

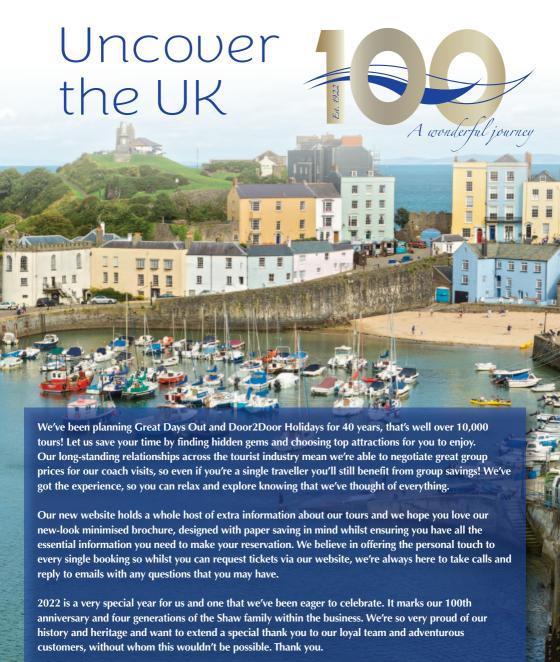
# Uncover the UK Door2Door Holidays & Great Days Out





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## Why Choose Shaws?



#### CELEBRATING 100 YEARS!

Our wonderful journey started in 1922, we have 100 years of travel experience.



#### FAMILY-RUN AND OWNED

Proud to be in our fourth generation of Shaws.



#### AWARD-WINNING

Winners of Day Excursion Programme of the Year and finalists for Holiday Programme of the Year at the 2018 British Coach Tourism Awards.



#### **FAIR PRICING POLICY**

You won't find anyone on the coach that has paid significantly more/less than you.



#### **EXPERIENCED DRIVERS**

All our drivers own a Driver Certificate of Professional Competence and undergo DBS Checks. They are consistently praised for their perfect balance of professionalism and friendliness.



#### **MODERN COACHES**

Enjoy panoramic windows from comfortable seats on carefully planned routes. All maintained by our highly-skilled in-house mechanics.



#### FRIENDLY TEAM

We offer a simple, personal booking experience. Our small team handle each booking individually.



#### **ECO TRAVEL**

If everyone swapped one journey by car per month for one by coach there would be a billion fewer car journeys and we would reduce the UK's carbon dioxide emissions by 2 million tonnes a year!

# Why choose our Great Days Out

#### **▶ LOCAL PICK-UP POINTS**

Choose from Stamford, Peterborough, Deeping, Bourne, Spalding and many of the villages in-between.

#### ► FREE ACTIVITY SHEETS

Keep little ones entertained with our activity sheets and crayons. Suitable for 10 and under.

#### ► HANDPICKED DESTINATIONS

We have amazing contacts in the industry, ensuring we get to know about exciting new attractions and special events.



# Why choose our Door 2Door Holidays



#### FREE INSURANCE COVER

There's no age limit on our insurance cover and take a look at sections 1 and 5 of our policy for details of our COVID cover.

More details on page 31.



#### **ALL OUR INCLUSIONS**

- All travel (from your door)
- ▶ All excursions & entry fees in the tour itinerary
- ▶ 3\* or 4\* hotel
- Breakfast
- 3-course dinner with tea/coffee
- Pre-allocated coach seat

#### AMAZING HOLIDAY REVIEWS

In 2021 we asked you to rate our drivers for their willingness to help, the information they provided, their driving skills and safety and their punctuality and efficiency. We are proud to tell you that the average rating across all four criteria was 98%. We also asked you to rate our coaches for their comfort and cleanliness. We are proud to tell you that the average rating across both criteria was 96%.

#### **LOW DEPOSITS**

We ask for just a £40pp deposit on all our holidays with the balance due 8 weeks prior to departure.

#### **BCH/ABTOT FINANCIAL SECURITY**

Book knowing your money is in safe hands. We are proud members of the Bonded Coach Holiday Group,





overseen by The Association of Bonded Travel Organisers Trust Limited. This is a government approved protection scheme that means in the unlikely event of insolvency, your monies are protected. More details on page 32.

#### **EXECUTIVE TOURING COACHES**

- ▶ Refreshment station ▶ Reclining seats
- ➤ Reading lights ➤ Curtains
- ► Foot & arm rests ► Toilet
- ▶ Safety belts ▶ Air suspension
- ▶ Air-conditioning

#### HANDPICKED TOURING PROGRAMME

Our holidays offer all the benefits of a touring holiday, but with plenty of free time to relax and explore independently too. Whilst we include lots of visits that we think will enhance your holiday, taking part is certainly not compulsory and you're welcome to opt out of a trip and relax at the hotel or see some sights on your own any time you like!

#### **NO HIDDEN EXTRAS**

Our clear pricing ensures that you won't get caught out. In fact, you're more likely to find an added extra, like arrival refreshments or lunch.

## Save With Shaws. Find the best deal for you

We negotiate group discounts on our Great Days Out and Door2Door Holidays, so even if you're a single traveller you will still benefit from group rates on attractions, live events, hotels, etc. Book as early as you can as this helps us negotiate with our suppliers and we can only run tours that meet the minimum group numbers.

## **Great Day Out offers**

- Our Special Child Fare won't break the bank on selected school holiday trips (age 3-16 inclusive).
- Our Senior Specials offer seriously discounted fares for 65+.
- Under 3's travel free, provided they are seated on an adult's lap.
- Book 12 get the 13th Free! Ideal for local clubs or family/friends. For concert and theatre tours, your free place will be for the coach seat only.
- Fare Only Deals. If you have your own tickets for an event or you're looking for a convenient way to visit friends or family, please ask for a fare only or one way seat to our destinations.

# Door2Door Holiday offers



# Stay in touch and in the know



- We're always adding extra dates for sold out tours or brand-new trips, so sign up for our eNews to make sure you have immediate access to all our upcoming day trips and holidays plus our latest company news. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter for competitions, last minute trips and new releases.
- Lots of customers are now choosing to go green to receive our brochure via email. If you'd like to switch your preferences just let us know.
- Your privacy is important to us and you'll find our privacy policy on our website or just ask for a copy.

# ► SAVINGS FOR NATIONAL TRUST, ENGLISH HERITAGE, RHS AND HISTORIC HOUSES MEMBERS

Save £5pp/property visited if you choose a holiday featuring an attraction managed by one of these organisations and your membership entitles you to free admission. Just let us know when booking.

#### ► LOYALTY DISCOUNT

Save £15pp on your third holiday and £20pp on your fourth and future holidays in any calendar year. Just let us know when booking.

#### ► MEET THE COACH

Save £10pp by choosing to board the coach at a central departure point – Maxey, Stamford Bus Station or Peterborough Extra Services.

# Where do we depart from?

# We offer over 35 local pick-up points for our Great Days Out - find the best routes for you

#### **ROUTE 1**

Maxey ▶ Market Deeping (Godsey Lane / The Stage) ▶ Werrington (Centre) ▶ Paston ▶ Bretton (Centre) ▶ Westwood (St. Jude's) ▶ City Centre (Bourges Boulevard) ▶ Fletton Ave ▶ Stanground Whittlesey Road (opp. Tesco Express) ▶ Serpentine Green Hampton\*

**Route 1a** will also call at the Danish Invader in Stamford

**Route 1b** will also call at Peterborough Extra Services and Warmington Bus Stop on the A605

#### **ROUTE 2**

As Route 1 above but in reverse order and omitting Maxey.

Route 2a will also call at Langtoft, Baston, Thurlby, Northorpe, Bourne (Elsea Park / Bus Station) and Morton

#### **ROUTE 3**

Maxey ➤ Deeping (Godsey Lane / The Stage) ➤ Werrington (Centre) ➤ Paston ➤ Westwood ➤ Bretton (Centre / South Bretton) ➤ Serpentine Green Hampton\* ➤ Stanground Whittlesey Road (Tesco Express) ➤ Eastfield Road ➤ Newark Hill ➤ Eye Road ➤ Eye

Route 3a will also call at Thorney

#### **ROUTE 4**

Maxey ► Market Deeping (Market Place / Godsey Lane / Towngate East) ► Langtoft ► Baston ► Thurlby ► Northorpe ► Bourne (Elsea Park / Bus Station / West Rd) ► Toft ► Carlby ► Essendine ► Ryhall (Stamford Road Bus Stops) ► Stamford (Ryhall Rd / East St / Bus Station / Danish Invader)

**Route 4a** will also call at Easton-on-the-Hill and Collyweston

**Route 4b** will also call at Empingham, Whitwell and Oakham (Bus Station)

**Route 4c** will also call at Peterborough Extra Services (A1 / A605 junction)

#### **ROUTE 5**

Maxey ► West Deeping ► Tallington
► Uffington ► Stamford (Bus Station /
East St / Ryhall Rd) ► Ryhall
► Essendine ► Carlby ► Toft ► Bourne
(West Rd / Bus Station / Elsea Park)

Northorpe ➤ Thurlby ➤ Baston
➤ Langtoft ➤ Deeping (Towngate East /
Godsey Lane / Spalding Road)

Deeping St. Nicholas ► Spalding (Bus Station)

#### **ROUTE 6**

Maxey ➤ Deeping (Godsey Lane / The Stage) ➤ West Deeping ➤ Tallington ➤ Uffington ➤ Stamford (Bus Station / East St / Ryhall Aphall ➤ Essendine ➤ Carlby ➤ Toft ➤ Bourne (West Rd / Bus Station) ➤ Morton

Ask us about parking at Serpentine Green, The Danish Invader and in Maxey.

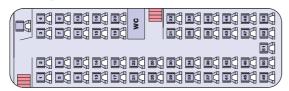
# We include collection from your door on all our holidays

Our Door2Door service is the only way to start and finish a holiday and it's **FREE** if you live in one of the following local towns – and from most of the villages that are situated between them and our base in Maxey:

Bourne The Deepings Oakham Peterborough
Spalding Stamford Uppingham Whittlesey

Don't worry if you live outside our free collection area. For neighbouring towns like Boston, Chatteris, Grantham, Holbeach, Huntingdon, Long Sutton, March, Melton Mowbray, Oundle, Ramsey, St. Ives, St. Neots, Wisbech, we can usually offer the same Door2Door service for a small supplementary charge. Please ask for further details and also for availability of intermediate pick-up points, en route to our holiday destinations.

## **Seating Plan**



53 seat coaches (without a toilet or drinks servery) may some times be used on our Great Days Out. In these instances, comfort breaks will be scheduled according to journey times.

# ON MARKET DAY

MON 1 AUG **ROUTE 1A** 

CREAM TEA

TUE 2 AUG **ROUTE 1** 

Home to the famous Bakewell Pudding and the largest market in the Derbyshire Dales with around 100 friendly stalls that have welcomed shoppers since 1330!



Enjoy a 2-hour afternoon cruise on the Deben Estuary, a Special Protection Area that lies within the Suffolk Coast & Heaths

AONB. Listen to interesting commentary on the river's rich wildlife and history whilst enjoying a scone with jam/butter and a cup of tea/coffee. A 1-course, choice lunch at a local

INC. TOUR & LUNCH

MON 1 AUG **ROUTE 5** 

The fields at Norfolk Lavender are a glorious sight as visitors make their way to Hunstanton at this time of year. Find out how the plant is harvested and distilled during a short. guided tour of the



Distillery and learn how to grow and care for your plants as well as taking a turn around the lovely herb garden. Enjoy a 1-course choice lunch and time to browse the gorgeous grounds and the shop before we continue to Hunstanton for an afternoon by the sea. Please let us know your choice of lunch - Cod, chips & mushy peas; Ham, egg & chips or Vegetarian quiche with new potatoes & a side salad.

# RHS GARDEN

**OPENED** MAY '21

TUE 2 AUG ROUTE 4

Summer flowering at the new RHS Garden at Salford! Set in the grounds of a 19th



century residence, the master plan for this new garden echoes the original gardens. Highlights include the restored Walled Garden (one of the largest in the country), a Wellbeing Garden, a Paradise Garden and the unique Chinese Streamside Garden, which celebrates the huge contribution of Chinese plants.

#### BURY ST. EDMUNDS

MARKET

inn is included before your cruise.

WED 3 AUG **ROUTE 1** 

The Independent have included the town's Abbey 1000 events in their UK round-up of '75 free days out this summer'! Look out for the self-guided Heritage



Trail, a new sculpture in the Abbey Gardens each month and a free exhibition at Movse's Hall Museum. It's market day too in 'Suffolk's Foodie Town'.

#### BILLY ELLIOT, LEICESTER **CURVE THEATRE**

NFW **PRODUCTION** 

**ALL FARES £59** 

**THUR 4 AUG** ROUTE '

Guaranteed to make your soul soar! Relive the acclaimed 2000 film with an electrifying soundtrack from Elton John



featuring songs such as Solidarity, The Letter, He Could be a Star and the show-stopping Electricity. Stalls seats for the 14:15 show. Please note this performance contains strong language and violence.

### VISIT LEICESTER

Stylish shopping at Highcross, local boutiques in The Lanes, one of Europe's largest markets and everything from dinosaurs to Picasso in the free-to-enter Leicester Museum and Art Gallery!



THUR 4 AUG **ROUTE 1** 





**CROWN** 

ESTATES GUIDE

MON 8 AUG

**ROUTE 1** 

# August 2022

SCARBOROUGH, HERITAGE COASTLINE

**INVESTMENT AT** MARKET HALL

**THUR 4 AUG ROUTE 4** 

Britain's original seaside resort with two picturesque bays backed by some lovely public gardens that are worth a summertime wander. Enjoy the Rose



Garden and a maze of wooded paths in South Cliff Gardens and St. Nicholas Gardens - home to Scarborough's very own Canary Island Date Palm! Don't miss three floors of quirky shopping at Scarborough Market Hall following a £2.7m refurbishment in 2017!

