

10 Day Southern England

July – October 2023

From \$2859* Land & Air

*Please call for dates and rates from your departure city



DAY 1, Thursday - Depart for England

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DAY 2, Friday - Arrive in London

Arrive in cosmopolitan London; transfer to your hotel. Most flights arrive in the early morning and your room may not be ready for you. In this case, leave your luggage with the concierge and your Tour Manager will provide suggestions for you to begin to explore the city on your own. This evening, your tour will begin with an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager at approximately 6 PM followed by a Welcome Dinner. We recommend that you select flights which arrive in your destination no later than 4 PM if possible

Overnight: London

Meals: Dinner



DAY 3, Saturday - London City Tour

Today, discover the history, pageantry, and sights of the city with a half-day tour of London's West End. Begin with a drive through fashionable Kensington with its elegant squares and parks. Pass Harrods store and continue to view Piccadilly and Trafalgar Square, Westminster Abbey, Houses of Parliament and the famous Big Ben. Continue to view Buckingham Palace, the London residence of Her Majesty the Queen. Your tour ends in the heart of the city to explore this afternoon at leisure. Alternatively, join the *optional* tour of the Tower of London and St Paul's Cathedral. Visit the Tower of London, a former fortress and Royal Palace that has witnessed 1,000 years of history including a viewing of the Crown Jewels and continue for a guided visit of St Paul's Cathedral. Tonight, discover London at your own pace

Optional: Tower of London & St. Paul's Cathedral (PM)

Overnight: London

Meals: Breakfast



DAY 4, Sunday - Windsor Castle, Stratford-upon-Avon

On your drive toward Stratford-upon-Avon, stop to visit Windsor Castle, the oldest inhabited castle in the world, home to over 39 monarchs in the last 1,000 years. You will tour the splendidly furnished State Apartments that include art from the Royal Collection. Continue to Stratford-upon-Avon, a thriving market town on the River Avon. The town is best known as the birthplace of William Shakespeare, England's greatest poet, and playwright. Visit Shakespeare's birthplace on Henley Street, followed by a view of Anne Hathaway's cottage. Spend some free time to explore. Later this evening, savor dinner together at your hotel

Overnight: Stratford-upon-Avon

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



DAY 5, Monday - Cotswolds, Blenheim Palace, Oxford University

Morning drive through the pretty Cotswolds region of outstanding natural beauty, characterized by attractive small towns and thatched villages of yellow Cotswold stone made prosperous by the historic wool trade. Visit Blenheim Palace. This birthplace of Winston Churchill and home to the 12th Duke and Duchess of Marlborough is a true masterpiece of 18th-century Baroque architecture that was built in celebration of the English victory over the French at the Battle of Blenheim. Time to enjoy this glorious UNESCO World Heritage Site situated on over 2,000 acres with stunning formal gardens. Next, travel to the university town of Oxford, housing the second oldest university in the world. The ivy-clad colleges that make up the university are renowned for some of the finest architecture in Europe. View Christ Church College, used in many of the *Harry Potter* movies, with its impressive landmark tower designed by Christopher Wren. Return to Stratford-upon-Avon for an evening at leisure

Overnight: Stratford-upon-Avon

Meals: Breakfast



DAY 6, Tuesday - Bath, Glastonbury, Plymouth

Travel to the charming city of Bath, founded by the Romans as a thermal spa. Admire the Georgian architecture of the imposing 18th-century terraced houses of the Royal Crescent, graceful Poultney Bridge, and the preserved 2,000-year-old Roman Baths with its natural mineral springs. Then, stop in the small Somerset town of Glastonbury brimming with history, myths and colorful legends of King Arthur. It is believed that King Arthur is buried in the Glastonbury medieval Abbey, an early center of pilgrimage. Now, this new age city with its bohemian culture is known primarily for its annual music festival. Travel to Plymouth and spend some free time to explore

Overnight: Plymouth

Meals: Breakfast



DAY 7, Wednesday - Excursion to Cornwall

Your day begins with a journey southwest through the picturesque Cornish peninsula dotted with quiet coves and quaint villages to Cornwall. Here, view mighty St. Michael's Mount near Penzance, the jewel in Cornwall's crown; it is steeped in both legend and folklore. This spectacular castle perched atop a granite crag dates from the 14th century. Stop in the trendy artist's town of St. Ives before heading back to Plymouth for dinner and overnight

Overnight: Plymouth

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



DAY 8, Thursday - Stonehenge, Salisbury, Brighton

This morning, travel to the most mysterious prehistoric monument in the world, Stonehenge; named a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Located in the middle of the Salisbury Plain, Stonehenge is unique among stone circles and its construction still defies belief. The first stone was placed here 5,000 years ago with the structure finally completed 1,400 years later. Later, continue on to Salisbury Cathedral where you view a copy of the Magna Carta, signed in 1215 by King John and land barons of medieval England. After time for lunch, on your own, travel to the seaside town of Brighton. Tonight, enjoy a fabulous fish and chips dinner

