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by **Bunnik Tours**  
**ENGLAND, SCOTLAND & WALES**

**25 days / 23 nights in Britain**  
**Twin share from \$12,895 per person**  
**Solo/single supplement from \$3350.00**

**Return Economy Airfare Sydney/UK included**  
**Departs 09 May 2020 & Concludes 02 June 2020**  
**Other departures dates available**  
**Small Group departures maximum of 20 travellers**

#### **Overview**

Discover the Queen's land on a grand adventure through England, Scotland and Wales. Explore the Lake District, the National Parks of Dartmoor and Snowdonia, the towering Brecon Beacons of Wales, and the Scottish battlefields of Bannockburn and Culloden. Learn the myth of Loch Ness and enjoy a wee dram in a Scottish distillery.

#### **REGAL PALACES, CRUMBLING CASTLES AND ROMAN RUINS**

Palaces and castles are aplenty on our United Kingdom small group tour. From the Royal Residence of Buckingham Palace through to the baroque Blenheim Palace, the history of the British royal family and the myriad of supporting nobles is inbuilt to the very fabric of this country. We'll see Bath's Royal Crescent and the crumbling castles that dot the Cornish, Welsh and Scottish countryside, from the Welsh Caerphilly and Conwy Castles, to the Scottish castles of Urquhart, Inverness and Edinburgh. Witness the far-reaching hand of the Roman empire in Bath at one of the best-preserved ancient Roman Spas, the Roman Baths, and again in Brampton where we wander a portion of the ruins of Hadrian's Wall.

## Your Itinerary



### SPECIAL EXPERIENCES!

- Visit the National Trust's Trelissick Gardens, boasting extraordinary views over the riverine and a huge variety of plant species.
- Take a steam train on the Vale of Rheidol Railway to Devils Bridge, also known as Pontarfynach.
- Visit Snowdon Honey Farm & Winery and taste the delicious local mead.
- Explore Liverpool's famous sites on a Beatles tour, including a visit to the iconic museum, The Beatles Story.

Have a wee dram of single malt scotch whisky and discover the production process at the Blair Athol Distillery.

#### Inclusions

- Return economy-class flights from Australia to England. Taxes included
- Airport transfers on the first and last day of tour
- All touring in air-conditioned vehicles
- Tipping Made Easy, \$245pp pre-paid
- 21 nights in 3-4 star hotels
- 21 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 3 dinners, including group welcome and farewell dinners
- English-speaking locally based tour director
- English-speaking locally based guides
- Porterage included where available

#### Exclusions

- Accommodation (other than stated)
- Drinks and Alcohol
- Excursions (other than stated).
- Transport (other than stated)
- Meals (other than specified)
- Travel Insurance

### YOUR TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Witness the iconic prehistoric site of Stonehenge • Explore the tidal island of St Michael's Mount, crowned by a medieval castle and church • Spend the night on the fringe of stunning Brecon Beacons National Park • Cruise Lake Windermere and admire the calm, natural beauty of the English countryside • Cruise famous Loch Ness, home to Nessie the 'Loch Ness Monster' according to Scottish folklore • Tour heritage-listed Blenheim Palace, boasting over 300 years of history and home to the Duke of Marlborough

### DAY 1. DEPART AUSTRALIA

### DAY 2. ARRIVE LONDON

Welcome to England and its lively capital, London! Meet your fellow travellers and Tour Director this evening for a welcome drink.

### DAY 3. LONDON

A capital filled with history and culture, London is one of the world's most visited destinations. See the sights today, including Buckingham Palace, Tower Bridge, the Tower of London, Trafalgar Square and St Paul's Cathedral. The afternoon is at leisure before tonight's group welcome dinner. [B,D]

#### **DAY 4. LONDON - PLYMOUTH**

Today we witness one of England's most iconic sites, Stonehenge. This prehistoric monument consists of a ring of standing stones, at around 4 metres high! We'll then travel via East Devon to Plymouth, seeing the sights of Sidmouth and Exmouth along the way. [B]

