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# HERITAGE TOURING

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Exclusive tours staying in 4/5 star hotels. Each itinerary includes welcome reception, dinner bed and breakfast, entry fees, professional guide and executive coaching (unless stated otherwise in tour details). You are asked to make your own travel arrangements and join each break at the hotel concerned.



## The Golden Age of Travel - The British Pullman Cornish Weekend

22 - 24 April 2016 (2 nights)

South West Cornwall's Artistic Legacy visiting Penlee Gallery, St Ives and Tate St Ives or The Lost Gardens of Heligan and the Eden Project  
Staying at the Royal Duchy Hotel, Falmouth

Lunch at Jamie Oliver's Fifteen Restaurant and Trecice  
From the Greenbank Hotel, Falmouth

Step on board the British Pullman to travel back into the heyday of great train journeys. Luxury dining and travel in a "palace on wheels" in a world of indulgence from London Victoria for a weekend in the West Country. On arriving in Truro you will be transferred by coach to your hotel either the **Royal Duchy** or the **Greenbank Hotel** depending on which tour option you have chosen.

**Eden and Heligan:** Cornwall's mild and warm climate allows an exotic array of plants, trees, shrubs and flowers to flourish. None more so than the once dormant Lost Gardens of Heligan and the innovative Eden Project, a vast global garden for thousands of beautiful and important plants.

**Fifteen Cornwall and Trecice:** A tour that begins with a morning visit to Trecice, an intimate Elizabethan manor house and a Cornish gem. Then on to the north coast to Watergate Bay where Jamie Oliver's restaurant Fifteen Cornwall enjoys a panoramic view down onto one of Cornwall's great surfing beaches. Turning the tide, Fifteen Cornwall is an award winning restaurant sourcing local produce and with a focus on traditional Italian dishes, enjoy a delicious lunch and soak up the scenery of the North Coast.

**Royal Duchy - Eden/Heligan: £1060 pp**

Sea-view supplement: **£50 pp**

Single supplement: **£50**

**Royal Duchy – St Ives/Penlee: £1080 pp**

Sea-view supplement: **£50 pp**

Single supplement: **£50**

**Greenbank & Fifteen Restaurant**

Harbour view doubles/twin rooms: **£1070 pp**

Harbour view single: **£1120 pp**

Non-refundable deposit: **£150 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ Return travel on the British Pullman with on-board dining as stated
- ❖ 2 nights' dinner, accommodation and breakfast in either Royal Duchy or Greenbank Hotel
- ❖ Entries and lunch where stated in the itinerary
- ❖ Professional guide and coaching

**South West Cornwall's Artistic Legacy Penlee Gallery, St Ives and Tate St Ives:** A visit to the little Italianate villa in Penzance, the Penlee Gallery, with its many paintings of the Newlyn School, followed by a light seafood lunch at the Godolphin Arms on the water's edge of Mount's Bay. This panoramic restaurant overlooks the beautiful St Michael's Mount. Then to the picturesque seaside town of St Ives, with its stunning coastal views and home to Tate St Ives and the Barbara Hepworth Museum and Sculpture Garden.

**FRIDAY 22 APRIL** A luxurious journey departing Victoria at 09.30 (tbc) to Truro. Brunch with Bellini and a three course lunch with champagne and wine before arriving in Truro and transferred by coach to your hotel in Falmouth. Welcome reception and dinner.

**SATURDAY 23 APRIL** Touring options as above with dinner on your return in the evening.

**SUNDAY 24 APRIL** Re-join the British Pullman at mid-day from Truro for the leisurely journey back to London Victoria, enjoying a five course lunch with champagne and wine before arriving back at Victoria Station around 20.30 pm (tbc).



# The Hay on Wye Literary Festival 2016

Tickets for top events and time to explore the 'Town of Books'

From the Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford  
27 - 30 May 2016 (3 nights)

The Hay on Wye Festival continues to be the most sought after literary event not only for the audiences but also for writers, comedians, musicians, past presidents and prime ministers. Some of the greatest names in the literary and art world gather together on the outskirts of this very attractive small town, with its backdrop of hills that form part of the Brecon Beacons National Park. They share stories and ideas with some of the hundreds of visitors who return year after year to an event that has its own unique atmosphere. At this early stage we cannot be precise as to who will be taking part but we will purchase tickets for the highlights of the two days.

The weekend break includes two days at the Festival with tickets for six literary events and the opportunity to attend other talks and activities. Hay is also known as Book Town, as it includes no less than 40 bookshops specialising in second-hand, antique and new books. To ensure there is enough time to enjoy both the little town of Hay and to attend the lectures without trying to return to Hereford for dinner, we will organise reservations for an early dinner on both evenings in the seated restaurant on the Festival Site.

**Price per person: £498**

**Single supplement: £30\***

\*Double rooms for sole occupancy  
There is a possibility of single rooms if requested.

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ 3 nights' accommodation, breakfast and welcome drink
- ❖ Two dinners at the Hay Festival site and one dinner in Hereford
- ❖ Tickets for six literary events
- ❖ Coaching and tour representative

*Detailed itinerary and programme of lectures will be sent as soon as these are available; they are not normally finalised until mid-March*

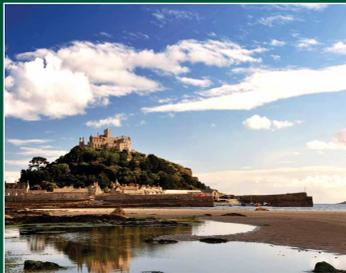


You will stay at the Green Dragon Hotel adjacent to the Cathedral in Hereford. An historic but comfortable hotel with a certain amount of character chosen solely for the purpose of being within easy distance of Hay and with good rail access and parking.