#### LINCOLN CATHEDRAL FLOWER FESTIVAL

**CELEBRATORY EVENT** 

AD £35.00, SEN £32.50, CH £32.50 FRI 5 AUG **ROUTE 6** 

Stunning arrangements will blossom in every corner of this magnificent



cathedral as it celebrates its 950th year! The displays will cover poetry, theatre, film, and fashion, alongside history, exploration, invention, and more. There will be something for everyone, from the Mayflower pilgrims' journey to the new world to the moon landing and even Harry Potter!

**FREE** MUSEUM

FRI 5 AUG **ROUTE 6** 

Cobbled streets in the Cathedral Quarter, history and art in the Cultural Quarter and an upcoming social spot in The Cornhill



Quarter. Enjoy free entry to The Museum of Lincolnshire Life and check out the huge investment at Lincoln Cathedral.

#### CROMER & SHERINGHAM

TWO-STOP **TOUR** 

FRI 5 AUG **ROUTE 3A** 

Spend time in these two delightful resorts on the Norfolk Coast.



Spend free time in

The Savill Garden

Estates guide takes

before a Crown

you on a Royal

journey through

Windsor Great Park with a rare photo opportunity at the top of The Long Walk. It's your chance to see King George VI's and HM The Queen's Coronation Groves, the Estate Village and the Guards Polo Club founded by HRH The Duke of Edinburgh and to learn about the park's fascinating history and how it works today. \*New for 2022 at The Savill Garden\* Discover the new handcrafted glass pieces in the gift shop, the transformed entrance banks that create a colourful welcome for visitors and pollinators alike and the 900-yearold 'Signing Oak' which was dedicated to Her Majesty as part of The Queen's Green Canopy to mark The Platinum Jubilee. A visit to The Rose Garden and Summer Wood is

#### WELLS-NEXT-THE-SEA & SHERINGHAM

recommended this season.

TWO-STOP TOUR

MON 8 AUG **ROUTE 5** 

A day on the Norfolk Coast! Treat yourself to fish & chips by the picturesque harbour at Wells and then indulge in a tasty crab sandwich at Sheringham.



LAST FEW

TUE 9 AUG **ROUTE 1B** 

A lovely ride of almost 25 miles on the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway, from Broadway to Cheltenham and back as far as Toddington,



passing through the glorious Cotswolds countryside, with views across to the Malvern Hills and the Vale of Evesham. We call at beautiful Broadway, for a lunch break, before our afternoon ride on this delightful heritage line.



**Great Days Out** 

# THE CHER SHOW, MK THEATRE

ALL FARES £59.50

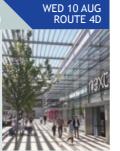
WED 10 AUG **ROUTE 4D** 

NEW MUSICAL



'Turn back time' with this fierce and fabulous new musical that honours the original Queen of Sass! Uncover the incredible story of Cher's meteoric rise to fame, flying in the face of convention at every turn. You'll be spinning in the aisles to the sounds of her biggest hits, including The Shoop Shoop Song, I Got You Babe, If I Could Turn Back Time, Strong Enough and Believe. Band A ticket for the 14:30 show.

As part of Her Majesty's Jubilee celebrations MK has proudly been granted city status, firmly establishing it as a top visitor destination. There are 1000's of your favourite brands inside centre:mk. summer walks to the canal in Campbell Park and changing exhibitions in MK Gallery.



**MARKET** DAY

THUR 11 AUG

## FAKENHAM &

Enjoy the bustle of "Norfolk's friendliest weekly market" in Fakenham and then round off the day by the sea at Sheringham.



#### **BUCKINGHAM PALACE** STATE APARTMENTS

AD £64.50. SEN £64.50, CH £49.50

A visit to the Palace's magnificent State Apartments where a special display will mark Her Maiesty's accession to the throne. including a collection of The Queen's personal jewellery.

A must-do during this special Platinum Jubilee year!



LIMITED OPEN DATES

THUR 11 AUG

# **ROYAL PARKS**

Experience London's quieter spots in St. James' Park and Green Park. The roof terrace at St. James' Café is a great spot to enjoy lake views (and pelican spotting!) whilst the moving memorials in Green Park make for a thoughtful stroll.

#### **CENTRAL** LOCATION

THUR 11 AUG **ROUTE 40** 



#### SKIPTON, THE DALES & HARRÓGATE

Stop in Skipton and maybe treat yourself to some tasty Yorkshire fish & chips? Then sit back and enjoy a lovely, scenic drive through the magical Dales, via Grassington and

Pateley Bridge, to the delightful spa town of Harrogate.



FRI 12 AUG **ROUTE 4** 



PALACE **ENTRY INC** 

MON 15 AUG **ROUTE 4C** 

From the Great Pagoda to the Temperate House and the Princess of Wales Conservatory, you'll find something to see in every

SUMMER AT

KEW GARDENS

corner and every season. Don't miss the Rose Garden home to 170 different species and designed to be a floral feast for the eye with bold plantings of mixed shrub roses. Enjoy access to Kew's Food Forever exhibition with four eye-catching art installations and a showcase gallery full of vibrant artwork. Kew Palace is scheduled to be open today.



MON 15 AUG **ROUTE 1B** 

An unforgettable experience, with 150 acres of beautiful woodland and gardens to explore and home to nearly 400 thoughtprovoking memorials,



each with a story to tell. Each year, new memorials are added so there's always something different to see. At the heart of the Remembrance Centre is a fascinating, interactive exhibition called Landscapes of Life, which provides a preview of the Arboretum. With audio visual displays, hands-on interactives, artistic interpretation and the opportunity for visitors to share their experiences, it's the perfect start to a visit. Guided walks and talks take place daily and there is also a land train that takes visitors around the site - prebooking is advisable for this service and for the guided walks.

## **HOOD'S BAY**

TWO-STOP TOUR

TUE 16 AUG **ROUTE 4** 

One of our all-time favourite tours! Indulging in some deliciously famous Whitby fish & chips is a must before we take you to one of the prettiest villages on the Yorkshire coast!



#### THE 2022 INTERNATIONAL GILBERT & SULLIVAN **FESTIVAL**

NEW PRODUCTION

WED 17 AUG ROUTE 4

ALL FARES £69.50

Enjoy a witty and humorous afternoon in raised stalls seats for a new production of Iolanthe in Harrogate's Royal Hall. The festival is renowned for its friendly welcome



and visitors return year after year from all around the world to soak up the special, magical atmosphere.

#### HARROGATE SPA TOWN

Will you indulge at Bettys Tea Room or wander in the English Heritage Grade II Listed Valley Gardens on our fare only deal to this Victorian spa town?



**ROUTE 4** 



#### SOUTHWOLD & ALDEBURGH

TWO-STOP TOUR WED 17 AUG

**ROUTE 1** 

Spend a couple of hours in timeless Southwold. on the Suffolk Coast before we continue to the nearby resort of



Aldeburgh, where pastel-coloured 19th century holiday villas line the promenade. To the east is the pebble beach with fishermen's huts selling the daily catch - no wonder that it's renowned for its fish & chips!

#### JERSEY BOYS, TRAFALGAR THEATRE

**STALLS** SEATS

ALL FARES £79.00

THUR 18 AUG **ROUTE 1** 

Go behind the music and inside the story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons at London's beautifully restored Trafalgar



Theatre. From the streets of New Jersey to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, listen out for Walk Like A Man, 1963 (Oh. What a Night), Big Girls Don't Cry and Can't Take My Eyes Off You. See it in this beautifully restored 1930's art-deco theatre following its multi-million pound refurbishment!

CENTRAL LOCATION

THUR 18 AUG **ROUTE 1** 

With a central set down point close to Trafalgar Square, you'll be perfectly placed for the National Gallery, a trip on the river and so much more!





CHILD FARE

FRI 19 AUG **ROUTE 5** 

MON 22 AUG **ROUTE 1A** 

Start in Whitby where you'll have time to wander round the quaint alleyways and maybe treat yourself to fish & chips for lunch. This afternoon, climb aboard for a fabulous train ride through 24 miles of amazing scenery all the way from Whitby to Pickering!



Stroll along the prom, wander through the gardens, paddle in the sea, put a penny in the slot machines, treat yourself to fish & chips - and just enjoy being by the sea!

**SPECIAL CHILD FARE** 

TUE 23 AUG ROUTE 5

LAST FEW

TUE 23 AUG

Spend the afternoon at Hunstanton after stopping off at Sandringham Visitor Centre on the way.



## HISTORIC LINCOLN

CHILD FARE FRI 19 AUG

Shop or sightsee in this beautiful city. Take the children to Lincoln Castle and gain access to the impressive Victorian Prison, and to the Medieval Wall Walk. Find a fascinating archaeology museum and art gallery in the Cultural Quarter and independent shops and boutiques in the Cathedral Ouarter and along Steep Hill. Our coach will set down at the top and bottom of the Hill.



SPECIAL

**ROUTE 2A** 

Celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen at the Tower of London, where a spectacular, colourful, vibrant field of flowers will fill and transform the Tower's most



CROMER & SHERINGHAM

TWO-STOP TOUR

MON 22 AUG ROUTE 5



One of our seaside specials to the lovely Norfolk coast!

#### THE CROMER PIER SUMMER SHOW

AD £59.50. SEN £57.0Ó, CH £57.00

**FRONT** STALLS SEATS

WED 24 AUG **ROUTE 3A** 

The exciting new format that premiered in 2021 impressed audiences and attracted variety lovers from across the country with standing ovations



after every show! Expect a feast of live variety entertainment featuring comedy, singing, dancing and plenty of razzle and dazzle with comedian Joe Pollard headlining, Cirque du Soleil dancer Nadia Lumley and Britain's Got Talent's Ben Nickless!



**Great Days Out** 

# August 2022

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** STATE APARTMENTS

**OPEN DATES** 

THUR 25 AUG **ROUTE 1** 

ADULT £64.50, SEN £64.50, CH £49.50

A visit to the Palace's magnificent State Apartments where a special display will mark Her Majesty's accession to the throne, including a collection of The Queen's personal jewellery. A must-



do during this special Platinum Jubilee year!

FREE AIR SHOW

FRI 26 AUG **ROUTE 1** 



Clacton's award-winning seafront is transformed in to a fun filled event site and viewing area for their 29th annual Airshow! We'll update our website as soon as the flight list is released!

### LONDON'S ROYAL PARKS

CENTRAL LOCATION

THUR 25 AUG ROUTE

Experience London's quieter spots in St. James' Park and Green Park. The roof terrace at St. James' Café is a great spot to enjoy lake views (and pelican spotting!) whilst the moving memorials in Green Park make for a thoughtful stroll.



square mile than

Walk along the

at the Minster,

amble along The

any other UK city!

city walls, marvel

**SPECIAL CHILD FARE** TUE 30 AUG

**ROUTE 4** 

Boasting the most attractions per



Shambles and admire the quirky overhanging buildings, visit one of the fascinating museums or step back in time at the Jorvik Viking Centre.

WITH AFTERNOON TEA

THUR 25 AUG **ROUTE 4c** 

Enjoy a stroll along the stylish Waterfront at Ipswich - and maybe take a coffee at one of the many cafés or restaurants whilst watching the boats at



anchor in the Marina - before stepping on board the 'Orwell Lady' for our very popular 3.5 hour cruise on the River Orwell - voted one of the most beautiful and historic rivers in England. Immerse yourself in pretty Suffolk countryside as ever-changing river scenes pass you by. You'll pass through the lock gates, under the stunning Orwell Bridge, through areas of outstanding natural beauty and wildlife and past the Pin Mill to the Stour Estuary to see (weather permitting) the UK's largest container port at Felixstowe and historic Harwich. Afternoon tea will be served during the cruise as you absorb history and tales from the Skipper's interesting commentary. Fare only seats are available for Ipswich waterfront and shopping.

WAIT LIST 2023 COMING SOON

village of Horning.

WED 31 AUG ROUTE 5



Mississippi Paddle Boat Steamer, that sails out of the pretty

This lovely tour features a 9-mile ride on the Bure Valley Railway (Norfolk's longest narrow gauge railway) through the pretty countryside from Aylsham to Wroxham ('the Capital of the Broads'), free time in Wroxham and an afternoon cruise on the lovely Norfolk Broads aboard the



THUR 1 SEP OR FRI 30 SEP

**ROUTE 4B** 

A choice of two dates for this hugely popular tour. After a lunchtime break in the spa town of Buxton, step back on board for a short ride to Whaley



Bridge to enjoy a leisurely two-hour cruise with impressive views of Kinder Scout and a generous Afternoon Tea.

#### **CHATSWORTH** COUNTRY FAIR

**NEW** TOUR

FRI 2 SEP **ROUTE 1** 

One of England's most spectacular annual outdoor events. Held in Chatsworth Park in the heart of the Peak District and featuring spectacular grand



ring displays in the air and on land, demos from celebrity chefs plus entertainment for all the family. NB. Does not include admission to the House & Garden.

#### THE MATLOCKS

TWO-STOP **TOUR** 

FRI 9 SEP **ROUTE 4B** 

Visit the Derbyshire town of Matlock, where you'll find some quirky, independent shops and a great selection of places to eat and then round off the

day in the nearby spa town of Matlock Bath, where you might enjoy a stroll through the pretty riverside gardens?

#### JOSEPH, MK THEATRE

SENIOR SPECIAL

AD £67.00 SEN £59.50, CH £65.00 WED 14 SEP **ROUTE 4C** 

Don't miss this sensational new production, straight out of London and in Milton Keynes for two weeks only! You'll recognise



songs that have gone on to become pop and musical classics like Any Dream Will Do, Close Every Door To Me, There's One More Angel In Heaven and Go, Go, Go Joseph! Band A seats for the 14:30 show.

**CITY STATUS** 

WED 14 SEP **ROUTE 4C** 

1000's of top brands inside centre:mk, late summer walks in Campbell Park and changing exhibitions in MK Gallery. Now with city status as part of the Jubilee celebrations!

#### HARROGATE AUTUMN **FLOWER SHOW**

**GARDEN** ENTRY INC.

FRI 16 SEP **ROUTE 4** 

This year's Autumn Show is being held in the grounds of Newby Hall and your ticket will include admission to the beautiful gardens here too.