#### **DAY 5. PLYMOUTH**

We then enjoy lunch at Healey's Cornish Cyder Farm before departing for St Michael's Mount, a small tidal island in Mount's Bay. Our last stop today is St Ives, famous for its surf beaches and art scene. We'll take a guided tour here, including the Tate St Ives, the working harbour and Smeaton's Pier. [B,L]

#### **DAY 6. PLYMOUTH - DARTMOOR NATIONAL PARK - BATH**

We venture north-east to Bath today, stopping along the way at Lydford Gorge in Dartmoor National Park. Here we'll take a scenic walk and enjoy tea or coffee and a slice of cake at a local tearoom. Next, we stop at the Cheddar Cheese Visitor Centre for a tasting before heading to Cheddar Gorge, where we'll explore its astounding caves. [B]

#### **DAY 7. BATH**

This morning we'll explore Bath on a walking tour. Highlights include the Pulteney Bridge, Royal Crescent and the famous Roman Baths. Set alongside a temple designed to heal, and surrounded by 18th and 19th century buildings, these baths now stand as one of the best-preserved ancient Roman spas. The afternoon is then free for you to explore at your own pace. [B]

#### **DAY 8. BATH - CARDIFF - LLANDOVERY**

We depart for the capital of Wales, Cardiff, crossing the Severn Bridge on the way. Here we'll take a city tour including City Hall, Cardiff Castle and the harbour. We then continue to Caerphilly Castle for a tour before making our way through Brecon Beacons National Park, with one of the finest landscapes in Wales. [B]

#### **DAY 9. LLANDOVERY - DEVILS BRIDGE - LLANDUDNO**

We then venture through the idyllic Snowdonia National Park, to see the 'Ugly House' known as Ty Hyll. We'll have a quick photo stop in the village with the longest name in Wales, Llanfairpwllgwyngyll, before we arrive in Llandudno. [B]

#### **DAY 10. LLANDUDNO**

See the highlights of Conwy this morning including the fascinating smallest house in Britain and the impressive Conwy Castle. The world-famous Bodnant Gardens is next, where we will take a tour and enjoy some free time to explore. [B]

#### **DAY 11. LLANDUDNO - WINDERMERE**

As we make our way to Windermere today, we'll stop in Liverpool, where The Beatles formed. [B]

*Special Experience: Explore Liverpool's famous sites on a Beatles tour, including a visit to the iconic museum, The Beatles Story.*

#### **DAY 12. WINDERMERE**

Enjoy a cruise on Windermere, the largest natural lake in England. We'll cruise the calm waters and take in the expansive English countryside views on the way. [B]

### **DAY 13. WINDERMERE - STIRLING**

Our first stop today is Gretna Green, home to an old blacksmith shop. We'll then continue to Lanark, visiting the New Lanark Visitors Centre and learn the fascinating history of the 18th century cotton mill village. Our next stop is Bannockburn Battlefield, an interactive centre based on a momentous battle that formed the history of Scotland. We finish our day in Stirling. [B]

### **DAY 14. STIRLING - INVERNESS**

Making our way through the Scottish countryside this morning, we'll pass through Trossachs National Park, home to bonny Loch Lomond. Enjoy some free time to explore Fort Williams after a quick photo stop in Scotland's most famous glen, Glencoe. We'll then admire the ruins of Urquhart Castle in Drumnadrochit before boarding a scenic cruise on the renowned Loch Ness. [B]

### **DAY 15. INVERNESS**

Enjoy a morning of sightseeing in Inverness, the largest city in the Scottish Highlands, located on Scotland's northeast coast. We will explore its many sights including Inverness Castle and the Victorian Markets.

