

For An Unforgettable Adventure Among Friends Quilt Shop Presents... A Quilters Tour of Great Britain August 2-14, 2015

Land Price: \$5051 per person, based on twin occupancy
Land & Air Price From Louisville, KY: \$6721 per person, based on twin occupancy
Single Room Supplement: \$1220

Air departure tax, fuel and surcharges subject to change until entire group is confirmed and ticketed

Tour Includes:

- Exclusive transport by luxury motorcoach with a driver, assistants, local guides, and tour director (05-12Aug)
- Meet and greet service with one group transfer upon arrival and departure at the airport
- Hotel accommodation based on twin bedded rooms with private bath as listed for 11 nights
- Full breakfasts (11)
- Dinners (5):
 Table d'hôte dinners(3) Set menu chosen in advance
 Scottish evening in Edinburgh
 Pub in York
- Guided tours of Bath, Edinburgh & London
- Scenic cruise on Lake Windermere
- Entrance to the Quilt Show in Birmingham

- Guided walking tour of York
- Changing of the Guard (if available)
- Independent Hop On-Hop Off Bus Tour of London
- Visits and admission fees to:

Highclere Castle Stonehenge Roman Baths Old Gingerbread Shop Old Blacksmith Shop Edinburgh Castle York Minster York Quilt Museum Althorp House Tower of London V&A Museum

- Hotel porterage, service charges and government taxes
- Flight bags, ticket wallets, baggage tags and identifying strap

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This tour is subject to CIE Tours' booking guidelines and cancellation penalties. Refer to General Conditions on website (cietours.com) or back cover of current brochure CST# 2021285-20.

GREAT BRITAIN TOUR —OUTLINE ITINERARY

SUN, AUG 2—UNITED STATES TO LONDON

Depart Louisville, KY and take an overnight flight across the Atlantic.

MON, AUG 3—LONDON ARRIVAL

After landing at London Airport, your CIE Tours local guide will welcome you to England and escort you to the motorcoach. Transfer to your hotel where the rest of the day is spent at leisure. You may wish to explore some of the many attractions that London has to offer using the included Hop on-Hop off pass. Tonight join your group for dinner.

OVERNIGHT: DOUBLETREE HILTON WESTMINSTER, LONDON

TUE, AUG 4—HIGHCLERE CASLTE & BAMPTON VILLAGE

This morning meet your local guide and enjoy a short drive through the English countryside to the visually astounding Highclere Castle. Set amidst 1,000 acres of spectacular parkland, the castle presents one of the finest examples of Victorian architecture in Britain. More recently the castle and surrounding gardens have played host to the hugely successful drama series Downton Abbey which is filmed on these grounds. After a guided tour of the castle, admiring splendid chandelier and paintings, travel to the small town of Bampton in Oxfordshire, the home of the fictitious Downton of Downton Abbey. Take an orientation tour of this beautiful town set in the Thames Valley, offering picturesque views of the surrounding countryside. The village itself was used for filming outdoor scenes. See St. Mary's Church and Library which serves as the entrance to the cottage hospital. After your tour, return to London, where the evening is free for individual pursuits and dining.

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WED, AUG 5-STONEHENGE & BATH HIGHLIGHTS

With your Tour Director, leave London and travel west to Salisbury Plain to visit Stone-henge, one of Britain's most important prehistoric monuments. This huge megalithic structure, probably of religious significance, was erected about 5,000 years ago. Continue west to Bath, a spa town which has been well known for its natural hot springs for almost 2,000 years since the Roman era. The fashion of "taking the waters" was revived in Regency times during the 18th century and many of the finest houses, streets and parks date from then. Enjoy a guided tour of Bath and visit the Roman Baths. Then visit the Country Threads and Patchwork and Wool Bath store before driving to your hotel and checking in. The rest of the evening is free for independent activities and dining.

OVERNIGHT: FRANCIS HOTEL, BATH THU, AUG 6—BIRMINGHAM QUILT SHOW

After breakfast travel north to Birmingham and attend the Quilt Show. After enjoying the event with your group drive a short distance to Sutton Coldfield. Upon arrival check into your hotel and enjoy some time to relax before dinner with your group. In the evening join your fellow travelers for dinner in the hotel restaurant.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT: NEW HALL HOTEL, SUTTON COLDFIELD

FRI, AUG 7—SCENIC CRUISE & OLD GINGERBREAD SHOP

Depart Sutton Coldfield and motor north through the Lake District. This region was made popular in the 19th century by the writings of Wordsworth who was inspired by the natural beauty of the area. Stop for a short scenic cruise on Lake Windermere. Then continue your journey passing to Grasmere and visit the Old Gingerbread House. The cottage was home to Sarah Nelson, who was well known for her famous gingerbread. Drive through Keswick with stops to admire the delightful lakes shimmering between the gentle hills. Journey on into Carlisle and check into your hotel. Freshen up before dinner with your group tonight.

