

21 day Britain & Ireland Explorer Plus 6 day Paris - 14th April 2012 Tour

Following please find preliminary itinerary and costs.

DAY 1- 14th April 2012

LONDON

Private arrival transfer from London Heathrow Airport to London Hotel.

Rest of the day at leisure.

DAY 2 - 15th April 2012

LONDON - STRATFORD - LEEDS

Greetings from the Tour Director on the drive through Cotswold villages to Stratford-upon-Avon, Shakespeare's birthplace. Then head to Coventry, home of Lady Godiva, to view its cathedrals, then through the Midlands to the hotel in Leeds.

Meal(s): (Dinner)

Hotel: Jurys Inn Leeds (F)

DAY 3 - 16th April 2012

LEEDS - EDINBURGH (FALKIRK) (2 nights)

An orientation stroll in York includes the Minster and picturesque 'Shambles'. From here drive past Hadrian's Wall and ruined Jedburgh Abbey on to the hotel in Falkirk.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

Hotel: Airth Castle (F)

DAY 4 - 17th April 2012

EDINBURGH SIGHTSEEING

Sightseeing includes the Royal Mile, Princes Street and views of the castle. Then time to maybe visit Holyrood House.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

DAY 5 - 18th April 2012

EDINBURGH - SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS (2 nights)

Cross the impressive Forth Bridge to the university town of St. Andrews where Prince William studied, and stop at the famous golf course. Then continue towards the Highlands via Perth and Pitlochry to the hotel.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

Hotel: Macdonalds Highland Resort (F)

DAY 6 - 19th April 2012

SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS - ISLE OF SKYE EXCURSION

Follow the banks of beautiful Loch Ness – look out for the monster! – through the Western Highlands to the Kyle of Lochalsh. Then cross over to the Isle of Skye, associated with Bonnie Prince Charlie, and spend some time exploring this unique Scottish island. Finally, return to the hotel for dinner tonight.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

DAY 7 - 20th April 2012

SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS - GLASGOW

Drive to Fort William, in the shadow of Ben Nevis, and then along the shores of Loch Linnhe to Glencoe – Vale of the Weeping. The route travels along the 'banks and braes of Loch Lomond' to Glasgow.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

Hotel: Campanile Glasgow (MF)

DAY 8 – 21st April 2012

GLASGOW - CHESTER AREA (2 nights)

Today begins with a visit to Gretna Green, wedding venue for eloping lovers. Later continue south into England towards the breathtaking scenery of the Lake District.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

Hotel: Holiday Inn Runcorn (F)

DAY 9 – 22nd April 2012

CHESTER AND NORTH WALES

The Chester orientation includes the arcaded Rows. Next into North Wales and over the Horseshoe Pass to arrive in Llangollen, home of the Music Eisteddfod, before returning to the hotel.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

DAY 10 – 23rd April 2012

CHESTER AREA - DUBLIN (2 nights)

Drive along the Welsh Coast via Colwyn Bay, skirting the Snowdonia National Park, to Caernarvon to view the castle, then across to the Island of Anglesey and board the ferry to Ireland and on to Dublin.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

Hotel: Jurys Inn Parnell St (MF)

DAY 11 - 24th April 2012

DUBLIN SIGHTSEEING

Morning sightseeing with the local guide features Trinity College, St. Patrick's Cathedral, historic Phoenix Park and the Four Courts.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

DAY 12 - 25th April 2012

DUBLIN - SLIGO (2 nights)

Follow the Royal Canal to Mullingar. Then on to Boyle to view the 12th century Cistercian abbey ruins. Then lush green Irish countryside rolls by en route to Sligo Bay.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

Hotel: Sligo Southern (F)

DAY 13 - 26th April 2012

NORTHERN IRELAND AND DONEGAL

Drive to the seaside resort of Bundoran in County Donegal and cross the border into Northern Ireland to visit the Belleek Pottery Centre. Then follow Lough Erne to Enniskillen and the hotel.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

DAY 14 - 27th April 2012

SLIGO - LIMERICK (2 nights)

Enjoy the scenery in Connemara, stopping at Kylemore Abbey and continuing to Galway Bay. Later stop in Galway before reaching Limerick.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

Hotel: Jurys Inn Limerick (F)

DAY 15 - 28th April 2012
EXCURSION TO THE BURREN

Today see the breathtaking Cliffs of Moher. From O'Brien's Tower, enjoy views of the Aran Islands (weather permitting) at the entrance to Galway Bay.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

DAY 16 - 29th April 2012
LIMERICK - TRALEE

Admire the thatched cottages of Adare before heading to County Kerry, and stop in Killarney. Then enjoy the first half of the Ring of Kerry drive along Dingle Bay and on to Tralee.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

Hotel: Abbey Gate (MF)

DAY 17 - 30th April 2012
TRALEE - WATERFORD

Today complete the drive around the Ring of Kerry and visit Blarney Castle, where there is the chance to acquire the 'gift of the gab'. Then continue through Cork and along the coast to Waterford, home of the famous crystal, for the night.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

Hotel: Waterford Marina (F)

DAY 18 – 1st May 2012
WATERFORD - CARDIFF (2 nights)

Travel to Rosslare to board the ferry back to Wales. Then arrive at Fishguard and drive on to Cardiff for two nights.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

Hotel: Copthorne Cardiff (F)

DAY 19 – 2nd May 2012
CARDIFF - SOUTH WALES EXCURSION

First an orientation in the Welsh capital and a chance to visit the castle. Then into the Rhondda, most famous of the Welsh mining valleys. Next into the stark beauty of the Brecon Beacons National Park then back to the hotel in Cardiff.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast / Dinner)

DAY 20 – 3rd May 2012
CARDIFF - BATH - LONDON

Today visit Bath, to see the Roman Baths and admire the Georgian architecture. Later continue via Salisbury, and catch a glimpse of the slender spire which is the tallest in England, and make a picture stop at the ancient stone circle of Stonehenge before returning to London where the tour ends.

