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# Coach Holidays and Self Drive Breaks

January 2022 - December 2022





# Welcome to the ALFATRAVEL BROCHURE

**Hello...** and a warm welcome to the second edition of our **2022 brochure**, featuring a handpicked collection of holidays to the UK and Ireland's finest seaside destinations, with amazing included excursions and seasonal offers – all designed to make memories that will last a lifetime.

As the UK's only Employee Owned Travel Group, our team of 'Alfa Travel Memory makers' have been busy designing a fantastic new range of holiday experiences within the UK and Ireland especially with our customers in mind. Working with our very own 3 AA star rated Leisureplex Hotels and carefully selected Alfa preferred partner hotels, our unique range of tours take in some of the 'must see' destinations from the world-famous to those magical 'hidden gems'.

Explore the spectacular Scottish Highlands, enjoy a relaxing seaside break or choose from our widest ever range of exciting Special Events, Christmas Markets, or new Warner Leisure Hotel Breaks, or why not celebrate with the Alfa Leisureplex family with our range of tempting festive, Christmas & New Year breaks?

Our experience and heritage means we are truly trusted by our customers who book with us again and again, and as an employee owned business that's something that makes us all very proud.

Don't forget, there is so much included all year round with Alfa Travel, meaning our holidays truly are great value for money whatever time of year you choose to travel. With lots of single rooms available, no hidden charges for seats or pick ups and a fantastic range of 20 destinations to choose from with Leisureplex hotels, plus a whole host of tempting partner breaks, what more reason do you need to get away.

Whether you have travelled with us before or are looking to holiday with us for the first time, with a wide range of local pick up points to choose from, we invite you to browse our tempting range of holidays so you can experience the 'Alfa Difference' for yourself. We look forward to welcoming you on board in 2022 and thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes, the Alfa Team

















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# **BOOKING WITH ALFA MADE EASY**

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Book at your convenience on our website

alfatravel.co.uk

Call our friendly reservations team on

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01257 248000

or email us on reservations@alfatravel.co.uk

Why not search and book your holiday from the comfort of your own home.



# Our offices are open:

Mon-Fri: 8.30am - 6.30pm, Saturday: 9am - 5pm,

Sundays & Bank Holidays: 10am - 4pm.

#### Visit an approved Travel Agent

We have an extensive range of partner travel agents within your local area, who will be able to guide you through your booking.

#### WHAT IS EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP?

Our business is majority owned by a trust operated on behalf of our employees. This means that each and every one of our drivers, interchange, hotel and central office teams equally benefit from the success of our business. We believe this is what makes the Alfa Leisureplex difference, with every one of our employee owners dedicated to going that extra mile to provide you with a memorable holiday experience.

THE ALFA TRAVEL COMMUNITY
Why not become an 'Alfan' and join
our Facebook Group, search 'Alfa Travel
Community Group' on Facebook to join
your fellow Alfa holidaymakers.



# ALFA PEACE OF MIND COVID GUARANTEE

With Alfa you can book your holiday with confidence, safe in the knowledge that if you have to cancel your holiday due to having to self isolate with Covid-19 symptoms or subject to a local lockdown or you are contacted by 'Test and Trace' and advised to self isolate, you can move your holiday departure date free of charge to another date in the future. \*We strongly recommend that customers obtain an insurance policy which covers against cancellation and medical expenses if you fall ill whilst on holiday.

#### **COVID PROCEDURES**

The safety of our customers and employee owners will always be our number one priority and that is why we have introduced a range of new processes and procedures as a result of the Covid outbreak.

You can find our Covid Secure operating procedures by visiting our website, which is regularly updated as the guidance evolves. You can also call our reservations team who will be happy to answer any queries you have. Details of the latest procedures will be posted out with your tickets prior to departure.

# FINANCIAL SECURITY STATEMENT

The combination of travel services offered to you is a package within the meaning of the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018.

Therefore, you will benefit from all rights applying to packages; Alfa Travel will be fully responsible for the proper performance of the package as a whole.

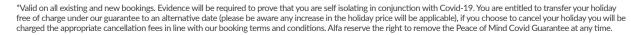
Additionally, as required by law, Alfa Travel have protection in place to refund your payments and, where transport is included in the package, to ensure your repatriation in the event that they become insolvent. Alfa Travel are members of the Bonded Coach Holiday Group, overseen by The Association of Bonded Travel Organisers Trust Limited. This is a government approved consumer protection scheme.

This ensures that in relation to the Coach and Self Drive holidays described in this brochure (or website) that a Bond, which may be called upon in the unlikely event of the members Insolvency, protects the clients' monies.

Clients are recommended to inspect the current membership certificate at our registered office or alternatively go to www.bch-uk.org or telephone 0207 7065 5316 to confirm current membership.

See alfatravel.co.uk for full terms and conditions or see page 81.







# ENJOY YOUR STAY WITH Leisureplex HOLIDAY HOTELS

The majority of the holidays featured in this brochure stay at one of our very own 3 AA star Leisureplex Hotels. There are so many reasons to choose one of our amazing Leisureplex Hotels for your stay on your next Alfa Holiday. From a warm welcome on arrival, to the very last minute of your stay, our helpful team will be on hand to make your stay one to remember.

