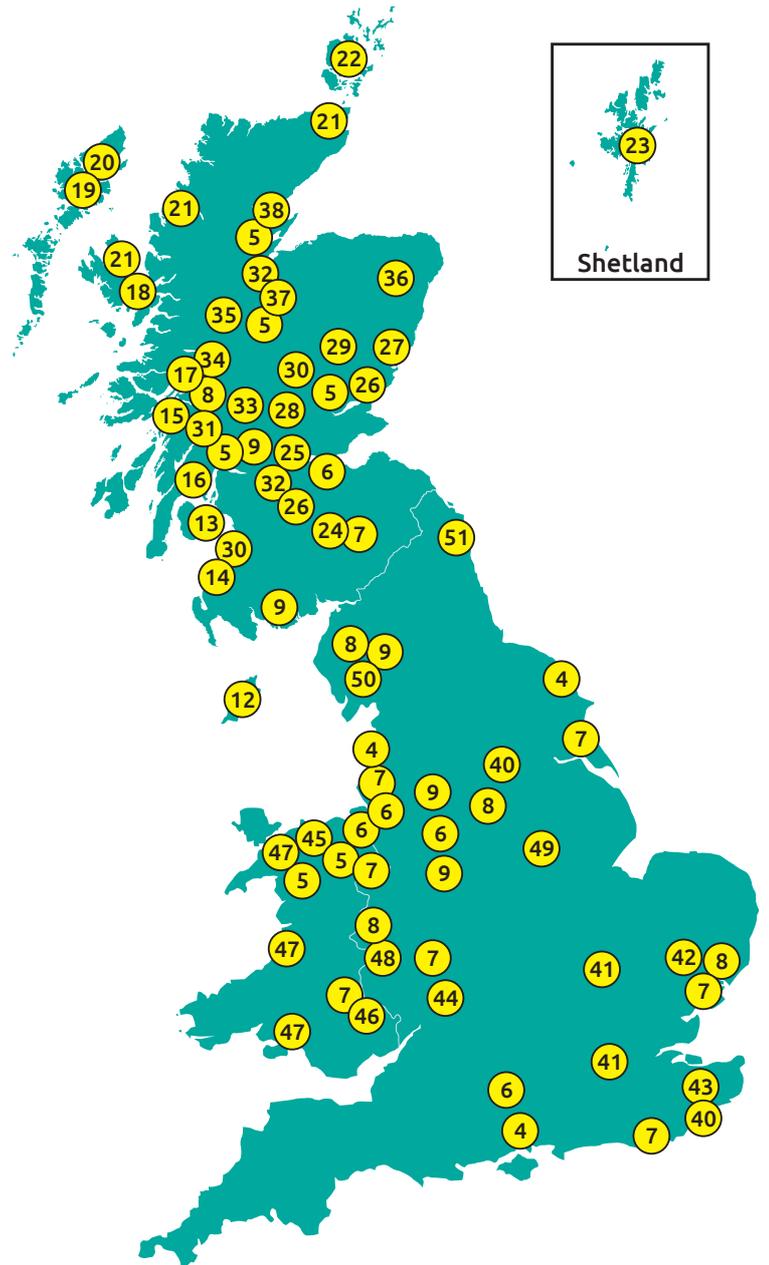
Here are the folk that make it all happen, and proud as mustard to have been recognised and awarded over the years for their “excellence” and “professionalism”.



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Incoming Groups & Private Parties

Classic’s packages are not only geared for the UK market but also to a growing number of Operators from across the world. Our multi lingual team can tailor make itineraries and take care of all the ground handling arrangements. The same principle applies for any private groups you may have. Our key objective is to provide you with 1st class delivery of service right through the whole booking process. It’s that personal and friendly style of service, where you deal with the same person makes the whole procedure quick and hassle free. One of the reasons why we believe many of our clients keep coming back to Classic each year.



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Easy to Book Tours at the Right Prices

Our aim is to dispense with all the unnecessary hurdles and make the whole process of making a booking painless and easy. That is why our Terms are the best out there:

- ◆ Select a tour and date from this brochure. Or contact us for bespoke ideas.
- ◆ You can book or enquire by phone or email.
- ◆ We don't ask for any deposits on booking.
- ◆ You can sell your tour right up until 30 days before arrival with additional rooms available on request for late bookers.
- ◆ All packages offer a free place for your driver over 25 paying pax.
- ◆ Prepayment is only required 14 days beforehand, and a proforma will be sent detailing the amount due.

All this comes as standard:

- ◆ Welcoming hot refreshments on check-in on centred 5 day stays.
- ◆ Full hot breakfasts each mornings.
- ◆ Choice 3 course dinners plus tea & coffee.
- ◆ Porterage and free WiFi *(most hotels)*.
- ◆ Evening Entertainment as shown.

We are as keen as you for your tour to be a success and we can offer free marketing support:

- ◆ Full access to our Royalty free Image Bank with thousands of Hi-Res pictures.
- ◆ Looking for copy – word doc files are available for each package, which you can modify for your brochure.
- ◆ Availability of thousands of real time hotel reviews on Classic's www.myhotelbreak.com
- ◆ Need extra time to sell, more often than not hotels will provide extra time within 30 days of arrival.

Reviews, Rates and Ratings

Classic sets out its stall differently from the rest. For instance, this brochure is funded by our hotel partners. This together with our rating and reviewing processes, keeps prices down and quality right.

Our hotel product team regularly visits our hotel portfolio to ensure the right quality, and this together with the thousands of real-time reviews we have collected from our leisure division www.myhotelbreak.com determines the hotels we work with.

Not all hotels reach our minimum entry level, but those which do are either 3 or 4 stars. To further assist with your hotel selection we have graded each hotel into 1 of 3 categories:

Approved

At the lower end of their star rating, meeting Classic's minimum level of expectation.

Commended

Considered average or just above average in all key areas within their star rating.

1st Class

Top end in their star rating in all departments.

We all like to be beside the seaside, but where are the best places to go? Below are 5 of our most popular resorts, all different with their "personalities", but the same when it comes to quality, location and value. All the selected hotels are right on the seafront, near to all the local attractions and offered to you at a competitive price. Whilst we understand clients will want to spend time in resort, we have included a featured day out with either a boat cruise or a steam railway journey. Additional nights can be added if required.



3 EASTBOURNE & Bluebell Railway

5 days from **£219** pp

Price Includes

- ◆ Welcoming tea/coffee & biscuits on check in
- ◆ 4 nights DBB
- ◆ Single Bluebell Steam Railway
- ◆ 2 nts entertainment
- ◆ Free use of leisure facilities
- ◆ Porterage

This grand Victorian resort has 5 miles of beaches, a palm tree lined promenade, a pier & exquisite gardens all near the hotel. Recommended itinerary **Full Day:** Beachy Head & 7 Sisters. 14th century Alfriston village **Full Day:** Brighton & famous Bluebell Steam Railway

EASTBOURNE York House Hotel
3* commended Reviews 88%

Brilliant seafront location, 400m from the pier. Many rooms have sea views and all public areas face the beachfront. A popular choice for groups as everything is close by.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts
2020: 5/10
2021: 5/4, 25/10 **£219pp**
2021: 9/5, 20/6, 4/7, 15/8 **£229pp**
Extra night **£54pp** DBB
Single Supplement **£60**

- Free on site coach parking
- Lift in hotel, or ground floor rooms
- Disabled assisted rooms available on request
- Entertainment provided on certain nights at no extra cost

1 ISLE OF WIGHT & The Beautiful South

NEW
5 days from **£264** pp

Price Includes

- ◆ Tea/coffee on check in
- ◆ 4 nights DBB
- ◆ Return Isle of Wight ferry
- ◆ Entry Osbourne House

Based in luxury waterfront hotel surrounded by maritime history, this fascinating tour includes Isle of Wight together with coastal drive along the South Coast.

Full Day: Isle of Wight & Osbourne House
Full Day: Bognor Regis & Brighton
Full Day: Free day Portsmouth

PORTSMOUTH Langstone Quays Resort
4* Commended Reviews 91%

Luxury waterfront location on Hayling Island, with views over harbour towards Portsmouth, 9 miles away. Top class in all departments.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts
£264pp
2021:
19/4, 10/5, 7/6, 20/9
Single supplement **£80**
Extra night **£55pp** DBB

2 BLACKPOOL The Lakes & Dales

ALSO FOR SINGLES
5 days from **£166** pp

Price Includes

- ◆ Welcome hot drink on check in
- ◆ 4nts DBB
- ◆ 4nts entertainment
- ◆ 1 drinks voucher per day (house brands)
- ◆ 30 min. cruise Lake Windermere

Blackpool with all its sights and shows is only a part of this excellently priced holiday exploring N.W. England from Lake District to Yorkshire Dales.

Tuesday: Free Day in Blackpool.
Wednesday: Skipton Farmers Market and Yorkshire Dales Orbital.
Thursday: Lake District incl a cruise on Lake Windermere.

Allocation:
20 twin/double & 6 singles
Or,
30s, 7twin/doubles

BLACKPOOL Carousel Hotel
3* commended Reviews 87%

This highly rated and well priced group friendly hotel is on the quieter side of town towards St Annes, with a seafront location, and only a few minutes walk from the Golden Mile.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts **£166pp**
2020: 2/11* 2020: 17/5, 14/6, 5/7, 13/9*, 27/9*, 11/10*, 1/11*
(*Blackpool Illuminations. Festive themed in Nov.)
Extra night **£38 pp** DBB.
Single Sup. **£nil**

4 SCARBOROUGH & The Yorkshire Coaster

5 days from **£195** pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 4 nights DBB
- ◆ Single Yorkshire Moors Steam Railway
- ◆ Min 2 nights entertainment
- ◆ Free on site parking
- ◆ Porterage

Scarborough is without doubt one of the most popular English seaside resorts, with it's harbour, 2 beaches, dominating castle and it's cliff top walks and gardens.

Full Day: Whitby, Heartbeat Country & steam train
Full Day: Bridlington, Filey and Flamborough Head

SCARBOROUGH Esplanade Hotel
3* Commended

Probably the best located hotel in Scarborough perched on South Cliff overlooking the beach, south bay, castle and harbour. The hotel is within a 5 minute walk of the beach and town. Refurbed 2019.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts
2020: 26/10 **£195**
2021: 29/3, 18/10, 1/11 **£195**
24/5 **£249**, 28/6 **£255**, 13/9 **£235**
Single Sup. **£40 pp** (max 6)
Extra night from **£45pp** DBB

5 BOURNEMOUTH & The Jurassic Coast

5 days from **£184** pp

Price Includes

- ◆ Tea & biscuits on check in
- ◆ 4 nights DBB
- ◆ 2 nights entertainment
- ◆ Jurassic coastal cruise from Poole
- ◆ Free use of leisure
- ◆ Porterage

With its vast sandy beaches, Bournemouth is regarded as one of England's finest seaside resorts. Selected is a 4* hotel with sea views over the beach and bay. On this 5 day break as well as spending time exploring the resort, a fascinating cruise is included along Dorset's Jurassic coastline landing in Swanage, returning via Corfe Castle & Wareham.

BOURNEMOUTH Hallmark Carlton Hotel
4* commended Reviews 77%

Regarded as one of the towns better hotels for groups. The Carlton is set high on the East cliff with sweeping views across the bay, and only a short walk to both the town centre and beach. 76 bedrooms, mostly with views.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts
2020: 12/10 **£184pp**
2021: 24/5, 19/7 **£204pp**
4/10 **£199pp**
Extra night **£47pp** DBB
Single Supplement **£60**

Drinks Included

Classic's drinks included breaks are receiving "glowing" reports. Each package includes entertainment and a tempting itinerary, with 4 new offerings - to Perthshire, Speyside, North Wales & The Highlands. Here's hoping you find them all as "refreshing" as we do.

- 6** 5 days in Dornoch - only £164pp (Page 38)
- 7** 5 days in Borders - only £165pp (Page 24)



3
NEW

Highland "Warm Glow"

5 days
from
£159
pp



Whisky Distillery included

Price Includes

- ♦ Hot drink & shortbread on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Whisky distillery tour & tasting
- ♦ Comp. Hot refreshments each day
- ♦ 3 drinks vouchers per day (house brands)
- ♦ 2 nights ent.

Speyside in the spring and autumn is literally bursting with colours, and a magical time of year to visit this particularly scenic area of Scotland. On this new drinks included break entry is included to a whisky distillery for a tour and tasting. Other days out could include Loch Ness & Inverness and Fort William.



**GRANTOWN ON SPEY
Craiglynn Hotel**

3 Commended*
Reviews 72%

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 19/10 **£159pp**
2021: 22/3, 29/3, 4/10, 18/10
£165pp
1/11 **£159pp**
Single Supplement £60

Under new management, the hotel has re-established itself as one of the best hotels for groups in the Spey Valley. Significant investment has already taken place and more is expected before 2021 season.

1

"Stirring" Snowdonia

5 days
from
£185
pp



Snowdonia

Price Includes

- ♦ Tea/coffee & Bara Brith on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 1 Welsh Themed evening
- ♦ Entry Welsh Slate Museum
- ♦ 2 more nts entertainment
- ♦ Free bar 1900 - 2300*

Cradled between two lakes at the foot of Snowdon lies The Royal Victoria, surrounded by wonderful mountain scenery in the middle of the Welsh Highlands. One of the beauties of this particular tour is easy access, being only 15 minutes off the A55 North Wales Expressway. Included is entry into the Welsh Slate Museum. (*Free bar includes house wines, draught beers and soft drinks.)



**LLANBERIS
Royal Victoria Hotel**

3 Commended*
Reviews 83%

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 16/11
£185 pp Single Suppl. £40
2021: 8/2, 22/3, 29/3, 1/11, 22/11, 29/11
£190pp Single Suppl. £40

Quietly set in 30 acres of grounds & surrounded by breath-taking Welsh Mountain scenery. A sure favourite for groups for its friendliness of staff, good quality food and entertainment on 3 nights.

2

"Chilled" in the Trossachs

5 days
from
£169
pp



Stirling Castle

Price Includes

- ♦ Tea/coffee & shortbread on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Wine with dinner each night
- ♦ 3 drinks vouchers per night
- ♦ 3 nights entertainment
- ♦ Entry Stirling Castle

Without doubt our lowest priced drinks included break. And just because it's inexpensive, doesn't mean the quality suffers. The Rob Roy has recently been transformed and accredited a 3* rating. Included is entry into the highly acclaimed Stirling Castle. Other recommended days out - Edinburgh & Royal Yacht Britannia as well as Loch Lomond and Inveraray.



**ABERFOYLE
Rob Roy Hotel**

3 Approved*
Reviews 89%

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 23/11
£161pp (Xmas Themed)
2021: 8/3, 22/3 **£169pp**
5/4, 12/4, 19/4, 18/10, 25/10
£184pp
15/11 **£169pp (Xmas Themed)**
Single Supplement £nil

Located on the edge of Aberfoyle in the heart of the Trossachs. The Rob Roy is highly reviewed in all departments from its food, service & cleanliness to its refurbished rooms and public areas.

4
NEW

Perthshire's Drams & Flings

5 days
from
£179
pp



Loch Tummel

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome dram on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Guided tour & whisky tasting
- ♦ 3 drinks vouchers per night
- ♦ Glass of wine with dinner each night
- ♦ Scottish themed evening with music
- ♦ Cabaret show + 1 other nts ent

An entertaining break in the "Big County", with the emphasis on all things Scottish. Exciting days out to see lochs & mountains, a guided tour and tasting at a Perthshire whisky distillery, washed down with fabulous fayre & refreshment whilst enjoying nightly musical entertainment varying from ceilidh to cabaret.



**BLAIRGOWRIE
Angus Hotel**

3 Commended*
Reviews 70%

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 1/11
2021: 21/3, 28/3, 4/4, 31/10, 7/11
£179pp
Single Supplement £40

Well renowned Perthshire hotel specialising in the group market. Hotel public areas refurbished 2019/20. Central location with leisure facilities.

5
NEW

A Welsh "Tipple"

5 days
from
£169
pp



Llandudno

Price Includes

- ♦ Hot drink & Barra Brith on arrival
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 3 drinks vouchers per day
- ♦ 1 Welsh night with male voice choir or brass band
- ♦ 2 other nights musical ent
- ♦ Entry Welsh Slate Museum

NO single supplement

We are introducing this exclusive new package to Wales because it is such good value. Staying in a popular 3 star hotel, with entertainment on 3 nights, including an evening listening to a Welsh male voice choir or Brass Band, whilst enjoying free drinks. A great way to take away the winter blues.



**MOLD
Beaufort Park Hotel**

3 Commended*
Reviews 81%

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2021: 8/2, 22/2, 8/3, 15/3, 22/3
£169pp
Single suppl. £nil (max 5)

Peacefully positioned on the Welsh Border, an ideal base to explore North Wales, Snowdonia and Cheshire. Very much geared for groups with plenty entertainment included. 106 bedrooms.

City Breaks & Christmas Markets

There are some fascinating cities to explore in the UK with Classic's collection of beautiful 4* city centre hotels. Below is a selection of 5 of our top city break destinations, all offered at great prices. Included in each city break is an attraction which can be removed if not required. Prices are for 2 nights, but can be extended to three nights or reduced to one night.



1 EDINBURGH & The Royal Yacht

3 days from £144 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 2nts BB
- ◆ Entry Royal Yacht Britannia

Edinburgh is one of the most enthralling cities in the world. Discover a city jam packed with its rich history from the narrow "wynds" to Georgian elegance. There is world class shopping on famous Prince Street, The Royal Mile, many museums which are all free & Edinburgh's majestic castle. Entrance to the Royal Yacht Britannia is included. **We have a selection of other Edinburgh hotels should the featured hotel not be suitable.**



EDINBURGH Leonardo Royal, Haymarket
4* Commended Reviews 93%



Centrally located in popular Haymarket district of the city, the hotel is a lavish modern hotel in a prime spot for visiting the numerous sites and events in the capital.

Arrivals x 2nights: £144pp
2021: 7/3, 18/4, 9/5, 24/10, 12/12
Single Supplement £72pp
Dinner Supplement £16pp



2 CHESTER & River Dee Cruise

3 days from £119 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 2 nights DBB
- ◆ ½ hour River Dee Cruise

With its city walls, largest Roman Amphitheatre in the UK, oldest racecourse, 1000 year old medieval cathedral, together with other architectural treasures, Chester is the most beautiful place to visit. Also it's a place to explore the many boutique and vintage shops of Rufus Court. To make the most of the sights a short under cover cruise is included on the River Dee.



CHESTER Hallmark Queen Hotel
4* Approved Reviews 88%



This city centre hotel oozes character, dating back over 100 years. The hotel is a short walk from Rufus Court shopping, The Roman Walls & historical sites.

2021:
4/4, 7/6, 5/7, 9/8, 6/9, 22/11
£119pp
22/11 **Chester Christmas Market** £119pp
Single Supplement £40
Extra night - £55 pp DBB



3 LIVERPOOL & Mersey Cruise

3 days from £109 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 2 nights DBB
- ◆ Cruise on the Mersey

Magical Liverpool. It is regarded as one of the UK's most exciting city break destinations. It has the largest collection of museums (all free) outside the Capital as well as an unrivalled musical heritage. There is so much to see – UNESCO Royal Albert Docks, 2 cathedrals, Tate Art Gallery & Beatles Story. Best sights of the city are seen from the river so included is a 50 minute cruise on the Mersey with live commentary.



LIVERPOOL Atlantic Tower Hotel
4* commended



With views of the river, this incredible 12 storey hotel, contributes to the city's stunning skyline as well as having an enviable location opposite the famous Liver Building and next to some of Liverpool's best attractions.

Arrive Monday x 2nts: £109pp
2021: 18/3 21/6 10/10
Single supplement £40pp
Add on a night £50pp DBB



4 MANCHESTER & canal cruise

3 days from £109 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 2 nights DBB
- ◆ Cruise on the ship canal

Diverse, exciting and bursting with character, Manchester is becoming one of the most exciting places to visit in the UK right now. Known throughout the world as the birthplace of the industrial revolution, the city has a proud history in science, politics, music, arts and science. A 60 minute canal cruise has been included with live commentary on the history of the ship canal and the sights along the way.

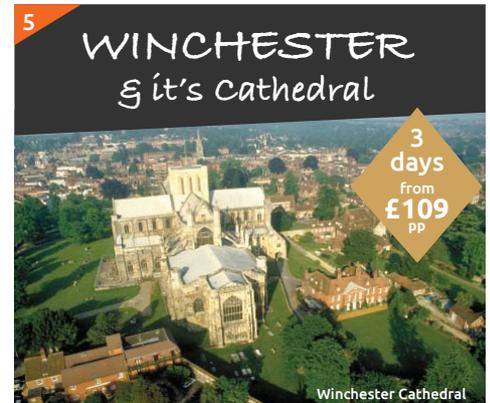


MANCHESTER Mercure Manchester Piccadilly
4* Commended Reviews 82%



One of the most central hotels Manchester has to offer, it offers comfortable accommodation and stunning panoramic city views from the restaurant.

Arrive Sunday x 2nts: £109pp
2021: 4/4 2/5 30/5 1/8 8/8
Single supplement £60pp
Add on a night £51pp DBB



5 WINCHESTER & it's cathedral

3 days from £109 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 2 nights DBB
- ◆ Entrance to Winchester Cathedral

The ancient capital of England, Winchester is a beautiful Cathedral city on the edge of the rolling South Downs. The Birthplace of cricket and the resting place of famous author Jane Austen. The bustling cobbled streets are full of colour and character. Included is a guided tour of the cathedral which is only a short walk from the hotel.



WINCHESTER Mercure Winchester Wessex Hotel
4* Commended Reviews 89%

Ideally located at the heart of the city, you can enjoy captivating views of the city's famous Cathedral. An elegant hotel close to an array of independent shops and restaurants.

Arrive Monday x 2nts: £109pp
2021: 25/4 20/6 10/10
Single supplement £40pp
Add on a night £50pp DBB

Singles Galore

Why not consider one of Classic's solo holidays to feature in your brochure and take the strain away from the increasing demand for single rooms. In addition, they are a good way to help fill your coaches during the quieter months. All our Singles Holidays have a welcome drinks reception included as well as a full itinerary.

More 5 day Singles Breaks

- 6** Blackpool & The Lakes £166pp (Page 4)
- 7** Stirling & The Trossachs £199pp (Page 25)
- 8** Suffolk's Great Halls £179pp (Page 42)



1 Eastbourne & Bluebell Railway

5 days
£219 PP

Price Includes

- ◆ Tea/coffee & biscuits on check in
- ◆ Welcome Drinks Reception
- ◆ 4 nts DBB
- ◆ Single Journey Bluebell Steam
- ◆ 2 nts entertainment
- ◆ Free use of leisure facilities

Allocation 40singles, 4twins/doubles

Eastbourne is a lively resort to visit at all times of year. Hotel is on the seafront and near the Promenade. Included is a journey on the Bluebell Steam Railway.
Monday: Beachy Head & Alfriston
Tuesday: Free Day
Wednesday: Brighton & Bluebell Railway



EASTBOURNE York House
3* Commended
Reviews 88%



Cracking location 400m from the pier. Many rooms have sea views and is a popular destination for groups with everything close by. Free use of leisure.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2021:
05/04, 25/10
£219pp
Single Sup. £72pp

2 Cotswolds & Shropshire Treasures

5 days
£144 PP

Price Includes

- ◆ Tea & Biscuits on check in
- ◆ 4 nights DBB
- ◆ Welcome Bucks Fizz reception
- ◆ 2 nts entertainment
- ◆ Single Severn Valley steam

Allocation 40singles, 4twins/doubles

Come & explore the Heart of England on this wonderful break by rail, road and boat visiting Cotswolds countryside and historic Shropshire.
Full Day: Stratford-upon-Avon, Cotswolds villages & Vale of Evesham
Full Day: Historical "Two Town" Bridgnorth & Severn Valley Railway. Ludlow & Welsh Borders
Full Day: Shropshire & Tudor timber framed Shrewsbury.



WALSALL WOOD Mercure Barons Court
3*



Located in 14 miles north of Birmingham. The hotel dates back to 1901 retaining a charm & character. 94 modern bedrooms.

Arrive Sundays x 3nts:
2021:
18/4, 23/5, 1/8, 22/8
£144pp
Single Sup. £45pp

3 North Wales & Chester

5 days
£195 PP

Price Includes

- ◆ Welcome tea & Bara Brith on check in
- ◆ Drinks reception on 1st night
- ◆ Single Ffestiniog Steam Railway
- ◆ 1 night Welsh Male Voice Choir
- ◆ 1 other night entertainment

Allocation 40singles, 4twins/doubles

Sit back, relax and admire the rugged mountains and the sweeping coastline of North Wales, whilst stopping off to explore some delightful towns. Entertainment is provided including an evening with a male voice choir.
Full Day: North Wales Coastline, Llandudno & Penrhyn Castle
Full Day: Welsh Highlands & Ffestiniog Steam Railway
Full Day: Walled city of Chester



MOLD Beaufort Park Hotel
3* Commended
Reviews 81%



Under new management, the hotel has re-established itself as one of the best hotels for groups in the Spey Valley. Significant investment has already taken place and more is expected before 2021 season.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 19/10
2021: 8/3, 29/3, 11/10, 25/10
£195pp
Single Supplement £Nil

4 Mid Wales & Brecon Beacons

5 days
from £169 PP

Price Includes

- ◆ Welcome hot drink on check in
- ◆ Bucks Fizz drinks
- ◆ 4 nights DBB
- ◆ 2 nights ent
- ◆ Steam Train Devils Bridge - Aberystwyth
- ◆ Whisky Tour & 2 tastings

Allocation 40 singles, 4 Twin/doubles

Based in the very heart of Wales in pretty Llandrindod Wells. Days out include the Brecon Beacons and the Devils Bridge with a steam train ride.
Full Day: Welsh Mountain drive, Steam train ride & Aberystwyth
Full Day: Brecon Beacons & Welsh Whisky tour & tasting
Half Day: Elan Valley Visitor Centre & local tour
(More information on Page xx)



LLANDRINDOD WELLS Glen Usk Hotel
3*



Very much a group friendly hotel, located in the centre of this spa town. Hotel overlooks Temple Gardens. (See Page xx).