**FRIDAY 27 MAY** Check into your rooms at the hotel from 3 pm. You could spend the afternoon visiting Hereford's magnificent cathedral with its fine Norman and Early English architecture, historic mediaeval Mappa Mundi. There will be a welcome drinks reception at 6.30 pm before dinner in a local restaurant.

**SATURDAY 28 AND SUNDAY 29 MAY** A coach will take you to Hay on Wye to enjoy the Festival and attend the various lectures. A regular mini-shuttle bus runs between the Festival Showground and Hay so you can explore the town at your leisure before an early dinner on both evenings; the coach will then return you to Hereford. Should you decide to book evening lectures independently, there is normally a scheduled bus service that also returns to Hereford later in the evening.

**MONDAY 30 MAY** Check out of your rooms before departure.



# Discover the Great Cornish Garden Legacy

From the Greenbank Hotel, Falmouth  
8 - 12 May 2016 (4 nights)

Enjoying the warmth of the Gulf Stream, these magical Cornish gardens are home to a wealth of the most exciting, rare and beautiful plants and trees in the British Isles. Cornwall looks superb in May, a peak time to visit the gardens and wonderful coastal scenery. Stay for four nights at the historic luxury 4 star **Greenbank Hotel** in Falmouth with harbour view rooms and dine in its excellent restaurant.

You will visit **Bonython**, a unique blend of tropical and traditional horticulture on the Lizard Peninsula. The island garden of **St Michael's Mount** is a jewel in Cornwall's crown and you can make your way there over the causeway, after lunch at the **Godolphin Arms** with its panoramic views of the island. Those preferring a gentler option may visit the great garden at **Trenwainton** near Penzance with breath-taking spring displays of magnolias, rhododendrons and camellias.

On the Roseland Peninsular a visit to **Lomorrán**, with wonderful views, exotic planting, twisting paths and many pools and streams, and also the smaller unique garden at **Poppy Cottage**. At the head of the Fal estuary with superb views is the historic garden at **Trelissick**, an inspirational garden with varied woodland planting. The house is also now open to view.

No visit to Cornwall would be complete without including **Trebah** a sub-tropical paradise with a stunning coastal backdrop. Years of inspired and dedicated creation are found in the magic of this beautiful valley garden. **Trewithen** is a rare and unique Cornish gem and a much cherished family home with its woodland walks and magnificent collection of camellias, rhododendrons and magnolias.



**Price per person: £720**  
**National Trust members: £705**  
**Single supplement: £40 per night (£160)**  
*(double rooms for sole occupancy)*  
**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ 4 nights' accommodation, dinner and full English breakfast, harbour view rooms
- ❖ All entries to gardens and tours
- ❖ Lunch Godolphin Arms
- ❖ Executive coaching and professional tour guide

**SUNDAY 8 MAY** Check into the hotel – welcome drink and dinner in the hotel

**MONDAY 9 MAY** Morning visit to **Bonython**, light lunch at the **Godolphin Arms**, then to fit with the tides an afternoon visit to **St Michael's Mount** or **Trenwainton**.

**TUESDAY 10 MAY** A guided tour of the gardens at **Heligan** and time to enjoy the wider valley gardens where lunch can be purchased before continuing to **Trewithen**.

**WEDNESDAY 11 MAY** Garden visit to **Poppy Cottage** and **Lomorrán**. Time to find lunch and enjoy the attractive coastal village of St Mawes before continuing to **Trelissick**.

**THURSDAY 12 MAY** Finally to nearby **Trebah** with an introduction and time to enjoy the garden and have refreshments before the coach returns first to the hotel and then Truro station for no later than 13.10 hrs.



# Private Gardens of South Wales, Gwent and Monmouthshire

Veddw House, High Glanau Manor, Dyffryn, Wyndcliffe Court, Penpergwm Lodge, Tredegar House and Dewstow

An evening with Welsh National Opera  
- *Cavalleria Rusticana & Pagliacci*

Staying at the 4\* Mercure Holland House, Cardiff  
**1 - 4 June 2016**  
**(3 nights)**

Essentially a garden tour discovering some of the wonderful gardens of Monmouthshire, the Usk Valley and around Cardiff but with the opportunity to attend a performance of *Cavalleria Rusticana & Pagliacci* given by the WNO in the iconic Wales Millennium Centre.

The gardens include **Veddw House** set in the wonderful countryside of the Welsh borders, a combination of old and new, wild and tamed, casual and constrained. **Wyndcliffe Court Gardens** in the lovely Wye Valley is Grade II listed and in the Arts and Crafts style. **High Glanau Manor** has truly spectacular views towards the distant Brecon Beacons – this was Tipping's own Arts and Crafts garden and the present owners have lovingly restored it to its former glory.

**Penpergwm Lodge** in the Usk valley has been developed over the last 30 years from the remnants of an Edwardian garden designed when the house was built. An ornamental terraced garden with canal and cascading water planted with a rich profusion of vibrant colours surrounded by spacious lawns and mature trees.

Nearer Cardiff, **Tredegar House** situated within gardens and extensive parkland is one of the architectural wonders of Wales and one of the most significant late 17th century buildings in the entire country. **Dyffryn Gardens** are an exceptional example of Edwardian garden design. Covering more than 55 acres they feature a stunning collection of intimate garden rooms. **Dewstow Gardens** were lost for 50 years. Built around 1895 the gardens with tunnels and underground grottoes were buried under thousands of tonnes of soil after the second world war then rediscovered in 2000.