Our Leisureplex Hotels offer quality accommodation and premium service in some of the very best British seaside resorts, providing stunning views and the perfect location from which to explore the delights of the local town. Our Leisureplex Hotels are highlighted throughout the brochure with the Leisureplex logo to make them easy to identify.

Whether you prefer the stunning seascapes in Ilfracombe or the magnificent loch views in Fort William, there are so many fantastic resorts to choose from. Whichever Leisureplex hotel you choose, you can relax safe in the knowledge that you will receive the quality accommodation and premium service that comes with every Alfa holiday!

# HELPING YOU CHOOSE THE RIGHT HOTEL FOR YOU

Keep a look out for the icon keys throughout the brochure which will help you to easily identify which facilities are available at your chosen hotel.



The hotel has a lift



Entertainment Tea/Coffee on at least one evening bedroom



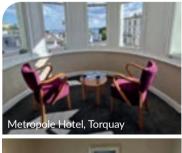
Wi-Fi at least in the public areas



The number of bedrooms in the hotel



GRADE	DESCRIPTION
<b>@ @</b>	Good standard of accommodation, perhaps with a smaller menu selection and limited entertainment
<b>000</b>	Very good standard of accommodation, equivalent to a 3 star standard, with choice of menu and usually entertainment
0000	Excellent accommodation, superb facilities and high standard of catering















# New

# LEISUREPLEX HOTEL REFURBISHMENTS

Whilst our hotels have been temporarily closed during the pandemic, we have taken advantage of the opportunity to complete a number of refurbishment projects across our Leisureplex Hotel estate.

From a new sun lounge at our Hydro Hotel in Llandudno, to newly refurbished bedrooms at a number of our hotels plus a newly redecorated lounge and public areas at our Croit Anna Hotel in Fort William, to name just a few.

Book to stay at one of our Leisureplex Hotels on your next holiday and you won't be disappointed!



# CATERING FOR YOUR NEEDS

We will do our best to cater for any special requirements you may have. If you, or any member of your party has any dietary requirements or medical issues which may affect your stay, please provide us with full details at the time of booking by calling 01257 248000 or emailing our Special Requirements team on special.requirements@alfatravel.co.uk. One of our team will guide you through some short questions to ascertain your needs and see whether these can be accommodated on your holiday. Please refer to section 6 of the booking conditions on page 81 for more details.

# **EXPLORE THE VERY BEST OF THE BRITISH** SEASIDE WITH LEISUREPLEX HOTELS

Set in some of the most iconic seaside resorts, many of our hotels offer stunning views and the perfect location from which to take an evening stroll or explore the delights of the local town. The often spectacular views from many of our Leisureplex Hotels only add to the enjoyment of your holiday and when you tire of exploring, they are a great base to refresh.

Leisureplex Hotels offer evening entertainment on most days during the week. All our hotels are large enough to provide both cosy relaxing lounge areas where you can enjoy a tranquil glass of wine or curl up with a book.



All Leisureplex Hotels have achieved the AA Covid Confident Accreditation. This is recognition for our improved procedures aimed at the combat of Covid-19.



All rooms in our Leisureplex hotels are en-suite and include flatscreen freeview TV's, tea and coffee making facilities and hairdryers. Wi-Fi is available in our public areas and bedrooms.

# **DINING IN LEISUREPLEX HOTELS**

We provide a full British Breakfast to start off the day and in the evening you can relax with our substantial menus which offer plenty of choice and a selection of wines. Don't forget you can take advantage of our great value meal deal, where we provide a picnic lunch for you to enjoy on vour travels.

## Example Leisureplex Menu

# Dinner Menu

#### STARTERS

Creamy Mushrooms with Garlic Bread (v) Seasonal Melon with Mixed Berries (ve) Vegetable Soup (v) Fruit Juice (apple/orange) (ve)

# MAIN COURSES

Roast Topside of Beef with Yorkshire Pudding & Pan Gravy Salmon with a Lemon Butter Sauce Chef's Dish of the Day (po) Traditional Nut Roast (v/po) Peppered Steak Style Pie (ve/po) All served with Roasted Potatoes, Cauliflower Cheese & Carrots Freshly Prepared Seasonal Salad Served with New Potatoes, Salad Dressing and a choice of Roast Ham, Roast Chicken, Cheese or Tuna

# **PUDDINGS**

Apple Crumble (v) Sherry Trifle (v) Cheese & Biscuits (v) • Ice Cream (v) Fruit Salad (ve) • Chef's Vegan Option (ve/po)

# TEA & COFFEE

(v) = Vegetarian, (ve) = Vegan, (po) = Pre-order

# Breakfast Menu

# **BEVERAGES & TOAST**

Selection of Chilled Fruit Juices Tea & Coffee, including a selection of Fruit & Herbal Teas White or Wholemeal Toast

### **STARTERS**

Grapefruit Segments, Yoghurt, Prunes, Wheat Biscuits, Muesli, Cornflakes, Fruit & Fibre or Scottish Porridge Oats