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 26/10 £169pp
2021: 19/4, 11/10 £175pp
3/5, 10/5 £179pp
27/9 £195pp

5 Yorkshire Coaster

5 days
£224 PP

Price Includes

- ◆ Hot refreshment on check in
- ◆ 4 nts DBB
- ◆ Guided tour RAF Coningsby - Battle of Britain Memorial Flight
- ◆ Free on-site coach park

Allocation 35 singles, 5 twins/doubles. All rooms are twin/double for sole use.

Popular & well priced break staying in a 4* hotel near the Humber Bridge.
Full Day: Historic York & surrounding area.
Full Day: Yorkshire's golden coastline visiting Scarborough, Filey & Bridlington.
Full Day: Lincolnshire with guided tour of RAF Coningsby. Afterwards, Woodhall Spa & Dambusters Memorial.



HULL Hallmark Hotel
4* Approved
Reviews 84%



Bright and airy 95 bedroom hotel, 2 miles from Hull. Situated in an elevated position with views of the bridge and Humber estuary.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 19/10
2021: 6/5, 17/6, 29/7, 23/9
£224pp



Great reviews about the food



Town or city centre location



Fine views from hotel



Free use of Leisure facilities

Themed Breaks

Add an extra dimension to your Tour Programme with some unique themed ideas. Bletchley Park and the air shows remain a firm favourite along with two of England's top RHS flower shows. New for 2021 is a Scottish fling held over Burns weekend packed full of entertainment and there's a Murder in Downton - an exclusive weekend in the Lake District, where the glamour of Highclere is in tatters as a body is found in the grounds.



1 Bletchley Park & Duxford Airshows



3 days
£159 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 2 nights DBB
- ◆ Entry into Bletchley Park
- ◆ **Duxford Air Shows:**
VE Anniversary 22/05*
Flying Legends 10/07*
Battle of Britain 18/09*

In 1938 a small group of women moved into Bletchley under the cover story of being a shooting party. Behind the cover were members of MI6, the groups job was to set up and run intelligence from Bletchley. Discover the story of their codebreaking talents with a visit to the 19th century house. Entry included into one of Duxford's exciting air shows (*Subject to Dates & Availability).



CAMBRIDGE Hallmark Hotel

4* Commended
Reviews 84%



A perfect spot for a peaceful, weekend getaway in the glorious English countryside. Featuring contemporary décor and a stunning leisure club, only a short drive from Cambridge city centre.

Arrive Fridays x 2nts:
2021: 21/05, 09/07, 17/09
£159pp
Single supplement £44
Extra night £50pp DBB

2 Chatsworth Flower Show



3 days
from **£114 pp**

Price Includes

- ◆ 2 nights DBB
- ◆ Entry Chatsworth Flower Show
- ◆ Free coach parking

(Subject to date confirmation)

Set in the spectacular grounds of Chatsworth House, this showground covers 43 acres and features over 350 exhibitors from across the UK. With display gardens from top designers and blooms from across the globe plus unique shopping, delicious food and live music this is truly a day to remember.*



ROTHERHAM Carlton Park Hotel

3* Commended
Reviews 73%



Quietly situated in heart of South Yorkshire & only 22 miles from Chatsworth. This cosy 80 bedroom hotel has easy access from M1 & M18. (3* Hollin House, Macclesfield is 27 miles from Chatsworth).

Arrive 2nts:
2021:
10/6, £114pp (Carlton Park)
9/6, 11/6 £134pp (Hollin House)
Single supplement £44

3 Murder at Downton

NEW



3 days
£99 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 2 nights DBB
- ◆ Downton Abbey themed murder mystery
- ◆ Free coach parking

Add a Windermere Cruise £10pp

A Downton Abbey themed murder mystery break based in the gardens of Highclere Castle goes wrong with blood curdling screams and a body found face down in the fountain. Dress code of black tie and sparkle is preferred. Recommend a day touring the Lakes, visiting Kendal, Ambleside and Lake Windermere.

4 Tatton Flower Show

NEW



3 days
£134 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ Ice cream on check in
- ◆ 2 nts DBB
- ◆ Summer themed menu
- ◆ Entrance to Tatton Park Flower Show
- ◆ Free use of leisure

Set in the famous Historic estate with Tudor Hall, Tatton flower show has something for everyone. A fabulous day out bursting with colourful gardening inspiration, have a go workshops and boutique shopping. Enjoy a summer themed menu and refreshing ice cream on arrival at your Georgian Mansion themed hotel.



HAYDOCK Mercure Haydock Hotel

4* Commended Reviews 92%



Within easy access of the M6 the Mercure Haydock is a hidden gem. Its luxurious décor and Fantastic service make the hotel an ideal option for groups.

Arrive Thursday or Saturday x 2nts:
2021:
22/07 24/07
£134pp
Tw/Dbble for sole use £40

5 Burns Delight

NEW



4 days
£155 pp

Price Includes

- ◆ 3 nts DBB
- ◆ Burns extravaganza evening
- ◆ Annandale Distillery Tour & Tasting
- ◆ 1nt musical entertainment

2 Night stays also available

Light hearted celebration of Burns break packed full of Scottish entertainment. Included is a visit & tasting at a whisky distillery, tour the Solway Coast and visit the famous Gretna Green. The spectacle of tour will be a Burns dinner with piper and Scottish dancer.
Full Day: Dumfries & Solway Coast
Full Day: Annandale Whisky Distillery and Gretna Green



PENRITH Shap Wells Hotel

3* Commended
Reviews 79%



Easy access from J39 M6. Located on the edge of the Lakes in own grounds with all rooms having views. 98 bedrooms, many upgraded 2017/18.

Available Friday x 2nts:
2021: 19/03
£99pp
Single Suppl. £44 per night



DUMFRIES Cairndale Hotel and Leisure Club

3* Commended Reviews 84%



Bright and airy 95 bedroom hotel, 2 miles from Hull. Situated in an elevated position with views of the bridge and Humber estuary.

Arrive Friday's x 3nts:
2021:
22/01
£155pp
Single Supplement £60

- Free on site coach parking
- Lift in hotel, or ground floor rooms
- Disabled assisted rooms available on request
- Entertainment provided on certain nights at no extra cost

Houseparties & Festive Themes

Here is a selection of some of our winter programmes, from pre-Christmas Houseparties to the Lakes, Shropshire & Highlands, to a fabulous and exclusive "All Inclusive" Christmas or New Year Break to East Anglia, as well as a new exciting visit to Yorkshire with drinks included. Classic regularly receives other out of season packages, so if you are looking for something else, let us know and we'll send you more ideas.



1 Christmas & New Year

FREE BAR INCLUDED

23/12 x 4nts
£299 PP

30/12 x 3nts
£250 PP

A full programme of events take place in the 4* Ipswich Hotel with free bar (*draft beers, wines & soft drinks throughout stay*), entertainment every night & free tea/coffee each day. Available both 2020 and 2021.

PRICES HELD

Christmas	New Year
23/12 x 4nts £299pp Single Suppl. <i>ENil</i>	30/12 x 3nts £250pp Single Suppl. <i>ENil</i>
Price Includes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 nts DBB Welcome reception Christmas Day Lunch 4 nts entertainment Boxing Day Gala Ball Cooking Demo on 26th Free bar every night 	Price Includes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3nts DBB Free tea/coffee each day Free bar every night 3 nts entertainment New Years Eve Ball Cooking Demo on 1st



IPSWICH BW Ipswich Hotel

4* Approved
Reviews 89%



Highly rated hotel with 83 modern & well furnished rooms, peacefully located in own grounds, on outskirts of town.

2 Shropshire & Welsh Borders

Mon x 4nts
from **£154** PP

Fri x 3nts
£124 PP

Price Includes

- Tea/coffee & biscuits on check in
- 4 nights DBB
- 1 x musical night
- 1 x other night entertainment
- Guided Tour RAF Cosford

A choice of 5 day midweek or 4 day weekend breaks, based in a 1st class hotel in a peaceful woodland setting. Fascinating programme included:
Full Day: Medieval Towns of Ludlow & Kidderminster & Welsh Borders
Full Day: Shrewsbury and Ironbridge Gorge
Half Day: Guided Tour of RAF Cosford – 70 aircraft in 3 wartime hangers.



Nr TELFORD Buckatree Hall Hotel

3* 1st Class.
Reviews 87%



Quietly tucked away in a secluded spot at the foot of the "Wrekin". With its English dreamy like elegance, the Buckatree is a firm favourite for our groups. All rooms have views. Telford – 4 miles.

Mondays x 4nts:
2020: 2/11 **£154pp**
2021: 5/4, 26/4, 4/10, 11/10, 18/10 **£164pp**
Friday x 3nts:
2020: 9/11
2021: 26/3, 22/10 **£124pp**
Single Supplement *ENil*

3 Yorkshire Dales Party

NEW

4 days
£139 PP

Price Includes

- 3 nts DBB, one being Yorkshire themed with Ale
- Glass of wine on 2nts
- 1 musical night
- 1 other night entertainment
- Single Embsay Steam Railway
- Free use of leisure

Based in a delightful 4* hotel with easy access to both the Dales and Peaks as well as Leeds, Harrogate & Manchester. Suggested days out:

Full day: Yorkshire Dales with train ride included
Full day: Peak District & Chatsworth House
Half day: Last of the Summer Wine country



HUDDERSFIELD Cedar Court Hotel

4* Approved
Reviews 81%



In an elevated location with views across Yorkshire countryside. Easy access from M62, 2 miles from Town centre. Recent refurb to bedrooms and public areas. 113 bedrooms.

Arrive Fridays x 3nts:
All dates **£139pp**
2020: 16/10
2021: 26/3, 16/4, 22/10, 29/10
Single Supplement **£60**

4 Lakeland Houseparty

5 days
£169 PP

Price Includes

- Welcome hot drink on check in
- 4 nights DBB
- Min. 2 nights entertainment
- Single steam rail Haverthwaite – Lakeside
- Wensleydale Cheese Experience

Nearby is the Lake District and 2 days can be spent exploring both the Northern and Southern Lakeland areas with a steam train included. To the east lies the Yorkshire Dales, with a tour to Swaledale, with entry to Wensleydale Cheese.



PENRITH Shap Wells Hotel

3* commended
Reviews 77%



A brilliant hotel for groups, with easy access from M6. Hotel is set in open countryside, with all rooms having open views. Located on edge of the Lakes & Dales makes it an ideal spot for this package.

Arrive Mondays x 4nts:
All dates **£169pp**
2020: 09/11
2021: 29/3, 5/4, 12/4, 19/4, 4/10, 25/10, 1/11
Single Supplement **£80**

5 Highland Houseparties

5 days
from **£219** PP

Price Includes

- Tea/coffee & shortbread on check in
- 4 nights DBB (1 x Highland night)
- 2 nights entertainment
- 4 nts emmnt on Festive Themed dates
- Single Rail Journey Ft. William – Mallaig.

Based in probably one of the most picturesque areas in the UK, right on the lochside surrounded by dramatic Highland mountain landscapes, our Highland Houseparties were discovered in Glencoe in the 80's and are as popular as ever. Also, it's an amazing time of year to take in the winter scenery.
2 x Full Days: 1 - Oban. 2 - Loch Ness & Inverness
Full Day: West Highland Line F.Wm - Mallaig



GLENCOE Isles of Glencoe Hotel

3* 1st Class
Reviews 89%



Totally refurbished hotel, nestling on a peninsula surrounded by Loch Leven, with towering mountains of Glencoe in clear view. All bedrooms have either loch or mountain views.

Arrivals x 4nts:
2020:
8/11 **£219pp**
2021:
22/3, 29/3, 1/11, 8/11, 15/11
£235pp
Single supplement **£60**
November dates Festive Themed



Great reviews about the food



Town or city centre location



Fine views from hotel



Free use of Leisure facilities

Scottish Hotels

31 hotels in Western Highlands

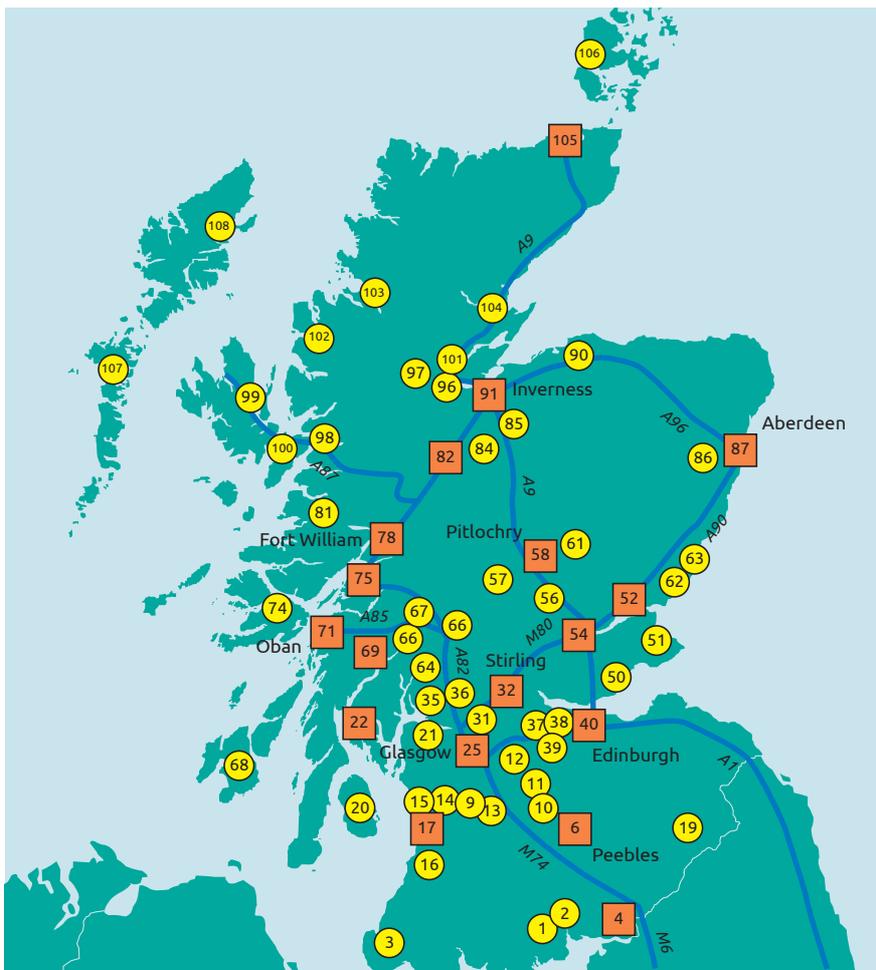


Kyle Line to Skye

◆ Mystery Tours ◆ Bespoke Touring Holidays
◆ Overnights ◆ Centred Stays

2021 marks a landmark for Classic having been promoting Scotland to the Groups Market for 25 years. With our growing portfolio of hotels we are in the strongest position to offer you the right hotels in the right locations. Our focus and passion has always and will continue to be in Scotland. There is no other organisation which offers the depth of knowledge that our team at Classic has. We know all the places to go, sights to see and hotels to book, and as we inspect our hotels we know each one inside and out. As well as the packages within this brochure, we have a multi lingual team who will be happy to advise and put together "Tailor Made" programmes for you. If you are requiring hotels in Scotland, whether it be for 1 night or for a longer period, then Classic is the most informed Company to contact.

- 1 Dumfries Cairndale ***
commended
- 2 Dumfries Hetland Hall ***
1st-class
- 3 Stranraer North West Castle ***
commended
- 4 Gretna Gables ***
commended
- 4 Gretna Gretna Hall ***
commended
- 6 Peebles Barony Castle ***
1st-class
- 6 Peebles Cardrona ***
approved
- 6 Peebles Peebles Hydro ***
approved
- 9 Eaglesham Eglinton Arms ***
commended
- 10 Symington Tinto House ***
commended
- 11 Lanark New Lanark ***
commended
- 12 Larkhall Radstone ***
commended
- 13 East Kilbride Bruce ***
commended
- 14 Kilmarnock Park ***
approved
- 15 Irvine Riverside Lodge ***
commended
- 16 Prestwick Carlton ***
commended



- 17 Troon South Beach ***
commended
- 17 Troon Marine ***
approved
- 19 Melrose Dryburgh Abbey ***
1st-class
- 20 Arran Kinloch ***
1st-class
- 21 Langbank Gleddoch House ***
commended
- 22 Dunoon Argyll ***
commended
- 22 Dunoon Esplanade ***
approved
- 22 Dunoon Glenmorag ***
commended
- 25 Glasgow Garfield ***
1st-class
- 25 Glasgow Glynhill ***
approved
- 25 Glasgow Hallmark ***
commended
- 25 Glasgow Alexander Thomson ***
approved
- 25 Glasgow Erskine Bridge ***
commended
- 25 Glasgow Go Glasgow Urban ***
commended
- 31 Cumbernauld Westerwood ***
commended
- 32 Stirling King Robert ***
approved
- 32 Stirling Highland ***
commended
- 32 Stirling Stirling Court ***
approved
- 35 Drymen Winnock ***
commended
- 36 Aberfoyle Rob Roy ***
approved
- 37 Falkirk Airth Castle ***
commended
- 38 Grangemouth Leapark ***
commended
- 39 Bo'ness Richmond Park ***
commended
- 40 Edinburgh Bonham ***
approved
- 40 Edinburgh Kings Manor ***
1st-class

◆ Mystery Tours ◆ Private Groups
Hotel details and reviews:

- 40 **Edinburgh Cairn** *** approved
- 40 **Edinburgh Braid Hills** *** 1st-class
- 40 **Edinburgh Leonardo** *** commended
- 40 **Edinburgh 10 Hill Place** **** commended
- 40 **Edinburgh Grosvenor** *** commended
- 40 **Edinburgh Brooks** *** commended
- 40 **Edinburgh Melville Castle** **** approved
- 40 **Edinburgh Dalmahoy** **** commended
- 50 **Dunfermline Pitbauchlie** *** commended
- 51 **St Andrews Fairmont** **** commended
- 52 **Dundee Malmaison** *** 1st-class



Blair Atholl Castle, Perthshire

- 52 **Dundee Invercarse** *** commended
- 54 **Perth Mercure** *** commended

- 66 **Crianlarich Crianlarich** *** commended
- 67 **Tyndrum Ben Doran** *** approved

- 75 **Onich Onich** *** commended
- 78 **Fort William West End** *** approved
- 78 **Fort William Caledonian** *** commended
- 78 **Fort William Imperial** *** commended
- 78 **Fort William Moorings** **** commended
- 82 **Newtonmore Balavil** *** approved
- 82 **Newtonmore Highlander** *** approved

- 87 **Aberdeen Caledonian** **** commended
- 87 **Aberdeen Altens** **** approved
- 90 **Nairn Newton** **** approved
- 91 **Inverness Palace** **** approved

- 99 **Isle of Skye Dunollie** *** approved
- 100 **Isle of Skye Kings Arms** *** approved
- 101 **Strathpeffer Mackays** **** approved
- 102 **Gairloch Gairloch** *** commended



26 Edinburgh hotels

- 54 **Perth Lovat** *** commended
- 56 **Dunkeld Dunkeld House** **** commended
- 57 **Crieff Crieff Hydro** **** commended
- 58 **Pitlochry Fishers** *** commended
- 58 **Pitlochry Atholl Palace** **** approved
- 58 **Pitlochry Scotlands** *** commended
- 61 **Blairgowrie Angus** *** commended
- 62 **Carnoustie Carnoustie** **** commended
- 63 **Montrose Park** *** commended
- 64 **Arrochar Loch Long** *** commended

- 64 **Arrochar Arrochar** *** approved
- 68 **Islay Machrie** **** commended
- 69 **Inveraray Inveraray Inn** *** 1st-class
- 69 **Inveraray Loch Fyne** **** approved
- 71 **Oban Columba** *** commended
- 71 **Oban Oban Bay** *** commended
- 71 **Oban Alexandra** *** commended
- 74 **Isle of Mull Isle of Mull** *** commended
- 75 **Ballachulish Ballachulish** *** 1st-class
- 75 **Glencoe Isles of Glencoe** **** approved

10 Hotels in Speyside



- 84 **Kingussie Duke of Gordon** *** commended
- 85 **Granttown Craiglyne** *** commended
- 86 **Inverurie Ardoe House** **** commended
- 87 **Aberdeen Hilton Treetops** **** commended



28 Glasgow area hotels

- 91 **Inverness Craigmorie** *** approved
- 91 **Inverness Columba** *** commended
- 91 **Inverness Kingsmills** *** 1st-class
- 91 **Inverness Royal Highland** *** commended
- 96 **Beauly Priory** *** commended
- 97 **Garve Garve** *** approved
- 98 **Balmacara (Skye) Balmacara** *** commended

- 103 **Ullapool Royal** *** commended
- 104 **Dornoch Dornoch** *** approved
- 105 **Thurso Station** *** commended
- 105 **by Thurso Castletown** *** approved
- 106 **Orkneys Kirkwall** *** commended
- 107 **South Uist Dark Island** *** approved
- 108 **Stornoway Cala Hotels** *** and ****

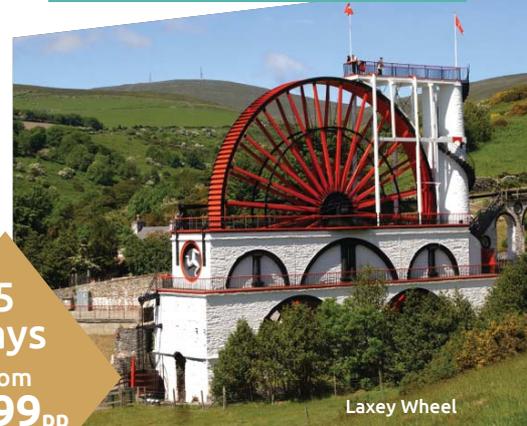
The Isle of Man TT or Tourist Trophy races are an annual motorcycle event run on the island since 1907. The package takes in many parts of the course on this exciting tour.



Douglas Bay

Highlights: ♦ Mountain Railway ♦ Steam train ♦ Cregneash
♦ Laxey Wheel ♦ Port Erin ♦ Peel

5 days
from
£299pp



Laxey Wheel

"We have worked together for many years with great success due to the new and innovative programme that Classic offer."
- UK Tour Operator

Magical Isle of Man

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Steeped in myth and legend and fiercely proud of its diverse culture, the "Kingdom of Man" has an enchanting story tell. Shrouded by mystery, we see the oldest parliament in the world, appreciate how crofters once lived at Cregneash Village, keeping our eyes peeled for cats with no tails along the countryside trails.

Day 1 Isle of Man Sailing

Board the Isle of Man ferry from Heysham for the 3 ¼ hrs sailing to Douglas.

Day 2 Laxey & Snaefell Mountain Railway

To the north lies the historic village of Laxey, home to the worlds' largest working waterwheel called "Isabella". Board the mountain railway at the "Cottage" up to Snaefell Peak, with time to take in the sweeping views of the island. On to Ramsey, the island's 2nd largest town, with time free. Returning along part of the famous TT course passing landmarks of Kates Cottage, Keppel Gate and Windy Corner. (34 miles).

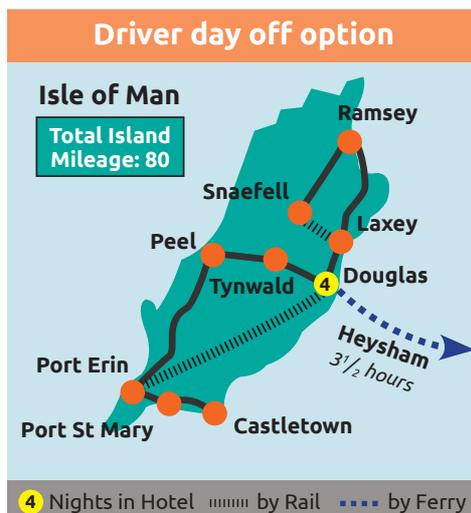
Day 3 Free Day in Douglas

Douglas is a thriving coastal resort with plenty to see and do. The hotel is centrally located to enjoy the islands capital with newly refurbished promenade and it's Victorian Pier.

Day 4 Steam train, Cregneash & Peel

Hop on the IOM steam railway, with its original locos and carriages, for a 16 mile journey meandering through rolling countryside to Port Erin, where your coach will be waiting, to take you to Cregneash, the first open air folk museum in the British Isles.

Driver day off option



A walk around reveals indigenous animal breeds and traditional farming practices. Afterwards, a scenic coastal drive visiting Port St Mary & Port Erin, before proceeding up the west coast to Peel, famous for its kippers, castle & sandy beach. Returning to Douglas along the TT circuit over Tynwald Hill and the 1000 year old Manx Parliament, which is the oldest parliament in the world. (44 miles).



Steam Railway

Price Includes

- ♦ 4nts DBB
- ♦ Return Isle of Man ferry
- ♦ Train to Snaefell Peak
- ♦ Single steam train journey
- ♦ Entry to Cregneash
- ♦ 2 nights entertainment
- ♦ Free overnight coach parking

Chesterhouse Hotel Douglas

3* Commended



Wonderful seafront location. It is one of the top 3* hotels for groups, and near to all the local amenities. All public areas overlook the bay. There are 67 bedrooms, many with views. There are 12 steps into the hotel. Some dates in Rutland Hotel.

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Isle of Arran

Highlights: ♦ Isle of Arran ♦ Brodick Castle ♦ Crinan Canal
♦ Loch Fyne ♦ Mull of Kintyre

5 days
from
£324^{pp}

Isle of Arran Time

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

20 miles long and 10 miles wide and upto 2800 feet high, Arran is quite simply a visual feast & often referred to as *"Scotland in Miniature"*. Surrounded by clear green seas, its 56 miles of coastline is dotted with sandy beaches, craggy inlets and whitewashed villages. An island where palm trees flourish, thanks to its mild climate, influenced by the Gulf Stream.

Monday Isle of Arran

Across the sea from Ardrossan to Arran. Check into the seafront Kinloch Hotel for 4 nights.

Tuesday Southern Arran

Today's tour takes in the coastal villages including Whiting Bay & Lamlash. Stopping for photos of impressive Paddy's Milestone (Ailsa Craig) at Kildonan. Time free in Brodick, the islands capital, finishing with a visit to Arran Sense of Scotland before returning over the tops to your hotel. (36 miles).

