

YALE ALUMNI (1963) - TOUR OF THE BRITISH ISLES
ENGLAND, WALES, SCOTLAND AND IRELAND
20 Days London/London SEPTEMBER 10TH- 30TH, 2016



England: Journey through the lands of kings, queens, and leprechauns! Begin in London with two overnights and guided sightseeing that features Parliament, Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, and visits to St. Paul's Cathedral and the Changing of the Guard. Depart the city to admire the breathtaking gardens at Henry VIII's Hampton Court Palace, then venture on to prehistoric Stonehenge, picturesque Salisbury, and the Roman excavations at Bath.

Wales: Cross into Wales and spend the night in Newport, then to the Welsh capital of Cardiff

Ireland: Ferry across the Irish Sea to the Emerald Isle. Highlights include a guided visit of the House of Waterford Crystal, Blarney, the resort town of Killarney, the Ring of Kerry, Limerick, the Irish National Stud in Kildare, and an orientation drive in Dublin that includes St. Patrick's Cathedral and Trinity College. Then drive north and stay over in Belfast Northern Ireland.

Scotland: Ferry across the North Channel to Cairnryan on Scotland's southwest coast. Drive through scenic Scottish countryside to Edinburgh. Visit Edinburgh Castle and Holyrood Palace, and enjoy an evening of Scottish Highland dancers.

England: On our way back to London, stops include the impressive gothic York Minster. Explore Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon and visit beautiful Blenheim Palace. Return to London for two more days of tours and personal time. We will also enjoy some West End Theatre, a special tour of the U.S. Embassy, and a Y63 Euro-Reunion Gala Reception event. Then visit Windermere in the Lake District.

Cost: \$6,500 per person double occupancy includes \$6,000 travel insurance per person. The full cost is inexpensive for a 20-day tour of this quality, less than 50% of comparable college alumni tours. Not included: Airfare to/from London. All lunches, five dinners (to allow personal choices), pre-dinner cocktail hour. Deduct \$700 if not taking the three day Lake District tour.

Deposits:

\$500 per person
Balance \$6,000 (or \$5,300) per person, due May 1, 2016.
Deposits are refundable only through travel insurance.
The tour is limited to the first 40 who commit with deposits.
Tour sponsor: Yale Class of 1963
Tour Agent: Gardner Travel
Tour Operator: GlobusBritain
Tour/Fiscal Sponsor: Charity Enablers Foundation 501c3
www.lff1.org dba The Larson Family Foundation
Tour Directors: Jon Larson, Jim Thompson



Professional local Tour Guides with local experience, plus one overall guide included.

Luggage: All baggage handling pre-arranged. One full size suitcase plus one flexible carry-on per person.

Transportation: by First Class motorcoach. A/C, Wi-Fi, smoke free. Same driver throughout. Upholstered, reclining seats with headrests and individual air-conditioning vents. A high-fidelity sound system broadcasts professional Tour Director's commentary to every seat. Our custom of daily seat rotation gives everyone a variety of vantage points to see the passing countryside and city scenes. Emergency only W/C onboard.

Superior Hotels: 4 star. Local, traditional, comfortable, proximity to sites visited, twin bedded rooms w private bath/shower, all baggage handling included.

LONDON - Hilton London Metropole (SF), NEWPORT - Hilton (F), GRAINVILL - Granville Hotel (F), KILLARNEY - Killarney Avenue (SF), DUBLIN - Royal Marine Hotel (SF), BELFAST - Europa (SF) EDINBURGH - Hilton Grosvenor (F), WINDERMERE - MacDonald Old England (F), YORK - Holiday Inn (F) or Mercure York Fairfield Manor (F) STRATFORD-UPON-AVON - Holiday Inn (SF), LONDON - Park Plaza Westminster Bridge (SF) HEATHROW - Marriott (F) HOTELS - (SF) Superior First-Class * (F) First-Class

Dining Highlights: Included: Full English breakfasts; ten three-course dinners with choice of menus, welcome dinner receptions in London and Newport, and a Y63 Euro-Reunion Gala Reception in London.

TOUR ITINERARY

(Subject to minor changes)

September 10 **Travel Day Saturday**

Depart U.S. Most flights are overnight. Depart U.S. afternoon. Lose a calendar day. Arrive morning to noon on the 11th. You lose five hours from the East Coast and eight hours from the West Coast.