LUNCH & GUIDE INCLUDED

> MON 26 SEP **ROUTE 1**

Start the day in Thaxted where you'll meet your Blue Badge Guide over tea/coffee and biscuits before taking a gentle walking tour of the town,



weaving through its array of striped and colourful homes with tales from the Tudors and Georgians. From here, we'll journey through the rolling Essex countryside, passing through the chocolate box village of Finchingfield and the 'Essex Rodings' en route to High Easter. We'll arrive in time for lunch at Lodge Coaches HQ, where you can enjoy a ploughman's in the surroundings of their wonderful collection of beautifully restored vintage vehicles, some of which you might recognise from the TV and big screen. These classic coaches are sure to bring back fond memories of days gone by, especially as you'll be treated to nostalgic rides out along the local, leafy lanes before finishing the day with tea and cake.

Home to the famous Bakewell Pudding and the largest market in the Derbyshire Dales.

MARKET DAY

MON 3 OCT **ROUTE 4B** 





Great Days Out

THE GREAT STINK

CUSTOMER FAVOURITE

TUE 4 OCT ROUTE 4C

ALL FARES £69.00

Sir Joseph Balzalgette's Cathedral of Sewerage is one of the quirkiest visits in London! During our guided tour of this extraordinary,



Grade I listed building, you'll see some of the largest beam engines in the world as well as hearing how Londoners spent a penny from Roman times until the arrival of the Victorian sewers! There are no refreshment facilities at the site so please take a packed lunch – tables, chairs and a complimentary hot drink will be provided.

# FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS, MK THEATRE

SENIOR SPECIAL

AD £67.00, SEN £46.50, CH £65.00 WED 5 OCT ROUTE 1

A brand-new, feel-good show that smashed box office records when it premiered in Cornwall last autumn. Based on the true



story of the Cornish singing sensations and the hit 2019 film. We've got stalls seats for the afternoon show.

#### CAMBRIDGE -A TREASURE CHEST

GUIDE & CREAM TEA

ALL FARES 665 OC

THUR 6 OCT ROUTE 4C

Who can fail to marvel at the beautiful old buildings that abound in the centre of Cambridge? You'll get a chance to see them today, but you'll also be thrilled by our guided tour of one



of the UK's newest architectural treasures - the Cambridge Eco Mosque. We'll meet one of City & Village Tours' Blue Badge guides at the Mosque, which you enter via the Islamic Garden, a covered portico and then an atrium - not unlike the famous Alhambra in Granada. Designed by the same person who was behind the London Eye and the treetop walkway at Kew Gardens, there are some super design features, like the roof which was inspired by the fan vaulting at nearby Kings College. Later, there'll be free time in central Cambridge, with the option to join our guide at the Fitzwilliam Museum, "the greatest little museum in the world". You'll have time for private exploration as well as a highlights tour with the guide - prepare to be impressed! Finally, what better than a delicious cream tea to round off this lovely day and where better than the famous Orchard Tea Gardens in Grantchester - be sure to check if the clock still stands at ten to three!

# THE KNITTING & STITCHING SHOW

AD £52.00, SEN £49.50, CH £44.00 FRI 7 OCT ROUTE 4C

AI FXANDRA

An iconic venue for the country's definitive textile-based craft event. Restock your yarn stash, learn to knit and master the art of tailoring with demos



and guest curated galleries alongside over one hundred of your most loved exhibitors selling specialist supplies. Craft clubs will love our offer! Buy 12 get the 13th free!

### MELTON MARKET & GATES GARDEN CENTRE

FARM SHOP

AD £25.00, SEN £22.50, CH £ TUE 11 OCT ROUTE 1

Perhaps pick up a tasty pork pie or a wedge of Stilton at Melton's popular weekly market then enjoy pottering around the extensive garden centre that the Gates family have developed at Cold Overton. You'll find a great choice of gifts and homeware, a gorgeous collection of plants and tempting treats in both the tearoom and the farm shop.

# 'CROCODILE ROCK' ON THE THAMES

LUNCH & SHOW

ALL FARES £72.50

THUR 13 OCT

Step aboard the stylish Tereza Joanne, moored in London's Royal Docks for a fun filled afternoon on The Thames with great views of the



City skyline! Listen to Elton's timeless back catalogue, performed by top tribute act *Elton Towers* with a 2-course lunch served at your reserved seat. Lunch is a set menu – Chicken Breast with Creamy Mash and French beans, followed by Chocolate Cheesecake – but please check with us for any special dietary requirements.

#### CAMBRIDGE

FREE MUSEUM

SEN £19.50, CH £19.50

FRI 14 OCT ROUTE 1

Great for shopping, great for culture and lots of super cafés and restaurants if you like eating out! You'll find a John Lewis department store in the Grand



Arcade, all the usual High Street names and lots of interesting independents, including a great bookshop (Heffers). Dine out at The Ivy, Loch Fyne or Carluccio's, admire the magnificent buildings or visit the free-to-enter Fitzwilliam Museum.



#### **VOULEZ VOUS AHA!**

#### ALL FARES £69.00

THUR 20 OCT **ROUTE 1** 

An uplifting and fun filled afternoon on board the Tereza Joanne, moored in London's Royal Docks with great views of the City skyline! Relive ABBA's greatest



hits with a live performance from one of the UK's top tribute acts. Enjoy a 2-course lunch from your reserved seat and dance it off between courses during this unique afternoon on The Thames. Menu: Chicken breast with Mediterranean grilled vegetables and potatoes followed by white chocolate cheesecake with tea of coffee.



A jaw dropping, storytelling, acrobatic performance loved by audiences around the world. Band C seats in lower block 02 at Birmingham Utilita Arena.

#### **KEW GARDENS** MEXICAN FESTIVAL

**NEW FOR** 2022

AD £48.50 SEN £45.00, CH £36.00 MON 24 OCT ROUTE 1

Visit the stunning autumnal gardens at Kew whilst immersing yourself in the art, plants and culture of Mexico at this brand-new festival



19 - 23 OCTOBER 2022

BIRMINGHAM

**UTILITA ARENA** 

in the majestic Temperate House.

IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM **DUXFORD** 

AD £47.50. EN £45.00, CH £29.50

CHILD FARE MON 24 OCT

**ROUTE 4C** 



Visit Europe's largest air museum and get up close to over a century of aviation. Find out more about 9/11, The Battle of Britain and see an original piece of fabric from the Wright Brothers first ever flight!

LUNCH INCLUDED

**TUE 25 OCT** ROUTE 1

Enjoy a 2 course Roast Turkey lunch in Hampstead before exploring the wonders of Highgate Cemetery, London's most famous burial ground! An enthusiastic guide will take you on a tour of Highgate's West Cemetery, home to some of the site's most impressive architectural features (and open only to visitors on a 70-minute



walking tour). You'll see the Chapel with its beautifully decorated interior, the Colonnade, the Egyptian Avenue, the Terrace Catacombs and the Circle of Lebanon. You'll also have time at leisure to explore the East Cemetery where famous residents include Karl Marx, Douglas Adams, Jeremy Beadle and Max Wall. NB There are steep paths and two flights of stairs in the West Cemetery.

## **AUTUMNAL COTSWOLDS**

2-STOP TOUR

TUE5 25 OCT **ROUTE 4A** 

The lively market at Moreton-in-Marsh is widely thought of the most stunning market location in England. After picking up a bargain here



continue to Bourton-on-the-Water, affectionately known as the 'Venice of The Cotswolds'.



Great Days Out

# October 2022

THE LION KING, LYCEUM THEATRE

**WAIT LIST** -SEE FEB DATE

ALL FARES £79.50

WED 26 OCT **ROUTE 1C** 

Disney's awardwinning musical explodes with glorious colours, stunning effects and enchanting music from Elton John. The perfect family treat for February half term.



**MORGAN MOTOR** MUSEUM

**FACTORY TOUR** 

AD £59.50, SEN £57.00, CH £57.00

THUR 27 OCT **ROUTE 4A** 



Find out how a Morgan is made on this fully guided tour that takes visitors into the heart of the factory. See the craftsmanship that remains a major part of production of this cherished motor, as well as learning about the family history and seeing cars of the past, present and future. Calls at Great Malvern for a lunch break before our afternoon tour.

### GREAT MALVERN

**GREAT** PRICE

THUR 27 OCT **ROUTE 4A** 

Spend time in the Victorian 'water cure' town of Great Malvern. The tranquil views over the Severn Valley create a lovely backdrop as you wander through this pretty hillside setting. Perhaps pause for a coffee, pop in to one of the many bookshops, antique shops and boutiques or visit one of the



galleries. Take time to explore the medieval, cathedralsized priory and St Ann's Well whilst you're here.

THUR 27 OCT **ROUTE 1** 

MUSEUM

More attractions per square mile than any other UK city! Walk along the city walls, marvel at the Minster. amble along The Shambles and admire the quirky



overhanging buildings, visit one of the fascinating museums or step back in time at the Jorvik Viking Centre. Free pre-bookable tickets to The National Railway Museum are available on their website.

#### NATIONAL MEMORIAL **ARBORETUM**

AUTUMN

FRI 28 OCT ROUTE 4A

An unforgettable experience, with 150 acres of beautiful woodland and gardens to explore and nearly 400 thoughtprovoking memorials, each with a story to tell. The memorials are diverse in nature, rich in symbolism and represent a broad population of society, from military associations and charities to the emergency services, fraternity groups and individuals. Guided walks and talks



take place daily and there is also a land train that takes visitors around the site - prebooking is advisable for this service and for the guided walks.

SPECIAL CHILD FARE

FRI 28 OCT **ROUTE 1** 

Known globally for the famous legend of Robin Hood, Nottingham has lots to attract you. Take advantage of our special child fare, the (grand) children



will love to explore the legendary Nottingham Castle, fresh off the back of a £30m transformation. Carved into the craggy rock face below, you'll find the 800-year-old Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem, said to be England's oldest inn. It's an excellent pub, procuring fine local ales. Venture deeper and you can explore Nottingham's subterranean cave network at the City of Caves, with the thrilling National Justice Museum nearby presenting an extensive and grisly history of crime and punishment. Back above ground, the compact city centre is largely pedestrianised, making Nottingham perfect for strolling, sightseeing, and shopping.



2-COURSE LUNCH **TUE 1 NOV** 

**ROUTE 5** 

FRI 4 NOV **ROUTE 1B** 

4 SHOWS

A fun-filled and educational experience day in the company of a TV antiques expert! With a crisp £10 note as your budget and inside tips from the pros you'll head to the local antique and charity shops in the hope of bagging a bargain! When 90 minutes is up, it's time for lunch whilst our expert gives an entertaining evaluation of

Your ticket includes entry to Simply Christmas, The Creative Craft Shows, Cake International and the all-new



everyone's finds and picks a winner. Tea/coffee is included on arrival and after lunch from your base at Marriott's Warehouse by the river in Kings Lynn.

Simply Christmas is an inspiring seasonal highlight full of enthusiastic exhibitors showcasing their very best stock. The Creative Craft Show is a knitting, stitching and paper crafting haven with endless kits, charts, patterns and fabrics to choose from. At Cake International you can expect intricate decorative displays from cake artists and at Bake International you'll find supplies, demos and baking stars including Jane Dunn - the record-breaking author of Jane's Patisserie. Local craft clubs will love our group offer! Buy 12 tickets and get the 13th free!

Main choices: Vegetable Quiche with salad & chips, Scampi with peas & chips or Toad in the Hole with mash, vegetables & gravy. Dessert choices: Fruit Salad, Apple Crumble & Custard or Chocolate Fudge Cake with cream.

#### TINA - THE TINA TURNER MUSICAL

**STALLS SEATS** 

ALL FARES £79.50

THUR 10 NOV **ROUTE 4C** 

From humble beginnings in Nutbush, Tennessee, to her transformation into the global Queen of Rock 'n' Roll, Tina didn't just break the rules, she rewrote



SYMPHONIC QUEEN ALL FARES £72.50

THE RPO'S

WED 2 NOV **ROUTE 4C** 

ALBERT HALL

**ROYAL** 

Featuring a spectacular light show, a host of backing vocalists and a special guest presenter! Enjoy The RPO's signature twist on 50



years of Queen's iconic hits including We Will Rock You, Don't Stop Me Now, Bohemian Rhapsody, Somebody To Love, Flash, A Kind Of Magic, Crazy Little Thing Called Love... and more! Rear arena seats for the 19:30 show.

WED 9 NOV (ROUTE 1)

TUE 15 NOV (ROUTE 4B)

Every year one of Britain's finest stately homes transforms its interior with a magical Christmas theme! A customer favourite - book early. Continue soaking up the festive

atmosphere in Chatsworth's traditional outdoor Christmas market selling fine local produce and seasonal treats.

## THE BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL

**STALLS** 

ALL FARES £55.00

THUR 3 NOV **ROUTE 1** 

Journey to India with an eclectic group of British retirees as they embark on a new life in this joyous



comedy from the Sunday Times Bestseller! Set to star Hollywood's Hayley Mills, household favourite Paul Nicholas (Jesus Christ Superstar and Eastenders) and Rula Lenska (Corrie and Eastenders), see it close to home at Leicester's Curve Theatre.

## **CAMBRIDGE**

**GREAT PRICE** 

WED 16 NOV **ROUTE 4C** 

Start your Christmas shopping in this fine city with top brands alongside delightful independent boutiques - and why not treat yourself to a spot of lunch at one of the excellent eateries, too!



THE MOUSETRAP, ST. MARTIN'S THEATRE THUR 17 NOV ALL FARES £69.00 **ROUTE 1** GATHA CHRISTIE'S WITH AN ALL-STAR lousetra ST. MARTIN'S THEATRE

The world's longest running play is back in The West End.

UNIOUE VENUE

DON'T JUST SEE IT.

FRI 18 NOV **ROUTE 40** 

Visit one of the country's most unique and atmospheric locations for a Christmas Fair, For four days only Fly Cathedral's stunning



nave and its surrounding grounds will fill with high quality, boutique exhibitors - the perfect place to pick up something special for your loved ones (or yourself!). Fare only tickets are available if you wish to shop in town.