Wednesday Northern Arran, Kintyre Peninsula & Crinan Canal

Coastal drive heads north towards Lochranza via Pirnmill and Catacol with its "12 Apostles". Board the ferry to the Mull of Kintyre. The day continues along the shores of Loch Fyne, stopping for lunch at the lochside Grey Gull Hotel. Afterwards, take in the engineering marvel of the Crinan Canal, joining Loch Fyne at Ardrishaig to the open sea at Crinan some 9 miles long. There are 15 lock gates with over 2000 vessels using the canal each year & is affectionately known as "Britain's most beautiful shortcut". Ferry back to Arran. (84 miles).

Thursday Brodick Castle & Gardens

Morning free to take in the sea air & views or use the leisure facilities. Later, a leisurely drive to Brodick Castle & Gardens, which recently re-



overlooks the Firth and is packed full of treasures, period furniture, paintings & silverware. The landscaped gardens, date back to 1710, with water features, wildlife ponds, a collection of rhododendrons, Bavarian Summer House, walled garden and woodland walks towards the seashore. (22 miles).

Friday

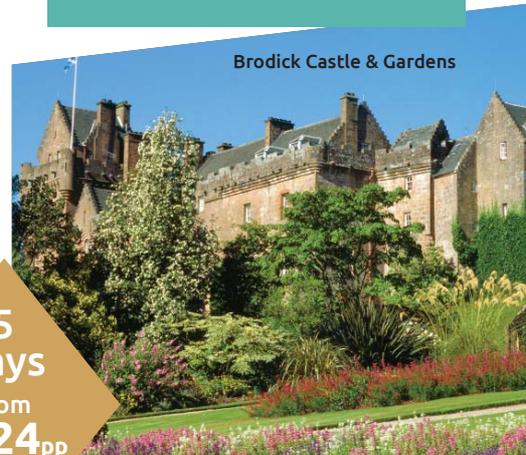
After breakfast, board the late morning ferry for your journey home.



Crinan Canal

Arran's Big Five's

Scotland's big five all reside on Arran, that's the Red Squirrel, Red Deer, Otter, Golden Eagle and Harbour Seal.



Brodick Castle & Gardens

"Products are refreshed each year enabling us to offer an ever-changing variety of tours for our customers"
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea/coffee & shortbread on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry Brodick Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Return ferry Ardrossan- Arran
- ♦ Return ferry Lochranza- Claonaig
- ♦ Light Lunch Grey Gull Hotel
- ♦ No Single Room Supplement (max 6)

Add on a night from £68 pp

Kinloch Hotel Blackwaterfoot

3* Commended Reviews 88%



This highly rated hotel is right on the seafront with open views of sea and countryside from all bedrooms. Restaurant and lounge have superb views, and the food is all freshly prepared. One of Classic's best reviewed hotels by groups. Totally refurbished in 2019.

Available May – September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Culzean Castle from the Electric Brae

Highlights: ♦ Isles of Bute & Arran ♦ Brodick Castle & Gardens
♦ Turnberry ♦ Mount Stuart

5 days
from
£254pp



Approaching Arran

Ayrshire's Island Duet

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Based in the coastal resort of Troon this well-priced holiday combines beautiful coastal drives along the Ayrshire coastline, with full days out exploring both the Isle of Arran, Scotland's 7th largest island with entry into Brodick Castle & Gardens and fashionable Isle of Bute with a visit to a Gothic mansion.

Tuesday Isle of Bute & Mount Stuart

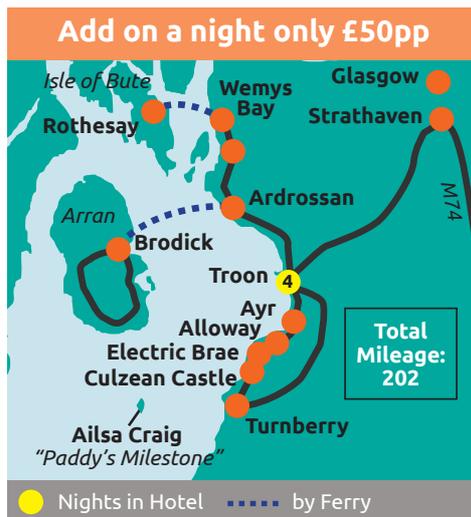
The morning drive along the Firth of Clyde takes you to Wemys Bay, where you join the ferry over to Rothesay, with time free to roam around, on what used to be, a fashionable Victorian resort, with its gardens, shoreline walks and pleasant eateries. Later, the day continues with a tour of the island, which is 15 miles long and 4 miles wide, passing Ettrick Bay with 1 mile golden sand, Scalpsie Bay – home to 200+ seals and finally entry into what is probably the most flamboyant great house in the UK. - Mount Stuart. Time to stroll the labyrinth of rooms as well as taking in the fine scenery from the well laid out & expansive gardens which cover over 300 acres.

Wednesday Ayrshire Coastal Drive

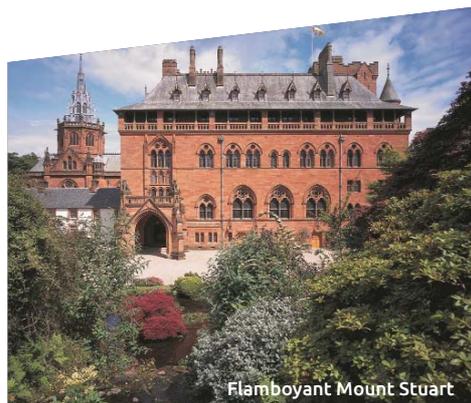
Morning free to explore Troon with its long beach and promenade walks. Afternoon tour visiting Ayr before heading to the pretty village of Alloway with time to roam the home of Scotland's most famous poet – Robbie Burns. Heading south along the coast, take in the sea views across the Firth to Arran. Experience the mysterious Electric Brae as you pass Culzean Castle. 5 miles south, stop for photos at the famous Trump Turnberry Hotel & Ailsa Craig island, before returning to Troon.

Thursday Isle of Arran & Brodick Castle

Board the morning ferry with your coach for the ¾ hour crossing to Arran known as "Scotland in



Miniature". First stop is Baronial Brodick Castle & Gardens, dating back to the 13th century. The Castle is packed full of treasures, has impressive gardens overlooking the Firth of Clyde, and has recently re-opened after a £1.5m restoration. Free time in Brodick before a scenic tour around the island taking in the sea views over to Kintyre and south towards Ailsa Craig or "Paddy's Milestone". Tonight is a farewell night with a Scottish themed dinner with entertainment.



Flamboyant Mount Stuart

The Electric Brae

To test the phenomenon of gravity behaving badly, turn off the engine in the marked lay-by on the A719, and your coach will magically roll uphill!

"The products offered by Classic Britain are second to none, which makes dealing with Classic Britain a real pleasure" - UK Tour Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcoming tea/coffee on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Scottish themed night with entertainment
- ♦ Return ferry to Arran with your coach
- ♦ Entry Brodick Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Return ferry to Bute with your coach
- ♦ Entry Mount Stuart Mansion & Gardens

South Beach Hotel Troon

3* Commended Reviews 90%



Rated as one of Classic's most group friendly hotels. Situated in the best part of town, on the foreshore and only 50 yards from the expansive sandy beach, and a short stroll from the town centre. Troon is an "up-market" destination with boutique shops, cafes, restaurants and bars. The hotel has 32 bedrooms.

Also: 4* Riverside Lodge, Irvine (see page 28)

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Mull ferry leaving Oban

Highlights: ♦ Oban ♦ Isles of Mull & Iona ♦ Neptunes Staircase
♦ Fort William ♦ Seil Island ♦ Commando Monument

5 days
from
£249pp



Easdale, Seil Island

"Our Oban tour was enjoyed by all, the peace & serenity of Iona was everywhere, the white sandy beaches, narrow lanes, romantic ruins and of course the Abbey"
- US Tour Guide

Oban & The Enchanting Isles

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Based in the bustling seaside town of Oban, each day is distinctly different. Explore the enchanting Hebridean Islands of Mull & ancient Iona. Venture across the "Bridge over the Atlantic" & on to Seil Island. Be absorbed in some of the most stunning scenery in the UK travelling along lochside roads with mountains towering above.

Tuesday Oban & Seil Island

Free time in Oban. Half day tour to Seil Island. Across the "Bridge over the Atlantic" before arriving in Easdale, a pretty fishing village with whitewashed cottages looking out over the water and the film location for "Ring of Brightwater". Also, the area was world famous for exporting slate across the world, and evidence of this can still be clearly seen today. (33 miles).

Wednesday Isles of Mull and Iona *

Board the ferry with your coach* for the 55 minute crossing to the enchanting Isle of Mull. The island excursion takes you south passing imposing Duart Castle to Fionnphort. Hop on the short ferry crossing, as foot passengers, to the sacred Isle of Iona. Wander round the island at leisure, with its white sandy beach and pathways. Iona is an island of pilgrimage and recognised as the birthplace of Christianity in the UK. Entry is included into the famous Abbey, the resting place of over 100 Scottish Kings. Arriving back in Oban around 1800hrs. (70 miles).

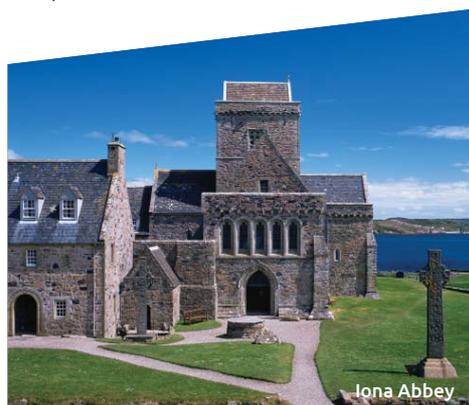
Thursday Fort William & Lovely Lochaber

Hugging the shoreline of the loch more or less all the way, you arrive in Fort William, for

Add on a night from £55pp



sightseeing. The afternoon is spent in lovely Lochaber. Nearby, is Neptunes Staircase, where you can see boats of all shapes and sizes navigating the 8 locks of the Caledonian Canal. The tour continues to Gairlochy, along the side of this well-known canal, with photo opportunities to take in the terrific views of Ben Nevis and the Great Glen at the famed Commando Monument, Spean Bridge. (116 miles).



Iona Abbey

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome refreshment on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Return Ferry Oban- Mull
- ♦ Return Ferry Mull – Iona
- ♦ Entry Iona Abbey

Columba Hotel Oban

3* Commended Reviews 82%



We believe the Columba to be the best hotel in central Oban for groups. It's harbour side location means everything is close by and 47 of its 49 rooms has either a sea or town view. Inside the hotel is in a good shape with constant improvements being made but yet retaining many of its traditional Victorian features.

Available May – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Inveraray Castle

Highlights: ♦ Isles of Gigha & Bute ♦ Three gardens
♦ Inveraray Castle ♦ Mount Stuart

5 days
from
£209pp



Rock Garden, Mount Stuart

Scottish Island Gardens

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Be it spring, summer or autumn, the Scottish Islands are a joy to explore with their colourful gardens on display throughout the seasons. Our island garden tour is designed for those who not only appreciate gardens but also for those who wish to visit the beauty of Scotland's West Coast & two of its most tranquil of islands.

Tuesday Isle of Bute & Mount Stuart

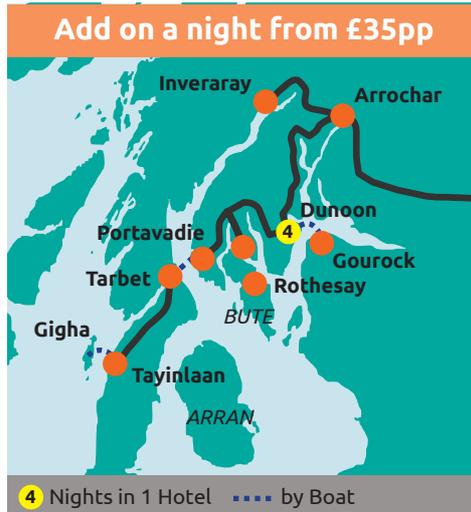
A short but beautiful drive over the Kyles of Bute to catch the short crossing from Colintonraive to the Isle of Bute. Time free in the Victorian seaside town of Rothesay, the islands capital. Afterwards, the coastal drive to Mount Stuart - a 19th-century neo-gothic mansion with extravagant interiors and over 300 acres of landscaped gardens with a wide selection of native and exotic flora. The woodland walks lead to a private beach with views across the Firth of Clyde. (60 miles).

Wednesday Loch Fyne, Inveraray & Castle

Morning free in Dunoon, perhaps visit Castle House Museum. Afternoon tour along The Holy Loch and Loch Fyne to the ancient maritime port of Inveraray. Entry into Inveraray Castle & Gardens. The castle is home to the Duke of Argyll playing an important role in the shaping of Scotland through the ages. The garden covers sixteen acres. The remainder being park and woodland extending to 180 hectares forming one of the most important designed landscapes in Scotland. (75 miles).

Thursday Mull of Kintyre & Isle of Gigha

Hop on the ferry to cross Loch Fyne at Portavadie to Tarbert. Travel south along the Mull of Kintyre coastline to catch the short ferry



4 Nights in 1 Hotel ■■■ by Boat

crossing with your coach over to the unspoilt Isle of Gigha - 7 miles long and 1 mile wide, with sandy beaches, clear green seas and an increasing population of 165. Entry Achamore Gardens - 50 acres of natural woodland, large walled garden & pond area with many rare plants. After visiting the vantage points on the islands, a soup and sandwich lunch is provided, before re-tracing our steps back to Dunoon. (96 miles).



Isle of Gigha Ferry

Isle of Gigha

Was purchased by Gigha residents in 2002 for £1m, no mean feat for a population of 165! Since then the island trust has invested over £4m back into the island community.

"Enquiries are responded to lightning fast. Standard of hotels & itineraries give you full confidence" - UK Tour Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome Tea/coffee & shortbread on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 2 nights entertainment
- ♦ All Ferry services as described
- ♦ Entry Achamore Gardens
- ♦ Entry Mount Stuart & Gardens
- ♦ Entry Inveraray Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Light lunch Isle of Gigha

Esplanade Hotel - Dunoon

3* Commended Reviews 84%



Situated on the quieter West Bay side of Dunoon, with unparalleled views down the Firth. Hotel has been refurbished in recent years & is very much geared to group needs.

Glenmorag Hotel - Dunoon

2* Commended Reviews 79%



With its idyllic elevated location overlooking the Firth of Clyde & Dunoon, the spacious Glenmorag is a popular venue for groups, with 74 well-furnished bedrooms.

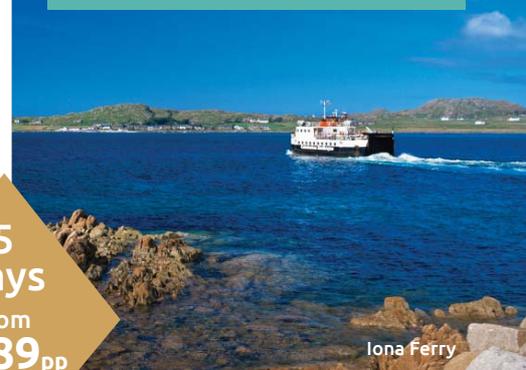
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View of Loch Shiel from steam train on Glenfinnan viaduct

Highlights: ♦ Mull ♦ Iona Abbey ♦ Eilean Donan Castle ♦ Skye
♦ Oban ♦ West Highland Railway ♦ Mountain cable car

5 days
from
£289 pp



Iona Ferry

"I have worked with Classic for over 15 years. They have always been very professional, friendly and accommodating" -
UK Coach Operator

Scotch on the Rocks

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Surrounded by over 750 of them, Scotland's Islands are one of its biggest blessings. Based in a loch side hotel this tour offers a taste of the traditions, culture and spectacular scenery of 3 of the main islands. From Mull, with 300 miles of coastline, to tiny Iona with its ancient history, then over the sea to Skye steeped in romance and fairy tale.

Tuesday Oban, Mull & Iona

Start the day with a lochside drive to Oban, Scotland's gateway to the Isles. The 40 minute crossing offers views of Eilean Musdale Lighthouse and the imposing Duart Castle as the ferry approaches the Isle of Mull. A scenic tour by the way of Glen More and the shore of Loch Scridain. Board the 4 minute ferry crossing to Iona, recognised as a pilgrimage island and the birthplace of Christianity. Iona is the resting place for over 100 Scottish Kings. Entry included into the famous Abbey before retracing our steps to Oban. (180 miles).

Wednesday Lovely Lochaber & Mountain Cable Car

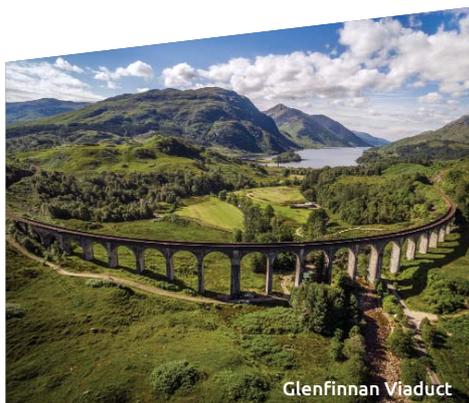
Time free in Fort William before a short tour explores the Fort William area. Watch boats navigating the 8 locks of Neptunes Staircase in Banavie and take snaps of The Commando Monument, Spean Bridge. Complete the day with a cable car ride 2200ft into the mountains adjacent to Ben Nevis for a birds-eye view of Fort William and its lochs. There is a cafe and easy graded walks available. (18 miles).

Thursday

Board the train in Fort William on one of the most scenic railway journey's in Britain meandering through glens, along loch sides and over the breath taking 21 arched Glenfinnan Viaduct. Arriving in Mallaig your coach awaits to board the ferry "Over the sea to Skye". Take in the rugged scenery of southern



Skye, including the Cuillin Mountains before stopping for lunch (included). Afterwards, continue the afternoon on Skye before heading over the bridge at Kyle, stopping at Famous Eilean Donan Castle, one of Scotland's most photographed castles. Travelling back to your hotel the road climbs steadily at Glen Shiel and some magnificent mountains come into sight. On the left the Five Sisters of Kintail and to the right South Glen Shiel Ridge. (210 miles).



Glenfinnan Viaduct

Idyllic Iona

With its stretching sandy beach and crystal clear waters Iona is best known as the birthplace of Christianity. A hotspot for religious retreats and pilgrims from afar. All culminating at the Island's famous Abbey.

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome refreshment on check in (Onich Hotel)
- ♦ 4 nts DBB
- ♦ Return Ferry Oban - Mull
- ♦ Return ferry Mull - Iona (foot passengers)
- ♦ Entry Iona Abbey
- ♦ Single rail Fort William - Mallaig
- ♦ Single ferry Mallaig - Skye
- ♦ Lunch on Isle of Skye
- ♦ Mountain Cable car ride

Onich Hotel - near Fort William



3* Commended Reviews 82%



Small 28 bedroom family run hotel located right on the shoreline of the loch, with its own beach. Most rooms have loch views. 8 miles south of Fort William.

Imperial Hotel - Fort William



3* Commended Reviews 82%



33 bedroom hotel ideally positioned in a quiet spot in the centre of Fort William with many rooms overlooking the loch. Hotel refurbished 2018.

Caledonian Hotel - Fort William



3* Commended Reviews 80%



88 Bedrooms on the shores of beautiful Loch Linnhe. Breath-taking scenery and walks in the local area. 1 mile from the centre of Fort William.

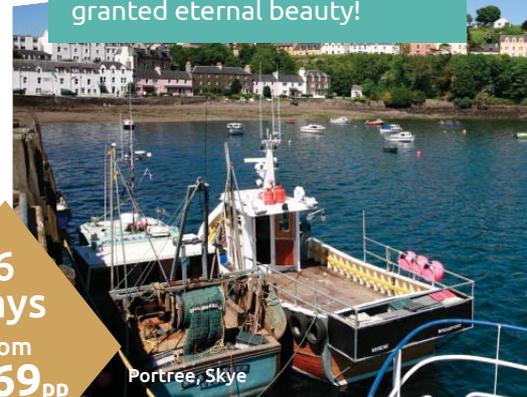
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Eilean Donan Castle

Highlights: ♦ Isles of Bute & Skye ♦ Dunoon ♦ Inveraray ♦ Oban
♦ Fort William ♦ Eilean Donan Castle ♦ Inverness

6 days
from
£369 pp



Portree, Skye

Bute to Skye on the Atlantic Coastal Drive

3 nights Isle of Bute and 2 nights Isle of Skye 1 night Perthshire

Nothing compares to the dramatic landscapes of Western Scotland. There's mountain scenery in abundance and deep sea lochs shaping the coastline with a myriad of islands, sparkling like jewels in crystal clear seas. On our new coastal journey tour, discover the charm of the Isles of Bute and Skye as well as spending time exploring historic towns and picturesque villages along the way.

Day 1 Ayrshire & ferry to Bute

Across Ayrshire to Wemys Bay catching the ferry to Rothesay for 3 nights.

Day 2 Isle of Bute coastal tour & Mount Stuart Palace

Morning free to explore the renovated Victorian town of Rothesay with its art deco Pavilion, pier & promenade. The afternoon is spent touring Bute's coastline and beaches. There's Ettrick, the most popular, St Ninians and Scalpsie with its seal colony. Entry to lavish Mount Stuart, a Victorian Gothic Palace with extensive gardens, built by the richest man in Britain at the time. (25 miles).

Day 3 Kyles of Bute & Dunoon

The short ferry crossing takes you to what is known as "Argyll's secret coastline". Here you are met with the most sublime of views towards Arran. Free time in the popular resort of Dunoon. Return passing Holy Loch over the Kyles, to catch the ferry back to Bute. (57 miles).

Day 4 Atlantic Coastal Drive to Skye

Best depart early for a fabulous day awaits. Catch the ferry heading northwards to the maritime and historical town of Inveraray. Then a stop in Oban – "The Gateway to the Isles" around lunchtime. Continue along the shoreline of



Loch Linnhe to Fort William for a brief stop before travelling through the Great Glen. Photo stop at Eilean Donan, the 2nd most photographed castle in Scotland before checking into your Skye hotel for next 2 nights. (196 miles).

Day 5 Isle of Skye

Skye is without doubt Scotland's most well known island. Its romantic history, majestic mountains and rugged coastline are a beauty to behold. Today is spent touring the island, visiting the picture postcard capital Portree. Then along the west coast of the island with entry into the clan seat of Dunvegan Castle. (75 miles).

Day 6 Skye cruise, Inverness & Speyside

Morning cruise in a submersible glass bottom craft under the Skye Bridge & out to Seal Island. See abundant wildlife above and below the waves. Then, proceed across Glen Carron with time free in Inverness before turning south through Speyside and into Perthshire and your 3* hotel to suit your onwards journey next day. (c160 miles).

Find eternal beauty on Skye

Legend has it that the water under Old Sligachan Bridge is a gateway between the faerie world and ours. Stick your head in the water for 7 seconds, let it dry naturally & you'll be granted eternal beauty!

"We have worked together for many years with great success due to new & innovative programmes that Classic offer throughout Scotland".
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome hot drink on arrival in Bute
- ♦ 6 nights DBB
- ♦ Single ferry Wemys Bay – Rothesay
- ♦ All ferry crossings as described.
- ♦ Entry Mount Stuart
- ♦ 1½ hour Skye cruise
- ♦ Entry Dunvegan Castle

Glenburn Hotel - Rothesay

3* Commended Reviews 79%



The Glenburn is a grand & elegant hotel, surrounded by delightful terraced gardens and commanding fabulous views over Rothesay and its bay. Constructed in 1892 as a hydrotherapy retreat, and is now a popular island hotel destination.

Kings Arms Hotel - Skye

3* Approved Reviews 79%



Magical setting right on the waterfront with views of the Skye Bridge. Fully refurbished in 2018/19, retaining many of its original features which date back into the 1700's. Best described as a charming Highland Country Inn.

Some dates are in 3* Dunollie Hotel, Skye (page xx).

Available May – September
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A recent survey from the Office of National Statistics (ONS) placed the Outer Hebrides as the happiest place in the UK. Not only is it one of the best places to travel to, it's now regarded as one of the best places to live, thanks to happiness levels of its residents.

One of many causeways linking the Hebridean islands

Highlights: ♦ Oban ♦ West Highland Line ♦ Benbecula
♦ Lewis & Harris ♦ Eriskay ♦ Spey Valley

7 days
from
£519pp

2000 year old Carloway Broch

Grand Tour of the Outer Hebrides

Arrive Saturdays: 1 night Dalmally/Crianlarich. 2 nights Benbecula, 2 nights Stornoway. 1 night Central Scotland

The Outer Hebrides, also known as the Western Isles, are made up of 70 islands and has to be one of the UK's best kept secrets. Staying 4 nights on the Hebrides, the tour weaves its way along the 130 mile spine of the islands, where ancient history abounds set against a backdrop of spectacular landscapes surrounded by white pristine beaches & turquoise waters. Be immersed in the islands culture where more than 50% of the 26,000 population predominantly speak Gaelic.

Saturday Loch Lomond

Along the shoreline of Loch Lomond to your overnight hotel in Oban. (100 miles from Glasgow).

Sunday Oban, West Highland Line, The Uists

Take the coastal route to Fort William, where you board the afternoon train on the West Highland Line to Mallaig, voted one of the most scenic railway journeys in the world. In Mallaig your ferry awaits for the 3 ½ sailing over to Lochboisdale in the Outer Hebrides arriving at the Dark Island Hotel in time for dinner. (145 miles).

Monday Guided Tour of the Uists

Your local guide will meet you for a day tour of Benbecula, Eriskay, North & South Uist. All islands are joined by a series of causeways. There are magnificent beaches, one being Prince Charlie's Bay, where the Young Pretender landed in 1745. Further on & off the coast of Eriskay, the SS Politician sank in 1941. 27,000 bottles of whisky were salvaged by the locals as portrayed in the classic film "Whisky Galore". Entry Kildonan Museum, holding over 100,000 items relating to the social and cultural history dating back to the Vikings. Nearby, see the birthplace of Flora McDonald who assisted Bonnie Prince Charlie's escape from the English in 1746. (60 miles).