September 11 **Arrive in London, England Sunday**

Welcome to London! Evening welcome Cocktails and Dinner at the Hilton London Metropole.

September 12 **London**

Morning sightseeing with a Local Guide includes all the famous landmarks: the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben beside the Thames River, Westminster Abbey, Whitehall's mounted horse guards and the Prime Minister's Downing Street, Piccadilly Circus, and Buckingham Palace. Highlights are a visit to St. Paul's Cathedral and the ceremonial pageantry of the Changing of the Guard, if held. This afternoon, excursion to the Tower of London and Windsor Castle. Dinner cruise on the Thames River.

September 13 **London -> Stonehenge -> Bath -> Newport, Wales**

Meet our Tour Director and traveling companions, and depart London at 8 am for a memorable day of sightseeing: a special visit to admire the breathtaking Ornamental Gardens of Henry VIII's Hampton Court Palace; prehistoric Stonehenge, with its stunning new visitor center; and in the elegant Georgian city of Bath, the amazing excavations of the Roman Baths. Cross the Severn River into Wales, and tonight, enjoy a special welcome dinner with wine at our hotel, the Newport Hilton..

September 14 **Newport -> Cardiff -> Waterford, Ireland**

An orientation in the Welsh capital features the major attractions: Cardiff Castle, Cathays Park, and the stately civic buildings. Continue along the South Wales coast to Fishguard, where our ferry is waiting. Sail across St. George's Channel to Rosslare and proceed by coach to Waterford, a stronghold founded by the Danish Vikings in 853. Cocktails and dinner at the Granville Hotel in Waterford.

September 15 **Waterford -> Blarney -> Killarney**

A guided tour of the House of Waterford Crystal. Via the port city of Cork, motor to Blarney, renowned for its magical Kissing Stone, then on to Killarney for a two-night stay. Later, join an entertaining evening in Tralee with dinner followed by tickets for the Siamsa Tire National Folk Theatre.

September 16 **Killarney. Ring of Kerry Excursion**

Follow the road known as the Ring of Kerry for a spectacular 100-mile panoramic drive around the island's southwestern tip and take our photos of the Lakes of Killarney from Ladies View. This afternoon, a traditional fun-filled horse-drawn Jaunting wagon ride.

September 17 **Killarney -> Adare -> Cashel -> Kildare -> Dublin**

Drive to quaint Adare with its colorful thatched cottages and on to the Rock of Cashel, where St. Patrick preached. Then, visit the Irish National Stud, whose fine thoroughbreds command respect on the racecourses of the world. Tonight, enjoy an Irish cabaret evening, including dinner, dance, and song.

September 18 **Dublin**

Get an overview of Ireland's capital as you drive to statue-lined O'Connell Street, elegant Georgian squares, St. Patrick's Cathedral, and Oscar Wilde's Trinity College. The afternoon is at leisure for you to enjoy this vibrant city. Dinner and evening tour at the Guinness Storehouse.

September 19 **Dublin -> Belfast, Northern Ireland**

Set in 250 acres of park land, and formerly both fortress and private home of the Talbot family for nearly 800 years, our first visit is at Malahide Castle. Join our guide on a tour of the castle with its interesting mix of architectural styles, then stroll through the extensive gardens. On our way to Northern Ireland, cross the Boyne River and drive on to Belfast for a visit of the fascinating Titanic Exhibition, where you learn all about the building of the largest passenger steam ship, its maiden voyage, and the tragic night of April 14, 1912.

September 20 **Belfast -> Edinburgh, Scotland**

First thing this morning, a "Living History" tour in the company of a Local Guide. See all the famous landmarks, including the Parliament House at Stormont, City Hall, the Albert Memorial Clock Tower, and Queens University. Next, board our ferry to cross the North Channel to Cairnryan on Scotland's southwest coast and continue through the scenic Scottish border country to Edinburgh. Tonight, enjoy our Scottish evening with Highland dancers, bagpipers, dinner and the Robert Burns Ceremony of the Haggis.

September 21 **Edinburgh**

Morning city sightseeing with a local guide introduces you to the 200-year-old “New Town” and famous scientists, inventors, and novelists who lived there. In the “Old Town,” drive up the narrow Royal Mile to Edinburgh Castle to admire Scotland’s Crown Jewels, then explore HolyRood Palace (when available). Tour of the Glenkintchie Scotch Distillery and a demonstration of sheep herding by special border collies at Carcant Farm in the Moorfoot Hills. Visit the Royal Yacht Britannia. Cocktails and dinner at the Edinburgh Hilton Grosvenor.