### NORWICH

GREAT SHOPPING

MON 21 NOV **ROUTE 3A** 

Driving in, you'll no doubt spot the 315-ft spire towering above the beautifully



preserved 900 year old Norman Cathedral that dominates the city centre. The Cathedral is one of the finest in Europe and regularly plays host to free art exhibitions in its uniquely medieval, yet modern, exhibition space. The city centre's compact medieval street pattern makes it easy to explore on foot. You'll find local produce at the market, big national stores and one of the country's few remaining independent department stores, Jarrold. And if that's not enough, be sure to visit the Lanes, the Cathedral Quarter and Magdalen Street, which are home to dozens of independent shops.

#### **EXPLORE OXFORD**

**EXHIBITION** 

TUE 22 NOV **ROUTE 4A** 

The 'City of Dreaming Spires' is full of beautiful. historic buildings and fascinating museum collections like the Ashmolean and the Bodleian



Library. Carfax Tower offers superb views over the city whilst the historic Covered Market is full of tourist shops. Explore Oxford's wide streets and intricate network of smaller lanes lined with noble buildings - look out for famous filming locations from Inspector Morse, Harry Potter and more! Don't miss the free Tutankhamun exhibition at the Bodleian until Feb 2023

#### WHITE CHRISTMAS -NOTTS THEATRE ROYAL

**PREMIUM** STALLS SEATS

EN £75.00. CH £75.00

WED 23 NOV **ROUTE 1A** 



A timeless, heart-warming, romantic comedy direct from the West End. A toe-tapping tale of love and friendship with choreography from two-time Olivier Award-winning Stephen Mear (Mary Poppins). Enjoy classics like Blue Skies, Sisters, I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm and, of course, the most famous festive song of all, White Christmas.

**GREAT SHOPPING** 

WED 23 NOV **ROUTE 1A** 

Find big brands in the Victoria Centre including John Lewis, House of Fraser, Nespresso Boutique and Pandora whilst independent shops thrive in the Creative Quarter.



Stroll through Exchange Arcade for exclusive shopping in a Grade II listed location.



**Great Days Out** 

UNIOUE LOCATION

THUR 24 NOV **ROUTE 1** 

St. Edmundsbury Cathedral makes a beautiful backdrop for a Christmas Fayre and in 2020 they won Best Large Speciality



Market at the Great British Market Awards. Bury St Edmunds city centre is always a popular shopping destination if you would like fare only tickets.

**BIRMINGHAM'S FRANKFURT** CHRISTMAS MARKET

ALPINE STALLS & **ENTERTAINMENT** 

AD £27.50 SEN £25.00, CH £25.00 **TUE 29 NOV ROUTE 1B** 

Said to be the largest, authentic German market outside of Germany and Austria! Alongside traditional goods and gifts you'll find a tempting choice of Pretzels, schnitzels,



bratwursts, and roasted almonds, which can be washed down with gluhwein, weissbeer or tasty hot chocolate. Enjoy the city centre's festive atmosphere, which is a great shopping destination all year round!

YORK'S ST. NICHOLAS **FAYRE** 

30TH ANNIVERSARY

**ROUTE 4** 

AD £35.00 WED 30 NOV SEN £32.50. CH £25.00



Soak up Christmas cheer in one of the UK's most festive cities as York's restaurants, shops and attractions are beautifully decorated. This year marks the popular Fayre's 30th anniversary, with the famous Alpine chalets lining Parliament Street and St Sampson's Square creating a festive wonderland, plus an array of local traders and artisan products.

#### LINCOLN CHRISTMAS **MARKET**

AD £27.50. SEN £25.00, CH £25.00 THUR 1 DEC **ROUTE 6** 

Tucked away in the medieval square, between the impressive Norman castle and magnificent gothic cathedral you'll find Lincoln's traditional



Christmas market. Cultural entertainment and over 150 unique stalls combine to create a memorable festive day out in a beautiful city.

**SUPPER** INCLUDED

FRI 2 DEC ROUTE 1

Enjoy free time in Greenwich before sailing underneath flood-lit Tower Bridge to Westminster on an hours' cruise along The



Thames. From here we'll take a 90-minute coach tour of Christmas London by night, finishing with a fish & chip supper. Customer favourite: "The drivers and tour guides were excellent", "Everything was so well organised".

#### CHRISTMAS AT BELVOIR

Please enquire

for fare details

Experience the elegance of a Regency Christmas in the colourful state rooms of this beautiful castle and discover local. artisan products in their unique Engine Yard Shopping Village.

**CUSTOMER** FAVOURITE

MON 5 DEC **ROUTE 1A** 



**RPO CHRISTMAS** CELEBRATION, ROYAL ALBERT HALL ARENA SEATS TUE 6 DEC

**ROUTE 4C** 

ALL FARES £75.00

The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra are joined by The Bach Choir and VOCES8 to spread festive joy with carols and classics, conducted and presented by John Rutter.





**SHOPPING** 

WED 7 DEC **ROUTE 4A** 

Shop, eat and explore at Northampton's premier leisure destination, set in the surroundings of a calming nature reserve. There are over 50 retail brands and great dining



options with lake views. Wrap up warm to enjoy a quiet 1.5km Nature Walk along a gritted path.

Enjoy a seasonal tour of the beautiful

Norfolk home of the Coke family!

During your guided tour, the house

WED 14 DEC **ROUTE 5** 

SPARKLING DRINK

& MINCE PIE

and its magical decorations will be bathed in candlelight as your guide regales you with intriguing tales of Holkham's history. A glass of sparkling wine and a mince pie add a finishing touch, whilst the opportunity for some Christmas shopping in the lovely, Georgian town of Holt will get your day off to a festive start.

# WIZARD OF OZ, LEICESTER CURVE

ALL FARES £45.00

**STALLS** 

THUR 8 DEC ROUTE 1

Enjoy live orchestral music written by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice as well as classics you know and love from the iconic film, including Somewhere Over The Rainbow,



If I Only Had A Brain and Follow The Yellow Brick Road. Fare only tickets are available for Christmas shoppers.

#### T'WAS ON A STARRY NIGHT, WICKSTEED PARK

**CHRISTMAS** LUNCH INCLUDED

ALL FARES £59.00

THUR 15 DEC **ROUTE 4A** 

Family-friendly fun at Wicksteed's annual daytime variety show featuring West End stars and including Roast Turkey Christmas lunch with Mince Pies and tea/coffee. Expect stunning vocalists and dancers straight from the West End, top performances from comedians and variety acts with over 30 costume changes!

#### ROD STEWART, B'HAM UTILITÁ ARENA

**UK TOUR** 

ALL FARES £155.00

show ticket.

Rod returns to the UK for what's set to be another sell-out tour! Expect definitive hits and tracks from his new album Tears of Hercules. We've secured Band C seats in lower block 10. There's a limited number of coach seats available if you have your own



**DOLLY PARTON'S SMOKY MOUNTAIN** 

ALL FARES £79.50

REAR STALLS

WED 21 DEC **ROUTE 4D** 

A Tennessee twist on a Dickens' Christmas Carol. The unlikely combination of Dickens's classic characters and Parton's heart-felt songs come together to beautifully reimagine this timeless story. This all-new musical has an instantly recognisable soundtrack from eight-time



GRAMMY winner and Queen of Country, Dolly Parton, who lovingly writes, but doesn't star in, the show. See this special show in The Southbank Centre before taking a drive through the capital's twinkling Christmas lights.

THURSFORD CHRISTMAS **SPECTACULAR 2022** 



Expect a fast-moving festive celebration of non-stop singing, dancing, music, humour and variety! With a cast of 130 this is the biggest Christmas show of its kind in Europe!

**Route 3A** 

Fri 11 Nov | Mon 28 Nov | Mon 12 Dec | Fri 16 Dec

All fares £75pp inc. top price Centre Raised or De Luxe ticket. Please note that children aged under 4 are not admitted to the show.



Great Days Out

#### SLEEPING BEAUTY MK THEATRE

ALL FARES £69.00

THUR 19 JAN **ROUTE 4C** 

A dramatic, gothic, mesmerising revival of a timeless tale and the fastest selling



production in the history of Sadler's Wells! With an unforgettable score from Tchaikovsky, sumptuous sets and costumes, evocative lighting and masterly storytelling, the beloved fairy tale is brought to life by the uniquely talented New Adventures company.

#### MILTON KEYNES

**JANUARY** SALES

THUR 19 JAN **ROUTE 4D** 

1000's of your favourite brands join the January sales inside centre:mk.



#### PRETTY WOMAN THE MUSICAL

**STALLS SFATS** 

ALL FARES £79.00

WED 25 JAN ROUTE 1

A joyful musical from one of the most romantic films of all time

A customer favourite in 2021 with sell-out dates. See it at London's iconic Savoy Theatre.





#### FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS, NOTTS THEATRE ROYAL

STALLS SFATS

AD £69.50. SEN £67.00, CH £67.00 THUR 2 FEB **ROUTE 4B** 

Based on the true story of the Cornish singing sensations and the hit 2019 film - it's packed with more musical treats than you can fit in a lobster pot! A feel-good show about friendship, community and music. Climb aboard and fall for this box office smash hit: hook, line and sinker!

## CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY, MK THEATRE

**SENIOR SPECIAL** WED 15 FEB

**ROUTE 1** 

AD £65.00, SEN £52.50, CH £59.00

A dazzling new production of the successful West End musical, taking you to a world of pure imagination! Indulge in the stage version of Roald Dahl's devilishly, delicious tale of young golden ticket winner Charlie Bucket and the mysterious confectionary wizard Willy Wonka, where the

sugary corridors and edible delights inside the wonderful

Wonka Chocolate Factory are not as sweet as they seem...

Under 5's not permitted, recommended age 8+.

THE LION KING, LYCEUM THEATRE **STALLS SEATS** 

ALL FARES £79.50

WED 15 FEB **ROUTE 4C** 

Disney's award-winning musical explodes with glorious colours, stunning effects and enchanting music from Elton John. The perfect family treat for February half term.

# LET'S FACE THE MUSIC, ROYAL ALBERT HALL

REAR ARENA SEAT

ALL FARES £72.50

WED 8 MAR **ROUTE 4D** 

Listen to The RPO pay tribute to classic musicals from the golden age of Hollywood with their unique twist on songs from the stage, accompanied by West End guest vocalists. This



nostalgic celebration will include music from My Fair Lady, The Wizard of Oz, Oklahoma!, Shall We Dance?, A Star Is Born and many more. New for 2023 is a special tribute to the music of George Gershwin including Funny Face, Strike Up The Band, Crazy For You and An American In Paris.

#### THE MUSIC OF BOND. ROYAL ALBERT HALL

UNIOUE SEATS

ALL FARES £59.50

TUE 4 APR **ROUTE 1** 

The RPO promises to take you to double-0-heaven with this sensational concert, featuring iconic theme songs and thrilling Bond anthems from six decades of box office blockbusters. Highlights include Goldfinger, Diamonds Are Forever, Casino Royale and the latest release, No Time To Die. We've secured Choir West seats, located above and behind the orchestra, giving you a unique, close-up view of the musicians.



# SEATS WED 17 MAY

#### STRICTLY BALLROOM, MK THEATRE

**PRFMILIM STALLS** 

ALL FARES £77.00

WED 5 APR **ROUTE 4C** 

Hit stage show based on Baz Luhrmann's iconic film, Strictly Ballroom - The Musical is a heart-soaring. toe-tapping story of courage



and rebellion where two young dancers defy tradition to prove that to win, your steps don't need to be strictly ballroom! Directed by Britain's best loved TV judge, Craig Revel Horwood and due to star Strictly legend Keven Clifton, the musical follows an arrogant, rebellious young ballroom dancer whose radical style sees him fall out of favour with officials. As punishment he must dance with a beginner and together they reinvent the strictly steps to defy the odds.

**AFTFRNOON** TFA

TUE 11 APR (ROUTE 4B) or MON 31 JUL (ROUTE 1)

It's never too early to book for this tour that sold out four dates in 2022! After a lunchtime break in the spa town of Buxton, step back on board for a short ride to Whalev Bridge to enjoy a leisurely canal cruise upon 'Judith Mary', enjoying views of Kinder Scout and accompanied by a generous Afternoon Tea.

# ANDRE RIEU, NOTTINGHAM ARENA

**EVENING SHOW** 

ALL FARES £145.00

WED 10 MAY **ROUTE 1A** 





## **COMING SOON**

Moulin Rough, Piccadilly Theatre **Silverstone Interactive Museum Chippenham Park Snowdrop Special Hampton Court Palace Tulip Festival** 

#### TITANIC - THE MUSICAL, NOTTS THEATRE ROYAL

AD £67.50. SEN £65.00, CH £65.00

Based on real people aboard the world's most legendary ship, Titanic - The Musical is a stunning and stirring production focusing on the personal hopes, dreams and aspirations of her passengers - all innocently unaware of the fate awaiting them. The original Broadway production won five Tony Awards including Best Musical, Best Score and Best Book.



SOUTH KENSINGTON MUSEUM QUARTER

**SPECIAL** CHILD FARE

FRI 17 FEB **ROUTE 4C** 

It's free entry to three amazing London attractions, all within a stone's throw of one another! The Victoria & Albert Museum, the Natural History Museum and the Science Museum offer an amazing value day out - just remember to pre-book your free entry slot before you go. Look out for the fascinating special exhibitions that can sometimes carry an entry charge e.g. the futuristic, immersive Science Fiction exhibition at the Science Museum - here until May 2023 only. If you love to shop, Knightsbridge and Harrods are about a 12-15 minute walk away.

#### **RAF MUSEUM** LONDON

AD £35.00, SEN £32.50, CH £20.00

**SPECIAL** CHILD FARE

FRI 17 FEB **ROUTE 1** 

Explore six huge hangers full of iconic aircraft. memorabilia, factual displays and hands-on experiences. Test your reaction times, read



wartime letters from pilots, uncover the story of The Dam Busters and get up close to iconic aircraft like the Lancaster, Supermarine Spitfire, Boeing Chinook, de Havilland Vampire F3 and Tornado F3.