**Cav & Pag** are as full-on and intense as Italian opera gets. Each opera, a perfect pairing of tragedies, is packed with high drama and powerful music. *Cavalleria Rusticana's* highlights include the glorious Easter Hymn and Intermezzo and *Pagliacci* features one of the greatest of all tenor arias, '*Vesti la giubba*'. Welsh National Opera at its best!

**WEDNESDAY 1 JUNE** Check into the 4\* Mercure Holland House Hotel in the centre of Cardiff. Meet at 4.30 for transfer to the WMC and the evening opera with pre-theatre three course dinner.

**THURSDAY 2 JUNE** Garden visits to Dewstow, Wyndcliffe with lunch and Veddw.

**FRIDAY 3 JUNE** Penpergwm Lodge, High Glanau Manor with lunch and Tredegar House.

**SATURDAY 4 JUNE** Morning visit to Dyffryn, before returning to Cardiff Station for 2 pm or the hotel.

**South Wales Gardens and Opera: £597 pp**

**Single supplement: £22 per night (£66)**

*(double rooms for sole occupancy)*

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ Three nights' dinner bed and breakfast at hotel
- ❖ 2 lunches
- ❖ All garden entries
- ❖ Top price stall seats for the opera
- ❖ Coaching/taxis and Heritage Touring representative.



# Beating Retreat - The Household Division

Horse Guards Parade

Guided Tour of Tower Bridge,  
Bank of England Museum with presentation

From the Cavendish Hotel St James's  
**9 - 11 June 2016 (2 nights)**



We are delighted to be able to offer top price seats to view a performance on Horse Guards Parade of **The Household Division's Beating Retreat** – a spectacular evening pageant of music and military precision drill, including horses, cannon and fireworks.

This tour is staying for two nights at **The Cavendish Hotel, St James's** – our favourite luxury hotel in the heart of London's Mayfair and so convenient for galleries shopping and our tours!

**THURSDAY 9 JUNE** Your rooms at the Cavendish should be ready from 3 pm but the hotel are happy to look after your luggage should you arrive earlier. We would suggest an early pre-theatre dinner either in the hotel or locally before the short walk to Horse Guards Parade and taking your seats before 8 pm for the 8.30 pm performance.

**FRIDAY 10 JUNE** Taxi transfer to Westminster Pier to board the Thames Clipper for the twenty minute journey down to Tower Bridge Pier. There will then be a guided tour of Tower Bridge, starting with the exhibition, then through the Bridge's Towers, high-level Walkways and new glass floor and down to the Engine Rooms in which the original Victorian machinery is on display. **(There is lift access to all levels in the Towers and the Engine Rooms).** Lunch can be purchased in the café on the lower floor of Boris Johnston's office - City Hall – designed by Foster and Partners. Nicknamed "The Egg" this building is next to Tower Bridge on the south bank of the Thames and it is possible to visit the ground and exhibition space floors on the 2nd floor. A taxi from here to the Bank of England Museum. On arrival there will be an audio-visual presentation giving a brief history of the Bank of England since its foundation in 1694 and describing the main role and functions of the Bank today together with some of the more interesting architectural aspects of the building. Time then to visit the museum - a time line of the Bank's history and its work today at the centre of the economy. Taxi back to the Cavendish and you might like to independently arrange for an evening theatre in the West End.

**Price per person: £430**

**Single supplement: £55 per night**  
*(weekday rate)*

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ✦ 2 nights' accommodation and breakfast Cavendish hotel superior rooms
- ✦ Top price tickets, entry, tours
- ✦ Taxi transfers outlined in details

**SATURDAY 11 JUNE** Enjoy a leisurely breakfast and check out of your rooms before 11 am.



# Perthshire and the Kingdom of Fife

Staying at the Murrayshall House Hotel near Perth  
4 - 8 July 2016 (4 nights)



A tour exploring Perthshire with its magnificent highland scenery, rivers and lochs and the softer rolling countryside along the coast of Fife. Visits to Kellie Castle, the Palace of Scone and Blair Castle. In Fife, the gardens at Wemyss Castle, Cambo and Wormistoun plus a visit to Kingsbarns Distillery. Travelling north to Pitlochry and along the valley of the River Tay, the small garden at Croftcat Lodge, Clochfoldich at Strathtay and the stunning parterre gardens at Drummond Castle.

Make your own way to the hotel or meet at Edinburgh station or airport before travelling to the privately owned historic 4 star **Murrayshall House Hotel** just outside Perth set in extensive parkland with wonderful views and a golf course.

**MONDAY 4 JULY** There will be a coach at Edinburgh Waverley Station at 2.30 pm or airport at 3.15 pm to take you to the hotel. Check into your rooms before welcome drink and dinner.

**TUESDAY 5 JULY** The Kingdom of Fife. A guided tour of **Kellie Castle**, dating from the 14th century with time to enjoy the beautiful walled garden. A short visit to nearby **Wormistoun** walled garden, before continuing to **Kingsbarns Distillery** and a tour of the distillery and exhibition and light lunch. Adjacent are the lovely gardens at **Cambo**, an iconic Victorian walled garden.

**WEDNESDAY 6 JULY** In the morning a visit to **Drummond Castle Gardens** near Crieff with an introduction and talk about the gardens. Lunch is in the attractive small town of Crieff before an afternoon visit and tour of **Scone Palace**.

**THURSDAY 7 JULY** North of Perth and in the Tay valley lie **Croftcat Lodge** at Grandtully and **Clochfoldich**, a house and garden in a wonderful elevated position on the northern banks of the River Tay. The owners have kindly invited us for a light lunch in the house after visiting the garden. The afternoon continues with a tour of **Blair Castle** and its extensive gardens running alongside the lake to Diana's Grove, planted with large numbers of exotic species of trees.