September 22 **Edinburgh -> York**

In York, England’s most complete medieval city, visit York Minster, the largest gothic cathedral in Northern Europe. Then, follow our Tour Director through a maze of quaint streets, including the narrow Shambles.

September 23 **York -> Coventry -> Stratford-Upon-Avon**

In Coventry, view the splendid modern cathedral that rose from the rubble of severe World War II bombings, and in Stratford-upon-Avon, take our pictures of Anne Hathaway’s Cottage and visit Shakespeare’s birthplace.

September 24 **Stratford-Upon-Avon -> London**

Today’s spectacular highlight is a guided tour of magnificent Blenheim Palace, home of the 11th Duke of Marlborough and birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill. End the tour in style with a glass of champagne while looking out over the Water Terraces. Depart after lunch and return to London at about 3:30 pm. Enjoy dinner plus one of the great West End Theatre shows in the evening.

September 25 **London** Sunday

Open all day. Personal time. We suggest London sightseeing by Big Red double Bus hop-on hop-off tour of local museums and sites all located in our hotel area of London using a London Pass including: -National Gallery, -Royal Academy of Arts, -Royal Albert Hall, - Science Museum, - National History Museum, -British Museum, -National Gallery, and -Churchill War Rooms. Attend an uproarious Medieval Banquet with entertainment in the evening, with costumes available. Brush up your Shakespeare.

September 26 **London** Monday

Morning open. Afternoon. West End Theatre Matinee. Tour of the U.S. Embassy Evening Y63 Euro-Reunion Gala Reception/Dinner at the Savile Club, established in 1868 by a group of the most distinguished writers and artists of the time, a fine 18th Century house in the heart of Mayfair, whose air of elegant exclusivity reflects the uniquely creative ambiance which is preserved in the Savile Club.

September 27 **London** Tuesday

For some, our Tour ends. Morning flights back home. Arrive home the same day. Gain five hours to the East Coast and eight hours to the West Coast. The others will continue the tour for another three days to the Lake District.

September 27 London -> Lake District Tuesday

Others who choose will take an optional three day tour extension though the English Lake District. Morning take a comfortable train north from London through the beautiful countryside to Bowness-on-Windermere in the Lake District. Afternoon area tour by mini-vans including the home of Beatrix Potter, a cruise on Lake Windermere, and a ride on the Lakeside and Haverthwaite steam engine train. Stay at the historic MacDonald Old England Hotel and Spa.

September 28 Lake District Wednesday

Take a mini-bus tour of the many beautiful lakes and sights of the area including the Aira Force nature trail. Visit homes of great English authors including William Wordsworth. Stay at the historic MacDonald Old England Hotel and Spa.

September 29 Lake District -> London Thursday

Thursday afternoon return via train to London and direct to a stay over at the Marriott at Heathrow Airport.

September 30 Travel Day Friday

Morning flights back home. Arrive home the same day. Gain 5 hours to the East Coast, 8 hours to the West Coast.

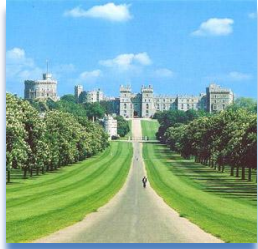
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London:



Thames River cruise A Taste of London. Combine a traditional London pub experience with a relaxed river cruise on the Thames, viewing some of the capital's most beautiful illuminated sights. Enjoy a three-course dinner with several local menu choices, including fish and chips and steak and ale pie at an historic London pub in the City of London. Following dinner you will enjoy scenic views from the comfort of your private cruiser. Highlights include Tower Bridge, St. Paul's and the Houses of Parliament, with guide commentary as you cruise along the River Thames



Windsor Castle, is the oldest and largest occupied castle in the world. One of the official residences of Queen Elizabeth II the castle is still used regularly for ceremonial and state occasions. Visit the magnificent State Apartments furnished with priceless works of art by Holbein, Rembrandt, Rubens and Van Dyck. See St. George's Chapel the burial place of ten monarchs including Henry VIII and Charles I.