Overnight: Brighton

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

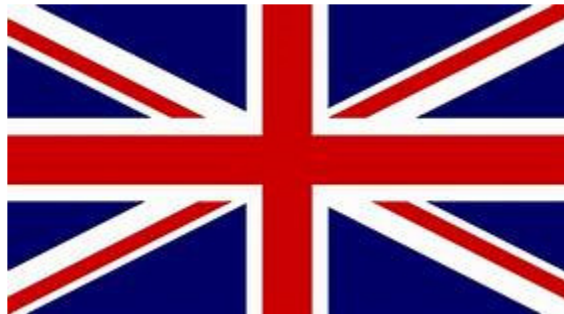


DAY 9, Friday - Royal Pavilion, Hever Castle, London

Today, visit the Royal Pavilion, an exotic and eclectic palace in the centre of Brighton with a colorful history. Built as a seaside pleasure palace for King George IV, this historic house mixes Regency England Romanticism with the visual style of India and China. Then, head to the 13th century Hever Castle, childhood home of Anne Boleyn. Discover its splendid rooms, filled with fine furniture, tapestries, antiques and important Tudor paintings. Explore the magnificent gardens set on an 125-acre estate. Afterward, continue to London and arrive early evening. Tonight, enjoy a Farewell Dinner with your fellow travelers

Overnight: London

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



DAY 10, Saturday - Depart England

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Meals: Breakfast

Escorted Package Includes

- Round trip flights New York-London, London-New York
Other departure cities available. Click on date of departure for selection and prices
- Airline taxes & fuel surcharges
- 8 nights accommodations
 - 3 nights London
 - 2 nights Stratford-upon-Avon
 - 2 nights Exeter or Plymouth
 - 1 night Brighton
- Hotel taxes, fees & service charges
- Hotel portage
- All transfers included only with airfare purchase on package arrival & departure dates†♦
- 13 meals: 8 breakfasts, 5 dinners with wine
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern air-conditioned motor coach
- Services of English-speaking tour manager throughout
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring

Special Features

- Discover the history and sights of London with a half day city tour
- Tour Windsor Castle, the oldest inhabited castle in the world
- Blenheim Palace, birthplace of Winston Churchill and home to the 12th Duke and Duchess of Marlborough
- Visit Stratford-upon-Avon, best known as the birthplace of William Shakespeare
- In Bath, tour the preserved 2,000-year-old Roman Baths with its natural mineral springs
- Excursion to Cornwall, here view St. Michael's Mount near Penzance, the jewel in Cornwall's crown
- At Salisbury Cathedral, view a copy of the Magna Carta, signed in 1215 by King John
- Visit mysterious Stonehenge, a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Admire the exotic Royal Pavilion in Brighton, built as a seaside retreat for King George IV
- Explore the 13th century Hever Castle, childhood home of Anne Boleyn

†Transfers are available for purchase for land only or on alternative flight dates

♦ London Gatwick Airport transfers available at an additional cost

Is This Trip Right for You?

This active trip covers a good amount of ground each day. Expect to spend two to three hours on your feet during tours. The pace is fast, where you will encounter some uneven surfaces, stairs, steps and significant slopes. This tour is not recommended for people who have difficulty walking. Some hotels in Edinburgh, Stratford-Upon-Avon and Brighton are

built in the traditional local style and have no air conditioning. During heat waves, these hotels can become uncomfortable, even at higher elevations. This is a Classic program.

Featured Hotels:

DoubleTree by Hilton Angel Kings Cross, London



This first class hotel is located in the heart of Islington.

Crowne Plaza Stratford-Upon-Avon, Stratford-Upon-Avon



This first class hotel is located on the River Avon, in Stratford, the birthplace of William Shakespeare.

Copthorne Hotel Plymouth, Plymouth



This tourist class hotel is located in the city center of Plymouth, nearby Plymouth University.

Jurys Inn Brighton, Brighton



This first class hotel is situated in Brighton's New England Quarter.

Book your Optional Tours before you travel. See more, save time, save money.

- Tours purchased while travelling may cost an extra 10% or more
- Tours often sell out. Avoid disappointment
- Save your cash. Credit card processing may not be possible locally
- Travel insurance only covers services purchased prior to departure
- Book Online or call to book these tours up to 1 week before your departure
- The day the optionals operate varies by the day of the week

Tower of London & St. Paul's Cathedral

Today the focus is on two of the most impressive monuments within London's original "Square Mile". Take a guided visit of St. Paul's Cathedral, where Charles married Diana in 1981. Also, view the exterior architecture of Sir Christopher Wren's Dome, a masterpiece and landmark of London's skyline. Continue to the Tower of London, a former fortress and Royal Palace that has witnessed 1000 years of history most notoriously as a prison. Now the Crown Jewels are kept here and you will have a viewing of these, as well as seeing the iconic Tower Bridge.

Approximate tour duration is 4.5 hours.

Day #3	08 Mar 2022 - 31 Mar 2024	\$95.
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