**FRIDAY 8 JULY** Departure for Edinburgh and en route a visit to **Wemyss Castle garden** on the Forth estuary. Where once there was a redundant 17<sup>th</sup> century walled garden, there is now a profusion of clematis, roses and ornamental trees. A superb garden redesigned by Charlotte Wemyss with completely new planting and landscaping. Arrival at Edinburgh Airport 1 pm or station 2 pm (possible to follow by car).

**Price per person: £695**

**Single supplement: £25 per night (£100)**  
*(double rooms for sole occupancy)*

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ 4 nights' dinner, accommodation and breakfast at hotel
- ❖ 2 lunches
- ❖ All entries and tours
- ❖ Executive coaching and transfers from/to Edinburgh
- ❖ Heritage Touring representative

*Extra nights could be available at the hotel after the tour but not before (Scottish Game Fair weekend at Scone). Although the hotel has no lift some rooms available ground floor others up small flight of wide stairs.*



# English National Ballet - Swan Lake

“In the Round” at the Royal Albert Hall  
Tour of Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre  
Tate Modern and The View from The Shard

From the Cavendish Hotel, St James’s  
11 - 13 June 2016 (2 nights)



Derek Deane’s critically acclaimed production of **Swan Lake** has captivated audiences worldwide. The Royal Albert Hall is transformed into a magical lake for this spectacular full staged ‘in the round’ production. From your “lakeside” top price stall seats you can witness the charm and intimacy of **English National Ballet’s** magnificent company of over 120 performers. Tchaikovsky’s wonderful score features some of the most beautiful and memorable music in the classical ballet repertoire, together with spectacular sets, costumes and dramatic story line.

**SATURDAY 11 JUNE** Arrive and check into the Cavendish Hotel, St James’s. This luxury 4 star hotel is ideally situated in the heart of Mayfair. There will be a coach transfer to the **Royal Albert Hall** for the evening performance of **Swan Lake**. Pre-theatre dinners are available at the hotel or locally in numerous restaurants adjacent to the hotel.

**SUNDAY 12 JUNE** A morning visit to **Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre** for a guided tour of the auditorium. The expert guides vividly recreate the stories of the 1599 Globe and the reconstruction process in the 1990s. The informative exhibition explores the life of Shakespeare, the London where he lived, and the theatre for which he wrote.

Continue to **Tate Modern**. Housed in the former Bankside Power Station and displaying a collection of international modern art from 1900 to present day, this private guided tour will explore the history and architecture of the building. There will be time to purchase lunch in the panoramic restaurant on the top floor and to view the works of art. Finally in the late afternoon a taxi will transfer you to the Shard.

**Price per person: £440**

**Single Supplement: £50 per night**  
(double rooms for sole occupancy)

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ 2 nights’ accommodation and breakfast at the Cavendish Hotel
- ❖ Top price stall seats for Swan Lake
- ❖ All tours, entries and tickets as stated
- ❖ Coaching/taxi as stated and Heritage Touring representative

**The View from the Shard** – the tallest building in Western Europe is not to be missed – it rightly boasts the most spectacular views and to reassure concerns about height this really is within most people’s comfort zone – two lifts and you come out on essentially a large solid enclosed office floor with panoramic views of London and way beyond. You will quickly become engrossed in the landscape, the architecture new and old and the amazing views of the River Thames as it curves its way through our great capital city. Make your own way back to the hotel after the visit to relax or organize to see a show.

**MONDAY 13 JUNE** Depart at leisure.



# Private Gardens of Cheshire

Staying at the Rookery Hall Hotel, near Nantwich

20 - 23 June 2016 (3 nights)

This tour is an opportunity to enjoy some of Cheshire's finest gardens. From stately homes to private gardens, some very rarely open and others that are already renowned for their horticultural excellence. From the quintessential English gardens found on a grand scale at **Arley Hall**, **Woollerton Old Hall** and **Dorfold Hall**,

to the exciting and perhaps more contemporary gardens at **Hatton House**, **Sandymere** and **Cogshall Grange** and the smaller but beautiful **Bluebell Cottage**. A shared passion for creating the exceptional, from the owners and garden staff alike, make these all a privilege to visit.



Stay for three nights at the 4 star **Rookery Hall Hotel**, near Nantwich, five miles from Crewe. This elegant Victorian mansion retaining many of its original features is set in picturesque parkland. A luxury hotel with extensive spa facilities including an indoor pool and award winning restaurant.

**MONDAY 20 JUNE** Arrive and check into the hotel before welcome drink and dinner

**TUESDAY 21 JUNE** Garden visits: **Bluebell Cottage**. Created by Sue Beesley, former winner of the BBC TV show Gardener of the Year this is a superb garden with a wealth of plant interest. Continue to **Arley Hall** where successive generations have combined traditional design with inspired modern ideas and additions. Lunch can be purchased in their restaurant. Then **Cogshall Grange** – a completely new garden designed with the magic touch of Tom Stuart Smith. An innovative mix of modern planting that successfully enhance the formal setting of the existing historic landscape. The stunning walled garden is complemented by the recent development of the orchard, meadows and woodland borders.

**WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE** **Hatton House** a beautifully landscaped garden with extensive herbaceous borders, rose garden, lakes and waterfall. **Sandymere** with its superb formal terraces that flow down to the lakes and blend into the surrounding landscape. Finally an afternoon visit to **Dorfold Hall** where the garden surrounds a Grade 1 listed Jacobean house. The recently redesigned borders flanking the two lawns to the South of the house provide an array of roses, irises, delphiniums and peonies.