Tuesday Harris & Lewis

Depart Benbecula taking the ferry to Harris. The coastal road is very picturesque, observe Isle of Taransay of "Castaway" fame. Take in island air on one of the expansive and almost deserted sandy beaches by the roadside. In Tarbert stop for a weaving demonstration of the famous Harris Tweed, before continuing over the mountain tops and Lewis, which by contrast is more rolling moorland. 2 nights Stornoway. (68 miles).

Wednesday Guided Tour of Lewis

Your local guide will take you on a fascinating tour of Lewis, with many island stories to be told! Visits include the 5000 year old standing stones of Callanish, the Black Houses at Gairrannan - a typical crofting settlement, and 2000 year old Carloway Broch. (47 miles).

Thursday Ullapool, Inverness & Perthshire

Dept Stornoway on the 2 ½ hour crossing to Ullapool, before journeying on part of the North Coast 500 route to Inverness with time free. Afterwards, head south through glorious Speyside scenery and your overnight hotel. (167 miles).

"Our group had a very lovely time & really enjoyed themselves, especially the Caladh Inn"
- German Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 6 nights DBB
 - ♦ Single rail Fort William - Mallaig
 - ♦ All ferry crossings as shown
 - ♦ Full day Guide on Uist & Benbecula
 - ♦ Entry Kildonan Museum
 - ♦ Full Day Guide on Lewis & Harris
 - ♦ Entry Blackhouses & Museum
 - ♦ Harris Tweed Weave Demonstration
- Prices based on minimum 25 paying passengers.

Columba Hotel - Oban



3* Commended Reviews 82%



Great hotel for groups. Rooms are good, location is central. Hotel is almost afloat on the pier affording views across the bay, especially at sunset.

Dark Island Hotel - Benbecula



3* Approved Reviews 77%



Comfortable accommodation, great food, set in a superb location with Liniolate Beach, one of the most stunning on the island only 400 yards from hotel.

Caladh Inn - Stornoway



3* Commended Reviews 81%



Central location, 100 yds from the harbour. Caladh Inn has been substantially refurbished and all 68 bedrooms have been updated. Popular hotel for groups as all local amenities are close by.

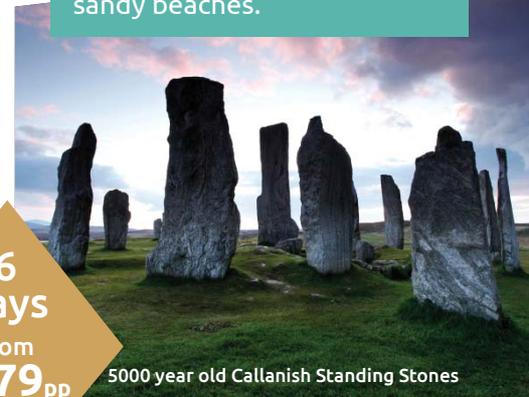
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One of many world-class beaches on Harris

Highlights: ♦ Glencoe ♦ Isle of Skye ♦ Benbecula ♦ Inverness
♦ Guided Tour Lewis & Harris

6 days
from
£379pp



5000 year old Callanish Standing Stones

Hebridean Odyssey

1 night Skye. 1 night Uist. 2 nights Stornoway. 1 night Central Scotland

A truly exceptional holiday roaming the Highlands & Skye before embarking on the glorious sailing to the Hebrides, set 30 miles off Scotland's west coast. Nowhere will you find such unspoilt beauty, mile upon mile of unspoilt beaches, lochs galore, tiny island communities, ancient historical sites and abundance of wildlife.

Day 1 Fort William & Isle of Skye

On entering Glencoe the views suddenly become much more dramatic. Then you'll know you are in the West Highlands. Time free in Fort William, before touring through the Great Glen, with time for photos at Eilean Donan Castle. Overnight on or near Skye.

Day 2 The Uists

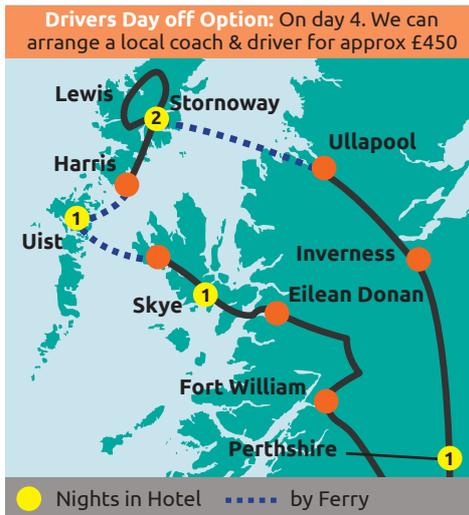
Scenic drive across Skye to catch the sailing to Uist – a necklace of islands and islets, often more water than land, linked together by causeways and bridges. Afternoon spent exploring the islands with their stunning beaches and coastline. Overnight Benbecula. (80 miles).

Day 3 Isle of Harris

Take the morning sea crossing to Harris, a rugged and mountainous island with moorlands, deep lochs and glorious coastline. Stop off for a weaving demonstration of the world famous Harris Tweed, before continuing through breath-taking landscapes, carpeted by a profusion of wild flowers and over the tops to Lewis surrounded with its amazing history dating back 5000 years. 2 nights Stornoway, the island's capital. (88 miles).

Day 4 Guided Tour of Lewis

Be immersed in the folklore and history of the Isles as your local island guide takes you to see the impressive 5,000 year old standing stones of Callanish (Scotland's Stonehenge, but older).



Ancient thatched "Blackhouses", typical of crofting settlements, with entry included, and the imposing Carloway Broch, a fortified tower dating back over 2,000 years. (47 miles).

Day 5 Highland Landscapes & Spey Valley

Board the ferry for the 2 ½ hour sailing to Ullapool. Followed by a scenic drive across the sweep of the Highlands, with time free in the Highland Capital, Inverness. Proceed south through "bonny" Speyside and your final night's stay. (167 miles)



The ferry port of Leverburgh

Best Island in Europe

Harris & Lewis was recently voted Best Island in Europe by TripAdvisor, and in the top 5 islands in the world. There are 400 freshwater lochs and the island is almost completely lined with white sandy beaches.

"Many thanks for your helpful & conscientious work in arranging our successful holiday in the Hebrides."
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 5 nights DBB,
- ♦ All ferry crossings as shown,
- ♦ Services of a local & experienced guide for full day tour of Lewis
- ♦ Choice 3 course dinners plus coffee each evening.
- ♦ Harris Tweed Weave demonstration
- ♦ Entrance into the Black Houses and Museum

Prices based on minimum 25 paying passengers

Dunollie Hotel - Isle of Skye



3* Approved Reviews 79%



The main hotel on Skye for groups. Waterside location in Broadford.

Hotel has been significantly refurbished in last few years.

Dark Island Hotel - Benbecula



3* Approved



A friendly and welcoming hotel, with the emphasis on fresh food

from around the isles.

Cabarfeidh Hotel - Stornoway



4* Commended



Best hotel in the Hebrides.

Located 1 mile from Stornoway.

Caladh Inn - Stornoway



3* Commended



Centrally located near waterfront.

Great place for groups. Good quality throughout.

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
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Shildaig, Loch Torridon on Route 500

Highlights: ♦ Inverness ♦ Orkney Isles ♦ Route 500 ♦ Ullapool
♦ Loch Maree ♦ Isle of Skye ♦ Glencoe

8
days
from
£504^{pp}



Ullapool

Scotland's North West Passage

The Orkney Isles to the Isle of Skye

Arr. Sundays: 1nt Perthshire – 2nts Thurso – 1nt Ullapool – 2nts Skye
– 1nt Central Belt

Arr. Wednesdays 1nt Central Belt – 2nts Thurso – 1nt Ullapool – 2nts Skye
– 1nt Perthshire

Regarded as a trip of a lifetime, the tour skirts the very top of the United Kingdom, on Route 500, the UK's most famous and scenic drive along Scotland's unspoilt North West coastline. As the journey snakes northwards passing ancient castles, deserted beaches, its quick to see how the culture of the region has little changed in many generations. Part of the holiday includes a wonderful day tour to the Orkney Isles.

Anti Clockwise Itinerary

Day 2 or 7 Perthshire to Thurso

An exciting day awaits, heading through Perthshire before climbing over the Drumochter Pass with a stop in the Highland capital Inverness. After lunch across the Black Isle and join the coastal road to Wick, stopping at various vantage points – Dunrobin Castle, the white sands at Brora and historical Helmsdale arriving in Thurso for 2 nights. (220 miles).

Day 3 or 6 Orkney Isles

Passing the Queen Mums Scottish residence – the Castle of Mey, The Orkneys rise from the North Sea. At John O' Groats, board the 40 minute crossing across the Pentland Firth, a graveyard for many a ship. On arrival, a private coach and experienced driver/guide awaits to commence a magical day on the Orkneys crossing the Churchill Barriers, visiting 2000 year old Scara Brae, Ring of Brodgar, The Italian Chapel, Kirkwall with its 12th century cathedral. Returning to John O'Groats and your hotel. (30 miles).

Day 4 or 5 Caithness & Sutherland on Route 500

Today's tour makes up a large part of the North Coast 500, and will leave a lasting memory too. Mile upon mile of crumpling cliffs, sheer rocky headlands, picturesque lochs, sheltered bays & deserted perfect white beaches to rival those abroad. It is here you will feel Scotland in an entirely different way – its' not all about tartan and bagpipes! Included is lunch at Smoo Cave Hotel, Durness. Overnight Ullapool. (140 miles).



Day 5 or 4 Loch Maree, Wester Ross & Skye

Depart the picture perfect harbour town of Ullapool. From here the drive snakes its way along the coastline, dotted with islands, inlets, beaches and cliffs reaching Gairloch – a small fishing village, with time to take in the views and the sea air. The afternoon tour travels along the total length of Loch Maree – without doubt one of Scotland's bonniest of lochs before descending into Kyle and taking the bridge over to Skye for 2 nights. (85 miles).

Day 6 or 3 Romantic Isle of Skye

Full day on Skye with a visit to the fishing town of Portree, the islands capital. Continuing across the island to 800 year old Dunvegan Castle and Gardens – the stronghold of the Macleod Clan and Scotland's longest inhabited castle. Return to your hotel along the west coast, with views of the Cuillins, considered the most impressive mountain range in the UK. (70 miles).

Day 7 or 2 Skye & West Highlands

Depart Skye, stopping at Eilean Donan Castle, featured in James Bond films as well as many others. Onwards and into the Great Glen with a stop in Fort William around lunchtime. Continue south along the shoreline, through the jaws of mountainous Glencoe – swathed in history of clan feuds, before reaching Loch Lomond "The Queen of Lochs". Final night stay in the Glasgow area. (230 miles).

"I have the utmost respect for Classic's team and have nothing but praise for the work they do"
- UK Tour Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 7 nights DBB
- ♦ Full Hot Scottish breakfasts
- ♦ Choice 3 course dinners plus coffee
- ♦ Dunvegan Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Lunch Smoo Cave Hotel
- ♦ Orkneys Cruise from John O'Groats
- ♦ Full day private coach with driver/guide on Orkneys

Castletown Hotel - by Thurso



3* Approved Reviews 79%



Quaint family owned and managed hotel, lots of character. Friendly

and informal with emphasis on good food and service. 100% refurb 2018.

Royal Hotel - Ullapool



3* Commended Reviews 86%



Beautiful lochside position, only 5 minute walk into town centre.

Best group hotel in the area.

Dunollie Hotel - Broadford (Skye)



3* Approved Reviews 79%



Hotel refurbished 2017/18. Delightful shore side location overlooking the bay. 1 night entertainment included

Available May – September
Other hotels are included.
Rates & dates attached.
Hotel symbols on back cover



The maritime charm of Stromness

Highlights: ♦ Guided Tour of the Orkneys ♦ Castle of Mey
♦ Loch Ness ♦ Great Glen ♦ Spey Valley ♦ Northern Highlands

6 days
from
£459pp



Neolithic village of Skara Brae

Uncover Orkneys Ancient Secrets

1 night Loch Lomond area, 1 night Thurso, 2 nights Orkneys, 1 night Perthshire

Off Scotland's North coast lies the Orkneys, an ancient cluster of 70 islands brimming with history and raw and dramatic coastlines. With the services of a local guide discover ancient civilisations, world famous archaeology and bountiful wildlife from our base in the Island capital Kirkwall.



in the capital - Kirkwall, with its 12th century St Magnus Cathedral.

Tuesday Guided Tour of the Orkney Isles

Your local guide joins your coach for a memorable day out. As the day unfolds, the islands Neolithic ancestry is evident as many ancient monuments, stone circles, settlements and tombs are visited - a testament to it's UNESCO World Heritage status. The tour includes a scenic circular tour of the island visiting most of the main sites including 5000 year old Scara Brae, Churchill Barriers, Ring of Brodgar, Stennes Standing Stones & Italian chapel. Along the way, listen to the tales of Viking intruders, wartime exploits and immerse yourself in Orkney's rich maritime heritage.

Wednesday Spey Valley & Perthshire

Catch the morning ferry back to the mainland, southwards bound on the coastal drive to Inverness. Time free in Aviemore, arriving in Perthshire for your final nights stay, suited for your onward journey home the next day.

Saturday Loch Lomond Area

Overnight 3* hotel in Glasgow / Loch Lomond area.

Sunday Glencoe, Loch Ness & Northern Highlands

From the comfort of your coach, this great Highland drive takes you through mountainous Glencoe, with time free in Fort William before continuing along the total length of Loch Ness (23 miles). The loch contains more freshwater than all lakes in England and Wales combined! Time free in Inverness, the Highland capital. Depart mid-afternoon along the coastline passing Dornoch, Dunrobin Castle, silver sands at Brora & Wick. Overnight in Thurso.

Monday Castle of Mey and the Orkneys

Morning entry into the Queen Mothers homely castle with beautiful gardens. Since 1952 she spent many happy summers here and is still used annually by the Royal Family. Board the afternoon ferry with your coach from Scrabster across the Pentland Firth - a graveyard to sunken ships, arriving in Stromness 90 minutes later. The day concludes with a tour along the shoreline of Scapa Flow - famous as the naval refuge during both world wars. Next 2 nights

About the Orkneys

First inhabited some 6000 years ago. The Orkneys offer an unspoilt experience blending history, old and new, with 570 miles of dramatic coastline. Only 1/3rd of the islands are inhabited by a population of 21,100.

"Booking multi-centre holidays with several inclusions is quick and simple with Classic."

- Overseas Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 3 nights mainland DBB
- ♦ 2 nights Orkneys DBB
- ♦ Return ferry between Scrabster - Orkneys
- ♦ Full day island tour with local guide
- ♦ Entry to Castle of Mey

Castletown Hotel - by Thurso

3* Approved Reviews 79%



Hotel had a total transformation a couple of years ago, and is recognised as one of the better hotels for groups. Privately owned and managed, emphasis is on good food and friendly

service. 4 miles from Thurso and 2 miles from Castle of Mey.

Kirkwall Hotel - Orkneys

3*



Perfectly situated in the town centre on the picturesque harbour front. This family owned and operated hotel assures guests a proper island welcome, good food in the harbour side restaurant & cosy accommodation in 36 bedrooms.

Available May – September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Lerwick – Capital of Shetland



St Ninians Island and Beach

Highlights: ♦ Shetland mini cruise ♦ 3 days Shetland Guide
♦ Aberdeen ♦ St Andrews ♦ V&A Museum

6
days
from
£699pp

Shetland – The Island of the Vikings

Arrive Wednesdays. Return Mondays
1 night ship, 2 nights Shetland, 1 night ship, 1 night near Edinburgh

On the edge of the Arctic Circle, 130 miles north of the Scottish mainland, lies the Shetland Isles. Be enchanted by the rugged island beauty & wonderful seclusion. A unique holiday experience where along with your experienced guide you will see landscapes like no other, visiting internationally renowned sites, reflecting in The Shetland's 5000 year old history & culture.

Wednesday Cruise Aberdeen - Shetland

Overnight sailing to Lerwick. Dinner on board. Comfortable en-suite twin berth cabins provided. On arrival in Lerwick you will be closer to Arctic Circle than Manchester.

Thursday Northern Isles (Yell & Unst)

After breakfast meet your local experienced guide for a tour of the Northern Isles - Yell & Unst. Photo stop at the vast Sullom Voe Oil Terminal, then the short ferry crossing to Yell, with entry into the Old Haa Museum, Cullivoe - full of unusual artefacts from the lives of islanders. Board the short ferry to Unst, with many beautiful beaches and home to the RAF for decades. Light lunch included. See Muckle Flugga - the most northern tip of the UK, then Skidbladner - a replica Viking Long Ship. Check into Shetland Hotel c1800hrs.

Friday South & West Mainland

Coastal tour towards Sumburgh Head RSPB, stopping at probably the best beach on Shetland - St. Ninians. View cliff scenery, golden beaches & seabird colonies. Afterwards to Viking Jarlsof archaeological site – one of Europe's largest and most complex sites spanning over 5000 years. Entry included into the Croft House Museum. After lunch we have a photo stop of Shetland Ponies in the Tingwall Valley before arriving in Scalloway, the former capital of The Shetland, with



its 15th century castle dominating the skyline. Entry into the museum displaying local island exhibitions, history & folklore.

Saturday: North Mainland & Cruise Lerwick – Aberdeen

To Voe & Brae & the "Drongs" - a spectacular series of sea stacks. Entry Tangwick Haa Museum. After lunch guided tour of Shetland Jewellery Nordic Workshop. Free time in Lerwick via Wormadale Viewpoint, before boarding your ship for the overnight sailing to Aberdeen with dinner on board.

Sunday Angus & Fife

After breakfast disembark ship, taking the coastal road passing sandy St Cyrus Beach, Montrose, Arbroath – famous for its "Smokies". Time free in Dundee, with entry into the V&A Museum. Over the Tay Bridge and into Fife, with a short stop at the golf and University town of St Andrews, before continuing along the coast through the fishing villages of Crail and St Monans and your hotel in Dunfermline, near the 3 Forth Bridges, crossing the new bridge on Monday morning. (132 miles)

100 islands make up Shetland, 20 inhabited, with a distinct Viking influence in evidence. Has a mild climate with up to 19 hours of daylight. Lonely Planet Best in Europe award 2019.

"Thanks for the outstanding guide you arranged for our Shetland stay. She was brilliant – really knew her stuff & presented it perfectly" - UK Coach Driver

Price Includes

- ♦ Overnight Cruise Aberdeen – Lerwick DBB
 - ♦ Overnight Cruise Lerwick – Aberdeen DBB
 - ♦ 2 nts DBB in Shetland Hotel
 - ♦ 3 days experienced Shetland Guide
 - ♦ Entry to all attractions as shown in itinerary
 - ♦ 1 x Shetland Light Lunch
 - ♦ Entry Victoria & Albert Museum, Dundee
 - ♦ 1 x overnight stay near Edinburgh
- Shared twin cabins on ships, single cabins +£125 supplement*
- Photo ID required on ship**

Shetland Hotel - Lerwick

3* Commended



Situated across from the ferry terminal with commanding views overlooking the bay, the hotel is only a few minutes walk from the town centre. There are 65 modern bedrooms & has highly rated reviews about the food. A lift serves most floors.

Available May – September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



From above Loch Lomond Shores

Highlights: ♦ Drinks included ♦ 3 nts entertainment ♦ Ayr
♦ Dumfries House ♦ Roslyn Chapel ♦ Edinburgh ♦ Loch Lomond

5 days
from
£179pp



Edinburgh

The Grand Scottish "All Inclusive"

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Book a 5 day break or longer where everything is included, based in a cosy 3* countryside hotel positioned on the edge of a village not far from Peebles. A perfect base to explore many of the areas top spots –Ayrshire, Edinburgh, Loch Lomond and the Borders. With good food, bags of entertainment and drinks included, it is without doubt one of Classic's best value tours.

Tuesday Edinburgh & Roslyn Chapel

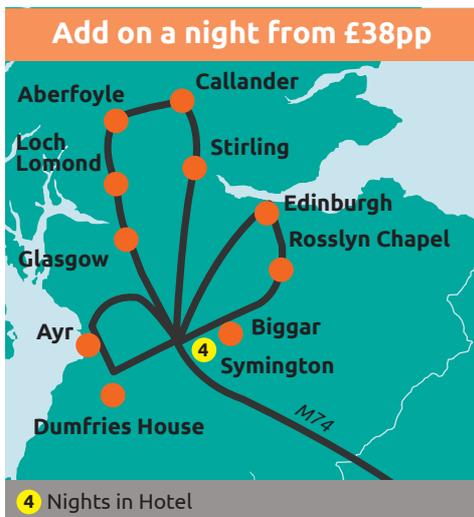
First stop C15th Roslyn Chapel, a truly compelling & unique building surviving the turbulent times of the Reformation, immortalised in Dan Brown's film "The da Vinci Code" starring Tom Hanks. It is one of the most famous chapel's in the world surrounded by myths & legends of the "Holy Grail". Afternoon free to explore the sights of Edinburgh. (65 miles).

Wednesday Loch Lomond & The Trossachs

Approx. 1 ½ hours away lies the Trossachs, recognised as an area of outstanding beauty. Time free in the main villages of Callander, Aberfoyle and Drymen before driving to the southern shoreline of Loch Lomond, with a visit to Lomond Shores for retail therapy & to take in the views of the Loch. Returning via Glasgow. (140 miles).

Thursday Ayrshire & Dumfries House

First port of call is the seaside town of Ayr, before travelling to nearby Dumfries House, with entry to one of Britain's best kept heritage secrets, with sumptuous interiors and magnificent furnishings, all set in two thousand



acres of land. It's regarded as an 18th century time-capsule since the principal rooms and their contents have remained virtually unchanged for 250 years. Arranged is exclusive access to a private room within the house to enjoy tea/coffee and shortbread, followed by a privately guided tour of the House. (103 miles).



Dumfries House

Festive "All Inclusive"

A perfect getaway for a pre-Christmas bash with decorations in place. Includes full itinerary apart from Dumfries House.

2020: 8/11, 23/11

2021: 8/11, 15/11, 22/11

£165pp (No single supplement)

"Classic Britain are one of our biggest customers, their support is fundamental to the success of our business" – Hotel Owner

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcoming Tea & Shortbread
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 3nts entertainment, 1 Scottish themed
- ♦ Wine with dinner each night
- ♦ 3 drinks vouchers each night
- ♦ Guided Tour Dumfries House with tea/coffee & shortbread. (Apr-Oct)
- ♦ Entry Roslyn Chapel
- ♦ No single room supplement

Tinto House Hotel Symington

3* Commended Reviews 82%



A homely country house styled hotel, which is proudly owner managed assuring guests of a warm and friendly stay. Tinto has 39 bedrooms and is very much geared for the needs of groups. The food is good, and there is plenty lounge space. The hotel is set in own grounds overlooking glorious Borders countryside, and only 20 miles from Peebles.

Available Nov 2020 – Nov 2021
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover

4 nights DBB at Rob Roy Hotel, welcome Bucks Fizz, entry Scone Palace & Falkirk Wheel, 1hr Loch Lomond Cruise.

Arr. 12/4, 18/10.

£199pp. (5 t/d, 35s)



Inveraray & Loch Fyne

Highlights: ♦ Forth Bridges Cruise ♦ Falkirk Wheel & Boatlift
♦ Steamship Cruise ♦ Five Lochs Tour ♦ Entertainment ♦ The Kelpies

5 days
from
£164^{pp}



Falkirk Wheel

"A team of dedicated professionals who have supplied a superb array of product for so long" – UK Coach Operator

Scotland's Bonny Lochs & Waterways

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

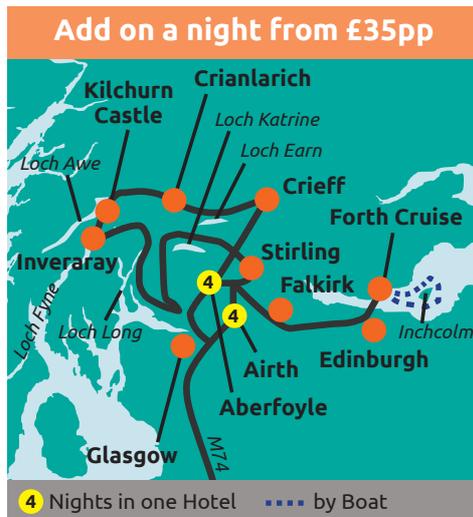
There are many iconic landmarks in Scotland, none more so than the impact the Firths of Clyde and Forth played in the heritage of Scotland and its influence across the world. On this popular holiday, there is a loch cruise on a Victorian steam ship. Be hoisted 35 metres by the world's only boat lift. Marvel at the expanse of the 3 Forth Bridges as you cruise underneath to the wildlife sanctuary at Inchcolm Island.

Tuesday Loch Katrine and The Trossachs

Through the glorious Trossachs to take your seat on SS Walter Scott, one of the oldest steamships in the world. Cruise beautiful Loch Katrine whilst listening to the tales & legends of the loch narrated by a crew member. The day continues through Rob Roy MacGregor country to Callander and finally historical Stirling with its famous castle.

Wednesday The Kelpies, Falkirk Wheel, & 3 Forth Bridges Cruise

This morning we visit two of Scotland's top attractions - The Kelpies, and the nearby award winning Falkirk Wheel, where you board a boat to be hoisted 35 metres on the world's only rotating boatlift. Afterwards, the tour heads towards Edinburgh for a wonderful 90 minutes cruise under the three famous Bridges, spanning nearly 140 years of Scottish engineering. The latest bridge opened in 2017 and is the longest three-tower cable-stayed bridge in the world. The cruise heads out into the Firth to Inchcolm Island, where you can disembark to see the Abbey. Returning over the newest bridge & back to your hotel.



Thursday Five Highland Lochs

A magnificent day of sightseeing awaits - Loch Lomond, then across towards the Arrochar Alps and Loch Long. Over the "Rest & Be Thankful" with free time in the ancient town of Inveraray, on Loch Fyne, with its castle dominating the skyline. After lunch, turning north the scenery changes as you enter the Highlands. Photo stop at Kilchurn Castle, Loch Awe before turning south into Perthshire & along the shoreline of Loch Earn, stopping in the characterful town of Crieff. (approx 145 miles).