Buckingham Palace and the Royal Mews Buckingham Palace serves as both the office and London residence of Her Majesty The Queen. During August and September when the Queen makes her annual visit to Scotland, the Palace's state rooms are open to visitors. These are the heart of the Palace, lavishly furnished with some of the greatest treasures from the Royal Collection which are used for ceremonial occasions and official entertaining. Before entry to the Palace you will visit the Royal Mews, one of the finest working stables still in existence. See the State vehicles, both horse-drawn carriages and cars, used for coronations, royal weddings and State Visits, including the magnificent Gold State Coach which has been used for every coronation since 1821 and last used for The Queen's Golden Jubilee in 2002.



Tower of London and Crown Jewels The Tower of London is one of the most famous historic buildings in the world. Built by William the Conqueror in 1066-1067, it has been guarded by Yeoman Warders (popularly known as the Beefeaters) since the 14th century. It has been a fortress, a royal palace, a prison, a place of execution, and an armory. It is most famously known as the home to the priceless Crown Jewels, including the solid gold crown used at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, the Imperial State Crown and Sovereigns Sceptre, the incredible Cullinan diamonds, and the Koh-i-Noor.



U.S. Embassy

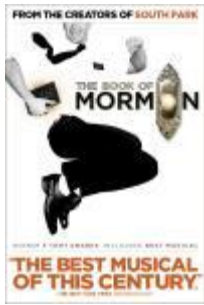
We will have a tour of the embassy, a private briefing on US/UK relations and key issues of common concern and, if possible, a courtesy call on Ambassador Barzun



Savile Club - Yale 1963 Euro-Reunion Gala Reception/Dinner

Established in 1868 by a group of the most distinguished writers and artists of the time, this fine 18th Century house in the heart of Mayfair projects an air of elegant exclusivity which reflects the uniquely creative ambiance preserved in the Club.





West End Theatre: Enjoy any of the many musicals available to us. Here are the preferences in our survey to date.



Medieval Banquet:

Spend an evening enjoying a sumptuous repast from times long ago; costumes optional, Monumental Merriment, Mead and Mirth to share by all. Photo op with the King and Queen. Saucy wenches for the men and handsome blokes for the ladies galore.

Dublin:



Guinness Storehouse

Guinness is known the world over. Located in the heart of the St James's Gate Brewery, the Guinness Storehouse, a former fermentation plant, has been remodeled into the shape of a giant pint of Guinness. This visit will teach you everything about the world famous beer: from how Guinness is made, to the ancient craft of barrel making in the cooperage. The highlight is the 7th floor Gravity Bar, where you will sample a pint of "the black stuff" and enjoy the breathtaking views across Dublin City. Round the evening off with an excellent buffet dinner with wine.



Traditional Irish Cabaret Evening

The enchanting evening starts with a four-course dinner with wine and a traditional Irish coffee. Then enjoy an evening of quality entertainment, celebrating the best of everything Irish in comedy, music, song & dance from Ireland's leading entertainers. Enjoy a lively blend of traditional Irish dance, ballads and tunes. The dancers thrill audiences as they twirl and tap with exuberance to the musical accompaniment of the accordion, uilleann pipes, guitar and piano. A fun and unforgettable evening.

Killarney



Jaunting Car Ride through the National Park

When visiting Killarney, a gentle jaunting car ride should not be missed! Your "jarvey" will pick you up at the hotel and take you along Killarney National Park, Deer Park and on to Ross Castle on the shores of Lough Lein. There is time to take photographs of the restored 15th century castle in picture perfect setting, before taking a different route back to your hotel. All along the way, the driver will regale you with stories, anecdotes and local gossip.



Irish National Stud and Gardens

The Irish National Stud belongs to the people of Ireland but prides itself on being enjoyed and appreciated by visitors from all parts of the globe. Nowhere better symbolizes all that is great about County Kildare, the beating heart of Ireland's thoroughbred industry, than the stud, a unique attraction of outstanding natural beauty that is home to some of the most magnificent horses and sumptuous gardens to be found anywhere in the world.



Killarney Pub Evening

There is no better way to experience rural Ireland than to visit a traditional pub on this pre-dinner excursion. A scenic drive will take you to a traditional inn where live music is played. Join the locals in a bit of 'craic' while you enjoy two drinks of your choice and listen to some typical Irish music and songs.