**THURSDAY 23 JUNE** Check out of the hotel before departing to visit **Woollerton Old Hall**. A superb and exceptional garden to close the tour – a classical English Arts and Crafts style with a series of linked garden "rooms" filled with modern plantings. A light lunch will be included before returning to the hotel to collect cars or those that wish can be dropped at Whitchurch or Crewe Station.

**Price per person: £595**

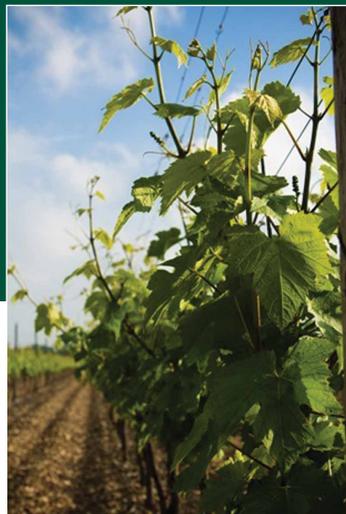
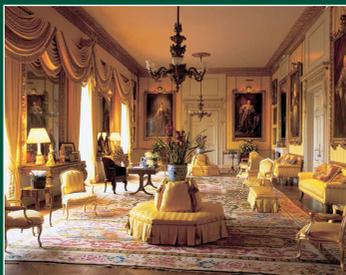
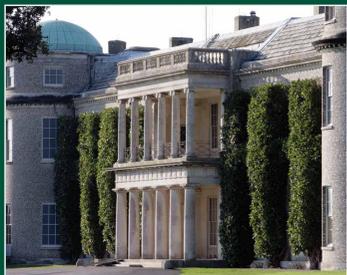
**Single Supplement: £40 per night (£120)**

*(double rooms for sole occupancy)*

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ 3 nights' accommodation, full English breakfast and dinner, 1 lunch and refreshments where stated.
- ❖ Entry to all gardens and tours
- ❖ Executive coaching and professional tour manager



# Parham House and Goodwood House,

A Sussex Vineyard at Tinwood  
An evening at the Chichester  
Festival Theatre  
West Dean Gardens

Staying at Goodwood Hotel

**16 - 18 August 2016 (2 nights)**

A little taste of Sussex staying at the four star luxury **Goodwood Hotel** in a lovely rural setting within the heart of the Goodwood Estate on the edge of the South Downs.

**TUESDAY 16 AUGUST** Check into the hotel, welcome drink and before transferring to Chichester for a pre-theatre dinner and an evening performance with top price seats at the **Chichester Festival Theatre**. We will be able to confirm the production in February but the theatre is one of the UK's flagship regional theatres with an international reputation for producing work of the highest quality prior to many productions transferring to London's West End.

**WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST** A guided tour of Parham House. This is a superb Elizabethan family house complete with a Great Hall and Long Gallery and an excellent art collection. Its tranquillity and timeless beauty have changed little over the centuries. There is a four acre walled Garden with herbaceous borders, a glasshouse, vegetable garden and orchard. Lunch can be purchased in their restaurant after the tour. In the afternoon a guided tour of **Goodwood House**. This magnificent house is one of the finest country houses in England and home to the Dukes of Richmond & Lennox for over 300 years. Built in the 17<sup>th</sup> century as a hunting lodge set in mature parkland against the backdrop of the Sussex Downs, successive generations of the family enlarged the existing Jacobean house to create the house as you see it today. It has an outstanding art collection that includes paintings by van Dyck, Canaletto, Stubbs and Reynolds, Sèvres porcelain, Gobelins tapestries and eighteenth-century French and English furniture. Afternoon tea will be served in the ballroom at the end of the tour.

**Price per person: £475**

**Single supplement: £50 per night**  
*(double rooms for sole occupancy)*

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

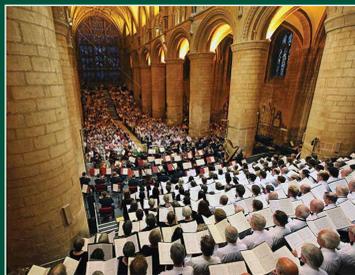
Tour includes:

- ✦ 2 night's accommodation, breakfast and two dinners (one pre-theatre).  
Tea at Goodwood
- ✦ Theatre ticket, all entries and tours
- ✦ Heritage Touring representative and executive coaching

*Extra night at hotel: 18th August £70 B&B pp +ss where applicable*

*The hotel has extensive leisure facilities and spa facilities, indoor pool and golf course*

**THURSDAY 18 AUGUST** A visit to the vineyard at **Tinwood** on the edge of the downs. Its unique microclimate making it possible to cultivate the three champagne grape varieties Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier that are used to make English sparkling wines. A morning talk, vineyard tour and tasting before continuing for a visit to **West Dean Gardens**. After extensive restoration these award-winning gardens feature a Victorian walled garden, 300 foot-long Edwardian pergola, naturalistic spring garden, sunken garden, orchards and a circular arboretum walk set in beautiful parkland with views over the surrounding South Downs. Lunch can be purchased in their small restaurant before returning to Chichester station for 3 pm or the hotel to collect cars. Extra nights at the hotel can be reserved.



# Three Choirs Festival - Gloucester Cathedral

Three Cathedral Concerts and Choral Evensong  
Visit to Wallsworth Hall - Nature in Art Museum

From the Mercure Queens Hotel Cheltenham  
28 - 30 July 2016 (2 nights)



No concert lover's year would be complete without the opportunity to enjoy the **Three Choirs Festival** and this year it takes place in Gloucester. We have chosen three superb concerts performed in the iconic setting of Gloucester Cathedral. The ultimate Mozart choral and orchestral concert, the uplifting and exhilarating *Carmina Burana*, Elgar's evocative *Enigma* variations and Rossini's *Petite Messe Solonnelle* 'little solemn work' which is neither little nor solemn – two wonderful days of choral splendour and a chance to enjoy choral evensong with canticles and anthems in the Cathedral before the concert. There will be a break on Friday afternoon to visit Wallsworth Hall, Nature in Art Museum.