SS Walter Scott, Loch Katrine

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea and shortbread
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Steam cruise on Loch Katrine
- ♦ A visit to the "The Kelpies"
- ♦ Entry Falkirk Wheel & Boat Lift
- ♦ Three Forth Bridges Cruise
- ♦ 2 nights entertainment at Rob Roy
- ♦ No Single Supplement (Rob Roy)

Airth Castle Hotel - Airth

3* Commended Reviews 79%



Quietly positioned in extensive grounds between Edinburgh & Glasgow, Airth dates back to the 14th century. 118 bedrooms are mainly

housed in a courtyard setting. Hotel has extensive leisure & its elevated position provides views across the Forth Valley.

Rob Roy Hotel - Aberfoyle

3* Approved Reviews 89%



The hotel has greatly improved and all bedrooms are graded a 3* hotel by Visit Scotland. It is a popular and well run hotel for

groups, surrounded by scenery, on the edge of the village, with bags of entertainment.

Also: 4* Stirling Highland Hotel

Available April - October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



The Highland Chocolate Experience

Highlights: ♦ Gin Bothy Tour ♦ Arbroath Smokie Trail
♦ Iain Burnett Chocolate Experience
♦ Seasonal Scottish Afternoon Tea ♦ Whisky Tour and Tasting

5 days
from
£284
PP

A Tayste of Scotland

A brand new tour for 2021, packed full of culinary experiences whilst taking in the beautiful Scottish landscapes around Tayside and Perthshire. This package will be sure to tickle taste buds with whisky, gin, chocolate and a Scottish afternoon tea. Come and experience Scotland's culinary delights for yourself.

Arrive Monday & Depart Friday

Tuesday Arbroath, Dundee & Afternoon Tea

On the trail of the famous Smokie, a coastal drive takes us through the golf town of Carnoustie then onwards to Arbroath. Steeped in maritime history the Signal Tower Museum tells tales of the town and its famous fish. Back to discover Dundee and enjoy an Afternoon tea of Scottish delights at 4* Hotel Indigo, a converted Scottish Jute Mill. (39 miles).

Wednesday St Andrews and Distillery Tour and Tasting

St Andrews isn't only famous for golf, Kingsbarns distillery offers the perfect introduction to Scotland's amber nectar with a tour and tasting. Afterwards enjoy free time in St Andrews. Included is a Scottish Fish and Chip dinner. (48 miles).

Thursday Gin Tasting, Pitlochry & Gourmet Chocolate Experience

Follow the river Tay to Glamis, not only home of the castle but to the Gin Bothy. Sample the seasonal flavours and hear the story behind this quirky building. Afterwards free time in Pitlochry before travelling deep into Perthshire for a visit to the Highland chocolatier. Known as the Chocolatier of the Highlands. Iain Burnett's chocolates are hailed by Michelin star chefs worldwide. (115 miles).

Price Includes

- ♦ Tea & shortbread on arrival
- ♦ 3 nights DBB, 1 night BB
- ♦ 1 Fish & Chips dinner
- ♦ Gin Bothy visit and tasting
- ♦ Gourmet chocolate tasting
- ♦ Signal Tower Museum
- ♦ Scottish afternoon tea
- ♦ Whisky tour and tasting

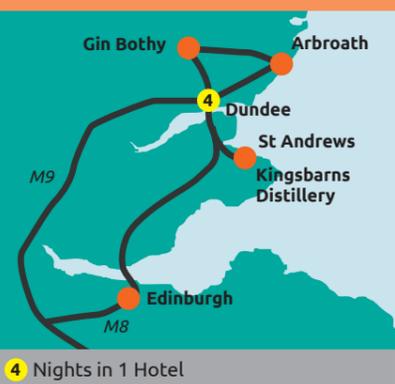
Invercarse Hotel Dundee

3* Commended Reviews 88%



This traditional 3 star hotel is just minutes away from the centre of Dundee with outstanding views over the River Tay. With its own private grounds and charming atmosphere it's the perfect hotel to explore the East coast.

Add on a night from £53pp



4 Nights in 1 Hotel

Available April – September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Floors Castle

Highlights: ♦ Edinburgh ♦ Borders Railway
♦ Great Tapestry of Scotland ♦ Floors Castle
♦ Peebles ♦ Hawick Museum

5 days
from
£315
PP

Bordering on Brilliant

The tranquil natural beauty of the Scottish Borders belies a turbulent past of romantic heroes, industrial heritage and religious feuds. This top quality holiday is based in the Peebles Hydro, recently refurbished and within easy walking distance of Peebles town centre.

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Tuesday Edinburgh, Borders Railway & Tapestry of Scotland

Free time in Edinburgh before the 1 hour journey on the new Borders Railway – opened by the Queen in 2015, has been rebuilt after it closed nearly half a century ago. Board your coach to Galashiels to the newly opened Great Tapestry of Scotland. At over 140 metres long it depicts thousands of years of Scottish History. (82 Miles).

Wednesday Free Day

Recently refurbished Peebles Hydro is the perfect resort hotel for some rest and relaxation. Fantastic leisure facilities and a bursting entertainment programme. Within walking distance of the town, enjoy a walk by the river or a spot of shopping on the main street.

Thursday Floors Castle and the New Borders Distillery

Home of the Duke of Roxburghe, Floors Castle is one of Scotland's largest inhabited castles. Dating back to the 18th century it boasts collections of fine art and its famous walled gardens are a frenzy of colour with breath-taking herbaceous borders and soft fruits. Round off the day with a visit and tour of the Hawick Museum surrounded by lush parkland.

Price Includes

- ♦ Tea/Coffee on arrival
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Single Rail Journey - Edinburgh to Tweedbank
- ♦ Entry Great Tapestry of Scotland Exhibition
- ♦ Entry Floors Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Hawick Museum

Peebles Hydro Hotel Peebles

3* 1st Class Reviews 87%



Set in 30 acres overlooking Borders countryside. The Hydro is an ideal hotel resort for groups. All rooms are refurbished and there is extensive leisure to enjoy. Peebles centre ½ mile.

Add on a night from £69pp



4 Nights in 1 Hotel by Rail

Available May – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Victoria and Albert Museum

Highlights: ♦ Glamis Castle ♦ Aberdeen
♦ Gordon Highlanders Museum ♦ Brechin
♦ Victoria & Albert Museum

5 days
from
£246
PP

Angus Secret Coastline & Glamis Castle

A tour delving into Scotland's past taking in some fine places including the 13th century Glamis Castle, the new Victoria and Albert Museum and a visit to see "the finest regiment in the world".

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Tuesday Angus

Firstly to nearby city of Brechin, with its ancient Cathedral and 11th century tower. Brechin Museum depicts the city's 2000 year history. Next, the seaside resort of Arbroath, home to the famous "Smokies" and Arbroath Abbey, where in 1320 the Declaration of Arbroath was signed. Smokies will be available every morning at breakfast. (36 miles).

Wednesday Aberdeen and The Gordon Highlanders

The "Granite" city is Scotland's third city boasting beautiful architecture and cultural gems. Time free to explore the city, before visiting the 5* Gordon Highlanders Museum, telling the extraordinary 200 year old story of the "Finest Regiment in the World". Returning to Montrose along the scenic coastal road, passing medieval Dunnottar Castle. (83 miles).

Thursday Glamis Castle & Gardens

Only an hour away is the finest castle in Scotland, winner of the best attractions award- Glamis Castle & Gardens. Enjoy the history, myths & legends dating back to 1372. Admire the castle's stunning architecture and enjoy the surrounding beauty of the grounds and gardens. We visit Dundee the "City of Discovery" with entry to the hugely acclaimed Victoria and Albert Museum. (69 miles).

Price Includes

- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 1 night live entertainment
- ♦ Entry Glamis Castle and Gardens
- ♦ Entry V&A Museum
- ♦ No single supplement (max 4)
- ♦ Entry Gordon Highlanders Museum

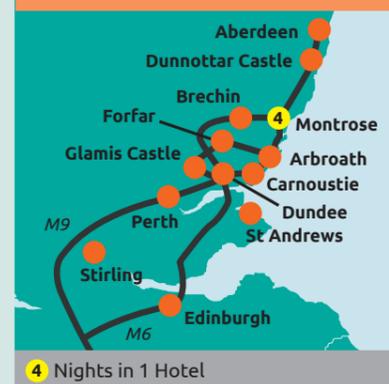
Park Hotel Montrose

3* Commended Reviews 93%



Montrose is a lovely seaside town & The Park is well located near the centre and within an easy walk of the beach. A highly rated hotel with 1st class feedback from Operators. It genuinely is a warm & inviting family run hotel. Great food, entertainment and not too large with 57 rooms in total.

Add on a night from £56pp



4 Nights in 1 Hotel

Available May – September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Isle of Arran with Brodick Castle in view

6 days from £375 pp

Highlights: ♦ Isle of Arran ♦ St Andrews ♦ Brodick Castle
♦ Loch Katrine Cruise ♦ Glamis Castle ♦ Pitlochry

High Peak of Coastal Luxury

Arrive Sundays x 2nts Dundee, 1nt Perthshire, 2nts Ayrshire

If you were to rate Scotland as a visitor attraction it would be right up there at the top. So, wouldn't it be great to stay in hotels which complement the country your group will be visiting. Well, with our brand new coastal luxury programme we have done just that. As well as including some top notch attractions and highly rated days out, we have, for the first time, included hotels which exude luxury including the Mal Maison brand. All perfectly put together at an affordable price.

Monday Dundee, V&A Museum & St Andrews

Morning free, the decadent Malmaison is right on Dundee's waterfront and near to the V&A Museum, which is worth a visit. Later, cross the Tay Bridge to St Andrews - the home of golf. It is a fascinating town steeped in history with its narrow lanes, boutiques & eateries. Or, take a selfie on the famous Swilcen Bridge - 18th hole of the Old Course. (33 miles).

Tuesday Perthshire, Pitlochry & Glamis Castle

Leisurely breakfast before the short drive to Glamis Castle - the Queens Mums ancestral home and probably Scotland's most picturesque castle. Explore the house at will, hear the stories, and roam the extensive gardens. Afterwards, a drive through "The Big Tree County" of Perthshire with a stop in the Victorian spa town of Pitlochry before overnighing in a luxury Scottish Country House. (70 miles).

Wednesday Loch Lomond, Trossachs & cruise

Depart Dunkeld, taking the scenic route through Highland glens with time free in Crieff. The ever changing scenery continues into the beautiful Trossachs with a cruise included on Loch Katrine, regarded as one of Scotland's prettiest lochs on the 120 year old steam ship SS Walter Scott,



● Nights in 3 Hotels ●●● by Boat

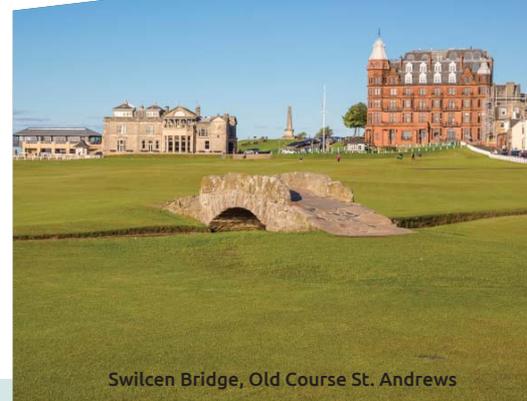
with live commentary. A short stop at Lomond Shores before continuing over Erskine Bridge and into Ayrshire. (120 miles).

Thursday Isle of Arran

With your coach, board the morning ferry in nearby Ardrossan to Brodick. Entry included into Brodick Castle and Gardens overlooking the Firth. Tour the southern coastline of the island, with time free in Brodick before returning on the late afternoon ferry. (60 miles).



Glamis Castle



Swilcen Bridge, Old Course St. Andrews

"Classic are innovative with products, putting together & producing exciting tour programmes year after year".

- UK Tour Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 5 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry Glamis Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Cruise on Loch Katrine
- ♦ Return ferry to Arran
- ♦ Entry Brodick Castle & Gardens

Malmaison - Dundee

4* 1st Class Reviews 91%



Centrally located on the waterfront overlooking the Tay, a sumptuous hotel converted from an old Mill. Lots of character & abundance of luxury.

The hotel only opened in 2018 with 91 bedrooms of the highest quality with divine food to look forward to.

Dunkeld House Hotel - Dunkeld

4* Commended Reviews 80%



Nestled in a beautiful Perthshire landscape, the hotel boasts an unrivalled experience of Scottish country living. This luxury country house hotel

sits on 280 acres of well-maintained and natural woodland overlooking the fast-flowing River Tay, renowned for its famous salmon fishing.

Riverside Lodge Hotel - Irvine

4* Commended Reviews 89%



Located in own grounds on the outskirts of town and within 1 mile of the sea. The hotel has been totally transformed into a high quality 4* hotel. All

public areas are new and contemporary and all 128 bedrooms have all been refurbished. It is by far the best hotel for groups in Ayrshire.

Available May - September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Kenmore, Loch Tay

Highlights: ♦ Mountain Top Safari ♦ Royal Yacht Britannia
♦ Glamis Castle ♦ V&A Dundee ♦ Scottish night ♦ Cabaret Show

5 days
from
£219pp



Royal Yacht, Britannia

Highland Safari & Royal Retreats

Arrive Sundays & Depart Thursdays

Visit an area which is not only steeped in history of clan feuds, battles and Jacobite uprisings but also is an area of extraordinary natural beauty. To enjoy this spectacle and be in close touch with nature is the inclusion of our popular mountain top safari. Step back in time exploring Scotland's most glamorous of castles as well as walking in the footsteps of the Royal Family on their famous ship Britannia.

Monday Forth Bridges, Edinburgh & The Royal Yacht

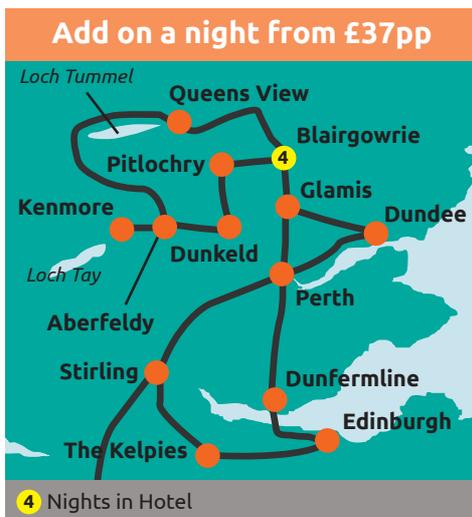
Planted by Bonnie Prince Charlie's troops in 1745, Mickleour Beech Hedge is the largest hedge in the world - 580 yards long and 120 feet high. Then, over the new Forth Road Bridge with free time in Edinburgh, before boarding The Royal Yacht Britannia. Discover the heart and sole of this regal ship which was home to the Royal Family for over 40 years, sailing over 1,000,000 miles on official state visits. (120 miles).

Wednesday Perthshire & Mountain Safari

In Aberfeldy, climb aboard your 4x4 with a kilted Ranger. Armed with binoculars share in their passion for nature, culture, wildlife as you travel through forests, mountains and moors on hill tracks with breath-taking scenery upto 3000 feet. There are regular sightings of Deer, Grouse & Golden Eagles. Enjoy a "wee dram" & shortbread in a mountain bothy. The remainder of the day is spent exploring Perthshire, take in the "Queens View" with time free in the Victorian spa town of Pitlochry. (67 miles).

Thursday Glamis Castle & The Victoria & Albert Museum

Soak up 1000 years of history at Glamis, the finest castle in Scotland, home of the Queen Mum,



birthplace of Princess Margaret, and the setting for Shakespeare's Macbeth. Explore the opulent rooms from the 1400's-1920's and the extensive gardens and pathways. Nearby, is the rejuvenated city of Dundee with entry into the V&A Museum, featuring over 300 exhibits, explaining Scotland's outstanding achievements across the world. (80 miles).



Take to the hills with kilted Rangers

Autumn Watch Safari

October is a special time to visit, where you can see and hear the primal roar of the Red Deer Rut and the autumn colours are at their most dramatic.

Highland Safari

Groups over 24 passengers will be split into two. Half at 0930hrs & second half at 1330hrs.

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome Drinks Reception
- ♦ Cabaret Show & Dance
- ♦ Entry Royal Yacht Britannia
- ♦ Entry Glamis Castle & Gardens
- ♦ 2 ½ hour Highland safari with kilted Rangers
- ♦ A "wee" dram with shortbread
- ♦ Entry V&A Museum Dundee
- ♦ Taste of Scotland Evening with traditional music & dance
- ♦ One other night's entertainment
- ♦ Free use of Leisure facilities
- ♦ No single room supplement

Angus Hotel Blairgowrie

3* Commended Reviews 82%



This well-known Perthshire hotel has been a long-time favourite for groups. All bedrooms recently refurbished, for the more active there is a leisure club with pool and there is entertainment on just about every night. It's a great base for your group.

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Multi Award winning - Enchanted Forest

Highlights: ♦ Enchanted Forest ♦ Glamis Castle & Gardens
♦ Whisky Tour & Tastings ♦ V&A Museum ♦ St Andrews

5 days
from
£219pp



Glamis Castle

Autumn Gold & Its Enchanted Forest

Arrive Sundays & Depart Thursdays

The "Big Tree County" of Perthshire really comes into itself when the autumn leaves start to tumble, with its arboreal display of gold, copper, purple and deep reds. The celebration of autumn comes to life at the multi award winning Enchanted Forest, a dazzling display using the forest as a natural backdrop. The autumn theme continues with a visit to one of Scotland's grandest castles, finishing with the warm glow of some whisky tasting.

Monday Lochs & Whisky Galore

See Perthshire's Autumn glory visiting Queen Victoria's view at Loch Tummel, then into the purple clad Highlands, along the shoreline of Loch Tay and the rustic woodlands by Loch Earn. Stop in Crieff with a guided tour and 2 tastings of The Glenturret at the world's oldest distillery.

Tuesday Glamis Castle & Gardens & The Enchanted Forest

Admire the stunning architecture and furnishings of Glamis, regarded as Scotland's prettiest castle, dating back to the 14th century. Time to appreciate the extensive gardens in all their autumn colours by strolling the various pathways and nature trails. After dinner, hop on to the provided coach outside the Fishers Hotel for a unique experience of sound & light shows using Faskally Forest as a natural backdrop. Attracting over 80,000 visitors each year, it promises to be a spectacle like no other.

Wednesday St Andrews & Victoria & Albert Museum

By-passing Perth, the day starts in the ancient university town of St Andrews, with its Royal

Add on a night from £42pp

4 Nights in one Hotel

connections and is the home of golf. The town is full of character with boutique shops & alleyways. Take a stroll on the expansive beach or on to the Old Course. After lunch over the Tay Bridge with time free in the waterfront city of Dundee, with entry into the V&A Museum, celebrating Scotland design heritage.



V & A Museum, Dundee

Enchanted Forest

World renowned & winner of the UK's best cultural event, The Enchanted Forest has been dazzling audiences with its pioneering sound and light shows set against magical Autumn woodland.

Suitable footwear and warm clothing is recommended at Enchanted Forest. All pathways are lit, walking gradient easy. Unsuitable for those with walking difficulties.

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome refreshments on arrival
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Min 2 nights entertainment
- ♦ Entry Enchanted Forest and Light Show
- ♦ Entry Glenturret Whisky with tour & 2 tastings
- ♦ Entry Glamis Castle & Gardens.
- ♦ Entry V&A Museum, Dundee
- ♦ Free transport to & from Enchanted Forest from outside the Fishers Hotel

Fishers Hotel - Pitlochry

3* Commended Reviews 80%



Perfectly positioned for this programme, in the very heart of Pitlochry. Coach for Enchanted Forest leaves directly outside the hotel. Hotel has seen significant improvements in recent years.

Angus Hotel - Blairgowrie

3* Commended Reviews 86%



Group friendly hotel, only 20 miles from Pitlochry. Package costs £70 less than staying in Pitlochry. Hotel has full leisure facilities and a Taste of Scotland evening with music & dance.

Available 7th Oct - 4th Nov
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Loch Lomond cruise included

Highlights: ♦ Dunoon ♦ Loch Lomond ♦ Trossachs
♦ Inveraray ♦ Holy Loch

5 days
from
£175pp



Inveraray Castle

"When looking for new tours, we always look towards Classic for ideas, and they haven't disappointed us yet".
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea/coffee & shortbread on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Min 2 nights entertainment
- ♦ 1 hour Loch Lomond Cruise
- ♦ Entry Inveraray Castle & Gardens
- ♦ No single supplement (*Loch Long*)

Loch Long Hotel - Arrochar

3* Approved Reviews 77%



Its slightly elevated position affords uninterrupted views right down the loch. A popular hotel with groups, with its spacious restaurant and cosy loch view bar. Most rooms refurbished 2019/20.

Arrochar Hotel - Arrochar

3* Approved Reviews 71%



Hotel has seen substantial investment in 2019/20, with both public areas and all 77 bedrooms refurbished. Located right on the lochside with most rooms having loch views.

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover

Coastlines & Mountaintops

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Surrounded by lochs and mountains, our new Highland tour provides both a relaxing and diverse programme exploring many different Highland regions - from a cruise on the "Queen of Scottish lochs", to a trip to the Scottish seaside, as well as taking in majestic mountain & lochside scenery along the way. The two selected lochside 3* hotels provide entertainment and the holiday has been packaged to offer you our lowest priced 5 day break to the Highlands.

Tuesday Dunoon & Kyles of Bute

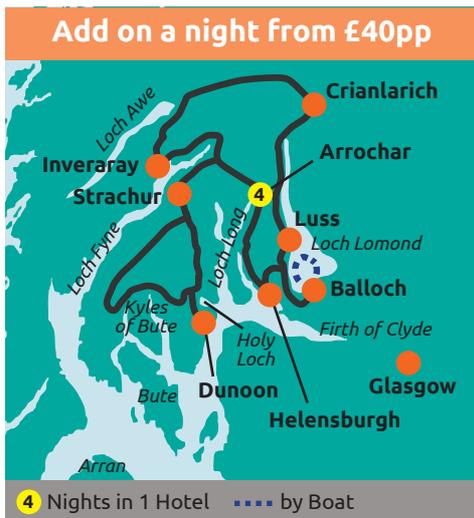
After a leisurely breakfast in your lochside hotel, join your coach for the scenic drive along the length of the "Arrochar Alps", then the shorelines of both Loch Fyne and The Holy Loch, before arriving in the seaside resort of Dunoon with free time. After lunch return over the Kyles of Bute, affording panoramic views across the Firth to the Isles of Bute and Arran. Through Strachur, of James Bond fame and back in plenty time for dinner. (118 miles).

Wednesday Loch Lomond & The Trossachs

Southwards on the shoreline of Loch Long reaching the coastal town of Helensburgh, with time to take in the views across the Firth of Clyde. Next stop is Balloch, on Loch Lomond. Before boarding your cruiser for a 1 hour cruise out on to this most famous of lochs, time free for lunch and some shopping at Lomond Shores. Return along the shoreline of Loch Lomond with a stop at Luss, which is a very picturesque Scottish lochside village, and location for many TV shoots. (46 miles).

Thursday Inveraray & Highland Loop

Inveraray is a 17th century time capsule. A maritime town, with its old gaol which housed prisoners before transporting them to the



colonies during the Highland Clearances. Next to the town is the impressive Duke of Argyll's Inveraray Castle, with entry included to both the castle and gardens. Continuing with the Highland Loop drive towards Loch Awe with Kilchurn Castle in view. The day continues through Highland Glens with their towering mountains and the northern shoreline of Loch Lomond. (72 miles).





Queens View

Highlights: ♦ Bannockburn ♦ Stirling ♦ Culloden Battlefield
♦ Loch Ness Visitor Centre ♦ Loch Ness Cruise ♦ Inverness

6 days
from
£334pp

Battlefield Trails & Monstrous Tails

Arrive Mondays x 2nts Stirling and 3nts Inverness

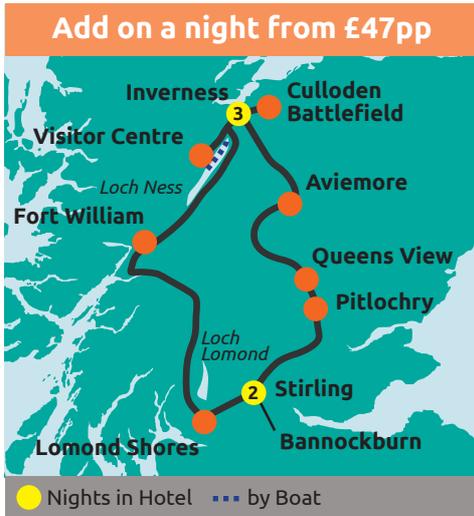
Scotland's history is steeped in bloodshed and battle. From the conquering of Edward II at Bannockburn to the massacre of the Jacobite's at Culloden. This new tour narrates the true stories of Scotland's past. Mix in the magic of Nessie and the stunning Scottish scenery and you have a recipe for an enchanting tale of two of Scotland's most historical cities.

Tuesday Bannockburn Visitor Centre and Stirling

Take your place on the battlefield and stand face-to-face with fearless medieval warriors. In 1314 two opposing King's tactics forever changed the path of Scotland's history. Later, enjoy free time in Stirling. The city's castle lies atop Castle Hill, with imposing views of the Trossachs and of course the iconic Wallace Monument. Built in 1869 over 30,000 tonnes of stone were used in its construction, equivalent to 10,000 elephants! (4 miles).

Wednesday Loch Lomond, Glencoe, Fort William & The Great Glen

Admire the magnificent Trossachs as you approach the shoreline of Loch Lomond, with time free to enjoy Lomond Shore resort. Follow the banks of the bonny loch and join the West Highland Way via Glencoe with time free in Fort William, the outdoor capital of Scotland. Continue along the Great Glen, One of the most memorable road journeys in the UK to Fort Augustus at the head of Loch Ness. Turning right take the eastern shoreline route to Inverness, with superb views right down to the waters-edge and on to the capital of the Highlands – Inverness. (200miles).



Thursday Loch Ness and Urquhart Castle

Containing more water than all lakes in England and Wales combined, Loch Ness is Scotland's most famous water feature. Hug the shoreline and look out for Nessie arriving in Drumadrochit at the Loch Ness Visitor centre. Hear tales of Nessie and stories off the deep at the 5 star visitor centre. Before boarding a leisurely cruise explore the ruins of Urquhart Castle, peer into the prison cell or climb the Grant tower. Your coach will collect you at Dochgarroch pier. (26 miles).