Siamsa Tire National Folk Theatre Performance

Irish entertainment in its purest form. This unique experience begins with a visit to Ireland's famous Rose town, Tralee, where you enjoy dinner with wine at a local restaurant. Then, take your seats at the Siamsa Tire National Folk Theatre where the legendary heritage of Ireland is re-enacted in compelling songs and dance. This theater does a truly magnificent job of re-creating Ireland's Celtic roots with glorious visual, musical and magical productions.

Edinburgh



Royal Yacht Britannia Excursion & Dinner

Enjoy a visit to the former Royal Yacht Britannia, which was used on over 700 overseas visits and sailed over a million nautical miles. Having served royalty and prime ministers and hosted presidents, the last commissioned royal yacht offers a rare opportunity to explore areas not normally seen on a conventional visit to a royal residence; from the bridge through the private and state apartments, from the officer and crew quarters to the engine room. After the visit, dine at a fine local restaurant.



Scottish Evening with Bagpipers and the Ceremony of the Haggis

No visit to Scotland's capital city would be complete without joining a Scottish evening. A piper welcomes you in traditional Scottish style, then savor a delicious four-course banquet with wine and let your host lead you through an evening of music, song and dance culminating in the traditional Ceremony of the Haggis and the joint singing of 'Auld Lang Syne' written by Robert Burns.



Glenkinchie Distillery

lies in a glen of the Kinchie Burn near the village of Pencaitland, East Lothian about 15 miles from Edinburgh. Its origins date back to around 1825 when it was founded by brothers John and George Rate. The brothers probably renamed it in about 1837. In 1969 the distillery stopped malting its own grain and the malting floors were turned into a museum of malt whisky. The Glenkinchie label was relatively little known until 1989, when United Distillers started marketing it under their *Classic Malts* brand.



Sheep herding demonstration at Nethill Border Collies

Julie Hill has worked with Border Collies since 1982 and, since then, she has bred & trained a number of highly successful sheepdogs, both for farming and the trial field. She is a well known competitor and judge at sheepdog trials. She is renowned for becoming the first and, currently only, woman to win the prestigious Supreme International Championship, and also one of the few people (either man or woman) who has won the International Brace Championship as well as the Supreme. Over the years, she has developed The Natural Way for training sheepdogs and she has taught this method at training clinics and to individual handlers across the world. Carcant Farm is set in the scenic Moorfoot hills only 25 miles from Edinburgh in Scotland. It is an ideal place for training

sheepdogs as it has a variety of different terrains that range from smaller fields for inexperienced dogs to rugged hills and undulating moors that will test an experienced sheepdog to the highest level.

Stratford-on-Avon



Afternoon Tea in the Cotswolds

A drive into the rolling countryside of the Cotswolds Hills with its villages of honey-colored stone cottages and thatched roofs. Hear about rural England, its traditions and its folklore while savoring some of the finest scenery we have to offer. The area is well known for gentle hills, outstanding countryside with river valleys, sleepy ancient limestone villages, historic market towns and for being so 'typically English' where time has stood still for centuries. Enjoy scones with clotted cream, jam and freshly brewed tea.



Blenheim Palace is a monumental country house situated in Woodstock, Oxfordshire, England. It was the principal residence of the dukes of Marlborough, and the only non-royal non-episcopal country house in England to hold the title of palace. It is unique in its combined usage as a family home, mausoleum and national monument. The palace is also notable as the birthplace and ancestral home of Sir Winston Churchill.



Waterford



House of Waterford Crystal

Factory tour. The range and reach of Waterford Crystal has flourished to global proportions, yet the heart and soul of the company remains in the city of Waterford, Ireland. Here you will find the House of Waterford Crystal, a cultural landmark and tourist destination that is also an industrious manufacturing facility and the birthplace of Waterford Crystal's finest works. Using the traditional methods of mouth blowing, hand finishing, sculpting and engraving, the artisans of the House of Waterford Crystal melt over 750 tons of crystal per year to produce more than 45,000 high-end crystal creations. In addition to a full cadre of skilled and accomplished craftspeople, the House of Waterford Crystal also employs the talents of a team of celebrated designers who,

with artistic vision and years of crystal making expertise, create crystal designs with the unmistakable essence that inhabits every new piece of Waterford Crystal.

The Ring of Kerry The Ring of Kerry is a scenic drive around the Iveragh Peninsula in southwest Ireland's County Kerry. Its 180 km-long, circular route takes in rugged and verdant coastal landscapes and rural seaside villages through some of the most beautiful countryside in the world.