DINNER & OVERNIGHT: HALLMARK HOTEL, CARLISLE SAT, AUG 8—OLD BLACKSMITH SHOP & EDINBURGH

This morning drive to the border town of Gretna Green. A place made famous by marriages performed at the blacksmith's forge. Watch a wedding reenactment and then travel through the pastoral Southern Uplands and into the capital city of Edinburgh. Check into your hotel and settle into your room before tonight's festivities. In

the evening attend a Scottish Evening where you can sample some Scottish specialties including haggis and enjoy a show with traditional music, bagpipes and singing. OVERNIGHT: GEORGE HOTEL, EDINBURGH

SUN, AUG 9—EDINBURGH SIGHTSEEING

After a hearty Scottish breakfast, set off on a tour of Scotland's capital city. Start your sightseeing with a drive through the heart of the city along Princes Street, famous for its shops on one side and gardens on the other. See the 18th century New Town with its broad streets, spacious squares and elegant town houses. Then drive along the Royal Mile and pass the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the official Scottish residence of Her Majesty The Queen. Then take a guided tour of the imposing Edinburgh Castle, perched high above the city on volcanic rock. The afternoon and evening are spent at leisure for you to browse, shop, sightsee and dine independently.

OVERNIGHT: GEORGE HOTEL, EDINBURGH

MON, AUG 10—YORK

Leave Edinburgh and travel across the border into England. Journey across Northumberland and the Yorkshire Moors to reach York. Upon arrival check into your hotel. You may wish to freshen up before dinner with your group at a local pub in York.

OVERNIGHT: MONKBAR HOTEL, YORK

TUE, AUG 11-YORK SIGHTSEEING & QUILT MUSEUM

Take a walking tour around the center to see the medieval walls and the Shambles, narrow streets where the houses almost touch. Visit the imposing York Minster, which was built between the 12th and the 15th century and is the largest Gothic church in England. A visit to the Central Tower offers excellent views over the city. Also view the Chapter Room, a beautiful and airy octagonal room. Begun in 1260 and completed in 1286 it is one of the oldest parts of the Minster. It was created as a meeting place for the Dean and Chapter of York Minster. After your tour visit the Quilt Museum and enjoy a behind the scenes chat with a curator. Then return to your hotel where the balance of the afternoon and evening are free for individual pursuits and dining.

OVERNIGHT: MONKBAR HOTEL, YORK

WED, AUG 12-ALTHORP HOUSE & LONDON

Leaving York drive south through the English countryside to Althorp and visit Althorp House. The Spencer family has called this home for 19 generations. The estate covers 13,000 acres and the house has 19 rooms that date back to 1508. After your visit motor southeast to London, check into your hotel and say goodbye to the Tour Director. Spend the evening at leisure for individual sightseeing, shopping, or dining. OVERNIGHT: COPTHORNE TARA HOTEL, LONDON

THU, AUG 13-LONDON SIGHTSEEING

With your local guide, take a full day guided tour of London's best-known landmarks to include the West End, Piccadilly Circus and Trafalgar Square. Drive by the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben and see visit Westminster Abbey with its glorious medieval architecture and impressive tombs and monuments to some of Britain's greatest public figures. Witness the Changing of the Guard (if available), this famous ceremony consists of a colorful display of pageantry by the Foot Guards of the Household division of the Army, the Queen's personal guard. Horse Guards Parade is London's largest single open space, built in 1745 to house the old palace guards. Today, the guards are changed at the top of Horse Guards Parade every hour on the striking of the clock, a ceremony well worth seeing. Then visit the famous Tower of London where you can see the Crown Jewels, closely guarded by the Beefeaters. Next, enjoy a one hour guided tour of the Victoria and Albert Museum which dates back to 1852 and houses the world's largest collection of art and design. The evening is free for more sightseeing, relaxing, shopping and independent dining.

OVERNIGHT: COPTHORNE TARA HOTEL, LONDON

FRI, AUG 14—RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES

Today your vacation has come to its final day. Transfer to London Airport in plenty of time to check in for your transatlantic flight.

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