### **DAY 16. INVERNESS - EDINBURGH**

Venturing east, we stop in the village of Culloden at the historic Culloden Battlefield. Cairngorms National Park is next, where we visit Carrbridge and enjoy a guided walk through the largest national park in Britain. We then continue to Edinburgh, the compact capital of Scotland. [B]

### **DAY 17. EDINBURGH**

Home to a medieval Old Town, and an elegant New Town, Edinburgh is filled with amazing and historic sites, and today we will explore these on a city tour. We'll see St Giles Cathedral and visit the emblematic Edinburgh Castle. The afternoon is then free for you to explore. [B]

### **DAY 18. EDINBURGH**

Spend the day at leisure to enjoy this delightful city at your own pace. [B]

### **DAY 19. EDINBURGH - YORK**

As we make our way to York today, we will venture to Melrose to see Melrose Abbey. From here we stop in Brampton and walk along the Roman-built Hadrian's Wall. We'll then enjoy some free time in Durham before visiting the Rievaulx Abbey. Tonight we'll enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. [B,D]

### **DAY 20. YORK**

This morning we'll take a quick orientation tour of York. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure to explore this beautiful walled city. [B]

### **DAY 21. YORK - OXFORD**

Our first stop today is Warwick where we enjoy free time to explore. We'll then travel to Woodstock and tour the grand Blenheim Palace before continuing to the university city of Oxford. [B]

### **DAY 22. OXFORD - LONDON**

After a morning city tour of Oxford, we'll have some free time to explore before returning to London. Tonight we'll enjoy a group farewell dinner. [B,D]

### **DAY 23. DEPART LONDON**

Today we begin our journey home. [B]

### **DAY 24. IN TRANSIT**

### **DAY 25. ARRIVE AUSTRALIA**

## **TERM & CONDITIONS**

### **DEPOSITS**

A \$500 **per person** deposit is non-refundable unless your tour is cancelled. 45 days after the deposit is paid a \$1500 next stage amount to cover airfares is payable. The balance of the tour must be paid no later than 60 days prior to your tour departure date. A non-refundable deposit per person to secure your Tour, together with a completed Fitness to Travel declaration form (Part 1), is required within 7 days from the date of reservation.

### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

45 days after your booking deposited and been confirmed a non-refundable progress payment is required. Part of the progress payment is used to cover your airfares, taxes and fuel surcharges. At this stage we will also require a completed Passenger Pre-Registration Form. Final payment is due **60 days** prior to your departure date.

### **Fitness level requirement**

#### **Travellers are required to at least:**

1. Be able to walk 2-3 hours on uneven surfaces, on any given day
2. Walk up multiple flights of stairs and short, steep hills
3. Stand for 20 minutes without needing to sit down.
4. Carry their own luggage
5. Get on and off various modes of transport without assistance, including small boats

Passengers 75 years or over must provide a signed Fitness to Travel declaration form from their doctor within one month of making their booking.

While we will still confirm your place on your tour, flight tickets cannot be issued until both completed forms have been received. Additional costs may be incurred if completed forms are not received, within these time frames.

Tour operators generally do not accept bookings for single travellers 80 years of age and over without a travelling companion. Neither Tour Director nor your fellow travellers are equipped to act as a carer.

Passengers must inform us and the service provider of any medical conditions which may affect your ability to participate in the tour. We exclude all liability for any illness, injury or death sustained by you on tour because of any pre-existing medical condition. You release us from all liability arising out of your medical condition, illness, or injury that you may suffer during the tour or as a result of the tour.

### **TRAVEL INSURANCE**

Travel insurance is mandatory, all our clients must obtain comprehensive travel insurance to cover you throughout the whole duration of the tour to any and all costs associated with illness, injury, death, loss of or damage to baggage and personal items, cancellations, loss of deposit, medical and hospitalization expenses, repatriation and curtailments expenses due to illness, the need to return home unexpectedly, evacuation expenses, and accidental death or disability.

### **AMENDMENT FEES**

A fee of \$250 or more per person, per change plus any further cost we incur will be charged for any revision or alteration made to a reservation after the booking is confirmed unless the change increases the price of the

booking. Costs and charges may increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made, so you should contact us as soon as possible. Amendments will be made at our discretion and may not always be possible.

#### **OTHER CONDITIONS**

Tour operators reserves the right to cancel or withdraw bookings made for or on behalf of a client at any time at their discretion, in which event no liability with respect to the cancellation or withdrawal shall fall on the Tour Operator, save that all the monies paid for the booking shall be refunded, less any utilised land or transport content.

#### **TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND TAXES**

It is your responsibility to ensure that all passports, visas, travel permits, health certificates and other documentation required for the tour are obtained and are in order.

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