KEW GARDENS ORCHID FESTIVAL

FREE ART EXHIBITIONS MON 27 FEB

**ROUTE 1** 

Celebrate the richness of Cameroon's flora and fauna at Kew's annual orchid festival. A customer favourite that delights with a colourful new theme every year!





## **CENTENARY REUNION**

SUN 6-TUE 8 NOV

SUN 6-TUE 8 NOV SINGLE SUPP. £48 CODE: B3381

We are thrilled to be returning to Lytham St. Annes to celebrate our centenary year! 100 years of travel and this remains one of our all-time favourite spots. We're back at The Glendower Hotel, a hotel that's been one of



our best sellers since our first visit on 26th September 1986! You'll hardly recognise it now, a complete refurbishment of the bedrooms and public areas has brought the hotel in to Best Western's Signature Collection with a tranquil colour scheme to match the surrounding scenery.

Join Steph, Jane and the rest of the team to celebrate this historic anniversary with 3 days of fun and friendship in the Lancashire resort of St. Annes.

#### SUN ▶ LUNCH ▶ BLACKPOOL ILLUMINATIONS

Set off for St. Annes, with a simple lunch included en route. We'll aim to arrive mid-afternoon as we're planning an early evening meal before a dazzling evening ride along the Prom to see the world-famous Blackpool Illuminations! The bar will be open when we get back to the hotel for those of you who fancy a nightcap.

## MON ► BLACKPOOL HERITAGE TRAMS ► LUNCH AT BLACKPOOL WINTER GARDENS ► GALA DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT

After a leisurely breakfast, hop on board for the short journey into Blackpool where we've arranged a 2-hour return trip on one of Blackpool's magnificent heritage trams, heading north along the prom before travelling inland to the fishing town of Fleetwood where you'll have time to stretch your legs before returning to North Pier, via Cleveleys and Bispham, taking in scenic views of the Fylde Coast. Back in Blackpool, enjoy lunchtime sandwiches and cakes in the elegant surroundings of the Winter Gardens. Choose to stay in Blackpool until later or return to St. Annes for a leisurely afternoon before this

evening's Gala Dinner, with entertainment.

TUE FISH & CHIP
LUNCH

Depart after breakfast for the journey home. For those of us of a certain age, it's



traditional to have fish & chips on the way home from the seaside and where better than the Wetherby Whaler at Guiseley, just a few miles along from where Grandad Shaw spent his early years!

## GLENDOWER HOTEL, BEST WESTERN SIGNATURE COLLECTION, LYTHAM ST. ANNES

▶ Located on the prom, opposite the sandy beach with views to the pier ▶ Recent refurbishment of the bedrooms and public areas ▶ Less than 10 minutes' walk from Ashton Gardens ▶ Awarded the Green Tourism Bronze Award from the Green Tourism Board ▶ Ensuite rooms featuring TV, radio, phone, hairdryer, ironing equipment, free WiFi & hospitality tray ▶ Restaurant, bar & residents lounge ▶ Games room ▶ Gym & beauty treatments (weekdays only) ▶ Lift ▶ ACCESS There are a limited number of rooms that have level access so please let us know about any mobility concerns you may have. The lift doesn't reach all floors and there are long corridors with steps. Walk-in

showers may be available on request We only have a

limited number of single rooms so please share if you can.







ON THE ISLE OF MAN

WED 10-MON 15 AUG SINGLE SUPP. £75 CODE: B3364

£5 HH DISCOUN

**ENTERTAINMEN** 

2 NIGHTS'





SINGLE SUPP. £60 CODE: C3365

WED ▶ Cross the Irish Sea on a relaxing 3.5-hour sailing from Heysham to Douglas.

#### THUR > CASTLETOWN NIARBYL BAY ► RAMSEY



FRI > Spend your day at leisure. Read a book on the beach, visit the Manx Museum, the Promenade Gardens or take time to scout out some local treats in the town's shops and cafés.

SAT ▶ PEEL ▶ CALF OF MAN ▶ STEAM JOURNEY

Start the day in Peel, a beautiful bay with a long sandy beach enclosed by a medieval castle, red cliffs and a promenade selling locally produced tasty treats. We'll ride out to the Calf of Man at the southernmost tip for stunning views before boarding Britain's longest, narrow gauge railway at Port Erin. The original locomotives and carriages offer a nostalgic way to enjoy the island's charming countryside.

#### SUN ▶ MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY ▶ SNAEFELL MOUNTAIN RAILWAY ▶ LAXEY ▶ MILNTOWN HOUSE & GARDENS (HH)

Enjoy a coastal ride this morning on the Manx Electric Railway from Douglas to Laxey on original Victorian and Edwardian trams. At Laxey we'll transfer to the Snaefell Mountain Railway, with time to enjoy spectacular views at the summit before descending to Laxey for free time. Finish the day at the island's only historical estate - Milntown House & Gardens. This 16th century mansion is surrounded by ornamental gardens, water features and woodlands walks.

MON ▶ Depart after breakfast for our early sailing home.

#### THE CHESTERHOUSE HOTEL, DOUGLAS

- ➤ Seafront location on Loch Promenade ➤ Ensuite rooms featuring TV, telephone, hairdryer, free WiFi & hospitality tray
- ▶ Carvery restaurant & bar/lounge ▶ Lift to all floors
- ► ACCESS There are steps in the public areas & six at the entrance, the lift is not suitable for wheelchairs, there is one ground floor bedroom available on request only.



VALLEY

We'll stop at RAF Cosford to uncover fascinating true stories in five huge hangers. Tea/coffee/biscuits will be waiting for you at the hotel.



#### TUE ► CRUISE ► SHREWSBURY ► ATTINGHAM PARK (NT)

This morning, take a gentle cruise along the famous River Severn Loop from Shrewsbury, with colorful summer blooms along the banks. Enjoy free time in the medieval market town of Shrewsbury before we depart for Attingham Park. This 18th century estate has a classical, Italian influence with extensive parkland and a huge organic walled garden.

#### WED ▶ BRIDGNORTH ▶ SVR JOURNEY ▶ LUDLOW

Spend free time in the pretty town of Bridgnorth with its 19th century funicular railway and ancient Cartway - one of Shropshire's most interesting streets. Here we'll board the Severn Valley Railway for a vintage steam along the Severn, crossing the river on the impressive, 200ft Victoria Bridge. We'll disembark at Kidderminster and head to the thriving medieval market town of Ludlow for free time before returning to the hotel, enjoying the scenery of Wenlock Edge.

THUR ▶ BLISTS HILL ▶ IRONBRIDGE ▶ MUCH WENLOCK Step into the age of steam this morning at Blists Hill. This award-winning, open-air museum has recreated an authentic Victorian Town complete with a pharmacy, workshops and even a mine. Later, visit Ironbridge Gorge, a town that was

once the centre of the industrial revolution and now thriving as a tourist location. Finish in medieval Much Wenlock which boasts impressive ruins of a 12th century priory.



We'll visit West Midlands Safari Park, to see red pandas, wallowing hippos, inquisitive lemurs, deadly reptiles, elegant zebra, white rhinos, rare painted dogs and kings of the beasts the African lion, before heading home.

#### **BUCKATREE HALL HOTEL, TELFORD**

 Scenic garden, private lake & Wrekin views
 Ensuite rooms featuring TV, phone, hairdryer, ironing equipment, WiFi & hospitality tray > Restaurant & lounge bar > Patio/terrace Gym ▶ Lift ▶ ACCESS The lift only serves part of the hotel so please ask us about ground floor rooms, if required. There are no walk-in showers > SINGLES ARE **GUARANTEED DOUBLE BEDS.** 





## SUMMER IN SANDOWN, IOW

£790pp

TUE 30 AUG-MON 5 SEP NO SINGLE SUPP. CODE: A3367

SNOWDONIA -PUFFINS TO PORTMEIRION!

£679pp

SUN 4 SEP-THUR 8 SEP SINGLE SUPP. £190 CODE: C3368

TUE ▶ Ferry crossing and check in.

#### WED ▶ OSBORNE HOUSE (EH)

Spend the day at Queen Victoria's lavish 'holiday home', Osborne House, where the sumptuous



furnishings and immaculate gardens give a glimpse into the Royal Family's extravagant lifestyle. Gain a sense of colonial history in the State Rooms and enjoy a riot of colour in the Italianate gardens (renovated in 2017 when plants as old as the building itself were uncovered!).

#### THUR ▶ IOW PEARL ▶ MOTTISTONE MANOR GARDENS (NT) ▶ YARMOUTH

Take a morning break at IOW Pearl where beautiful jewellery has been crafted for over 30 years. This stunning cliff-top attraction has wonderful sea views, especially from the panoramic café. Next, to the enchanting gardens at Mottistone with colourful borders and even a young olive grove. Finish at the ancient port of Yarmouth, where you'll find a 16th century castle and a restored Victorian pier.

FRI > Enjoy free time on the island.

#### SAT ▶ RYDE ▶ IOW STEAM RAILWAY ▶ GODSHILL

Spend a while at the classic seaside resort of Ryde before experiencing the golden age of travel as we take a nostalgic ride on the Isle of Wight Steam Railway. Pass through unspoilt countryside and ancient woodland in beautifully restored Victorian and Edwardian carriages. Round off the day with a stop in the quintessentially English village of Godshill. SUN ▶ CALBOURNE WATERMILL

Spend the morning at Calbourne Watermill, home to an ancient working water mill dating back to The Domesday Book! You'll also find a selection of small museums, a café and great island views at the top of the hill. Spend the afternoon at leisure. MON ▶ Enjoy the views as we head home.

#### THE TROUVILLE HOTEL, SANDOWN

▶ Centrally located on the beachfront ▶ Ensuite rooms featuring TV, radio, phone, hairdryer, WiFi & hospitality tray ► Restaurant & lounge bar ► Short mat bowls, table tennis & pool table Lift All twin and double rooms have a sea view ACCESS There are five steps at the hotel entrance but there is a disabled access ramp at the side, walk-in showers on request only.



#### MON ▶ CAERNARFON CASTLE ▶ BETWS-Y-COED ▶ NATIONAL SLATE MUSEUM

It's a medieval start to the day



at Caernarfon Castle - a mighty UNESCO World Heritage fortress on the banks of the River Seiont, with 700 years of history! Time for a scenic drive to Betws-Y-Coed, nestled between two waterways and full of inviting eateries. Our final stop is The National Slate Museum where the history of an industry that has chiselled itself into Welsh culture comes to life. If you'd prefer a full day (or am/pm) exploring Caernarfon iust let vour driver know.

#### TUE ▶ PLAS CADNANT GARDENS (HH) ▶ PUFFIN ISLAND CRUISE ▶ BEAUMARIS

Cross the Menai Strait to Plas Cadnant Hidden Gardens on the Isle of Anglesey. A careful restoration has brought back to life the 19th century curved walled garden and secret valley garden. There's time to enjoy the seaside charm of Beaumaris before making our way to the pier for an 80-minute Puffin Island cruise - expect spectacular scenery and an array of wildlife

#### WED ▶ WELSH HIGHLAND RAILWAY ▶ PORTMEIRION VILLAGE

Time for an unforgettable journey through mountains and countryside on the UK's longest heritage railway. A 90 minute ride in traditional carriages takes you from Caernarfon, past the foot of Snowdon to the pretty village of Beddgelert. We'll take the short, scenic drive to the unique village of Portmeirion where pretty colour-washed buildings and a central piazza create an Italian ambiance on this private peninsula. THUR > Homeward bound.

CELTIC ROYAL HOTEL, CAERNARFON

Ensuite rooms featuring TV, radio, phone, hairdryer, WiFi & hospitality tray, ironing equipment on request

- ➤ Restaurant, bar & lounge ➤ Indoor pool, sauna, steam room, bubble pool & gym ▶ Lift to all floors
- ► ACCESS Two steps at the main entrance, but level access is available via the side entrance, some bedrooms have steps leading to them > SINGLES ARE GUARANTEED DOUBLE BEDS. LIVE ENTERTAINMENT ONE EVENING.





## CITY, COAST AND **COUNTRY IN SOUTH WALES**

£650pp

MON 19-FRI 23 SEP SINGLE SUPP. £95 CODE: C3370

## THE LAKE DISTRICT **EXPERIENCE**

SINGLE SUPP. £81 CODE: B3369

£679pp

MON ► Check in with tea/coffee and biscuits.

#### TUE ▶ RAIL, SAIL & **RABBIT TAILS**

Begin with a scenic steam journey on the Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway.



through the Leven Valley to the bottom of Lake Windermere. From here, sail across the tranquil lake to Bowness and enjoy a short walk to the enchanting World of Beatrix Potter™ where treasured childhood tales have been magically recreated and a tempting new café awaits.

#### WED ▶ KENDAL ▶ LEVENS HALL (HH)

Enjoy the bustle of Kendal's weekly market before visiting privately-owned Levens Hall. This stunning Elizabethan House is surrounded by spectacular gardens, which include the world's oldest topiary garden.

#### THUR ▶ TEN LAKES SPECTACULAR

Get ready for an adventure on our Ten Lakes Spectacular Tour! Using mini-coaches that can travel off the beaten track, you'll travel through valleys and villages, seeing waterfalls, famous lakes and panoramic scenery along the way. Your passionate driver/guide will be happy to answer any questions you may have about this mesmerising landscape and there'll be a lunchtime stop in Keswick.

FRI > We'll travel through the pretty Yorkshire Dales on our journey home.

#### THE RIVERSIDE HOTEL, KENDAL

► Converted 18th century tannery on the banks of the River Kent, just a short walk from shops, galleries, museums and the castle ruins Finsuite rooms with flat screen Freeview TV, radio, telephone, hairdryer, ironing equipment, free WiFi & hospitality tray > Riverview restaurant & bar with terrace overlooking the river \rightarrow Indoor pool, hot tub, steam room, sauna & gym ▶ Lift to all floors ▶ ACCESS There are a few steps to the lift and restaurant, but disabled access is available. No walk-in showers.