Personal time. We allow for London sightseeing by Big Red double decker hop-on hop-off buses which conveniently stop near our London hotel. They follow prescribed routes which take you direct to museums and sites throughout London. We provide a two day London Pass with discounts for the bus and many of the tour stops below. No official tour guides are provided. The hotel concierge will assist you. Pick and choose your own pace and agenda including but not limited to:

- National Gallery, -Royal Academy of Arts, -Victoria and Albert Museum, - Science Museum,
- British Museum, - Natural History Museum, -Churchill War Rooms, - Covent Gardens
- Westminster Abbey, - St. Paul's Cathedral, - West End Theatre



National Gallery



Royal Academy of Arts



Royal Albert Hall



Victoria and Albert Museum



Science Museum



British Museum



Natural History Museum



Churchill War Rooms



Covent Garden



Westminster Abbey



St. Paul's Cathedral



Westminster Bridge (near our hotel)



Big Ben, Parliament, London Eye

More guided tour stops outside London:



Henry VIII's Hampton Court Palace



Roman excavations in Bath



Limerick



Stonehenge



Blarney



Trinity College Dublin



Edinburgh Castle



Holyrood Palace Edinburgh



St. Patrick's Cathedral Dublin

Our Transportation:



Ferries across the Irish Sea



Globus MotorCoach



British Rail to the Lake District



Taxi Cab



London Red Bus



Lake Ferry

Our Hotels:



LONDON - Park Plaza Westminster



LONDON - Hilton Metropole



NEWPORT - Hilton



WATERFORD - Granville



KILLARNEY - Killarney Avenue



DUBLIN - Royal Marine



BELFAST - Europa



EDINBURGH - Hilton Grosvenor



YORK - Mercure Fairfield Manor



STRATFORD-ON-AVON Holiday Inn



WINDERMERE-MacDonald Old England



HEATHROW - Marriott

Y63 British Isles Tour 2016 – the English Lake District September 27-30

Tour extension: Cost: \$700 per person, double occupancy

The Lake District, a region and national park in northwest England, is a popular holiday destination. It's known for its glacial ribbon lakes, rugged fell mountains and historic literary associations. Market towns such as Kendal, Keswick and Ambleside are bases for exploring the area and home to traditional inns, galleries of local art, sightseeing and dining.

September 27 London => Lake District Tuesday - our tour ends early for some with flights back to the U.S. The rest of us will take a three day tour northwest to the English Lake District. Morning take a comfortable train north from London through the beautiful countryside to Bowness-on-Windermere. Check into our hotel, the historic MacDonald Old England Hotel and Spa. Afternoon guided tour of the area including home of Beatrix Potter.

September 28 Lake District Wednesday - take an all day mini-van tour of the many lakes and sights of the area. Visit homes of great English authors including Henry Wadsworth. Enjoy an Ullswater Lake steamer boat ride and a ride on a historic small gauge Lakeside & Haverthwaite Railway.

September 29 Lake District => London Thursday - morning relax and enjoy our last day of our tour. Afternoon return via train to London and direct to a stay over at the Marriott at Heathrow Airport where we will enjoy our last cocktail reception and dinner together.

September 30 Friday - morning flights back home. Shuttles available from the hotel to meet your flight schedule. You will most likely arrive home the same day. You gain five hours to the East Coast and eight hours to the West Coast.

Tour Highlights - private driver guided tours through the Lake District via mini-van:

This private tour is designed to take us back in time to appreciate a Lake District that was far removed from the popular visitor destination of today. A time when farming was the most important industry, roads were made of dirt and transport was by horse and carriage, steam trains and lake steamers. This was the Lakeland of Beatrix Potter - a landscape of small fields, herdwick sheep, whitewashed farms and stunning scenery.

Windermere - a stunning view of the largest lake in England, Tarn Hows - a famous beauty spot once owned by Beatrix Potter, Coniston Water, Near Sawrey, Hawkshead - a lovely Lakeland village with the Beatrix Potter gallery, Esthwaite Water, Lakeside and Haverthwaite steam railway, Windermere lake cruise.

Our driver guides will show us small villages, beautiful lakes and quiet viewpoints including a visit to Beatrix Potter's home at Hill Top in the small village of Near Sawrey with time to explore the little village of Hawkshead, a maze of narrow streets and whitewashed buildings.



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