Meal(s): (Full Breakfast)

DAY 21 – 4th May 2012
LONDON

Continental buffet breakfast.
Private departure transfer from London Hotel to St Pancras.

PARIS

DAY 1 – 04 May 2012

DEPART LONDON - ARRIVE PARIS

Today take the Eurostar (2nd Class) high-speed train from London's St Pancras Station to Gare du Nord in Paris. Upon arrival in Paris you will be met by your Tour Director and transferred to your hotel where you can relax after your journey and look forward to tonight's welcome drink and dinner at a local restaurant. Then we enjoy a Cruise and Tour. Paris at night is a city transformed. Enjoy this superb 'city of light' as we take a leisurely cruise on the popular river boats under the bridges of Paris, admiring the wonderful buildings which adorn the banks of the River Seine. Afterwards, as we drive through this amazing city, we stop at some vantage points for you to capture these fascinating sights on camera. (In High Summer, this tour may take place before sunset). (HD)

DAY 2 – 05 May 2012

PARIS SIGHTSEEING AND AT LEISURE

Your sightseeing tour with a local expert guide includes the ascent of the Eiffel Tower to its second level for wonderful views over the city. Other highlights include views of Notre Dame Cathedral, the Arc de Triomphe, Place de la Concorde and the Champs Élysées. Then enjoy a stroll through the gardens of Les Invalides where you will visit the tomb of the Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte, housed in the magnificent golden domed church. The rest of the day is at leisure. (BB)

DAY 3 – 06 May 2012

PARIS - EXCURSION TO VERSAILLES - THE PALACE & GARDENS

We leave the bustle of the city for the splendour of Versailles. Created by the "Sun King" Louis XIV, the palace became the envy of every other European ruler. Our guide takes us through the State apartments, including the famous Hall of Mirrors. All of this enhanced by our excellent audio system. Afterwards, take a stroll through the symmetrical tree-lined gardens. (NB. *Versailles involves reservation & entrance prepayments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation fee.).

DAY 4 – 07 May 2012

PARIS - FREE TIME

Today after breakfast you have a full day at leisure. Optional excursions will be offered. (BB)

DAY 5 – 08 May 2012

PARIS – EXCURSION TO MONTMARTRE VILLAGE & ARTISTS SQUARE

Dominated by the soaring Sacré Coeur Basilica with spectacular city views, all will be revealed by our local guide as you start with a train journey to explore this hill top village of narrow winding streets, unusual galleries, boutiques and the world famous Artists Square once home to Toulouse Lautrec, Picasso, and Utrillo's works. Today you can browse between easels and barter for original art. You will have free time to try the best French Onion Soup or maybe a French Crepe giving you a real flavour of Montmartre life. This evening we enjoy a Farewell Dinner and Cabaret at the world famous Moulin Rouge - the original Paris cabaret - immortalized by the recent award winning film! (BB FD)

DAY 6 – 09 May 2012

DEPART PARIS

This morning after breakfast you will be transferred to Paris Charles du Gaulle Airport for your onward flight. (BB)

3. PRICES:

Number of passengers	TWIN SHARE	SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
16 passengers	AUD \$ 4, 590.00	AUD \$974.00

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO 2012 COSTINGS CURRENTLY NOT RELEASED THERE COULD BE A SLIGHT PRICE INCREASE - PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS AND AVAILABILITY

4. INCLUSIONS:

- Private group arrival transfer on Days 1 from London Heathrow Airport to London hotel.
- One night pre accommodation based at the Ibis Earl's Court Hotel including continental breakfast
- Tour inclusions as per Trafalgar's "Britain and Ireland Explorer" Tour, shown on pages 50-51 of Trafalgar's Costsaver 2011 Brochure.
- One night post accommodation based at the Ibis Earl's Court Hotel
- Private group departure transfer on Days 21 from London Hotel to St Pancreas Train Station.
- Trafalgar's 6 day Paris city tour, as per the itinerary.
- Touring by air-conditioned coach.
- Accommodation in twin bedded rooms with private facilities based on cost saver standard hotels.
- Meals as stated in the itinerary.
- Services of a professional, English speaking Trafalgar Tour Director and local guides.
- Entrance fees as stated in the itinerary.
- All hotel service charges, local taxes, baggage handling and hotel tips. Porterage of one suitcase only per person at hotels.
- Trafalgar wallet included with documentation.

5. EXCLUDING:

- International air tickets and airport taxes.
- Visas
- Tour Director and Coach Driver tips.
- Porterage at airports
- Meals not mentioned
- **Drinks on meal(s)**
- **Compulsory meal(s) at hotel (if any)**
- Personal expenses (laundry, telephone, drinks, tips...)
- Additional services not listed in your itinerary.
- **Possession of adequate travel insurance is a compulsory condition of travelling with Trafagar.**

6. AIRFARES :

<u>Air Price</u>	Utilizing services of <u>Best Available fare at time of quoting</u>
<u>Routing:</u>	Sydney – London –// Paris – Sydney
<u>Early Bird</u>	The airfare will be based on availability at time of booking.
<u>Taxes:</u>	Airport taxes/levies ex Australia
<u>Early Bird:</u>	\$1,785.00 per person (Economy class fares – based on low season April 2012 departure).

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Kind regards,

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