MON ▶ Check in with tea/coffee. TUE ▶ GUIDED TOUR

## OF THE ROYAL MINT ▶ CARDIFF

Witness first-hand production of British coinage and discover

some of the rarest coins in the world at The Royal Mint Experience. Enjoy free time in the Welsh capital this afternoon.

#### WED ▶ DYFFRYN GARDENS (NT) ▶ BARRY

Start the day at Dyffryn's Edwardian revival gardens. Garden 'rooms' include the Pompeian Garden, Paved Court and Reflecting Pool, all of which are being carefully restored. Spend the afternoon by the sea in Barry with its long golden beach and great views from the Wales Coast Path.

#### THUR ▶ BRECON MOUNTAIN RAILWAY ▶ TOUR & TASTING AT PENDERYN DISTILLERY

Take a morning ride on the Brecon Mountain Railway passing the Taf Fechan Reservoir and climbing to Torpantau Station, high in the Beacons. There'll be a stop at Pontsticill Station where you'll find the Lakeside Café. Liven your taste buds at Penderyn Distillery this afternoon. This award-winning site, in the foothills of the Beacons, produces single malt whiskies and spirits. Learn about the unique techniques and finish with a tipple in the Tasting Bar.

#### FRI ► TINTERN & BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER

Ride through the Wye Valley then stretch your legs in the riverside village of Tintern, continuing to Bourton-on-the-Water 'The Venice of The Cotswolds' - before heading home.

#### PARKWAY HOTEL & SPA, CWMBRAN

► Recently refurbished bedrooms, lounge & reception areas Ensuite rooms featuring flat screen TV, hairdryer, telephone, radio, ironing equipment, robes, complimentary bottled water, hospitality tray & free WiFi > Lounge with a log fire & snooker table Private resident's lounge with Bar Billiard Table, board games & TV ▶ Restaurant, bar & coffee shop ▶ Garden & outdoor terrace (winners of the 2019 Wales in Bloom award for outstanding grounds) > Outdoor boules, badminton, chess, table tennis & croquet Indoor pool, Jacuzzi, sauna, steam room, gym & beauty treatments (pre-booking advised) ACCESS No lift, bedrooms are on the ground floor and first floor (short flight of stairs).





**BLOOMS & WINES** IN THE GARDEN OF ENGLAND

£650pp

MON 26-FRI 30 SEP SINGLE SUPP. £80 CODE: A3371

MON ► Check in on the south coast. TUE ▶ FOLKESTONE

**▶ LEEDS CASTLE** Enjoy free time this morning, it's around 30 minutes' stroll along the



coast path to the restored Harbour Arm with independents and world-class sea views. Spend the afternoon at Leeds Castle with history as a fortified Norman stronghold, a royal palace and a retreat for Hollywood stars. Today it's widely referred to as the loveliest castle in the world with colourful state rooms and manicured gardens.

#### WED ▶ STEAM TRAIN ▶ GREAT DIXTER HOUSE & GARDENS (HH) A country drive to Bodiam Castle, where The Jewel of

the Weald steam train will take you on a nostalgic 50-minute journey, following the unspoilt Rother Valley to Tenterden. Spend the afternoon enjoying the historic Tudor house and tranquil gardens at Great Dixter - widely regarded as a place of pilgrimage for gardeners all over the world.

#### THUR ▶ SISSINGHURST CASTLE GARDEN (NT) ▶ TOUR & TASTING AT HUSH HEATH ESTATE

Visit the romantic and world-renowned gardens at Sissinghurst Castle. Ten distinctly different 'garden rooms' were imagined by their poetic designers to create a colourful 'refuge of beauty'. Nature and wine fans alike will love our afternoon visit to Balfour Winery for a guided tour of the Estate, where 400 acres of lush vineyards and orchards thrive to produce fine English wines. Finish with an exciting tasting of six Balfour wines.

#### FRI ▶ ROCHESTER

Our journey home includes a stop in Rochester, a place cherished by Victorian novelist Charles Dickens. The stunning cathedral was founded in 604, making it the second oldest in England, and the magnificent castle has breathtaking views from one of the tallest keeps in the country.

#### BEST WESTERN PLUS BURLINGTON HOTEL, FOLKESTONE

 Beautifully positioned on The Leas clifftop promenade, overlooking the English Channel Ensuite rooms featuring TV, phone, hairdryer, free WiFi & hospitality tray > Restaurant, bar & lounge ▶ Garden & terrace ▶ Lift to all floors ▶ ACCESS There are several steps to the main door but ramped access is available through an alternative entrance. Ground floor rooms involve 3 steps but ramps are available.



MON > Check in with tea/coffee. TUE ▶ BUDLEIGH

## SALTERTON

**SHORES** 

Spend the morning at leisure – perhaps make the most of the hotel's leisure facilities or take a



scenic stroll along the SW Coastal Path. This afternoon, enjoy a lovely drive along the coast, around the Exe Estuary to the charming, resort of Budleigh Salterton with stunning sea views and lots of independent shops.

#### WED ▶ WIDECOMBE-IN-THE-MOOR ▶ BADGERS HOLT LUNCH ▶ BUCKFAST ABBEY

It's all about Dartmoor National Park today, starting with a morning break in the quaint, moorland village of Widecombein-the-Moor. We'll continue to Badgers Holt Tearooms where we've arranged a Ploughman's Lunch at this tranquil beauty spot. Finish the day in the peace and serenity at Buckfast Abbey. The impressive 11th century Abbey is complimented by spacious gardens, a restaurant and gift shops.

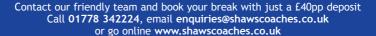
#### THUR ▶ GREENWAY HOUSE (NT) ▶ DARTMOUTH

This morning, we'll sail down the River Dart to the National Trust's Greenway House & Gardens, treasured holiday home of Agatha Christie. The Georgian house is full of collectables and the woodland and walled gardens make for a lovely autumnal walk. Sail back to Dartmouth and finish the day with free time in this picturesque naval town.

FRI > Homeward bound.

#### THE HEADLAND HOTEL & SPA, TORQUAY

Occupies a quiet spot on the headland with stunning sea views > 20-minute walk to Torquay Harbour or use the free daily taxi service Ensuite rooms featuring TV, phone, hairdryer, hospitality tray & free WiFi Restaurant & lounge/bar ▶ Garden & spacious outdoor terrace with sea views Hydro pool, sauna, steam room, mini-gym & beauty treatments (pre-booking advised) ACCESS Lift to most floors but some rooms involve stairs. Ground floor rooms and rooms with walk-in showers are available on request. There are steps to the pool and at the garden entrance.





AUTUMN IN SOUTH WALES

£575pp

SUN 9-THUR 13 OCT SINGLE SUPP. £114 CODE: C3373

**SUN** ► Enjoy tea/coffee on arrival.

MON ► CARDIGAN

CASTLE ► ST. DAVIDS

Step back in time during

a guided tour of 900year-old Cardigan Castle.



Medieval walls and castle ruins are accompanied by Grade II listed Regency gardens and historical exhibitions that unlock the story of the site. Next, to the smallest city in Britain – St. Davids. A 12th century cathedral and Gothic ruins add to the character of this quaint destination.

TUE ▶ PEMBROKE DOCK HERITAGE CENTRE ▶ TENBY

Explore over 200 years of maritime, military and social history at Pembroke Dock Heritage Centre. This unique site houses uniforms, medals, aircraft parts, documentation and paintings that celebrate the history of Wales' only Royal Dockyard. Spend the afternoon at leisure in the seaside town of Tenby with a small harbour, beautiful soft beaches and a friendly local vibe.

WED CARMARTHEN NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDEN
Spend the morning enjoying your surroundings in Carmarthen, on market day, before heading to The National Botanic Garden of Wales. This award-winning site boasts an Apothecary Garden, a Regency Double Walled Garden, the largest single-span Glasshouse in the world, an exotic Tropical House, a recently refurbished café and more.

#### THUR ▶ ABERGAVENNY

On our journey home we'll stop in Abergavenny. This quaint but lively market town on the edge of the Brecon Beacons is a foodie's favourite.

#### IVY BUSH HOTEL, CARMARTHEN

- ▶ Within 5 minutes' walk of Carmarthen Castle ▶ Ensuite rooms featuring TV, hairdryer, ironing equipment, radio, free WiFi, telephone & hospitality tray ▶ Bar, restaurant & lounge
- ► Sauna & gym ► Patio/terrace ► Lift to all floors
- ACCESS No walk-in showers.



DEVON'S JURASSIC COAST & TRANQUIL ESTUARIES

£630pp

MON 17-FRI 21 OCT NO SINGLE SUPP. CODE: C3374

MON ► Check in with tea/coffee/biscuits.

# TUE ► SIDMOUTH ► BEER ► SEATON TRAMWAY

Enjoy a morning stroll along the prom before taking a ride out to the, picture postcard village



of Beer. Expect a gentle shingle beach with colourful boats containing the 'catch of the day'. Finish the day on the Seaton Tramway in the glorious Axe Valley. Let the scenery roll by as you journey on traditional tramcars through two nature reserves within the Axe Estuary.

## WED ▶ BICTON PARK BOTANICAL GARDENS ▶ RIVER EXE

Spend the morning amongst 300 years of horticultural history at Bicton Park's Grade I listed gardens. Don't miss the impressive Palm House and the unique Shell House. Unwind with a relaxing afternoon cruise on the River Exe departing from Exmouth Marina. This stretch of water is a wildlife haven where migrating birds make for magnificent viewing in the autumn/winter.

#### THUR ▶ SIDMOUTH ▶ FORDE ABBEY & GARDENS (HH)

Enjoy a leisurely morning before visiting Forde Abbey & Gardens. This former Cistercian Abbey has a rich history and the beautifully landscaped gardens were nominated for Historic Houses 'Garden of the Year' in 2019. Expect to find formal herbaceous borders coupled with meandering pathways.

FRI 

Homeward bound.

#### THE BEDFORD HOTEL, SIDMOUTH

➤ Seafront location, great for leisurely strolls with views of Lyme Bay ➤ Grade II listed & family-run ➤ Ensuite rooms with walk-in showers, featuring TV, radio, phone, hairdryer, WiFi & hospitality tray ➤ Restaurant, bar & lounge with veranda ➤ Lift ➤ ACCESS Lift not suitable for wheelchairs and there are steps to some rooms. Four steps at the main entrance, but a portable ramp is available. Two shallow steps to the lounge and restaurant.





## HARROGATE & THE YORKSHIRE **DALES**

£620pp

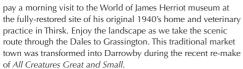
MON 24-FRI 28 OCT SINGLE SUPP. £116 CODE: B3375

£5 HH / RHS / NT DISCOUNT

MON ► We've arranged a warm welcome with tea/coffee.

#### TUE ▶ GRASSINGTON **▶ WORLD OF JAMES** HERRIOT

Celebrate Yorkshire's most famous vet as we



#### WED ▶ HARROGATE ▶ RHS HARLOW CARR

Spend the day at leisure in Harrogate or take the coach to nearby RHS Harlow Carr to wander amongst The Kitchen Garden, Woodland Walks, Alpine House, Lakeside Gardens and Rock Garden. Take the coach both ways or maybe stroll back - it's a lovely hour's stroll through the Pine Woods back to Harrogate's Valley Gardens.

#### THUR ▶ MASHAM, LEYBURN & HAWES ▶ DALES COUNTRYSIDE **MUSEUM**

Today's Dales tour includes a morning stop in Masham, time for lunch at leisure in Leyburn and an afternoon visit to Hawes where we include a visit to the Dales Countryside Museum for a fascinating glimpse into local life.

#### FRI ► RIPLEY CASTLE & GARDEN (HH)

Our journey home includes a guided tour of the 700-year-old turreted fortress at Ripley Castle, with tales of plague, persecution and revolution. Wander in the Walled Gardens and amongst the herbaceous borders, circle the lake and spot rare collections in the Kitchen Gardens, too.

#### DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HARROGATE MAJESTIC HOTEL & SPA

Situated in the heart of Harrogate, close to the famous Bettys Café, within eight acres of landscaped gardens Ensuite rooms featuring TV, phone, hairdryer, WiFi, ironing equipment & hospitality tray > Restaurant, bar & lounge ► Terrace ► Beautiful spa with treatment rooms, steam room, sauna & indoor pool ▶ Fitness room ▶ Lift



## **DEVONSHIRE DELIGHTS** & A SOMERSET **STEAM**

£580pp

MON ▶ Travel to Devon. TUE ▶ TIVERTON MARKET > **COLDHARBOUR MILL** 

wandering round Tiverton where

Spend the morning handmade crafts, gifts and excellent local produce can be found at the historic

Pannier Market. This afternoon we'll visit Coldharbour Mill which is celebrating 225 years since trading first started and where the site remains largely unchanged since Victorian times. A guided highlights tour includes the chance to see how wool is turned into yarn and fabrics, which you'll have an opportunity to buy later in the shop.

#### WED ▶ WIDECOMBE-ON-THE-MOOR ▶ DAWLISH

A coast and country day. This morning, enjoy the splendid scenery of Dartmoor National Park stopping off in the famous village of Widecombe-in-the-Moor. Then, to the coast, via the Teign Estuary to take in the sea air at Dawlish, Character cottages, impressive villas, narrow streets, bustling shops, famous Black Swans and welcoming tea rooms are just a taste of what this delightful resort has to offer.

#### THUR ▶ STEAM JOURNEY ▶ LYNMOUTH

Start the day on the West Somerset Railway aboard the steam train travelling between Bishop's Lydeard and Minehead. We'll disembark here to enjoy a fabulous drive along the coast to the picturesque harbour town of Lynmouth before returning to Tiverton through the tranquil scenery of Exmoor National Park. FRI > Time to head home.

#### **BEST WESTERN TIVERTON HOTEL**

▶ Market town location within mature gardens ▶ Ensuite rooms featuring TV, radio, phone, hairdryer, ironing equipment, WiFi & hospitality tray > Restaurant & lounge bar > ACCESS No lift, but ask us about ground floor rooms if required, the remaining rooms are just one floor up.