Staying in the four-star Mercure Queen's Hotel which overlooks the Imperial Gardens in the centre of the elegant spa town of Cheltenham.

**THURSDAY 28 JULY** Check into the hotel before departing by coach for Gloucester. A two-course supper will be provided on arrival. The concert this evening is a Mozart extravaganza - **Mozart's *Te Deum Laudamus***, followed by the **Clarinet Concerto in A major** and finally **Mozart's *Requiem in D minor*** with the Festival Chorus and Philharmonia Orchestra.

**FRIDAY 29 JULY** Return to Gloucester for the morning concert: - Three Choirs Youth Choir and orchestra. **Rossini – *Petite Messe Solonnelle***. Time in Gloucester before an afternoon excursion to visit the **Nature in Art Museum**, a growing art collection by major artists housed at Wallsworth Hall, a fine Georgian mansion dedicated exclusively to fine, decorative and applied art inspired by nature.

**Price per person: £530**

**Single supplement: £57.50 per night**  
(double rooms for sole occupancy)

**Non-refundable deposit - £130 pp**

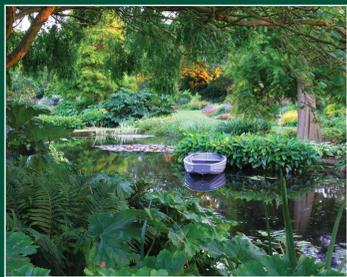
Tour includes:

- ✦ 2 nights' accommodation, breakfast and welcome drink
- ✦ 2 dinners in Gloucester
- ✦ Top price tickets for three concerts, museum entry
- ✦ Executive coaching and professional guide

*Car parking is available at the hotel but there is normally a charge*

Return to Gloucester for choral evensong in the cathedral, dinner and the evening concert. An **Overture** composed by Joseph Phibbs, a specially commissioned piece for this year's Three Choirs Festival, **Edward Elgar's *Enigma Variations on an Original Theme*** was one of the first works to bring this English composer to public recognition. Here Elgar portrays his close friends and family in subtly humorous ways, with the first variation depicting his wife, and the finale, a portrait of the composer himself. The concert climax is Carl Orff's ***Carmina Burana***, one of the most iconic choral works of the 20th century. Its opening chorus, *O Fortuna*, is well-known to audiences world-wide. The work is based on a series of 24 secular medieval poems that cover a range of subjects including the perils of drinking, gluttony and lust! Performed this evening by the Festival Chorus and Philharmonia Orchestra.

**SATURDAY 30 JULY** Check out of the hotel and perhaps enjoy a morning in Cheltenham.



## Great Gardens of Suffolk and Essex

The Beth Chatto Gardens,  
Helmingham Hall, Spencers  
Green Island, Marks Hall, Place for Plants

Staying at the Wivenhoe Park Hotel, Colchester  
**27 - 30 June 2016 (3 nights)**



A tour to include some superb gardens on the Suffolk/Essex borders whilst staying at the luxury 4 star Wivenhoe Park Hotel only a short distance from the centre of Colchester.

The gardens will include: **Beth Chatto's Garden**, an inspiration in the art of planting. A beautiful and instructive garden begun in 1960 using a very wide range of plants, mostly species chosen for their foliage and form as much as for their flowers. **Helmingham Hall**, a private tour of these glorious Grade I listed gardens with either the Head Gardener or the owner and designer Xa Tollemache. The tour will give an insight into the history of the garden, the recent changes made that include the re-designing of the parterre and the creation of the rose, knot and herb gardens. **A Place for Plants**, a garden and arboretum often referred to as a Cornish garden in Suffolk with many unusual trees and shrubs.

**Spencers' Garden** is set in a traditional English country estate surrounded by parkland, grounds and woodland with fine, mature trees and romantic gardens which were renovated by top garden designer Tom Stuart-Smith. **Marks Hall** has a stunning redesigned walled garden made up of five individual gardens with a glorious long double border that includes new planting and established shrubs combining the best of contemporary and traditional. **Green Island**, a hidden gem of twenty acres professionally designed by its owner Fiona Edmond, laid out as a series of structured gardens displaying a huge range of unusual trees, shrubs, perennials and bulbs – definitely a plantsman's paradise. Finally a visit to **Layer Marney Tower** which is a beautiful Tudor palace surrounded by formal gardens and parkland with magnificent views to the Blackwater Estuary.

The **Wivenhoe Park Hotel** is set within the parkland of the University of Essex. It combines the romance and charm of an eighteenth century Grade II listed house with all the comforts of contemporary living and award winning restaurant.

**Price per person: £589**

**Single supplement £40 per night (£120)**

*(double rooms for sole occupancy)*

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ❖ 3 nights' hotel accommodation, breakfast and dinner
- ❖ All garden entry and tours
- ❖ Lunch and refreshments where stated
- ❖ Executive coaching and Heritage Touring representative

**MONDAY 27 JUNE** Arrive and check into the hotel before welcome drink and dinner.

**TUESDAY 28 JUNE** Garden visits to Helmingham Hall with tour and lunch included. In the afternoon a Place for Plants and Green Island with refreshments.