Friday Inverness and Culloden Battlefield

After a leisurely morning exploring Inverness we march to the front lines at Culloden Battlefield. The Scene of the Jacobite's final rising in 1746, experience the powerful emotions of the centre's 360 degree battle immersion theatre. Enjoy a guided tour with one on the centre's experts and witness the graves of the 1500 fallen Jacobite soldiers. (16 miles).

The Legend of the Loch

In Scottish folklore, the Loch Ness Monster or Nessie is said to be a creature that inhabits the Loch. The first reported sighting was reported in the Inverness courier on the 2nd May 1933.

Robert the Bruce



"We are regular group bookers with Classic Britain and time after time find the service from initial enquiry to after sales extremely efficient"
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 5 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry Bannockburn Exhibition
- ♦ Entry Loch Ness Visitor Centre
- ♦ Urquhart Castle and Jacobite Cruise
- ♦ Entry Culloden Battlefield

King Robert Hotel - Stirling

3* Approved Reviews 92%



Peacefully situated on the site of the historic Battle of Bannockburn and is the perfect place to explore the historic city.

Craigmonie Hotel - Inverness

3* Commended Reviews 92%



Dating back to the 1880's the hotel has a comfortable and relaxing country house feel. Only a few minutes from the Vibrant city of Inverness.

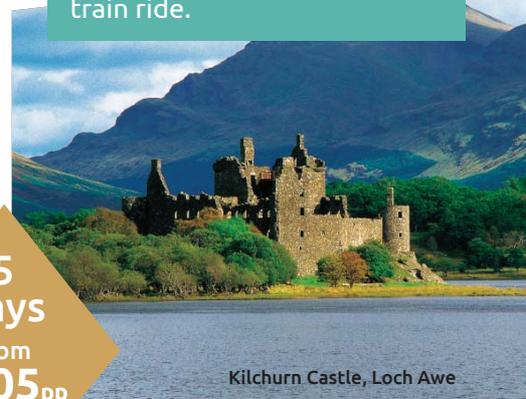
Available April – July
Rates and dates attached
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Neptunes Staircase, Fort William

Highlights: ♦ Oban ♦ West Highland Line ♦ Loch Lomond
♦ Inveraray ♦ Fort William

5 days
from
£205pp



Kilchurn Castle, Loch Awe

Discover Gems in the Highland Glens

Arrive Mondays and Depart Fridays

A gem of a new tour based in an idyllic Highland setting, surrounded by mountains, which takes in the UK's most famous train line. Included is a visit to one of Scotland's most impressive castles, a cruise on the open waters of a loch, as well as spending time on an island, with time free to explore the Highland towns of Oban, Fort William & Inveraray. This varied and exciting tour is also our lowest priced Highland programme. One definitely worth a look at.

Tuesday Oban & Seil Island

Oban is a popular destination and is the "Gateway to the Isles". Time free to roam the waterfront and explore the town before the short journey over the Atlantic bridge and on to Seil Island. A captivating and small island full of history and was once famous for slate mining, and scene of films like "Ring of Brightwater". Before returning, visit picture postcard Easdale, with whitewashed cottages, museum of the Island and café.

Wednesday Fort William & The West Highland Line

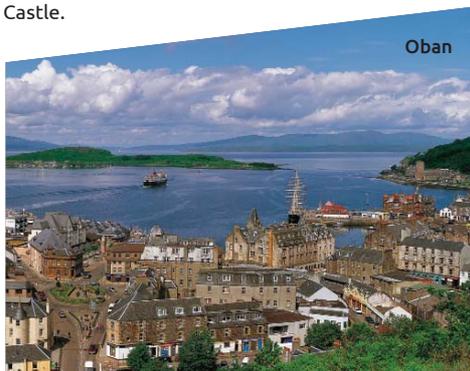
Board the morning train for what will be the most scenic of railway journeys through the glens and round the massif of Ben Nevis to Fort William. The journey takes approx. 1 ¾ hours. Fort William is the focal point of the West Highlands and time is spent seeing the sights. After lunch, a short detour to Neptunes Staircase, Banavie. A Victorian engineering marvel as you see boats navigating a series of 8 lock gates on the Caledonian Canal. Returning through Glencoe, with time to take in the majestic scenery of the glen and mountains.

Thursday Loch Lomond & Inveraray

Drive along the shoreline of Loch Lomond to



Tarbet to join the 1 hour cruise out on to the northern end of fjord-like Loch, sailing over the deepest part of the Loch in the shadow of Ben Lomond. Live commentary included. The afternoon is spent in the historical town of Inveraray on Loch Fyne with admission into Inveraray Castle, with its opulent rooms, historic artefacts and beautiful gardens. Returning via Loch Awe and Kilchurn Castle.



Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome Tea & shortbread on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry Inveraray Castle
- ♦ Single Rail to Fort William
- ♦ Cruise on Loch Lomond
- ♦ 2 nights entertainment (Ben Doran)

Criarlarich Hotel - Criarlarich

3* Commended Reviews 92%



Beautiful privately owned hotel, and a popular choice for groups. Located in the centre of the village. Rave reviews for its fine food as well as attentive & friendly service. Hotel has

Ben Doran Hotel - Tyndrum

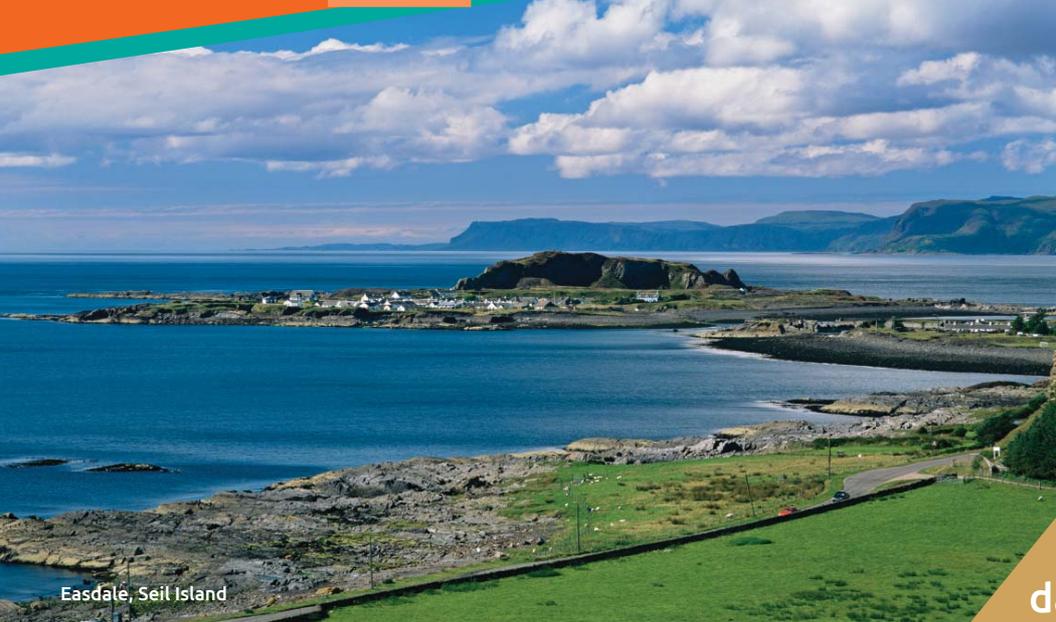
3* Approved Reviews 78%



Set in own grounds in centre of Tyndrum, with open views from all bedrooms. Ideally placed for this programme.

Over recent years a lot of improvements have taken place and is considered to be a well-priced coach orientated hotel with 138 bedrooms & entertainment on 2 nights.

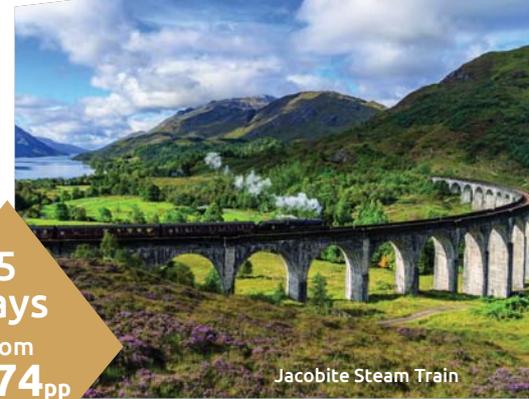
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Easdale, Seil Island

Highlights: ♦ West Highland Line ♦ Oban ♦ Seil Island
♦ Loch Ness ♦ Steam Train ♦ Inverness

5 days
from
£274^{pp}



Jacobite Steam Train

Natural Wonders of the West Highlands

Arrive Mondays and Depart Fridays

Impressive new holiday based in Fort William, exploring The Great Glen and the coastline of the Western Highlands. A boat cruise is included on probably the most famous of lochs, a steam hauled railway journey on the Harry Potter line between Fort William and Mallaig, ending with a visit to the "Gateway to the Isles" with an afternoon spent on a most tranquil island.

Full Day Loch Ness Cruise & Inverness

First stop is the Commando Monument overlooking Ben Nevis at Spean Bridge before continuing along the epic Great Glen, hugging the lochside for much of the way, with time free in Fort Augustus at the head of Loch Ness. Board the boat at Urquhart Castle for a cruise out on to Loch Ness arriving at the Clansman Marina, where your coach awaits to take you to Inverness with free time, before returning to Fort William, along the eastern shoreline of the loch. (140 miles).

Full Day Road to the Isles & The Jacobite Steam Train

Classic has arranged the best of both worlds today. Not only will you be travelling on the most famous railway in the world – thanks to both Harry Potter and the amazing scenery along the 46 mile journey between Fort William and Mallaig. But also, be absorbed in the equally spectacular "Road to the Isles" drive, stopping off at various vantage points along the way, such as Glenfinnan Viaduct, Loch Morar & Neptunes Staircase. (100 miles).

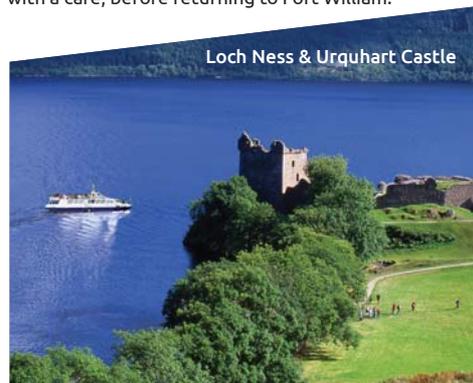
Full Day Oban & Bridge over the Atlantic

Scenic lochside drive more or less all the way to Oban, with time free in this bustling harbour town, affectionately known as "Gateway to the Isles". Here you will see boats of all shapes and sizes plying their

Add on a night from £52pp

4 Nights in one Hotel | by Rail | by Boat

trade between the Hebridean Islands. After lunch, turn south for 12 miles to cross the "Bridge over the Atlantic" and on to the pretty but small island of Seil - the island which roofed the world with its slate. Time to roam the conservation village of Easdale, with pretty whitewashed miners cottages surrounded by turquoise blue waters with sweeping views across to the outer Isles. Here, there is a museum to explore with a café, before returning to Fort William.



Loch Ness & Urquhart Castle

The Great Glen

The Great Glen is a giant tectonic crack splitting Scotland in two. It runs for 62 miles from Fort William to Inverness is surrounded by the UK's highest mountains and filled with 4 immense lochs.

"As a group organiser I felt completely confident that everything would run smoothly for our groups heading to Scotland".
– UK Tour Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea and shortbread on check in (Onich Hotel)
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 1 hour Cruise on Loch Ness
- ♦ One leg Jacobite steam train Fort William – Mallaig

Onich Hotel - near Fort William

3* Commended Reviews 86%

 A cosy 26 bedroom hotel, located on the edge of Glencoe, 7 miles south of Fort William. The hotel has the most amazing uninterrupted loch & mountain views.

Imperial Hotel - Fort William

3* Commended Reviews 80%

 Looking for a central hotel, then this is the place to stay. Lochside location. Takes one group so you will be well looked after.

Caledonian Hotel - Fort William

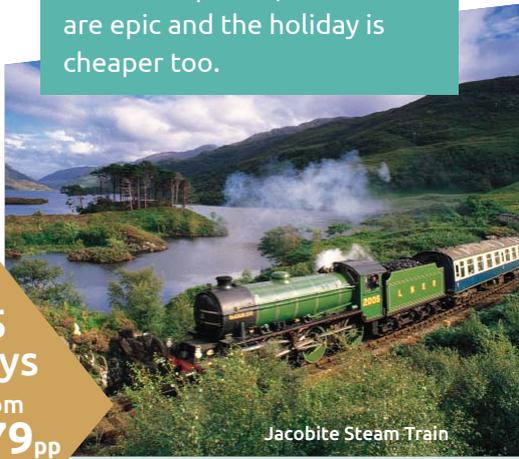
3* Commended Reviews 80%

 88 Bedrooms on the shores of beautiful Loch Linnhe. Breath-taking scenery and walks in the local area. 1 mile from the centre of Fort William.

Available April - October
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View of Loch Shiel from steam train on Glenfinnan viaduct



Jacobite Steam Train

Highlights: ♦ Jacobite Steam Train ♦ Kyle Railway ♦ Inverness
♦ Aviemore Steam Train ♦ Isle of Skye ♦ Fort William

5 days
from
£279pp

Romantic Highland Railways

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

By far Classic's most popular and successful package. Sit back, relax and immerse yourself in dramatic Highland scenery as we take you on three famous railway journeys, two of which are steam hauled - one being the most recognised railway in the world as featured in the Harry Potter films.

Full Day Spey Valley Steam & Speyside Centre

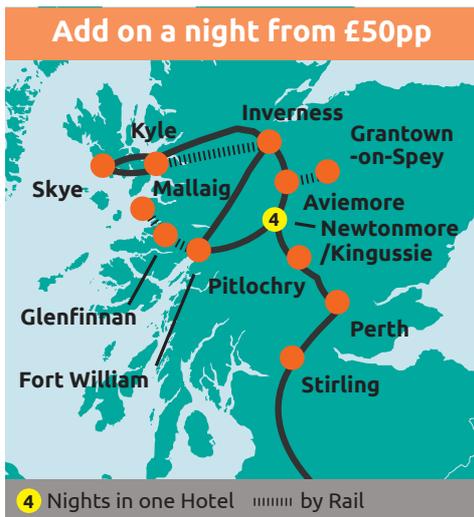
Free Time in Aviemore. Board the steam train* for a 45 minute journey through spectacular Speyside scenery. Time free in Granttown before visiting the much acclaimed Speyside Centre at Dulnain Bridge, explaining the myths, legends, folklore & history of whisky of the Cairngorms. (70 miles).

Full Day Kyle Line & Isle of Skye

All aboard "one of the most beautiful rail journeys in Europe" according to Michael Palin. Depart Inverness to Kyle where your coach collects you for the short journey on to the Isle of Skye with time for sightseeing. Returning to your hotel by coach through wonderful Highland grandeur. (Please note above may be reversed). (110miles).

Full Day Hogwarts Express on the Harry Potter Line**

Described as the greatest railway journey in the world, the 43 mile journey by steam between Fort William & Mallaig takes you past a list of extremes. From Ben Nevis, to the 21 arched Glenfinnan viaduct. Passing deep lochs, high mountains and coastal views across to the Isles. Time to explore the fishing town of Mallaig.



The road journey in your coach is very different to the rail journey with a stop at Glenfinnan to see Bonnie Prince Charlie's monument at the head of Loch Shiel. Finally, Neptunes Staircase in Banavie, a series of 8 lock gates on the Caledonian Canal. (92 miles).

(Passengers travel one leg by train and one leg by coach between Fort William and Mallaig.)



Magnificent Kyle Line

The Jacobite Steam Train operates till the end of October. It's an ideal time to see the Highlands at their finest arboreal display. The roads are quieter, the views are epic and the holiday is cheaper too.

"Without doubt our most successful Scottish holiday. Everyone just loved the steam train and the fantastic scenery." - UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Tea/coffee & shortbread on check in (excl Balavil)
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Single Rail Journey Inverness - Kyle
- ♦ Single Steam Rail Journey Aviemore - Broomhill (May - Sept)**
- ♦ One leg on Jacobite Steam Train (May-Oct. Diesel train in April)**
- ♦ Entry Speyside Centre
- ♦ Min. 2 nts Entertainment

Balavil Hotel - Newtonmore



3* Approved Reviews 84%



Enjoy a true Highland experience in this family run hotel with emphasis on good food and friendly service. A firm favourite for groups. Min 2nts entertainment.

Duke of Gordon - Kingussie



3* Commended Reviews 77%



A high quality coach orientated hotel with entertainment every night. Lots of character with a Highland feel. (p.37)

Highlander Hotel - Newtonmore



3* Approved Reviews 81%

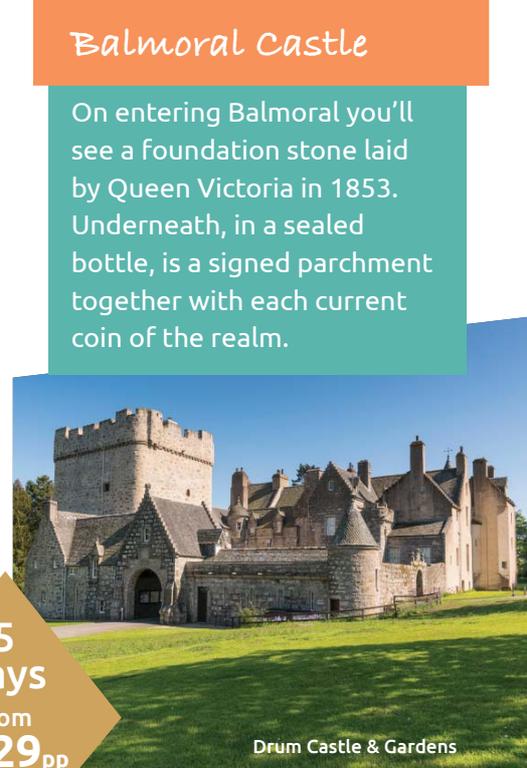


Operators book this hotel year after year. Testament to the consistent high standards. A lot of refurbishment has taken place in recent years. Entertainment most nights.

Available April - October
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Balmoral Castle



Drum Castle & Gardens

Highlights: ♦ Balmoral Castle ♦ Whisky Trail ♦ Castle Trail
♦ Drum Castle ♦ Aberdeen ♦ Whisky Tour & tasting

5 days
from
£229pp

Castle Tales & The Malt Whisky Trail

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

A place much loved by the Royals, not only for Deeside's delicate beauty but also for its regal history with more castles per square mile than anywhere else in the UK. Nearby, is the world known Whisky Trail with 9 distilleries set against a backdrop of rolling mountain scenery. This tour blends the whisky with visits to two castles, the most famous of which is Balmoral.

Tuesday Royal Deeside & Balmoral Castle

Royal Deeside has long been a much loved by the Royals for its Highland landscapes & peaceful countryside. In the shadows of Lochnagar stands Balmoral Castle, The Queen's Royal Residence, and described by Queen Victoria as "my dear paradise in the Highlands". Audio Tour included of the castle and grounds. Time free in the pretty Deeside town of Ballater on the banks of the River Dee. (95 miles.)

Wednesday Malt Whisky Trail & The Moray Coast

A scenic drive through the Grampian Highlands to Dufftown and on to the Whisky Trail. It is the most well-known whisky region and the only one of its kind in the world. Stop for a guided tour & tasting before continuing to Elgin. Afterwards, along the Moray coastline, peppered with small fishing villages such as Buckie and Portsoy, with it's 17th century harbour. Time free in the Royal Burgh of Banff, dating back to 1163, and the towns showpiece - Duff House. Returning via Turriff & Fyvie Castle. (c150 miles).

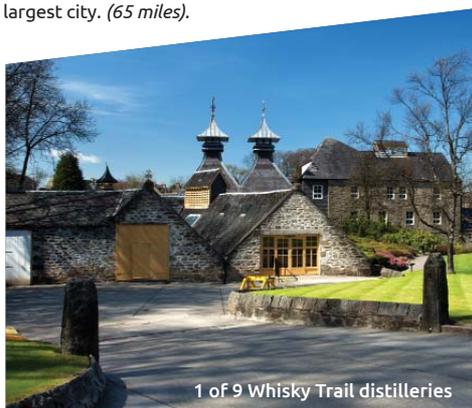
Thursday Aberdeen & the Castle Trail

The Castle Trail starts in Banchory. Entry & guided tour of 700 year old Drum Castle & Garden Estate. Hear the stories of the castle from Robert the Bruce to the Jacobites as you stroll the battlements, the Mansion



4 Nights in one Hotel

House, Tower and library containing 4000 books. Scent the beauty of the Garden of Roses or wander the ancient Oak forest – home to deer, red squirrels, & badgers. The 50 mile castle trail, has more castles per acre than anywhere else in the UK - Crathes, Craigievar, Houghton & Fraser to name a few. Afterwards, time to explore the "Granite City" of Aberdeen, Scotland's 3rd largest city. (65 miles).



1 of 9 Whisky Trail distilleries

Balmoral Castle

On entering Balmoral you'll see a foundation stone laid by Queen Victoria in 1853. Underneath, in a sealed bottle, is a signed parchment together with each current coin of the realm.

"The holiday was so well planned and carried through by such hard working & willing staff". - UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcoming tea/coffee & shortbread on arrival
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Audio Tour Balmoral Castle and Grounds
- ♦ Guided Tour Drum Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Guided Whisky Tour & tasting
- ♦ Overnight hotel from £49pp

Ardoe House - Inverurie

4* Commended Reviews 88%



Set in 30 acres of grounds with magnificent views across the River Dee. This luxurious 19th century Manor House leisure resort is just 5 miles from Aberdeen & complemented by 120 traditionally designed bedrooms.

Altens Hotel - Aberdeen

4* Approved Reviews 92%



A modern & contemporary hotel, set in own grounds, within a 3 mile easy access into Aberdeen centre. New public areas completed in 2020. 216 bedrooms and extensive leisure.

Available May – July
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Dunrobin Castle with Falconry display included

Special shows on Dunrobin Castle lawns at 2pm, featuring Highland residents – golden eagles & peregrine falcons together with other exotic species.



5 days from £169pp

Highlights: ♦ Dunrobin Castle ♦ Dolphin Cruise ♦ Steam Train ♦ Reindeer feeding ♦ Falconry Display ♦ Osprey Centre

"Products are refreshed each year enabling us to offer an ever-changing variety of tours for our customers" – UK Tour Operator

Wild about Scotland

Arrive Monday & Depart Friday

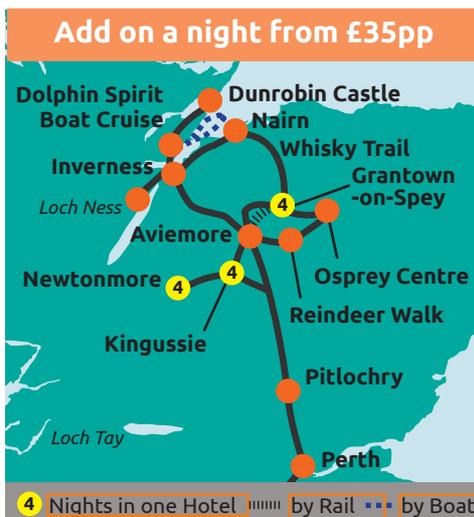
This carefully designed tour blends together the beauty of the Highlands visiting some impressive places from the natural wonders of Loch Ness to the historical masterpiece of Dunrobin Castle, whilst exploring the area by both coach and steam train. There are visits to sample some of Scotland's wildlife, with a falconry display, reindeer feed, Osprey watching and a dolphin cruise all included. It's little wonder why we are all so Wild about Scotland and your clients will be too!

Tuesday Inverness, Loch Ness & Falconry Display

Time free in the Highland Capital, before taking a short drive for photos of Loch Ness. Northwards to fairy-tale Dunrobin Castle, dating back 700 years, explore the castle & extensive gardens set in a dramatic coastal setting. At 2pm, see a fascinating falconry display with Golden Eagles, Falcons & other species. (190 miles).

Wednesday Steam Train, Osprey Centre & Reindeer Feed

Board the Strathspey steam train in Aviemore for a 40 minute ride through glorious Highland countryside. Disembark Broomhill for the short journey to RSPB Osprey Centre at Loch Garten. A wildlife Ranger will provide an update on the Ospreys activity. There's every chance of watching the birds feed their young from either a webcam or viewing the Osprey nest through provided binoculars. (Best time April-June). The centre is located in an ancient pine forest with signed level forest walks with plenty other birdlife and red squirrels to see. Next stop is the Cairngorm National Park. Located in a mountain setting, your herder will take you to visit the reindeer paddock & exhibition. (58 miles).



Thursday Whisky Trail & Dolphin Watch

Scenic drive along the total length of the Whisky Trail. It is the most recognised region in the world for whisky production with 9 working distilleries. Time free in Nairn, renowned for its white sandy beaches. Continue along the Moray Firth, to join Dolphin Spirit for a cruise into the Firth. Find out about the pods of around 190 Bottlenose dolphins in an area where they are particularly active. (77 miles).

Please note mileages are based from Granttown on Spey.



Price Includes

- ♦ Tea & shortbread on arrival
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry RSPB Osprey Centre
- ♦ Feeding the Reindeers
- ♦ Single Strathspey Steam Railway
- ♦ Dolphin Spirit Cruise
- ♦ Dunrobin Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Falconry Display (1 April – 30 Sept)

Craiglynn Hotel - Granttown-on-Spey

3* Commended Reviews 79%



Under new ownership the hotel has been transformed into a good 3* Speyside hotel. Group focused with 83 bedrooms.

Duke of Gordon - Kingussie

3* Commended Reviews 79%



Groups like this hotel, because it is very Scottish, with an open log fire, good food, cosy rooms and entertainment every night. (See p35)

Also available staying at the Balavil & Highlander hotels, Newtonmore. See p35 for hotel descriptions.

Available April - September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Loch Ness & Urquhart Castle

Highlights: ♦ Loch Ness Cruise ♦ 2 Castles ♦ Isle of Skye
♦ 2 Railway Journeys ♦ John O'Groats

5 days
from
£229^{pp}

Boats & Trains of the Highlands & Islands

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

An exceptionally well priced tour, based in the seaside town of Dornoch, 40 miles north of Inverness, surrounded by magnificent Highland landscapes. A holiday designed to capture all the great things that make this area so popular. Take a cruise on a famous loch. Journey on two of Europe's most scenic railway lines as well as exploring castles, including the Queen Mothers Scottish home.