## DREAMING OF A 'WIGHT' CHRISTMAS

MON ► It's 'Christmas Eve' in

Sandown so expect tea/coffee

and mince pies waiting for

you on arrival followed by an evening entertainment in

TUE ▶ Start 'Christmas Day'

the Ballroom to celebrate!

WED ▶ IOW PEARL ▶ YARMOUTH

the Ballroom.

£520pp 4-FRI 18 NOV

MON 14-FRI 18 NOV NO SINGLE SUPP. CODE: A3378

MON ▶ Check in.

TUE ► BARNARD CASTLE

THE BOWES MUSEUM

Visit the historic market town

**HERITAGE** 

of Barnard Castle, which takes its name from the 12th century fortress around which it grew. There's free



SINGLE SUPP. £99

CODF: B3376

time to explore this English Heritage castle overlooking the Tees Gorge or wander amongst the charming independent shops and local eateries. Visit the highly impressive Bowes Museum, housed in a Grade I Listed French-style château and holding a treasured collection of fashion, furniture and fine art, including the famous musical Silver Swan.

#### WED ▶ DURHAM

Spend the day, at leisure, in the beautiful Cathedral city of Durham. The Castle and Cathedral UNESCO World Heritage Site features *Open Treasure* – a world-class attraction offering the chance to get up close to ancient artefacts. You'll find a great choice of riverfront bars, restaurants and boutiques or perhaps follow a scenic Riverside Walk.

#### THUR ▶ BEAMISH MUSEUM

Visit Beamish – a world-famous open-air museum guiding you through life in the NE from the 1820's to the 1950's. Explore a 1900's town and colliery, peep inside a pit village cottage, ride the colourful trams and experience life on a wartime farm. There's a full days' worth of discovery along with a fitting choice of eateries including a tea room, chip shop and pub.

#### FRI ▶ GREEN HOWARDS MUSEUM WITH LUNCH

En route home we've included a fascinating visit to The Green Howards Museum in Richmond and a light buffet lunch. This treasured collection documents the history of this honoured Regiment, ensuring that the human story is told through each artefact. Friendly volunteers are on hand to ensure you get the most out of your visit.

beautiful jewellery has been craffed for over 30 years. This stunning cliff-top attraction has wonderful views, especially from the panoramic café. Then to the ancient port of Yarmouth, where you'll find age old architecture, including a 16th century castle and a restored Victorian pier. There'll be tea/coffee and Christmas cake in the lounge bar this afternoon before 'Boxing Day' dinner and entertainment.

with a leisurely stroll along the seafront before this afternoon's

Christmas Quiz in the lounge bar accompanied by warming

tea/coffee/biscuits. This evening, there'll be a wine reception with a special visit from one of Santa's helpers before a

traditional Christmas dinner. Expect music and dancing in

Get out and about on 'Boxing Day' at IOW Pearl where

#### THUR ▶ COWES ▶ IOW MILITARY & HERITAGE MUSEUM

Spend 'New Year' morning in Cowes where you'll find local shops lining the pedestrianised High Street and the chance to enjoy fresh sea air along the Esplanade. You may choose to join us at the Wight Military & Heritage Museum where guided tours are conducted by ex-service volunteers who, with their varied experiences and anecdotes, really contribute to the enjoyment of the displays. Tea/coffee and stollen await at the hotel before this evening's candlelit dinner and 'New Year's Eve' party with dancing, music and entertainment!

FRI > Enjoy views across The Solent as we head home.

#### THE TROUVILLE HOTEL, SANDOWN

► Centrally located on the beachfront ► Ensuite rooms featuring TV, radio, phone, hairdryer, WiFi & hospitality tray ► Restaurant & lounge bar ► Short mat bowls, table tennis & pool table ► Lift ► All twin and double rooms have a sea view ► ACCESS There are five steps at the hotel entrance but there is a disabled access ramp at the side, walk-in showers on request only ► THE HOTEL HAS ARRANGED MUSIC AND DANCING IN THE BALLROOM EVERY NIGHT.

#### RADISSON BLU HOTEL, DURHAM

Modern, central, riverfront hotel within walking distance of the Cathedral & Castle ▶ Ensuite, air-conditioned rooms featuring flat screen TV, radio, phone, hairdryer, free WiFi, ironing equipment, safe, desk & hospitality tray ▶ Restaurant & bar ▶ Indoor pool, gym, sauna, steam room & Jacuzzi

Beauty treatments (pre-booking recommended)
 Lift

ACCESS Walk-in showers upon request.





## PRE-CHRISTMAS UNDER THE WREKIN

£550pp

MON 28 NOV-FRI 2 DEC SINGLE SUPP. £60 CODE: C3379



## CHRISTMAS ON THE COAST

£825pp

FRI 23-TUE 27 DEC SINGLE SUPP. £71 CODE: A3380

MON ► Check in with tea/coffee and mince pies. TUE ► GUIDED TOUR OF SHREWSBURY PRISON WITH REFRESHMENTS

Be on your best behaviour during our guided and immersive tour of Shrewshu



Start the day in Church Stretton, the only town in the Shropshire Hills AONB, nestling beneath The Long Mynd plateau. Continue to medieval Ludlow where around 500 listed buildings line the ancient streets. Enjoy scenery along Wenlock Edge before finishing the day in Much Wenlock with its impressive ruins of a 12th century priory.

THUR > IRONBRIDGE MUSEUMS

Spend the day at the award-winning Ironbridge Gorge Museums. Get hands-on with a blast furnace and locomotive track at Enginuity before heading to the Museum of The Gorge to discover the River Severn's global connections. There's free time in Ironbridge Gorge once the centre of the Industrial Revolution and now a thriving tourist destination – before a final visit to the Coalport China Museum where you'll see exquisite ceramics, including china made for Queen Victoria! FRI > JINNEY RING CRAFT CENTRE

Enjoy a browse at the Jinney Ring Craft Centre, set in lovely gardens that have views of the Malvern Hills. Skilled crafts people such as potters, glass blowers, and jewellers are usually busy at work – all selling their unique products. Perhaps pop into the Farmhouse Café before we head home.



FRI ► Take advantage of a relaxing check-in as your bags are taken from

reception to your room. There'll be a welcome alcoholic tipple to enjoy with the management team.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE



#### ► FOLKESTONE ► LUNCH & ENTERTAINMENT

Spend the morning at leisure in Folkestone town where you might well pick up some last-minute gifts in the studio galleries and quirky shops. We've arranged a 2-course lunch back at the hotel to warm up followed by afternoon entertainment.

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Open your gift from Santa before tucking into a traditional Christmas lunch with all the trimmings. Afterwards, as is customary, you may well find yourself snoozing in a quiet spot in the hotel lounge! But for those of your feeling more energetic it's just a short stroll to the cliff top where you'll find routes down to the sandy beach and panoramic coastal views. Tonight, the hotel will serve a light buffet dinner.

#### BOXING DAY ▶ CANTERBURY ▶ LUNCH

Create your own 'Canterbury Tales' as we spend Boxing Day morning in the pretty city of Canterbury, on the banks of the River Stour. It's home to England's first cathedral which is designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site and an important resting place for royalty. We'll return to the hotel for a 2-course lunch, with the afternoon yours to enjoy at leisure.

TUE ► Time to head home, Merry Christmas.

#### **BUCKATREE HALL HOTEL, TELFORD**

► Scenic garden, private lake & Wrekin views ► Ensuite rooms featuring TV, phone, hairdryer, ironing equipment, WiFi & hospitality tray ► Restaurant & lounge bar ► Garden & patio/terrace ► Gym ► Lift ► ACCESS The lift only serves part of the hotel so please ask us about ground floor rooms, if required. There are no walk-in showers ► SINGLES ARE GUARANTEED DOUBLE BEDS

#### BEST WESTERN PLUS BURLINGTON HOTEL, FOLKESTONE

 ▶ Beautifully positioned on The Leas clifftop promenade, overlooking the English Channel
 ▶ Ensuite rooms featuring TV, phone, hairdryer, free WiFi & hospitality tray

Restaurant, bar & lounge ▶ Garden & terrace ▶ Lift to all floors ▶ ACCESS There are several steps to the main door but ramped access is available through an alternative entrance, ground floor rooms involve 3 steps but ramps are available.

## Things you need to know about your holiday

#### HOLIDAY TRAVEL INSURANCE

Wrightsure Client Holiday Travel Insurance is available for all eligible passengers travelling on our holidays which is arranged by Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Limited, underwritten by AWP P&C SA and is administered in the UK by Allianz Assistance. Allianz Assistance is a trading name of AWP Assistance UK Lid. AWP Assistance UK Limited is registered in England (registration number 1710361). Registered office PO Box 74005, 60 Gracechurch Street, London, EC3P 3DS. AWP Assistance UK Limited are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA).

AWP P&C SA is authorised and regulated by L'Autorité de Contrôle Prudentiel et de Résolution in France. Deemed authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA), Subject to regulation by the FCA and limited regulation by the PRA. Details of the Temporary Permissions Regime, which allows EEA-based firms to operate in the UK for a limited period while seeking full authorisation, are available on the FCA's website.

Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (their registration number is 311394) and is permitted to advise on and arrange general insurance contracts. You can check these details online using the Financial Services Register (accessible from https://register.fca.org.uk) or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority Consumer Helpline on 0800 1116768.

Should you wish to take out this travel insurance please opt in on your holiday booking form.

#### **SUMMARY OF COVER**

PLEASE SEE THE POLICY WORDING FOR FULL DETAILS OF THE COVER, LIMITATIONS AND EXCESSES, A SPECIMEN COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

Cover	Sum Insured	Excess
Cancellation	Up to £1,500	£50*
Travel Delay	Travel Delay up to £75	Travel Delay Excess = 12 hours
	Cancellation (holiday abandonment)	
	up to £1,500	£50**
Missed Departure	Up to £100 in England, Scotland, & Wales/	Nil
	£300 for Northern Ireland, Isles of Scilly,	
	Channel Islands & Europe	
Personal Accident	Up to £15,000 Death and corresponding	Nil
	Benefits limited to £5,000 in respect of	
	persons aged 66 and over at time	
	of travel	
Medical & Other Expenses	Up to £2,000,000 outside of the UK.	£50***
(including Curtailment	Dental treatment limited to £350,	
& Repatriation	additional travel accommodation and	
	repatriation expenses if you are	
	hospitalised or have to stay in beyond	
	your return date. Trips solely within the	
	UK are limited to £1,500 and to £300 for	
	additional travelling expenses	
Funeral Expenses Abroad	£1,000	
Taxi Fares & Telephone Calls	£100	
Medical Confinement Benefit	£10 per 24 hours up to £100 UK	Nil
	£20 per 24 hours up to £500	
	Channel Islands & Europe	
Curtailment	Up to £1,500	
Personal Property Including Money		£50
	Single Article Limit £200/Valuables £300	
	Personal Money Up to £200	£50
	Delayed Baggage (after 12 hours) –	
	Up to £100	Nil
Loss of Passport	Up to £200 including loss or theft of visa	Nil
Missed Departure	Up to £100 UK & £300 Europe	
Personal Liability	Up to £2,000,000	Nil
Legal Expenses	Up to £25,000	Nil

- \* Excess only applies for cancellation of a journey over three days in duration (Nil for Loss of Deposit).
- \*\* Excess only applies for abandonment of a journey over 3 days duration.
- \*\*\* Nil excess for curtailment of a journey up-to and including 3 days duration.

#### DEMANDS AND NEEDS

This insurance policy will suit the demands and needs of an individual or group (where applicable) who have no excluded medical condition(s), are travelling in countries included within the policy terms and who wish to insure themselves against unforeseen circumstances/events detailed in the cover section below. Subject to the terms, conditions and maximum specified sums insured.

#### IMPORTANT

We will not provide you with advice about the suitability of this product for your individual needs but will be happy to provide you with factual information.

We summarise below the details of the insurance cover provided which also includes 24-hour emergency service from Allianz Assistance. The following is a brief summary of the cover available. Full details of cover and exclusions will be forwarded with your confirmation of booking. In any event you may ask for a specimen copy of the policy wording before booking should you wish to examine this in advance.

#### HEALTH DECLARATION AND HEALTH EXCLUSIONS

If you are only travelling within the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man during your journey, it is a condition of this policy that you can comply with the following:

- You are fit to travel and undertake your planned iourney
- Following any claim investigation, your doctor confirms they would have agreed with or recommended your travel plans when you took out this insurance, booked your journey or at the time you travelled (whichever is later).
- 3. You are not travelling with the purpose of having medical treatment or a consultation.
- You are not awaiting the outcome of any medical tests or an appointment at a medical facility for any medical investigations.

#### For travel outside of the UK

You will not be covered for any claims arising as a direct or indirect result of an existing medical condition if, in the 12 months before taking out this insurance or booking your journey (whichever is later), if you:

- Were referred for tests, investigations, treatment or surgery, or were awaiting the results of any referral
- Attended or were due to attend a hospital or clinic as an outpatient or inpatient received treatment or saw a medical practitioner for a medical condition.
- 3. Were prescribed medication.

Unless the condition(s) has (have) been declared to and accepted by us in writing. You should contact the Medical Screening Team by calling 023 9241 9063 if:

- · You need to declare a medical condition;
- You are unsure whether a medical condition needs to be declared or not.

## Things you need to know about your holiday (cont.)

If we are unable to cover a medical condition, this will mean that any other person insured by us will not be able to make a claim arising from the medical condition(s). This may even apply if the person with the medical condition(s) purchases cover from another provider.

Exclusions relating to the health of someone not insured on this policy, but whose health may affect your decision whether to take or continue with your journey.

You will not be covered for any directly or indirectly related claims (see note at the end of this section) arising from the health of a travelling companion, someone you were going to stay with, a close relative or a business associate if at the time your policy was issued:

- You were aware they had undiagnosed medical condition(s) for which they were awaiting tests, investigations or the results of these.
- You were aware that their medical condition(s) were unstable, were likely to get worse in the next 12 months or they had been diagnosed as having a terminal condition

If our chosen insurance provider, Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Limited are unable to offer you the travel insurance cover you require, or your premium is higher than you expected because you have serious medical conditions, you may be able to get help by accessing the Money and Pensions Service travel directory or by calling 0800 138 7777 (lines are open Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm).