**WEDNESDAY 29 JUNE** Morning visit to Layer Marney Tower, then Marks Hall where lunch can be purchased in their restaurant. Afternoon visit to Spencers.

**THURSDAY 30 JUNE** A visit to Beth Chatto's garden with a tour given by a senior member of the garden staff. An early lunch can be purchased in their tea rooms before the coach returns to the hotel via Colchester Station (1pm).



# Steam in style and luxury aboard The British Pullman

6 - 8 September  
2016 (2 nights)

From London to Bristol and Brunel's ss Great Britain

Relax and stay a night either side in the Cavendish Hotel, St James's

Enjoy a **steam-hauled journey** with the **Belmond British Pullman** departing from London Victoria to see one of the great wonders of the Industrial Revolution. Experience the sights, sounds and scents that would have greeted passengers on board the first iron-hulled, propeller-driven ship to cross the Atlantic.

**Price per person: £750**

**Single supplement £60 per night**  
*(midweek rate)*

**Non-refundable deposit - £150**

Tour includes:

- ✦ 2 nights' accommodation and breakfast at the Cavendish Hotel
- ✦ Your journey on the British Pullman, dining and coaching as set out above
- ✦ Entry to ss Great Britain
- ✦ Taxi to and from Cavendish to Victoria

The **British Pullman** exudes an aura of elegance and beauty, originally conceived as 'Palaces on Wheels' the intricate marquetry, inlaid mosaic floors and softly shaded lamps all set the scene of the golden age of luxury rail travel. You will enjoy Brunch with Bellini on the onward journey and a glass of chilled champagne, wine and a delicious four course dinner on the return. In Bristol, a guided coach tour from the station to the **ss Great Britain**. After years of painstaking conservation and restoration she is now an award winning museum.

To ensure a relaxing break, two nights are included at the **Cavendish Hotel St James's** in the heart of London's Mayfair. Check into the hotel on Tuesday, enjoy an evening in London. The following morning taxis will be booked to take you to the station for 8 am and again to meet you on the return around 9.30 pm . Final timings for the Wednesday will be advised later. On Thursday enjoy a leisurely breakfast before checking out of the hotel.

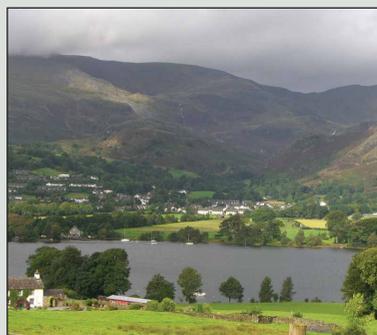
## Cumbria and the Northern Lake District

Historic houses, castles and gardens

Macdonald Leeming House Hotel, Ullswater

5 - 9 September 2016 (4 nights)

We have a very few places left on the on the Northern Lakes Tour that visits historic houses and gardens that include **Hutton in the Forest, Dalmain, Lowther Castle, Muncaster, Mirehead** and the gardens at **Askham Hall**. There will be boat cruises on **Derwentwater** and **Ullswater** and a journey on the **Ravenglass Steam Railway** with some wonderful scenic routes viewing the stunning Cumbrian hills and lakes. Please check availability.



*There are a number of tours on our website not featured in this brochure as they are now full. These were offered in advance to our clients who have travelled with us before or who had registered an advanced interest. Many of these will be repeated the following year and you are welcome to express an interest to ensure that you also have priority.*





# Terms and Conditions

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## 1 Booking Arrangements

You are asked to book direct with us on the booking form enclosed. Heritage Touring reserves the right to increase or decrease the tour cost prior to final contracts with the client. When confirming your reservation, you are asked to pay a deposit. When a confirmation is dispatched it is at this time that a binding contract with Heritage Touring comes into existence. Payment of the balance is due no later than 8 weeks prior to departure. Bookings made within 8 weeks of departure require full payment. Any balance due that is not received by us within the timescale may result in the travel arrangements being liable to cancellation by Heritage Touring.

## 2 Cancellation by the Client

A cancellation charge is applicable as follows:

Tours cancelled 56 days or more before departure – Deposit:

55 to 28 days before departure – 30% of tour costs but not less than the deposit:

27 to 14 days before departure – 50% of tour costs:

13 to 8 days before departure – 75% of tour costs:

0 to 7 days before departure 100% of tour costs:

## 3 Amendment and Cancellation by Heritage Touring

- (a) Holidays and tours featured in this publication are subject to availability at the time of booking. A minimum number of guests is required for all tours and, in the event of insufficient bookings being made and a holiday or tour being cancelled as a result, you will be notified at least 14 days beforehand and all monies refunded to you. No further liability will arise for Heritage Touring once the monies have been refunded.
- (b) Our holidays and tours are planned many months in advance and details are often unclear at the planning stage; further, tours may be changed, or not able to be conducted, due in whole or part to circumstances beyond our control. For example, and without limitation, such circumstances include war or threat of war, riots, civil strife, terrorist activity, industrial disputes, transportation difficulties, natural or nuclear disaster, fire or adverse weather conditions, insolvency of suppliers or other unusual or unanticipated circumstances which neither Heritage Touring nor our suppliers can control. Should this happen you will be notified as soon as reasonably practicable and Heritage Touring will, at our discretion, endeavour to offer you an alternative within the spirit of the tour's theme where possible. However, should this not prove possible for any reason you will not be entitled to any refund of monies you had paid. In no circumstances will Heritage Touring have any liability for any losses suffered by you as a result of this.

## 4 Conditions of Carriage

This offer is the sole responsibility of the tour operator. It is not issued on behalf of, and does not commit any independent organisation/carriers whose services are used.

