



## The ENGLISH COUNTRYSIDE, LONDON AND WALES

**July 10 - 22, 2019**  
**13 days / 12 nights**  
**\$4659**

A new and exciting look at two beautiful and historical countries of the British Isles. We'll take you to **Downton Abbey (Highclere), Bath, Stratford, Portmeirion (unique to Wales), Windermere, York, London and more!** A tour highlight is a visit to **Chatsworth, the gem of all houses and gardens open to the public!**

### ITINERARY

#### **Day 1 - INDEPENDENCE/NEWARK/WILMINGTON/PHL AIRPORT**

Afternoon departure for your overnight flight to London, England. Meals:D in flight

#### **Day 2 - LONDON/BATH**

Arrive London, and after custom formalities, we will be met and drive westward to **Highclere Castle**, the real-life inspiration and setting for the PBS show, **Downton Abbey**, now the home of the current Earl of Carnarvon and his wife, Lady Fiona. Continue to the lovely city of **Bath**, your home for two nights.

Meals:B in flight, D

**MGALLERY HOTEL**

#### **Day 3 - SIGHTSEE BATH**

A local guide will join us for our tour of this lovely city, architecturally one of England's finest. You'll see many native limestone 18th century terraced houses in the **Royal Crescent, Bath Abbey** where the first king of England was crowned, the Roman Baths and with lunch at the **Pump Room Restaurant**, in the Roman Bath complex. Afternoon at leisure to spend the day exploring on your own. Meals:B,L

**MGALLERY HOTEL**

#### **Day 4 - COTSWOLDS/BLENHEIM PALACE/STRATFORD-ON-AVON**

Our travels takes us through the **Cotswolds**, a beautiful range of hills stretching over 50 miles with lovely villages of cottages and gardens with a stop for lunch at the Lygon Arms. Continue to **Blenheim Palace**, near the town of Woodstock and home of the Dukes of Marlborough. This huge country house is where Winston Churchill was born and this masterpiece of Baroque architecture is a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**. Dinner at our hotel in Stratford-upon-Avon this evening. Meals:B,L

**WHITE SWAN HOTEL**

#### **Day 5 - STRATFORD/PORTMEIRION, WALES**

A delightful tour of **Anne Hathaway's cottage** this morning in the nearby village of **Shottery** and then

into **Stratford** to visit the birthplace of William Shakespeare where exhibits tell you the story of his literary career. **Travel to into scenic Wales and the unique village of Portmeirion**, playful creation of architect Sir Clough Williams-Ellis in the style of an Italian village, overlooking the beautiful Dywryd Estuary. **It is a most delightful place.** Dinner tonight at your hotel, your home for two nights.

Meals:B,L

### **CASTLE DEUDRATH**

#### **Day 6 - LOCAL SIGHTSEEING**

Your morning will be filled with the beauties of **Bodnant Garden**, famous for its several gardens and its **Laburnum arch**, the longest in the U.K., and it flowers in May and **June**. Lunch at the Pavilion Tearoom. Later board the **Ffestiniog narrow gauge railway** to Porthmadog as it winds its way through fantastic Welch scenery, small towns and villages. Return to our hotel to enjoy dinner once again. Meals:B,L,D

### **CASTLE DEUDRATH**

#### **Day 7 - PORTMEIRION/CHESTER**

Our journey takes us to the medieval city of **Chester** with its picturesque timber-framed shops, arcades and houses known as the Chester Rows. Your guided tour includes a visit to the **Chester Cathedral** before departing for the **Lake District** with dinner at your hotel, your home for two nights. Meals:B,D

### **WINDERMERE HYDRO HOTEL**

#### **Day 8 - WINDERMERE/GRASMERE/WINDERMERE**

A short drive takes us into **Grasmere**, to visit **Dove Cottage**, home of Lakeland poet William Wordsworth from 1799 to 1808, and one of the most creative periods of his life. The nearby Wordsworth Museum houses manuscripts and memorabilia connected with the poet. Free time to enjoy this small village before returning to Windermere.

Meals:B,D

### **WINDERMERE HYDRO HOTEL**

#### **Day 9 - WINDERMERE/YORK**

We travel to the walled city of **York** this morning, the most historic city in the north of England and home to **York Minster, the largest medieval cathedral in Europe**. Our guided tour includes the Minster, a city tour, a walk along the Shambles, and an afternoon free for independent sightseeing or shopping. Meals:B,D

### **DOUBLETREE HOTEL**

#### **Day 10 - YORK/CHATSWORTH/LONDON**

We have included **Chatsworth**, home to the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, which has been passed down through 16 generations of the Cavendish Family. **Inside and outside, it is truly breathtaking, and is renowned for its quality of art, landscape and hospitality and through the centuries has reflected the taste, passions and interest of succeeding generations. Time to explore on your own before we depart for London, your home for three nights.** Meals:B

### **MILLENNIUM GLOUCESTER HOTEL**

#### **Day 11 - LONDON SIGHTSEEING**

A full day of guided touring in this exciting city includes viewing the **Houses of Parliament, Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, St. Paul's Cathedral and the Changing of the Guard**. You'll visit **Westminster Abbey, the Tower of London and the Crown Jewels**. Remainder of the day at leisure. Meals:B

### **MILLENNIUM GLOUCESTER HOTEL**

#### **Day 12 - FREE DAY IN LONDON**

A day to explore and shop on your own. Try the British Museum or the Victoria and Albert Museum and perhaps have afternoon tea at Fortnum and Masons! Meals:B

### **MILLENNIUM GLOUCESTER HOTEL**

### **Day 13 - AIRPORT TRANSFER/HOME**

Morning transfer to Heathrow Airport for your return flight to Philadelphia where transportation will be waiting to return you to Wilmington. Meals:CB, meals in flight

**A passport valid for 6 months after your return is required for this tour.**

**TOUR INCLUSIONS:** Roundtrip transportation from Independence, Newark and Wilmington to PHL Airport \* roundtrip air PHL/London—London/PHL \* air taxes (subject to change until ticketed \* accommodations for 11 nights in first class and deluxe hotels based on double occupancy \* admissions to all included sightseeing as per itinerary \* guided tours of “Downton Abbey” \* Bath, Blenheim Palace, Stratford, Bodant Garden in Wales, Chester, Grasmere, York, Chatsworth home and gardens, London and the Tower of London \* meals include 10 full breakfasts and 1 CB \* 3 lunches and 6 dinners \* taxes and gratuities for hotels, included meals, guides, luggage handling at PHL airport and hotels \* services of a Tour Director from 4 Seasons Tours.

Not included: motorcoach driver gratuities in England and Wales, British Tour escort gratuity,

Conditions: a deposit of \$250 is due with each reservation. Final payment is due April 30, 2019.

Cancellations: Deposit of \$150 is refundable until April 30, 2019. \$100 airfare deposit is non-refundable.

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