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ABOUT OUR DAY TOURS

★ *Daily Departures* ★ *Small Groups* ★ *Luxury Travel*
★ *Local Guides* ★ *Fully Inclusive* ★ *Free Hotel Pick Up*

The Best Experience - Our legendary small group tours (a maximum of just 16) provide an intimacy and experience that cannot be duplicated on big coach tours. It also means we can take you away from the crowds, using the historic country lanes for a unique experience. Ideal for individuals, families and groups.

The Best of England - Our unique range of tours are carefully tailored to be original and imaginative. We combine favourite destinations with off the beaten track exploration to ensure a really memorable day.

The Best Guides - Our knowledgeable, local guides are friendly and enthusiastic, bringing our rich history alive. They share a passion for our style of touring and are dedicated to our unrivalled level of service.



“Great guides - informative

“Very professional, highly personalised
entertaining and never boring

A fascinating insight into your

A wonderful escape from London”

beautiful country - I'll be back...”

“I only had one day to spend 'out of London'

“...undoubtedly the highlight of our trip

so glad it was spent on one of your

to Britain. I loved the back roads.”

wonderful small group tours - first class!”

The Best Value - We use luxury new Mercedes mini-coaches. All the comforts of a big coach but without the passengers! All entrance fees are included and we enjoy priority entrance into all attractions. Just relax and enjoy! Discounts for children, students and YHA members.

The Best Service - For your convenience we offer free morning pick up from most Central London hotels. At the end of your tour, we will endeavour to drop you off at a convenient location - your guide will assist and advise.

The Best for the Environment - Small groups are environmentally more friendly, far less disruptive to village communities and attractions. We use ultra low sulphur fuel, our brochures are printed on recycled paper and we sponsor a tree planting programme for every tour which departs to help keep our countryside beautiful.

The best tours in history.....

FULL DAY TOURS



STONES & BONES TOUR

If you only have time for one tour make sure it's this one!

★ **Stonehenge** ★ **Salisbury** ★ **Old Sarum Castle**
★ **Avebury** ★ **Country pub lunch**

Every day 8am – 6pm £52 (inc. all entrance fees and lunch)

Visit Salisbury Cathedral with its beautiful spire, view the historic Magna Carta and explore the ancient streets of this medieval market town. Enjoy spectacular views from Old Sarum Castle. Discover the secrets of Stonehenge, unique and impressive yet forever a mystery. Visit Avebury, a pretty village of thatched cottages ringed by the world's largest stone circle. See chalk hill figures, Celtic burial mounds and maybe mysterious crop circles! A highlight of the day is lunch in a traditional country pub. A truly legendary day out in the ancient kingdom of Wessex.



CULTURE VULTURE

★ **Bath** ★ **The Cotswolds** ★ **Lacock** ★ **Castle Combe**

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat 8am – 6pm £49 (inc. all entrance fees)

Savour the atmosphere and golden beauty of Bath, famous for its Roman history and elegant Georgian architecture. We spend well over 3 hrs in this World Heritage city including a comprehensive guided tour and a visit to the Roman Baths and Pump Room. Plenty of free time for shopping and your own exploration. Afterwards we take a scenic drive through the leafy lanes of the Cotswolds visiting Castle Combe, voted the prettiest village in England. Also visit medieval Lacock - unchanged for hundreds of years - the perfect film setting for both "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone" and Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice".



HISTORY AND MYSTERY

★ **Stonehenge** ★ **Bath** ★ **Lacock village**

Every day 8am – 6pm £50 (inc. all entrance fees)

5000 years of history in one day - the perfect combination for those with less time. We take the old coaching road through rural Wiltshire to the charming village of Lacock. This picturesque village was the perfect film setting for both "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone" and Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice". Enjoy a guided tour of beautiful Bath, originally founded by the Romans as a health spa, and later an elegant Georgian resort. Visit the Roman Baths and Pump Rooms and explore at your leisure, with time for shopping and lunch. Discover the secrets of Stonehenge and hear about the many myths, legends and mysteries associated with this awe inspiring ancient monument. The very best of Britain!

PERSONALISED TOURS

In addition to our daily tours we offer private sightseeing tours in luxury vehicles (1 to 16 persons) with your very own driver guide for the ultimate freedom and flexibility. Ideal for families and groups. Our door to door service will take you anywhere you want to go.....

EXTENDED TOURS

A range of scheduled 4, 7, 10 and 14 day mini-coach tours, including the very best of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Please phone or visit our website for full details.



COTSWOLDS CONNECTION

★ **Oxford** ★ **The Cotswolds** ★ **Shakespeare's**
★ **Stratford** ★ **Shakespeare's Birthplace**

Every day except Monday 8am - 6pm £49 (inc. all entrance fees)

Follow in the footsteps of William Shakespeare and explore the Tudor market town of Stratford upon Avon. Visit his birthplace and museum. Afterwards, we take the back roads through the Cotswolds - a beautiful area of unspoilt villages of honey-coloured stone and thatched cottages. Visit Stow on the Wold, Burford and the charming Slaughters. And finally a walking tour of the ancient university city of Oxford - your guide will entertain you with tales of college life, its famous students, rich history and traditions.



MAGICAL TOUR

★ **King Arthur's Avalon** ★ **Glastonbury**
★ **Stonehenge** ★ **Avebury**

Wed, Thurs, Sat, Sun 8am – 6.45pm £54 (inc. all entrance fees)

Enjoy breathtaking views from the fabled Isle of Avalon, rich in myth and legend. Explore the ancient ruins of Glastonbury Abbey - the final resting place of King Arthur. Visit the tranquil Chalice Gardens - the reputed burial place of the Holy Grail - and drink from the magical Red Spring. There's also time to savour the special atmosphere of Glastonbury village with its medieval buildings and unusual shops. For a truly unforgettable day we also experience the magic and mystery of Stonehenge and Avebury stone circle and village. A magical day in every way!



BARDS & BATTLES

★ **Shakespeare's Birthplace** ★ **Stratford-upon-Avon**
★ **Warwick Castle** ★ **The Cotswolds**

Every day except Monday 8am - 6.45pm £53 (inc. all entrances)

Enjoy a walking tour of the cloistered colleges and ancient streets of Oxford, city of learning. Afterwards, a scenic drive through the Cotswolds takes us to Shakespeare's Stratford. Visit his birthplace and museum and see many of the historic properties associated with his life. A short drive past Ann Hathaway's cottage takes us to our finest medieval castle - Warwick. Experience the sights and sounds of the award winning exhibitions, enjoy the beautiful gardens, see the awesome Armoury and venture into the gruesome dungeons and Ghost tower if you dare!



PILGRIMS PROGRESS

★ **Leeds Castle** ★ **Canterbury Cathedral**
★ **The Garden of England**

Tues, Thurs, Sat 8am - 6.00pm £51 (inc. all entrance fees)

Follow the old Pilgrims Way to the ancient walled city of Canterbury. Visit the magnificent cathedral, the scene of the bloody murder of Thomas Beckett in 1170 and explore the labyrinth of medieval streets, shops and historic taverns. Afterwards we take the country lanes through the Garden of England. Visit Kent's prettiest village and the most haunted village in England. And finally to Leeds Castle, beautifully positioned on two small islands in the middle of a lake. Over 1000 years old, "the loveliest castle in the world" is richly furnished and set in lovely landscaped gardens.



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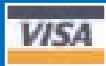
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