

## Exploring Britain & Ireland

featuring England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales

with optional Pre Tour Extension

### Highlights...

London • Stonehenge • Bath • Cardiff • Waterford • Choices on Tour • Blarney Castle • Killarney • Diner's Choice • Ring of Kerry • Jaunting Car Ride • Dublin • Irish Cooking Class • Wales • Lake District • Edinburgh • York • Stratford-upon-Avon



15 Days • 20 Meals: 13 Breakfasts • 7 Dinners

#### Collette experiences

- Behold the sights of Killarney on a traditional jaunting car.
- Overnight within the medieval walls in York.
- Find inspiration in the Lake District's quintessential English villages.

#### Must-see inclusions

- Ponder ancient mysteries at Stonehenge.
- Explore the Roman Bath Museum's 2,000-year-old elaborate spas.
- Overnight in the capital cities of London, Cardiff, Dublin and Edinburgh.

#### Culinary inclusions

- Give traditional Irish cuisine a modern twist during a cooking class and dinner.
- Experience a traditional English carvery.

#### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Discover the true cultural treasures of Britain and Ireland on a comprehensive journey through England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland.

#### Day 2: London, England - Tour Begins

Your journey opens in the regal city of London. A capital of culture and commerce, the city blends traditional with modern. Tonight, meet your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. *Today dinner will be included.*

#### Day 3: London

Discover the pageantry of London as we join a local guide for a city tour. See Big Ben, Westminster, Whitehall, Hyde Park and Buckingham Palace. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore this iconic city or perhaps partake in an optional excursion to Windsor Castle. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 4: London - Stonehenge - Bath - Cardiff, Wales

Travel to Stonehenge, the mysterious formation that dates back to the Stone Age. Explore various theories on how the colossal stones arrived at the location and their purpose. Continue to the elegant Georgian town of Bath to visit the Roman Bath Museum's 2,000-year-old elaborate spas. Enjoy some time to stroll through Bath's cobblestone streets and soak in its old-world atmosphere. Your day ends in the Welsh capital of Cardiff. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 5: Cardiff - Ferry to Ireland - Waterford

Join a local expert on a leisurely-paced walking tour of Cardiff. Learn about the city's deep ties to the coal industry, its connection to ancient Rome and its famous Victorian shopping arcades. Take in the beautiful countryside of Wales en route to the coastal village of Fishguard. There we board the ferry for Ireland, crossing the Irish Sea. Upon arrival in Rosslare, travel to Waterford, your home for the evening. After dinner tonight top off the evening by making your very own Irish coffee! *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 6: Waterford - Blarney - Killarney

This morning, **it's your choice!** Tour the House of Waterford Crystal factory featuring a fascinating visitor's center and a retail store housing the largest collection of Waterford Crystal in the world -**OR-** enjoy a leisurely-paced walking tour of Ireland's oldest city and discover its rich Viking, Norman and Cromwellian history. Later, travel to historic Blarney Castle. Make your way to the top of the castle, lie back and kiss the famous Blarney Stone. Legend has it that if you do, you will be blessed with the "gift of eloquence." This evening **it's Diner's Choice...** tonight's dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Killarney's great restaurants. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

#### Day 7: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney

This morning explore Killarney National Park on a traditional jaunting car ride.\* Then travel along the glorious Ring of Kerry where you'll find some of Ireland's most magical scenery. Pause for a moment at the Gap of Dunloe to browse for traditional Irish handcrafted goods. As we continue our journey, marvel at the vistas created by windswept cliffs, rugged mountains, lakes and picturesque villages. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 8: Killarney - Rock of Cashel - Dublin

Today we venture through the "Golden Vale" en route to the awe-inspiring Rock of Cashel. Be amazed by its imposing facade and visit the spot where St. Patrick preached. Continue on to vibrant Dublin. *Today breakfast will be included.*

#### Day 9: Dublin

Discover Dublin's past and present on a locally guided tour highlighting the Bank of Ireland, O'Connell Street, Grafton Street, Phoenix Park and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Later, experience for yourself the welcoming nature of the Irish as you set out to explore the "Fair City" on your own. Tonight, give traditional Irish cuisine a modern twist during a cooking class and dinner at one of Dublin's premier culinary institutions. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 10: Dublin - Ferry to Wales - Cheshire**

Ferry across the Irish Sea to Holyhead, Wales. As you traverse northern Wales, pass Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogogoch, the town with the longest name in the world. Make a stop at majestic Caernarfon Castle, where Charles was crowned Prince of Wales. Then, continue through the Welsh countryside and discover some of the most magnificent scenery in all of Britain. Tonight, experience dinner at a traditional English carvery. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 11: Cheshire - Lake District - Gretna Green, Scotland - Edinburgh**

Travel north into England's scenic Lake District. Here you'll feel the inspirational appeal of the region's quintessential English villages, Lake Windermere, Ambleside and Grasmere. Crossing into Scotland, stop in the town of Gretna Green where generations of runaway couples eloped. Continue to Edinburgh, Scotland's majestic capital city. This evening it's **Diner's Choice**...tonight's dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Edinburgh's great restaurants. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 12: Edinburgh**

Today it's **your choice!** Come to know this regal city during a locally guided panoramic city coach tour **-OR-** for a different perspective, join a local expert and explore the city on foot. Both tours include a visit to Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels, and the Palace of Holyroodhouse,\*\* the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary, Queen of Scots. The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax or explore the city independently. *Today breakfast will be included.*