We strongly recommend that you have holiday insurance to cover cancellation charges and other eventualities. Details available on request.

## 5 Complaints

*You must take up any complaints with the relevant supplier and our local representative at the time.* Problems should be able to be rectified there and then. If you still remain dissatisfied, any complaint must be made in writing to us within 28 days of your return.

## 6 Packages

Under the terms of the "Package Travel, Package Tours Regulations 1992" a package exists if you book two or more different components with us, e.g. travel plus accommodation. Heritage Touring, in accordance with legislation and to provide you with financial security, operate a client trust account. We also have Financial Failure Insurance so that all passengers booking with Heritage Touring Ltd are fully insured for the initial deposit and subsequently the balance of all monies paid to us, including repatriation if required, arising from the cancellation or curtailment of your travel arrangements due to the insolvency of Heritage Touring Ltd. A certificate detailing this cover will be given to each and every passenger as evidence of cover. Please ensure that you have been given the appropriate certificate(s) at the time of booking. This insurance has been arranged by MGA Cover Services on behalf of Towergate Chapman Stevens through CBL Insurance.

## 7 Our liability

Subject to Clauses 1 to 6 of these Terms and Conditions

- (a) We accept responsibility, other than for personal injury, should any part of the holiday arrangement which you book with us not be supplied as described and not be of a reasonable standard.
- (b) We accept responsibility where you suffer death or personal injuries as the result of an activity forming part of the holiday arrangements you book with us only to the extent that Heritage Touring is legally liable for such death or injury.
- (c) Our acceptances of liability and obligation to pay compensation pursuant of clauses (a) and (b) above are strictly limited pursuant to all applicable laws.
- (d) If any client suffers death, injury or illness arising out of activity which does not form part of the inclusive holiday arrangements or excursion arranged through us, and providing we are legally liable, we may at our discretion offer advice and guidance to help you in resolving any claim you may have against a third party, providing we are advised of the incident within 90 days of the occurrence. Where legal action is contemplated our authority must be obtained prior to commencement of proceedings and be subject to you undertaking to assign costs recovered or any benefits received to ourselves. Our costs in respect of the above on behalf of you and your party shall not exceed £500 in total. The contract and all matters arising from it are governed by English Law and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales. Heritage Touring is the Trading Name of Heritage Touring Ltd.

## 8 Delays

We cannot accept any liability for any delays in travel arrangements in the UK or to and from the UK where cancellation or delay is caused by adverse weather conditions, the action of port authorities, mechanical breakdown, strike, industrial action or otherwise. In certain cases you may be able to claim from your travel insurance policy.

**Brochure Mailings: If you do not already receive our brochures on a regular basis, or who have friends who would like to receive copies in the future, please use the booking form to send us your contact details.**



# The Sport of Kings

Newmarket - The Heart of the Racing World  
The National Stud, The Jockey Club Rooms,  
The Gallops, Horseracing Museum  
and Dalham Hall Stud

Staying at the luxury Bedford  
Lodge Hotel in Newmarket  
**21 - 23 June 2016**  
**(2 nights)**

**Additional option to enjoy an afternoon's racing at end of the tour**

Newmarket is home to 5,000 thoroughbred horses, two racecourses, 52 stud farms, 75 licensed trainers, The Jockey Club, and Tattersalls, the largest equine auction house in Europe. The world's top racehorse trainers, jockeys and breeders reside in Newmarket and this tour gives a true insight into what is globally recognised as the headquarters of thoroughbred breeding, racing and training.

There will be a morning visit to the famous gallops followed by a guided tour of the **National Stud** with an introduction to its history and purpose as a commercial thoroughbred breeding operation. Light lunch included in the National Stud café before going to see the real expanse of the 2,500 acres of Jockey Club Estate land and some of the mansions that are tucked away. Then a visit to the **Jockey Club Rooms** for an insight into these historical buildings with a guided viewing of their collections of sporting art and memorabilia before finishing with a traditional afternoon tea.

The following day starts with a private visit to **Dalham Hall Stud**, the heart of HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum's global thoroughbred breeding operation and an opportunity to see world class stallions in their superb facilities. Finally back into Newmarket to visit the **National Horseracing Museum** illustrating the town's history, including its links with royalty. It has a unique collection of sporting fine art, prints and racing memorabilia.

The 4 star Bedford Lodge Hotel offers the very best in modern comfort and luxury. It has a two AA Rosette restaurant and extensive leisure, pool and spa facilities, three acres of secluded rose gardens and is adjacent to some of the most famous paddocks and training stables in the world. Definitely the place to stay if in Newmarket!

**Price per person: £455**

**Single Supplement: £65 per night**  
*(double rooms for sole occupancy)*

**Non-refundable deposit £125 pp**

Tour includes:

- ♣ 2 nights' hotel accommodation, breakfast and dinner. Afternoon tea and a lunch
- ♣ All tours, entries and guides as listed
- ♣ Coaching and Heritage Touring representative

*Racing Thursday – Premier Enclosure  
Badge: £23*

*Thursday 23 June – extra night if required at  
the hotel: £175 per room B&B*

The tour will finish on Thursday at 1pm, which allows those who would like, the option to independently enjoy an afternoon's racing. The hotel could extend your stay for a further night but equally you could take your car, park and depart after racing. There is a shuttle bus to and from the race course from the centre of town.

**TUESDAY 21 JUNE** Check into the hotel before welcome drink and dinner.

**WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE** Tour by coach – The gallops, National Stud and Jockey Club Rooms with tea.

**THURSDAY 23 JUNE** Dalham Hall and National Horseracing Museum – optional racing independently in the afternoon for which we can organise badges for premier enclosure – request when booking.

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