Full Day Loch Ness and Urquhart Castle

Time free in Inverness, before driving along the shoreline of Loch Ness. Entry into Urquhart Castle Visitor Centre and Grounds before a cruise out on to Loch Ness – take your camera just in case you see something lurking in the loch! Disembark at the Clansman Harbour. Return to Dornoch via Beauty & Muir of Ord. (119 miles).

Full Day Kyle Railway Line & Isle of Skye

Take your seat on "One of the best railway journeys in the world" according to Michael Palin. In Kyle your coach awaits to take you over the bridge to the Isle of Skye, an island full of mystery and history. Included is a light lunch at the Dunollie Hotel, Broadford. Returning over the bridge, stopping at Eilean Donan Castle for photos, before crossing The Highlands from the west coast to east coast. (109 miles).

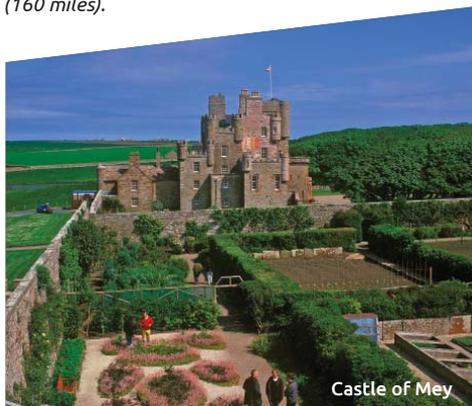
Full Day Northern Line, John O'Groats & Castle of Mey

Trace the North Sea coastline on this picturesque rail journey passing Fairy-tale Dunrobin Castle and the beautiful beaches around Brora. Experience how remote Scotland can be passing famous salmon rivers & distilleries with miles of moorland



4 Nights in 1 Hotel by Rail by Boat

before re-joining your coach at Thurso. Entry Castle of Mey – The Queen Mum's Scottish residence, followed by a visit to nearby John O'Groats, the most northerly point on mainland Britain. Returning south by coach stopping at what once used to be the mighty fishing port of Wick, with coastal scenery all the way back to Dornoch. (160 miles).



Castle of Mey

Drinks Included

As well as our summer programme, we have added a "Highland Hoolie" package in the spring and autumn times. Roads are quieter & hotels cheaper. Our new drinks included break based in Dornoch, is ideal to marvel at the Highlands in all their seasonal glory.

Price includes

- ♦ Hot drink on check in
 - ♦ 4 nights DBB
 - ♦ 2 drinks vouchers per day
 - ♦ 2 nights entertainment with 1 Scottish themed
 - ♦ Single Rail Kyle Line & Skye
- 2021: 5/4, 12/4, 26/4, 4/10, 11/10, 18/10 £160pp ss £60

"Classic offers new, fresh & exciting ideas to meet the demands of the modern day customer"
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea and shortbread on arrival
- ♦ 4 nts DBB
- ♦ Cruise on Loch Ness
- ♦ Entry Urquhart Castle
- ♦ Entry Castle of Mey
- ♦ Single Rail Golspie – Thurso (1 ½ hrs)
- ♦ Single Rail Dingwall – Skye (2 ¼ hrs)
- ♦ Light lunch Dunollie Hotel, Skye

Overnight hotels from £49pp

Dornoch Hotel Dornoch

3* Approved Reviews 77%



Traditional Highland hotel set within its own grounds in a truly historic corner of the Scottish Highlands, affording spectacular views across the Firth. The hotel is within easy reach of Dornoch town centre having 113 bedrooms many of which are refurbished with just about all commanding open views.

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover

NEW



Waddesdon Manor & Gardens

- ◆ Arundel Castle ◆ Hever Castle ◆ Oxford
- ◆ Waddesdon Manor ◆ Bluebell Railway

5 days
£269^{pp}

Bluebell Rail & Castle Trail

Our Castle & Gardens Trail is based in a highly rated 4* hotel, with visits included to three different styles of properties. From a regal 700 year old castle, to an imposing one in the South Downs, completing the three is a 16th century French chateau. Also included is a steam train journey through glorious Sussex countryside.

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Tuesday Arundel Castle & South Downs

Across the South Downs with entry into the impressive Arundel Castle, dating back to Norman times. See the castle's finely preserved interiors, fascinating tapestries, antique furniture and many rare paintings. Roam the extensive gardens reputed to be amongst the best in the UK. Afterwards, time free in the ancient cathedral city of Chichester. (118 miles).

Wednesday Waddesdon Manor & Oxford

Time is spent in Oxford - "The city of dreaming spires". It is the oldest university town in the world, with 38 colleges in the city's medieval centre. It is also the location for many TV programmes and films. Next stop is a visit to fashionable Waddesdon Manor, a 16th century French Renaissance-style chateau, with a first class collection of fine art and furniture. The flamboyant Victorian Gardens are full of colour amidst ornate fountains and statuary. (130 miles).

Thursday Hever Castle & Bluebell Steam

Board the famous Bluebell train for the 40 minute relaxing steam journey through Sussex countryside. Nearby, is Hever Castle & Gardens, one of the best kept examples of a 13th century castle, home to Anne Boleyn, 2nd wife of Henry VIII. The castle is full of treasures, and the 125 acres of gardens are amongst the best in the UK with over 4000 plants. (138 miles).

Price Includes

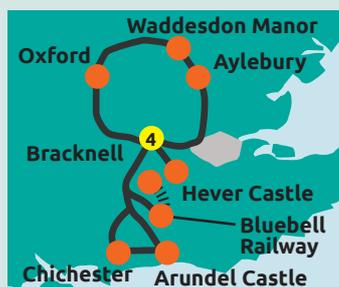
- Welcome tea & biscuits on check in
- ◆ 4 nights DBB
- ◆ Entry Arundel Castle & Gardens
- ◆ Entry Waddesdon Manor & Gardens
- ◆ Entry Hever Castle & Grdns
- ◆ Single Bluebell steam Railway with reserved seats

Coppid Beech Hotel - Bracknell

4* Approved Reviews 90%



Highly rated & a popular hotel with groups with Alpine styling and quirky features. The hotel is spacious and bedrooms are of good size. It has a quiet location on the outskirts of Bracknell in Royal Berkshire. Constant positive feedback about the food & service. The hotel has 205 bedrooms.



4 Nights in 1 Hotel by Rail

Available May - August
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover

NEW



Cambridge

- ◆ Cambridge guided tour ◆ Bletchley Park
- ◆ Imperial War Museum ◆ Essex villages

5 days
£254^{pp}

Cambridge & Englands Enigma

Step back in time on our nostalgic tour. Find out how English boffins shortened WW2 at Bletchley Park. There's a private guided tour round the sites of the 2nd oldest University town. Walk through the Hangers of Duxford and get up close to a century of aviation, finishing with a sightseeing tour around Constable Country.

Arrive Mondays & Departs Fridays

Tuesday Cambridge Guided Tour & Ely

Guided morning tour of Cambridge in your coach. The University dates back to 1209. See many of the 31 majestic college buildings. Watch the world go by in the historic market place and see punting on the River Cam. Nearby, is the historic Fenland city of Ely, home of Oliver Cromwell with it's magnificent 11th century cathedral. (38 miles).

Wednesday Bletchley Park

Entry Bletchley Park - the world's largest display of enigma machines, created by mathematical geniuses which helped shorten the course of WW2, as well as the founders for the modern day computer. Hear stories of spies, explore war time huts, the Japanese challenge, the Home Front Exhibition and the Churchill Exhibition. (95 miles).

Thursday Imperial War Museum & Constable Country

A visit to the best preserved Battle of Britain fighter airfield. Historic WW2 buildings sit alongside striking exhibition halls housing the finest collection of tanks, military vehicles, artillery and over 200 aircraft. Afternoon tour round rural Essex stopping off in medieval Thaxted, with its famous Guildhall and the idyllic village of Finchingfield - one of England's most photographed villages. (58 miles).

Price Includes

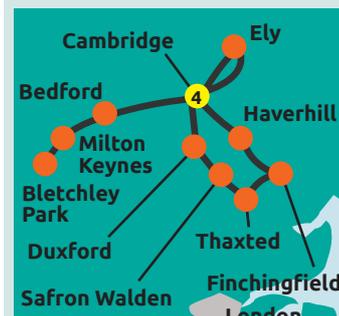
- ◆ Welcome tea/coffee & biscuits on check in
- ◆ ½ Day guided tour of Cambridge
- ◆ Entry Bletchley Park
- ◆ Entry Imperial War Museum, Duxford

Hallmark Hotel - Cambridge

4* Commended Reviews 84%



Located on the edge of Cambridge, this modern hotel is set in over 200 acres of grounds with own golf course & extensive leisure. A perfect destination for our Cambridge programme.



4 Nights in 1 Hotel

Available April - September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Otley Hall



Constable's Flatford Mill, East Bergholt

Highlights: ♦ Bury St Edmunds ♦ Lavenham ♦ Clackton on Sea
♦ Heritage coastline ♦ Otley Hall ♦ Constable Country

5 days
£179pp

The Land of Constable & Suffolk's Great Halls

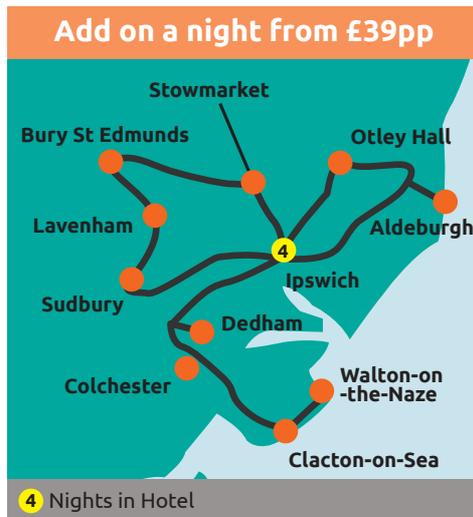
Arrive Mondays and Depart Fridays

Suffolk is one of the oldest counties in England, and is blessed with some of the country's best stately homes. On this well priced tour staying in a 4* hotel, see for yourself the historical importance of this formidable county – preserved villages, ancient manor houses, lined with 50 miles of heritage coastline. Peek into the lives of famous artists & composers who made their homes here in East Anglia.

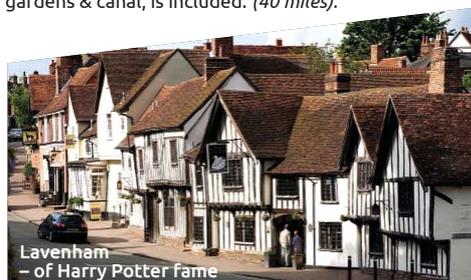
Tuesday Constable Country & The Sunshine Coast
Passing patchwork fields and woodlands arrive at Dedham, where John Constable attended school. Nearby is 16th century Bridge Cottage, housing an exhibition of the life and work of this 17th century painter. The afternoon is spent on "The Sunshine Coast" with time in Clackton-on-Sea with its large sandy beach, pier and seafront walks and then to nearby Walton on the Naze, surrounded on 3 sides by the sea & is home to the 2nd longest pier in the country. (60 miles).

Wednesday Bury St Edmunds Market, The Harry Potter Village & Gainsborough
First stop is historic Bury St Edmunds, where on Wednesday there is an open air market in the town square. Visit the ancient Abbey dating back to the Magna Carta, or pop into the Angel Hotel of Dickens & Mrs Pickwick fame. Next stop is Lavenham. It is one of the UK's best preserved timber framed villages dating back to Saxon Times. The main street was used in scenes of Harry Potter's Deathly Hollows. Then on to the ancient market town of Sudbury, home to one of England's best known artists Robert Gainsborough. (68 miles).

Thursday Suffolk Heritage coastline & private tour of Otley Hall
On the coast, 15 miles from Ipswich, is the time



capsule of Aldeburgh, home to the well-known Composer Benjamin Britten. Little has changed here for generations with pastel coloured 19th century villas and large pebble beach. At 2pm your guide will meet you, on arrival at nearby Otley Hall & Gardens, to conduct a private and exclusive tour of this 15th Century Tudor moated hall. It is one of the top 20 Historic Houses in the UK and considered as the oldest house in Suffolk to survive largely intact, with a wealth of medieval architectural features. The Hall is surrounded by 10 acres of beautiful award winning gardens. Afterwards, tea & cakes overlooking the gardens & canal, is included. (40 miles).



Lavenham – of Harry Potter fame

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea & biscuits on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 2 nights entertainment
- ♦ Private Tour of Otley Hall & Gardens
- ♦ Afternoon tea & cakes

Ipswich Hotel Ipswich

4* Approved Reviews 89%



A Best Western hotel, located on the outskirts of town, set snugly in a quiet countryside setting, with easy access to the itinerary routes. Hotel has 83 fabulous bedrooms, bright restaurant overlooking the grounds and cosy wood panelled bar.

Available May – September
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover



Great Dixter House & Gardens

Highlights: ♦ Steam train journey ♦ Wine tour & tasting
♦ Leeds Castle ♦ Sissinghurst Gardens ♦ Great Dixter Gardens

5 days
from
£289 pp



Kents Gardens, Vines & Railway Lines

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Discover fine gardens, historical towns, imposing castles, a glorious coastline and rolling meadows on Classic's new programme based in the "Garden of England". A packed tour which includes a journey on a vintage steam train, a visit to what is reported to be the "loveliest castle in the world", all washed down with a tour and tastings of fine English wines whilst staying in 4* hotels.

Tuesday Canterbury & Leeds Castle

Morning free to sightsee the cathedral city of Canterbury, dating back to 597AD, with its Roman walls encircling its medieval centre of cobbled streets and timber-framed houses. Nearby, is 900 year old Leeds Castle described as the "loveliest castle in the world". The afternoon provides time to explore the castle with its labyrinth of rooms and 500 acres of parkland and formal gardens. Daily activities, special events and falconry display are available each day.

Wednesday Steam Train & Great Dixter Gardens

Gentle drive across rolling Kent countryside, where your steam train "The Jewel of the Weald" will be waiting, in the shadows of mighty Bodiam Castle, to take you on a 50 minute journey through the Rother Valley. It is the UK's finest example of a rural light railway. Disembark at Tenterden for the short journey to Great Dixter, an historic Tudor house, complete with a Great Hall dating back to the 15th century. It's gardens are a place for pilgrimage for horticulturists from across the world.

Thursday Sissinghurst Gardens & Wine Tasting

Today's first stop is Sissinghurst - one of the most famous & extensive English gardens arranged into

Add on a night from £56pp

Total Miles
From Maidstone 138
From Tunbridge 162

4 Nights in one Hotel by Rail

ten areas. As you walk through each distinctly different "room" another area of the garden is discovered. Main areas include the Rose Garden, Lime Walk, White Garden and the colourful Cottage Garden. After lunch we make our way to the award winning Hush Heath Winery, with 400 acres of manicured vineyards and apple orchards. Included is a guided tour of the Estate followed by a tasting or 6 wines.



Steam train passing Bodiam Castle

Kent's iconic title dates back 400 years, to when Henry VIII sampled a bowl of cherries grown in Kent, and was so delighted with them that from then on Kent became known as "The Garden of England".

"The packages available are varied, interesting & above all always looking at new ideas & innovative ways to re-brand existing products".
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry Leeds Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Entry Sissinghurst Gardens
- ♦ Entry Great Dixter House & Gardens
- ♦ Single Journey on Tenterden steam railway
- ♦ Vineyard tour and tasting 6 wines

Mercure Tunbridge Wells - Pembury

4* Approved Reviews 90%



Located in a tranquil setting surrounded by water on the edge of Pembury, 3 miles from historic Tunbridge Wells. Originally an 18th century Oast House, and now one of the areas leading hotels. Near to Hever Castle.

Great Danes Hotel - Maidstone

4* Approved Reviews 88%



126 bedroom Mercure hotel set within 26 acres of Parkland attached to the well-known Leeds Castle. Apart from extensive leisure & supreme accommodation. The hotel has a modern and comfortable brasserie & bar.

Also available staying in Folkestone (See Page 40)

Available May – September
Rates and dates attached
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Broad Campden

Highlights: ♦ Sudeley Castle & Gardens ♦ Cotswolds Villages
♦ Stratford ♦ Steam Train ride ♦ Shakespeare Country

5 days
from
£219^{pp}



Sudeley Castle & Gardens

Cream of the Cotswolds

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

A tour exuding an English prettiness through the rolling honey suckled beauty of the Cotswolds countryside. Based from a choice of hotels, the contrasting days out visit each corner of the area including Shakespeare country and a glorious steam train journey to visit one of the Cotswolds most crowning of glories

Tuesday Leisurely tour of the Cotswolds

Sit back and enjoy the views passing rolling hills and grasslands harbouring thatched medieval "honey-suckled" villages & stately homes. Free time in Moreton-in-Marsh, where on Tuesday there is a large open farmers market. Other visits are included to quaint villages such as Bourton-on-the-Water; the highest village in the Cotswolds, Stow-in-the-Wold, where the last skirmish of the English Civil War took place in 1646, Broadway & the lush meadows and orchards of Vale of Evesham.

Wednesday Shakespeare Country

The morning is spent in Stratford-Upon-Avon, Shakespeare's birthplace, with its many sights, shops, boutiques and eateries. At 1100hrs you can join the professionally led guided walk visiting 15th century timber buildings, Holy Trinity Church, Shakespeare's school and birthplace, Royal Shakespeare Theatres, Guild Chapel, town houses and more. (Costs about £6.50). After lunch return to your hotel stopping for photos at Shakespeare's wife's Anne Hathaway's Cottage.

Thursday Southern Cotswolds & Sudeley Castle & Gardens

First stop Cheltenham to board the Glos. & Warcs. Steam Railway for the 40 minute



journey through serene Cotswolds countryside to Toddington. Re-join your coach to nearby Sudeley Castle & Gardens, with Royal connections stretching back over 1000 years. There are many fascinating treasures to see, including the award winning 1,200 acre estate and gardens. Sudeley is the only private castle in England to have a queen buried within its grounds – Katherine Parr, the last of Henry VIII's six wives lies entombed in the beautiful 15th century church. Returning via the medieval river town of Tewkesbury.



Tewkesbury

Autumnal Cotswolds

The Cotswolds in the autumn time is quite a sight to see, with its arboreal display of rustic colours. Not only do the leaves tumble in September & October, but hotel prices do too.

"Every tour we book with Classic runs smoothly & hotel choices have been excellent."

– UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea/coffee & biscuits on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry into Sudeley Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Single Steam Train Journey

Salford Hall Hotel - nr Stratford-upon-Avon

3* *Commented*



Characterful 14th Century Tudor manor dating back to 1470. Some rooms are in the restored Tudor Court. A hotel with "olde-worlde" charm set in own grounds.

Hallmark Hotel - Gloucester

4* *Commented Reviews 83%*



Good all round modern 4* quality. Hotel has full leisure facilities. Located on the edge of the Cotswolds & 2 miles from City centre.

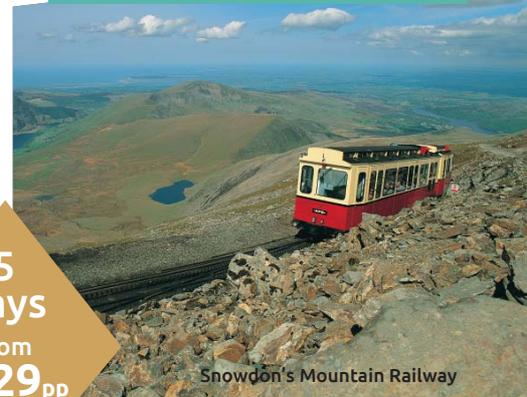
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Penrhyn Castle towards Anglesey

Highlights: ♦ Anglesey ♦ Puffin Island Cruise ♦ Caernarfon
♦ Snowdon Mountain Railway ♦ Penrhyn Castle & Gardens

5 days
from
£229pp



Snowdon's Mountain Railway

Welsh Highlands, Anglesey & Puffin Island

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

On this popular holiday explore North Wales' picturesque coastline & take in the views from Wales' highest mountain peak. Days out include entry into an astonishing "fantasy" castle, boarding a mountain train and a visit to Anglesey to see the wildlife surrounding Puffin Island.

Tuesday Coastline Drive & Penrhyn Castle

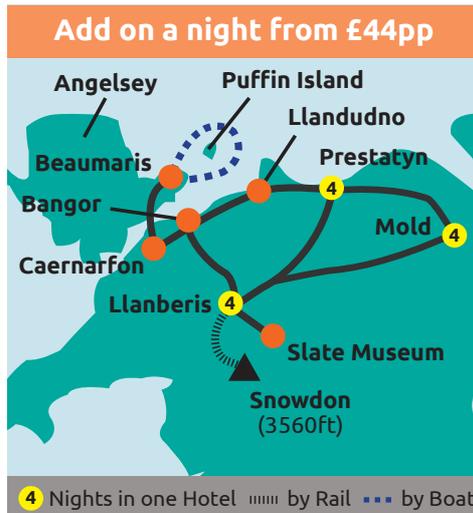
Pass sandy beaches & coastal villages like Conwy with it's castle, with a stop to take in the sea air and stroll Llandudno's promenade. Nearby, is the enormous 19th century fantasy - Penrhyn Castle. A neo- Norman castle crammed with fascinating items, such as a one-ton slate bed made for Queen Victoria, elaborate carvings, plasterwork and mock- Norman furniture, an outstanding collection of paintings and a fascinating industrial railway museum. The 60 acres of grounds includes exotic trees, plants and a Victorian walled garden.

Wednesday Snowdon Railway and the Welsh Highlands

Join the mountain train at Llanberis for the 4.7 mile ride to Snowdon's summit - the highest peak in Wales. At 3560ft it dominates the landscape. Marvel at the spectacular views across Wales and into England. There is a state of the art visitor centre with restaurant, and a short path leading to Snowdon's summit. Before returning take the short drive to the National Slate Museum – travel back to Victorian times, see the workshops, split a slate and hear a real insight into the hardships of quarry life.

Thursday Anglesey & Puffin Island Cruise

Caernarfon dates back to the 13th century & is dominated by one of the most impressive castles in



Wales. Then over the Menai Straights and on to the Isle of Anglesey with a photo stop at impressive Beaumaris Castle, an unfinished masterpiece, built in 1295. Board the all-weather cruiser to Puffin Island – home to many species of birds and wildlife. The 1½ hour cruise, with live commentary, takes you right round the island with regular sightings of puffins, grey seals and dolphins.



Llandudno

Hook Island

Anglesey was originally called Ongullsey meaning Hook Island, and is the largest island in Wales. A place where 70% of residents speak Welsh and is also home to the longest place name in Britain.

"On this tour the feedback was fantastic! They thought the hotel was wonderful with brilliant food and the tour, especially Penrhyn Castle, great"- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcoming tea & Bara Brith on check in (ex Royal Vic)
- ♦ 4 nights DBB plus coffee
- ♦ Entry Penrhyn Castle & Gardens
- ♦ Return Snowdon Mountain Railway (Diesel)
- ♦ Entry into National Slate Museum
- ♦ Puffin Island Cruise
- ♦ 2 nts Entertainment (Beaufort & Royal Victoria)

Royal Victoria Hotel - Llanberis

3* Commended

 Geared for groups, located in 30 acres of gardens set against both a peaceful & dramatic mountain backdrop.

Beaches Hotel - Prestatyn

3* 1st Class Reviews 86%

 Right on the coast, with the beach on the doorstep. All public areas & most rooms have coastal views.

Beaufort Park Hotel - Mold

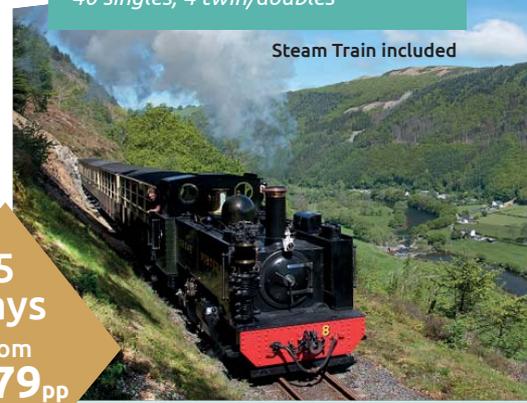
3* Commended Reviews 82%

 A firm favourite, spacious & group friendly. Good quality, all rooms very similar & only couple minutes walk into town centre.

Available April – September
 Rates and dates attached
 Hotel symbols on back cover



Barmouth



Steam Train included

Highlights: ♦ 2 Railway Journeys ♦ Whisky Tour & Tastings
♦ Aberystwyth ♦ Brecon Beacons ♦ Snowdonia National Park coast

5 days
from
£179^{pp}

A Welsh Rarebit

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

An amazingly well priced tour based in the very heart of Wales surrounded by stunning mountain scenery. The programme is based in Llandrindod Wells - a fashionable Victorian Spa Town. Tours include a day on the coast, a visit to the Brecon Beacons and of course no holiday to Wales comes complete without a steam train journey.

Tuesday Devils Bridge, Steam Train & Aberystwyth

Through Welsh mountain countryside reaching the beauty spot of Devils Bridge, with unusual 18th century bridges crossing the famous gorge and waterfalls. Hop on the 1902 Vale of Rheidol steam train for a 12 mile scenic journey arriving in the seaside town of Aberystwyth with its brightly coloured Victorian seafront buildings. Time free to stroll the 1 mile long promenade, passing the beach, pier, marina & many shops and eateries. (83 miles).

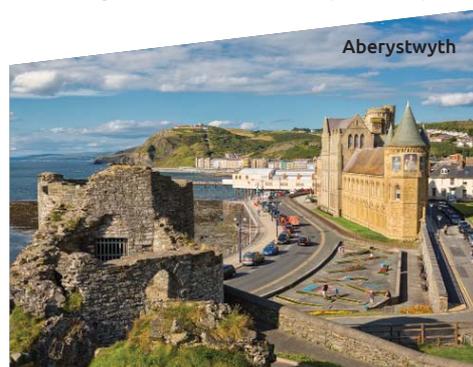
Wednesday Snowdonia's National Park Coastline

First stop is Machynlleth, dating back to 1404, and briefly was the capital of Wales. A quaint market town with boutique shops, town square with market day on a Wednesday. Afterwards, along the shoreline of the Dovey Estuary to the pretty seaside town of Trwyn. Board the train for the 30 minute scenic coastal journey crossing the estuary to Barmouth with time free in this attractive seaside resort with its expanse of sandy beach and panoramic views of Cardigan Bay. Returning via Cadir Idris, rising 3000ft above Dolgellau. (146 miles).