**Day 13: Edinburgh - York, England**

En route to England, visit Hadrian's Wall. Construction of this ancient structure began in A.D. 122 and since that time, it has served as the northern border of the Roman Empire. Continue to the historic city of York. Find yourself surrounded by the charms of history as you explore its quaint narrow streets. Walk on the famous "Shambles" and see the magnificent 13th-century Minster. *Today breakfast will be included.*

**Day 14: York - Stratford-upon-Avon**

Journey to charming Stratford-upon-Avon. Step back in time as we visit William Shakespeare's birthplace. Afterward, it's **your choice!** Tour Anne Hathaway's thatch-roofed cottage, the childhood home of the author's wife **-OR-** set out on a leisurely cruise along the Avon River. This evening we gather to say farewell to this captivating region over dinner. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

**Day 15: Stratford-upon-Avon - Tour Ends**

Depart today with many fond memories of lovely Britain and Ireland. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Experience It! Stonehenge

Walk in the footsteps of so many before you when visiting prehistoric Stonehenge. This mysterious rock formation dates back to the Stone Age and remains one of the world's most famous sites. Standing in the middle of the most dense complex of Neolithic and Bronze Age monuments in England, Stonehenge is perhaps the most important prehistoric monument in England. Enhance your overall experience and understanding of Stonehenge at the state-of-the-art visitor's center. Explore fascinating exhibitions, featuring nearly 300 archaeological treasures. The outdoor gallery includes three Neolithic houses. These houses offer visitors a glimpse into the life and times of the people who built Stonehenge. The experience of seeing this timeless monument is not to be missed – it will surely be a highlight of your tour.

Your itinerary at a glance

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Leonardo Royal Hotel London Tower Bridge, London
Day 4	Hilton, Cardiff
Day 5	Granville Hotel, Waterford
Days 6, 7	Scotts Hotel, Killarney
Days 8, 9	Herbert Park Hotel, Dublin
Day 10	Grosvenor Pulford Hotel, Cheshire or The Queen at Chester Premier Collection, Chester
Days 11, 12	Apex Grassmarket Hotel, Edinburgh
Day 13	Holiday Inn York City Centre, York
Day 14	Mercure Warwickshire Walton Hall Hotel, Stratford-upon-Avon
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.	

Please Note:

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

If your accommodations are confirmed at the Walton Hotel while in Stratford-upon-Avon, triples are on request only - it may be necessary to use a double/single combination.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

\*Jaunting car ride is included, weather permitting.

\*\*The Palace of Holyroodhouse may close occasionally when the Queen is in residence or for official state functions.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Our air passengers will arrive and depart from London airports.

Our transfers will depart from Stratford-upon-Avon hotel for London airports. Distance to London Heathrow Airport from Stratford-upon-Avon / Warwick is approximately two hours.

Due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel. Return flights should not be booked prior to 11:00 a.m.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

**IMPORTANT:** We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

**The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3.** This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can

navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

Extend your vacation with...

Optional 5 Days 3-Night Paris Pre Tour Extension  
Rate: \$1,099.00 per person, double, land only

4 Meals: 3 breakfasts, 1 Dinner

### Day 1: Overnight Flight

Your tour begins with an overnight flight to France.

### Day 2: Paris

Welcome to Paris, the "City of Light." For dinner, get a taste of the city's local flavors at a Parisian bistro, situated at the base of the Eiffel Tower. As the day draws to a close, admire the city from a relaxing sightseeing cruise, passing by illuminated landmarks as you drift softly along the Seine. Settle into your hotel, just steps away from the Eiffel Tower. (D)

### Day 3: Paris

Step into a time gone by as you slide into the backseat of a vintage retro car. Your driver will double as a guide, providing commentary on the Parisian boulevards as you see some of the city's most famous sights. After your drive, take advantage of time at leisure to explore on your own. (B)

### Day 4: Paris

It's your last day in Paris – how will you spend it? Perhaps you will visit the highly acclaimed Musée d'Orsay and enjoy your included ticket to this former railroad station which now houses some of the world's best impressionist art. Or maybe you'll hop on the metro and spend time in the hip bohemian neighborhood of Montmartre. No matter how you spend your day – you'll get a true taste of the Parisian lifestyle. (B)

### Day 5: Paris - Extension Ends

Wish Paris goodbye as you depart for the train station. In less than 3 hours, you'll be in London to begin your journey through Britain and Ireland. (B)

#### Please Note:

During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

Due to fair periods in Paris, the rate of this extension may be higher on certain dates. Please enquire about rates and availability at time of booking.

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## Important reservation information:

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\***Airfare:** For your convenience, we offer airfare for purchase with all vacation packages. If you purchase an air inclusive program, your airfare will be quoted inclusive of all fuel, taxes and fees. Your rates are subject to change until paid in full. Preassigned seats are limited and may not be available on every flight or departure date.

**Checked Baggage Charges:** Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies.

**Cancellation Charges for this tour:** After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 60-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 30% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 35% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If Travel Protection Plan has not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Payment of a Per Person Travel Protection Plan Fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Travel Protection Plan Fee itself, made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Travel Protection Plan Fee with Air only covers airline tickets you have purchased from Collette. Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, Part B of the Travel Protection Plan may provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes, or fees in the event of a cancellation for a covered reason (see Part B for more details). The Travel Protection Plan Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. However, the Part B travel insurance includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,000 for certain covered reasons as detailed in Part B. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement. Cancellation waiver protects you from penalties in the event you have a need to cancel your entire inclusive tour package up to the day prior to departure. Cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you chose to partially cancel your vacation, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not canceled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%. Please see your sales agent for more information, or review our brochure for details.

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