## SIGNIFICANT EXCLUSIONS RESIDENCY

If you or anyone else named on this policy has not been a resident in the UK for more than 12 months, or if studying or working in the UK for more than 6 months, before the policy was issued, this policy cannot cover you. In addition to the above the policy also contains the following main exclusions:

- Any existing medical conditions unless they have been declared to (where appropriate) and accepted by the insurer.
- Your participation in any organised sports or dangerous activities unless they have been declared to and accepted by the Insurer.
- Suicide, self-injury or deliberately putting yourself at risk (unless you are trying to save another person's life).
- Travel against the advice of the carrier, any other public transport provider, the Foreign Office or the World Health Organisation.
- Any manual work or hazardous occupation undertaken during the insured trip.
- The bankruptcy/liquidation of the tour operator, travel agent or transportation company with whom you have booked your trip.
- An epidemic or pandemic, except as expressly covered under section 1 (Cancellation) & Section 5 (Medical & other Expenses).

Examples of these and other conditions and restrictions and what to do if you are unsure about any aspect of an exclusion are contained within your policy information. Full details are contained within your policy information.

#### How to make a claim

All claims should be made direct to Allianz Assistance. Please visit the website www.azgatravelclaims.com. This will lead you to insurers online claims notification service where claim forms can be obtained immediately via email or by downloading directly from the site. Alternatively, please phone and ask for a claim form or write to: Allianz Assistance Travel Insurance Claims Department, PO Box 451, Feltham TW13 9EE, telephone 0208 603 9958 or email travel.claims@allianz.assistance.co.uk

#### Protecting your information

We will only use your personal details in line with our Privacy Notice. This can be found on our website or is available in hard copy format upon request and you should read this carefully and contact us immediately if you have any queries. Your personal information includes all of the details you have given us to process your insurance policy (we will not ask for more information than is necessary). We may share your data with Third Parties for the provision and ongoing performance of your insurance policy. Your data may be transferred outside the UK. All of the personal information you supply to us will be handled strictly in accordance with the applicable Data Protection regulations and legislation.

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#### BCH-ABTOT FINANCIAL SECURITY STATEMENT



The combination of travel services offered to you is a package within the meaning of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018.

Therefore, you will benefit from all rights applying to packages; E. Shaw & Son will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole.

Additionally, as required by law, E. Shaw & Son have protection in place to refund your payments and, where transport is included in the package, to ensure your repatriation in the event that they become insolvent. E. Shaw & Son are members of the Bonded Coach Holiday Group, overseen by The Association of Bonded Travel Organisers Trust Limited. This is a government approved consumer protection scheme. This ensures that in relation to the coach package holidays described in this brochure (or website) that a Bond, which may be called upon in the unlikely event of the members Insolvency, protects the clients' monies. Clients are recommended to inspect the current membership certificate at our registered office or alternatively go to www.bch-uk.org or telephone 0207 7065 5316 to confirm current membership.

Your attention is also drawn to the Bonded Coach Holiday Group Trading Charter that will apply to these coach package holidays.

Details of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018 can be found at https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/634/contents/ made

Please visit our website or ask us for a copy of our BCH-ABTOT Trading Charter which applies to all of our holidays

#### HOW TO BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY

Normally, it takes just one quick and simple phone call or email to book your holiday. Occasionally, we may have to call you back if we need to check room availability, especially for late bookings. We're always pleased to see customers if you prefer to book in person or if you would like any extra advice or assurance before booking that you'd like to discuss face to face.

Your reservation will be provisionally held for 14 days whilst you complete the booking form and confirm that you have read our Financial Protection Statement, BCH/ABTOT Trading Charter, terms & conditions and the tour itinerary (all of which will be sent to you, but are also available to view on our website). Then simply return your completed booking form by post/email, along with your non-refundable deposit of just £40 per person (or the full amount if you are making a reservation less than 8 weeks before the tour departure date). Your deposit payment includes an optional FREE holiday insurance premium. We accept payments by cheque, credit card, debit card or cash (at our office).

On receipt of your booking confirmation, please check that the details are correct and make a note of the balance due date, as we do not send reminders. Receipts can be sent on request.

Your travel ticket will be sent to you approximately 7-10 days before the departure date and it will show both the time and place of departure for your holiday. Please notify us if you have not received your ticket within 5 days of departure (or if you lose your ticket). You'll find a helpful coach seating plan on page 5.

## Things you need to know about your Great Day Out

- 1. Cancellations & Amendments by us. We reserve the right to withdraw any excursion due to lack of support. Any such cancellation would usually be made no later than one week before departure and either a credit note or a refund of the full fare that you paid would be the limit of our liability. It is always our intention to operate an excursion in accordance with the published itinerary, but we reserve the right to amend any excursion, should circumstances make this necessary, either prior to or during an outing. Refunds will not be given for any insignificant changes, although we will always try to let you know of any such changes, e.g. seat changes, timing alterations, etc. We cannot accept liability for cancellations that are made necessary by events or actions by persons beyond our control (including, without limitation, acts of God, military operation, terrorism, a pandemic). We may offer a credit note for the full amount paid, a free transfer to a rearranged date or a refund of the fare paid. Refunds will only be sent to the person that paid for a booking or their personal representative.
- 2. Cancellations & Amendments by you. You may cancel your booking at any time, subject to the following conditions and charges. Cancellations must be made in writing (either by post or by email) and cancellation charges will be determined from the time at which your written notification is received. Communications that are sent outside of office hours will be dated from the day and time at which our office next opens for the acceptance of cancellations following receipt of your email or letter (Monday to Friday, 09:30-16:30, excluding bank holidays).

Cancellation charges are as follows:

Up to 48 hours prior to departure: 20% of total paid Less than 48 hours

prior to departure: 50% of total paid Less than 24 hours

prior to departure: No refund Please note that you will not receive a refund for any prepaid item that is included in the ticket price and not recoverable by us (e.g. a meal, theatre ticket, admission charge, etc.). In these instances, any refund due to you will be based on the fare element of your ticket only. A phone call to alert us of your cancellation may help us to resell your ticket (with a £2 per person admin fee) and avoid the otherwise applicable charges above.

- On most tours, if your cancellation is made more than four weeks before departure, we may be able to offer a transfer to another day tour on payment of an amendment fee of £2 per person per transfer. You are also welcome to pass on your ticket to a friend at no extra charge but you must let us know if someone else will be travelling in your place. You remain liable for the payment on-recoverable services for which we have prepaid.
- 3. Child Fares. Usually apply from ages 3 to 16 inclusive, but may vary on some tours. Children under 3 can usually travel free provided they are sat on an adult's lap and that we are notified at the time of booking. Under 16's must be escorted by an adult.
- 4. Coach Seating. Seat numbers are usually allocated in order of booking but we hold two front seats for customers who have a registered disability or hold a Blue Badge. We reserve the right to alter seating arrangements and vehicle allocation.
- 5. Coach Tickets. Please show your eTicket or printed Travel Ticket to the driver when you board. Your driver will normally give you admission tickets for shows, concerts, etc. during the journey.
- 6. Complaints. We very much hope that you will enjoy your day out with us but if you have a complaint please inform your driver in the first instance so that he/she may do his/her best to assist you. If you wish to make further representation on your return, please write to us no later than 14 days after the date of travel. We will not respond to any complaints received later than this time and we only respond to written complaints (via email or post).
- 7. Health & Safety. If you wish to bring any items other than normal hand luggage or suitcases, please check with us at the time of booking. We will refuse a booking or terminate a passenger's journey in the event of unreasonable conduct and/or if believe that they have any items or equipment that will be detrimental to the health and safety of our staff and/or other customers. Our drivers are not allowed to do anything that may put at risk their health, safety, welfare or compromise any legal requirements.
- 8. Meeting Friends. May we suggest that you plan to meet at a well-known landmark or café and also exchange mobile phone numbers in case arrangements for set down points have to be changed unexpectedly?

- 9. Mobile Phones. If you need to use a mobile whilst on the coach, please keep your conversation as quiet and as brief as possible to avoid distracting your driver and to minimise disturbance to other passengers. Please turn your phone to silent/vibrate if possible.
- 10. Refreshments. Other than on a vehicle fitted expressly for that purpose, food and drink, except for small items of confectionary, may not be consumed on board. Smoking (including E-cigarettes) and alcohol are not permitted on board.

  11. Senior Fares. Apply to all customers
- aged 65 or over.
- 12. Special Care for Disabled Customers. We reserve two front seats for the use of customers who have a Registered Disability or a Blue Badge (and their companion) but our coaches do not have lifts so you must be able to use the entrance steps. Some excursions may involve long journeys or long walks and there may be accessibility issues at some visitor attractions (especially theatres), If you tell us about your disability before you book, we will do our best to check that a tour is suitable for you. At your own risk, we are happy to carry a limited number of mobility aids but cannot be held responsible for any damage to them. Wheelchair and scooter users must be accompanied by someone who is able to take charge of the chair (or scooter) and, where appropriate, dismantle and reassemble it, disconnect any batteries and load it into the luggage area. No individual piece of equipment should weigh more than 15 kgs and Schedule 3 scooters are not permitted under any circumstances. Our drivers are happy to provide general assistance but cannot provide help that extends to the lifting and carrying of any passenger or their wheelchair or scooter. nor to act as carers.

Full terms and conditions can be found on our website, or we can post/email a copy to you.

Please note the BCH-ABTOT Finanacial Guarantee does not cover our Great Days Out

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## **Coach hire**

Let us provide you with a FREE, no obligation quote for your next group outing.

Whether it's a local, national or international journey we are here to help. Our coach hire customers include schools, colleges, corporates, weddings, social clubs, local groups and even just fun days out with friends and family.

Perhaps you've got a group together but you're not sure where to go? Preparing tailor made tours for groups (including a FREE booking service for theatre tickets, meals, hotel accommodation, etc.) is a particular area of our expertise! Let us know your interests and we'll prepare some ideas.

Our fleet of modern coaches includes 27, 49 and 53 seat vehicles. All our coaches feature seat belts, reclining seats, reading lights, arm rests, radio, PA system and air-conditioning. Our 49 seat executive coaches also feature a refreshment station, toilet, footrests, air conditioning and air suspension.

Our drivers are consistently praised for their skills, safety and friendly welcome. You can be certain of an experienced, courteous and uniformed driver at the wheel.

Our fleet is carefully maintained by our highly-skilled, in house, mechanics. We are members of the BUSK Simply Safe scheme and are proud of being awarded the maximum six-star rating for safety compliance under their Benchmark scheme.



Remember, if a quote looks too good to be true it usually is. We'll always be as competitive as we can, and we'll always offer you the best service.

## **Gift vouchers**

After all the travel restrictions a Great Day Out is top of everyone's wish list, so make gifting one the top of yours!

- Our Great Days Out depart from over 35 local locations across Peterborough, Bourne, Stamford, Deeping, Spalding and many places in-between, we're sure your loved one will find a pick-up point nearby.
- We offer FREE first-class delivery for our vouchers which can be ordered in any value and will arrive in an attractive wallet. Order over the phone/email or pop in and see us.
- ▶ Don't forget too, that many of our Great Days Out and Door2Door Holidays also make excellent presents and we are always happy to help with suggestions.



# These won't hang around forever, don't miss out!

## **SELLING FAST**

Whitby & Robin Hood's Bay
– 16 Aug

NYMR - 22 Aug

Suffolk Countryside Cruise
- 25 Aug

Cirque du Soleil - 21 Oct

Christmas at Chatsworth

– 9 and 15 Nov

Cruising into Christmas
– 2 Dec

Rod Stewart, Andre Rieu and all our Thursford dates

# SENIOR SPECIALS INCLUDE



Joseph at MK Theatre – 14 September – just £59.50

Fisherman's Friends at MK Theatre 5 October – just £46.50

Charlie & The
Chocolate Factory
15 February –
iust £52.50



# school Holiday Offers for kids

**Kew Gardens** 

15 Aug or 24 Oct - just £36

**Historic Lincoln** 

19 Aug - just £10

**Skegness** 

19 Aug - just £20

Sandringham &

Hunstanton
23 Aug – just £20

Historic York

30 Aug or 27 Oct - just £25

#### **IWMD**

24 Oct - just £29.50

Nottingham

28 Oct - just £15

South Kensington Museums

17 Feb - just £29.50

RAF Museum London

17 Feb - iust £20

## LIMITED AVAILABILITY

Singles are selling fast but we have twins and doubles available for...

Shropshire & The IOW

in August

**Kent** in September

**Devon & Sidmouth** 

in October

Durham

in November







## Celebrating 100 years and 4 generations in 2022

Our family firm was founded in 1922 by Edwin 'Teddy' Shaw, the grandfather of the present partners, Jane, Richard and Chris. Edwin had an engineering background in Yorkshire but during the Great War he was transferred to Peterborough to work for Peter Brotherhood as a millwright. Edwin fell for a local girl, they moved to Maxey and took the momentous decision to buy their first bus,

which was kept in Mr. Frisby's barn on Castle End Road. They ran a local service into

Peterborough along with anything else that came their way, including furniture removals! They couldn't afford to have the vehicle off the road for long and repairs were usually made by candlelight with the help of neighbours.

A couple of years later they took a chance and purchased the house and land at 49 High Street, Maxey (where we are still based). After the war Edwin worked hard to build the business back up and by then he was joined by his son, Harry, whose favourite job was as team driver for Peterborough United! Harry, with support and



assistance from wife Doreen, gradually took over the running of the business and it flourished under his leadership. He had a real talent for buying and selling coaches with many winter Sundays spent journeying across the country to "look at a bus".

Harry died suddenly in 1981 and it was then that Jane, Richard and Chris inherited the business with Richard's wife Carol joining in 2010 and his daughter Tory, coming on board in 2015. Our first holiday brochure was published in 1982 with just six tours, one of which had just six passengers (including our mum and gran!). Fortunately, the others did rather better and in 1983 we risked increasing the programme to ten departures – and the rest, as they say, is history!

Join Our Wonderful Journey.



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