Thursday Brecon Beacons & Whisky Galore

30 miles south lies the Brecon Beacons National Park. It has many of Wales' most impressive natural landscapes. At the northern tip lies Brecon, from here we head into the Park, passing ancient red sandstone peaks. A guided tour and 2 tastings is included at the much acclaimed Penderyn Whisky Distillery (allow 1 ½ hours). We snake our way west, over the forbidding Black Mountains before reaching Llandoverly with its ruined castle. (118 miles).



Aberystwyth

Includes similar itinerary. Excludes Barmouth train, but includes a Bucks Fizz reception on the 1st night:

Arrival x 4nts 2020: 26/10 - **£169pp**

Arrivals x 4nts 2021:

19/4, 11/10 - **£175pp**

3/5, 10/5 - **£179pp**

27/19 - **£195pp**

40 singles, 4 twin/doubles

"Classic Britain is our first choice because of the efficiency of their booking team".

- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome tea/coffee and Bara Brith on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ 2 nights entertainment
- ♦ Single Rheidol Vale Steam Railway
- ♦ Single Tywyn-Barmouth Train
- ♦ Welsh Whisky tour and 2 tastings
- ♦ No Single supplement

Glen Usk Hotel Llandrindod Wells

3* Commended



A group friendly place to stay, with 79 cosy bedrooms, spacious lounges & restaurant overlooking Temple Gardens and entertainment is included on 2 nights. The hotel is centrally located in this pretty spa town.

Available April – October
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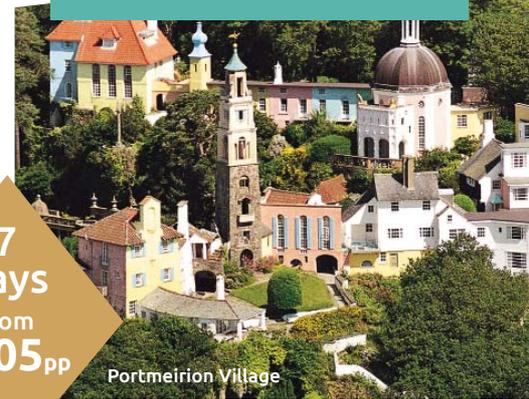
Sheep now outnumber people three to one in Wales. At its highest since the 1990s



Tenby

Highlights: ♦ Tenby ♦ St David's Cathedral ♦ Botanic Gardens
♦ Carmarthen ♦ Vale of Rheidol Railway ♦ Aberystwyth

7
days
from
£405pp



Portmeirion Village

"We have found Classic's customer service to be second to none. Staff are friendly and extremely helpful".
- UK Tour Operator

The Welsh Wanderer

Travel the Length of Wales

Arrive Mondays: 3 nights Swansea. 1 night Aberystwyth. 2 nights Caernarfon

Classic's new package travels the length of the Wales, unearthing the secrets of its coast and countryside visiting some famous sites along the way. From Tenby and St David's, Carmarthen with its famous market and of course the famous Mount Snowdon Railway.

Tuesday Coastal Drive, Tenby and St David's Cathedral

West Wales is well known for its beaches and bays, a leisurely drive brings you to Tenby with its colourful cottages and narrow cobbled streets where you have time free time to grab some lunch. Afterwards we visit Britain's smallest city, named after the patron saint of Wales, St David's really is a must see. Entry to the famous Cathedral will submerge you in the structures hundreds of years of history. (162 miles)

Wednesday Botanic Gardens of Wales and Carmarthen

Nestled into the landscape like a giant raindrop is the National Botanic Garden of Wales, home to the world's largest glasshouse. With over 500 acres of gardens we unearth the medicinal wonders of the surrounding plants and visit the bee garden that's sure to be abuzz with activity. The day continues in Carmarthen where the local market will be hustling and bustling. Spend the afternoon exploring the stalls and perfecting your haggling skills. (59 miles)

Thursday Vale of Rheidol Railway and Aberystwyth

A leisurely journey northwards through the heart of the Welsh countryside takes us to the 'Devil's Bridge'. We board the Vale of Rheidol railway following the cliff side taking us on a nostalgic journey twisting and turning along rugged mountain scenery. Birds of prey such as Red Kites and Buzzards can regularly be seen hovering above. Time free time in Aberystwyth to stroll along its gentle curving seafront admiring its Victorian and Edwardian Terraces. (79 miles)

Add on a night from £55pp



Friday Portmeirion and Caernarfon

Snowdonia National park is the Jewel of North Wales, on the outskirts sits the "Italianate Village" of Portmeirion. Enjoy an introductory tour and then free time to enjoy this unique setting, made up of about 50 buildings, surrounded by acres of coastal and woodland gardens. Portmeirion has been a location for many films such as Doctor Who and the Prisoner. Afterwards we continue north to Caernarfon famous for its Royal Fortress. (78 miles)

Saturday Journey to the "Roof-Top" of Wales

After a leisurely morning in Caernarfon join the 4.7 mile rail journey to Llanberis to Snowdon's summit - the highest peak in Wales. At 3560ft it dominates the landscape, with stunning views. There is a state of the art visitor centre with restaurant, and a path leading to Snowdon's summit. (Allow 2 ½ hours.) Close-by travel back to Victorian times at the National Slate Museum - see the workshops, split a slate and hear a real insight into the hardships of quarry life. (64 miles)

Price Includes

- ♦ 6 nights DBB
- ♦ Full Hot Breakfasts
- ♦ Choice 3 course dinners plus coffee
- ♦ St David's Cathedral
- ♦ Welsh Botanic Gardens
- ♦ Single Journey on the Vale Rheidol Railway
- ♦ Portmeirion
- ♦ Return Journey on Snowdon Mountain Railway

Mercure Hotel - Swansea

4* Approved



Set on its very own lake with perfectly manicured grounds, this hotel is in the perfect location for exploring what South Wales has to offer. Recently refurbished bar area brings a modern twist to the property.

Gwesty'r Marine Hotel - Aberystwyth

3* Commended



Located on the picturesque promenade, enjoy views of breath taking sunsets across Cardigan Bay. Close enough to the town centre but away from the hustle and bustle.

Celtic Royal Hotel - Caernarfon

3* Commended

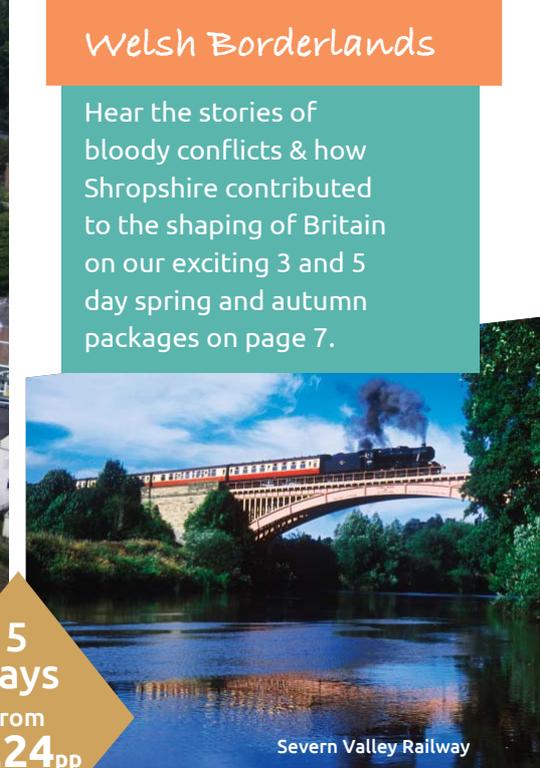


Dating back to 1794 is only a 5 minute walk from Caernarfon castle and only a 15 minute journey from Snowdonia, the perfect location.

Available April – October
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Ironbridge Gorge



Severn Valley Railway

Highlights: ♦ Shrewsbury ♦ Severn Valley Railway ♦ Ludlow
♦ Aqueduct cruise ♦ Blists Hill ♦ Ironbridge Gorge

5 days
from
£224^{pp}

Secrets of Shropshire & The Welsh Borders

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Shropshire is England's 6th least populated county, giving the area a relaxed feel. It has a truly remarkable variety of places to visit from its scenic beauty, historic sites, timber framed villages to steam trains & the World Heritage site of living Victoriana at Blists Hill. Take a walk across the 1st iron bridge in the world with the crowning glory being a venture into Wales to 'float in the sky' on the magnificent Pontcysyllte aqueduct.

Day 2 Tudor Shrewsbury & Medieval Ludlow

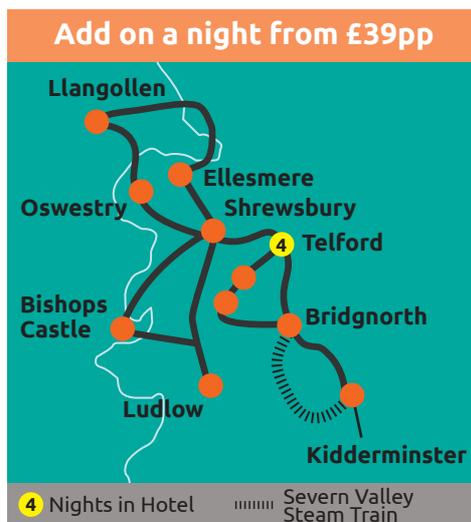
Morning is spent sightseeing the river town of Shrewsbury – one of England's most ancient of towns, with black & white timber buildings, a 17th century castle, an Abbey and higgledy-piggledy alleyways with boutique shops & cosy cafés. A leisurely afternoon drive through Shropshire, with a stop in one of England's most ancient towns. Ludlow dates back 1000 years having over 500 listed buildings and a castle. Returning through the farmlands of Wenlock Edge.

Day 3 Severn Valley Railway, Ironbridge Gorge & Victoriana Blists Hill

In Kidderminster board the Severn Valley Steam Railway for the 16 mile journey through rolling Shropshire countryside. Disembark Bridgnorth, a town of two halves connected by the UK's steepest funicular railway & dominated by its castle, which leans over far more than the Tower of Pisa! Onwards for the short drive to Ironbridge Gorge where the industrial revolution began finishing the day at Blists Hill Victorian Town, an open air museum where you can experience the sights, sounds and smells of Victorian life in the 1800s.

Day 4 Welsh Borders

The terrain becomes more mountainous as the Welsh roads leads the tour to Llangollen – a thriving



little town and home to both a steam railway and Llangollen Canal. Time free to have a stroll and have lunch before boarding the narrowboat for the 2 hour scenic trip across Thomas Telford's Pontcysyllte Aqueduct – 1000 feet long and 126 feet high, and recognised as a World Heritage site. Returning through Shropshire countryside.



Pontcysyllte Aqueduct

Price Includes

- ♦ Tea/Coffee & Biscuits on arrival
- ♦ 4 Nights DBB
- ♦ 2 Nights Entertainment
- ♦ Entry to Blists Hill Museum
- ♦ Single Steam Train Journey
- ♦ One way trip over Pontcysyllte Aqueduct, depts Llangollen Wharf

Bucktree Hall Hotel Telford

3* 1st Class Reviews 87%



It's a perfect base for our Shropshire tour. The rural location in the Wrekin makes, this top rated country house hotel, a relaxing place to stay, with all rooms having open views over the gardens and lake. The hotel is 3 miles from M54 J7.

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
Hotel symbols on back cover

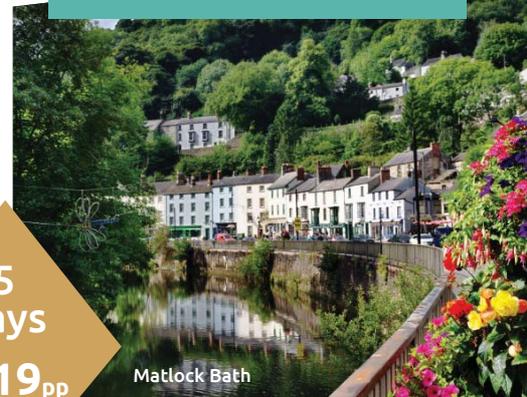


Of Dambusters fame - Ladybower

Highlights: ♦ Chatsworth House ♦ Steam Railway
♦ Ladybower Dam ♦ Snake Pass ♦ Buxton ♦ Bakewell

Chatsworth House

A top 10 UK attraction, the house has undergone a huge restoration project, with 2,200 sq. metres of stonework cleaned and re-pointed & 42 windows have been re-gilded with 24 carat gold leaf.



Matlock Bath

5 days

£219^{pp}

High Peaks & Chatsworth House

Arrive Mondays & Depart Fridays

Relax in a beautiful 4* hotel, complete with leisure, situated on the edge of the Peak District. Admire some of England's finest scenery as the daily tours explore all the main Peak District areas including entry into one of England's finest stately homes as well as stepping back in time on a nostalgic steam train journey across rolling Peak District countryside.

Full Day Northern Peaks

Today is High Peaks day. Firstly, over "Snake Pass" traversing across the Park to the vantage point of Bleaklow overlooking Ladybower Reservoir, where the Dambusters trained during WWII. Further on is Derwent Reservoir, with the ruins of a village hidden beneath its waters. Free time in Eyam - the 1665 plague town, with its museum and imposing ruins of Peveril Castle, dating back to 1176. Finally, the pretty village of Castleton, home of the legendary Blue John Caverns, said to be the finest in the UK.

Half Day Matlock Bath & Nostalgic Steam

Discover the southern end of the Peak District as you sit back on a nostalgic 25 minute steam train journey between Rowsley & Matlock, gliding past villages and open countryside from the comfort of your carriage. Beside the River Derwent is the popular tourist spot of Matlock Bath, located in a steep and beautiful gorge. Take the cable car upto Abraham Heights and take in the wonderful views, or explore the number of attractions, walks, shops and eateries.

Full Day Peak District & Chatsworth House

In the heart of the Peaks lies Bakewell, famous for it's tart, with a visit to the original Bakewell

Add on a night only £48pp



4 Nights in one Hotel (by Rail)

pudding shop, where the tart is still made. On to the nearby "Palace of the Peaks". Explore Chatsworth's rich interior furniture & unique treasures. Stroll round the 105 acres of landscaped gardens with sculptures, mazes and waterfalls. Chatsworth was voted in the top 10 UK visitor attraction by Trip Advisor users. On the way home stop off in the spa town of Buxton.



Chatsworth House

Price Includes

- ♦ Welcome Tea/Coffee & biscuits on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry into Chatsworth House & Gardens
- ♦ Single steam train Rowsley – Matlock
- ♦ Free use of hotel leisure facilities
- ♦ 2 nights entertainment

Hallmark Mickleover Hotel Derby

4* Approved Reviews 87%



The hotel is tucked away in a quiet position, 3 miles west of Derby, and on the fringe of the Peak District. This hotel has been well rated by groups for many years, for its fine food, service and comfort. Bedrooms are spacious. There is extensive leisure and spa area, and ample coach parking.

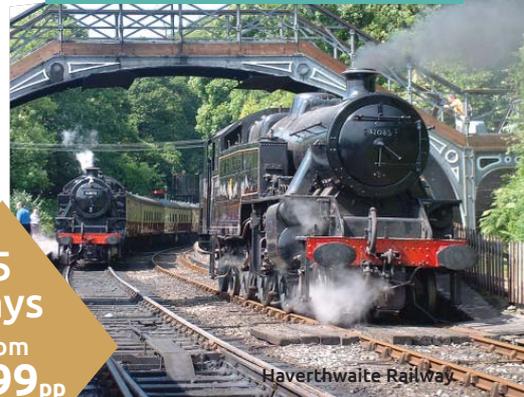
Available May – September
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Derwentwater & Keswick

Highlights: ♦ Ullswater Cruise ♦ Windermere ♦ Steam Railway
♦ Kirkstone Pass ♦ Holker Hall & Gardens ♦ Distillery Tour & Tasting

5 days
from
£299pp



Haverthwaite Railway

England's Lakeland Glory

Arrive Monday & Depart Fridays

Recognised as a region with World Heritage status, the 912 sq. miles of The Lake District is an inspirational place to visit. Cascading waterfalls, 16 sparkling lakes, charming Lakeland towns and sweeping mountain landscapes are all there to be seen on our carefully balanced Lakeland programme.

Tuesday Ullswater & Northern Lakes

Time free in Bowness, the Lakes most popular town on the shore of Lake Windermere. Later, proceed over Kirkstone Pass - the highest road in the Lakes to Glenridding. Board the steamer for a one hour cruise on beautiful Lake Ullswater, the second largest lake in the Lake District, with time for refreshments at Pooley Bridge. The day continues through picturesque Lakeland fells visiting Grasmere & Dove Cottage, the home of William Wordsworth. (84 miles).

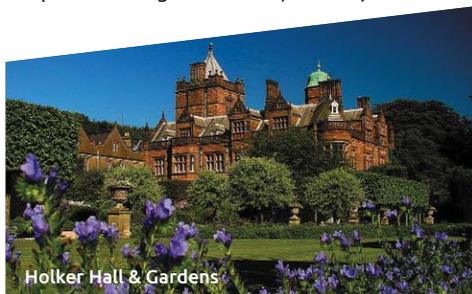
Wednesday Lake Windermere Steam Train and Holker Hall & Gardens

Hop on nearby Haverthwaite Steam Railway, as it chugs through picturesque Leven Valley to Lake Windermere. Disembark with entry included into the Lakeside Motor Museum, with over 30,000 exhibits including the racing Campbells, of Bluebird fame. Next stop, Holker Hall & Gardens - regarded as one of the best stately homes in Britain. Most of the afternoon is spent at Holker exploring the house and strolling the southern Lakeland gardens. Returning via Lake Coniston (of Bluebird fame) and Ambleside. (48 miles).



Thursday Bassenthwaite & Lakes Distillery Tour

Time for some relaxation, take in the Lakeland air or, have a swim in the hotel pool. Late morning departure with a stop in Ambleside and then on to the lively market town of Keswick at the head of Derwentwater. A short drive away is the highly rated Lakes Distillery near Lake Bassenthwaite, surrounded by Lakeland fells and woodlands. Housed in a beautifully refurbished 1850's Victorian model farm sample the quality of world class gin, vodka & whisky on the pre-booked guided tour. (80 miles).



Holker Hall & Gardens

Spring & Autumn Lakeland Deals

Why not come and visit the Lakes & Dales in the quieter months when the roads are quieter and the hotels cheaper.

5 days from **£169pp** (Page 9)

"The packages available are varied & interesting and above all look at new ideas & innovative ways to rebrand existing products"
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Single Steam Rail Haverthwaite - Lakeside
- ♦ Entry Lakeside Motor Museum
- ♦ Entry Holker Hall and Gardens
- ♦ Cruise on Ullswater Steamer
- ♦ Lakes Distillery Tour and Tasting
- ♦ 2 nts entertainment
- ♦ Free use of leisure facilities

Damson Dene - Crosthwaite



3* Commended Reviews 88%



Damson Dene is quietly tucked away in the tranquil Lyth Valley.

The hotel takes its name from the famous damson orchards of the area. Hotel has 40 bedrooms overlooking Lakeland countryside & is 6 miles from Lake Windermere.

Newby Bridge Hotel - Newby Bridge



3* Commended Reviews 80%



Set in lovely landscaped grounds in the centre of the village. The

hotel and restaurant have recently been refurbished & with roaring log fires, and 'moreish' food make the hotel a great place for groups.

Available April – October
Rates and dates attached
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Hadrians Wall

Highlights: ♦ Hadrians Wall ♦ Alnwick Castle ♦ Holy Island
♦ Tyne Cruise ♦ Hexham ♦ Newcastle ♦ Bamburgh

5 days
from
£199pp



Tyne Cruise included

Kingdom of Northumbria's Castles & Coastline

Arrive Sundays & Depart Thursdays

A different style of excursion unfolds each day in this land of outstanding beauty. From exploring Northumberland's Heritage coastline, dotted with ancient castles, golden beaches and pretty market towns, to spending time exploring a proud & friendly city showcasing the areas illustrious history and traditions. Benefit from a choice of hotels from 4* castle properties to 3* city centre hotels.

Monday Hexham and Alnwick Castle & Gardens

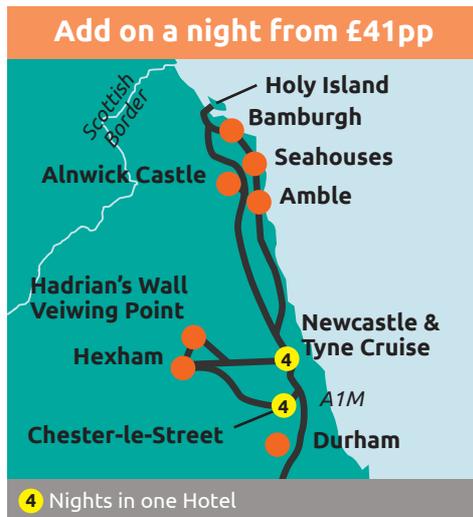
With its striking cathedral, Hexham is regarded as one of the best market towns in the UK. On our way to Alnwick Castle stop off at Hadrians Wall for photos before spending the afternoon at 700 year old Alnwick Castle. See the lavish state rooms, drawing room, dining room and the 400 year old library with 16,000 books. Roam the 26 acre garden with elaborate water features and Poison Garden.

Tuesday Newcastle & Tyne Cruise

Morning free to explore one of Britain's most iconic cities, famous for its industrial heritage, brown ale and "Geordie" dialect. After lunch hear stories about the city on a 2 hour Tyne cruise with commentary viewing the city's famous landmarks including the Tyne Gorge and all seven bridges.

Wednesday Heritage Coastline & Holy Island

Northumbria is blessed with unspoilt beauty with its tradition and lilted tongue. Today's coastal trail passes Brednall Bay to the popular fishing village of Seahouses, where stalls sell the freshest of seafood. Continue along the coastline to Bamburgh with time free for lunch. Take a walk on the golden beach, or visit impressive Bamburgh Castle. A must see is The Holy Island of Lindisfarne



– access is across the 2 mile causeway (*tides permitting*). Not only is the island the cradle of Christianity, but also a breathtakingly beautiful isle to stroll round with several cafés and characterful pubs to enjoy a refreshment. Returning via the picturesque villages of Ford and Etal.



Bamburgh Castle

Heritage Coastline

One of the longest in England stretching 40 miles upto the Scottish Borders and blessed with miles of deserted sandy beaches. There are more castles per square mile in Northumbria than anywhere else in the land.

"Classic have produced the highest quality packages with ready to market, tailor made itineraries."
- UK Coach Operator

Price Includes

- ♦ Tea/coffee & biscuits on check in
- ♦ 4 nights DBB
- ♦ Entry Alnwick Castle & Gardens
- ♦ 2 hour River Tyne cruise with commentary
- ♦ 2 nts entertainment (*Caledonian*)

Lumley Castle - Chester-le-Street

4* Commended Reviews 87%



Dating back to 1380, Lumley Castle dominates the local landscape. It is surrounded by parkland overlooking the River Wear and the Castle is full of

character with the addition of its own resident ghost – The Gray Lady.

Caledonian Hotel - Newcastle

3* Commended Reviews 85%



Positioned in the leafy suburb of Jesmond - 1 mile from the city centre. This Georgian hotel has, in recent years, undergone extensive refurb. combining

many of its original features with a contemporary twist.

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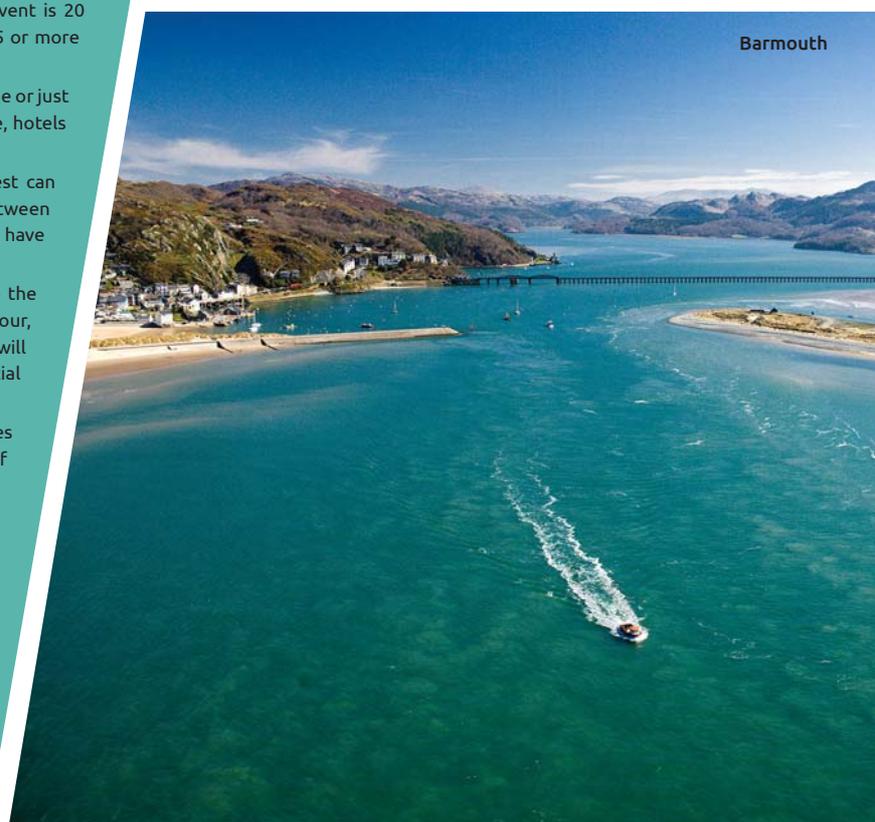
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Hotel Symbols

-  Free onsite coach parking
-  Hotel lift or ground floor rooms
-  Disabled assisted rooms available on request
-  Entertainment provided on certain nights at no extra cost
-  Great reviews about the food
-  Town or city centre location
-  Fine views from the hotel
-  Free use of leisure facilities



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