# MAIN COURSES

Traditional British Breakfast with fried, scrambled or poached eggs, grilled bacon, pork sausage, hash brown, tomato, fried bread and baked beans Vegetarian Breakfast (v) with fried, scrambled or poached eggs, vegetarian sausage, hash brown, tomato, fried bread and baked beans Vegan Breakfast (ve) with vegan sausage, hash brown, tomato, fried bread and baked beans Lightly Poached Smoked Fish Cold Ham & 2 Fried Eggs Cold Ham & Cheese Selection Fruit Salad (v) = Vegetarian, (ve) = Vegan, (po) = Pre-order







# GREAT HOTELS IN GREAT LOCATIONS

most of the region you're visiting. Most holidays are to our own group of Leisureplex Hotels, which are highlighted in our brochure with the Leisureplex symbol and we also work with a

Our Alfa Preferred Partner Breaks offer the chance to explore a whole host of destinations whether you are looking to tick off that bucket list 'must do' holiday destination or simply

# Welcome to ALFA TRAVEL



Take the stress out of your holiday travel arrangements and choose a break with **Alfa Travel**. From the moment you make your first enquiry, to the last day of your holiday, our dedicated team of employee owners will help make it an **experience to remember**.



# **ALFA TAKES STEPS FOR A GREENER FUTURE**

As a business we are always striving to reduce our environmental impact. Coach travel is already the greenest way to travel, with one coach taking up to 50 cars off the road and producing 8 times lower carbon emissions than flying and 1.3 times lower carbon emissions than rail travel. When you stay in one of our Leisureplex Hotels, our electricity is provided via carbon neutral renewable sources and we also have solar panels powering our offices. This brochure offsets its carbon footprint, via the World Land Trust by protecting critically threatened tropical forest. We strive for continual improvement in this area looking to recycle as much waste as possible and looking for further ways to reduce our environmental impact.











Whether it's a birthday or anniversary or just a special treat for a loved one, to make your celebration even more memorable why not add one of our celebration packs to your booking. From a bouquet of flowers, to a glass of prosecco, a box of chocolate or a selection of snacks, our NEW celebration packs will be delivered to your room prior to your arrival to mark your special occasion and make it a celebratory break to remember. Our celebration packs must be purchased prior to your arrival by contacting our reservations team on telephone: 01257 248000, email: reservations@alfatravel.co.uk.

- > CELEBRATION PACK 1: Bouquet of flowers £35
- > CELEBRATION PACK 2: Prosecco and luxury chocolates £25
- > CELEBRATION PACK 3: Assortment of snacks £10
  Includes 2 packets of crisps, 2 packets of nuts, 2 chocolate bars, 2 biscuits, 2 cans of soft drink, 2 bottles of still water.

Available at Leisureplex Hotels only. Image is for illustration purposes only, actual contents may vary.

# **SOLO TRAVELLERS**

Whether you're thinking of taking your first solo holiday, or even if you're a seasoned independent traveller, our holidays offer you the perfect opportunity to experience the very best of the UK. With lots of solo travellers choosing to holiday with Alfa, you can share our amazing holidays with like-minded people, making friends along the way.

With no single supplements across our Leisureplex Hotels from October to April and a low supplement across the other months, we have been making more single rooms available across our range of tours. We also offer double rooms for solo use for just half the usual supplement from October to April.

If you can't find the room you are looking for, please contact our friendly reservations team who will do their best to accommodate your needs.

\*For more details on our Single Saver offers please see page 8.

# **SELF DRIVE BREAKS**

If a coach holiday isn't for you then perhaps you can take advantage of one of our unbeatable value for money Self Drive Hotel Break packages which offer varying locations to choose from as well as a fabulous selection of locations to explore throughout the UK. You can make your own way to the hotel, explore the resort at your leisure, yet still be reassured you will receive the quality accommodation and premium service that comes with every Alfa holiday.

All Self Drive holidays are to our own Leisureplex Hotels which are in superb locations and are perfectly placed to ensure you make the most of the resort you are visiting. Plus, with varying durations to choose form, the difficult bit will be deciding where to go first.

# EASTER WEEKENDERS

# THE PERFECT TIME TO ESCAPE TO THE SEASIDE

Make your Easter one to remember with our fantastic 3 night breaks departing on Good Friday, 15th April 2022 and returning on Easter Monday, 18th April 2022.

Easter is the perfect time to escape to one of our lovely seaside resorts. Plus, don't forget there are lots of little extras that Alfa includes on our holidays that make them great value for money!

# **4 Day Easter Weekenders**

Denarts	15th An	ril 2022	Returns	19th A	pril 2022

Resort	Hotel	Code	Half Day Excu	Price			
Great Yarmouth	New Beach	4260	Cromer	Aldeburgh	£219		
Blackpool	Queens	4305	Lytham	Fleetwood	£199		
Llandudno	Hydro	4350	Conwy	Betws-y-Coed	£219		
Criccieth	George IV	4365	Caernarfon	Porthmadog	£199		
Porthcawl	Seabank	4385	Swansea	Barry Island	£199		
Dunoon	Selborne	4410	Inveraray	Tighnabruaich	£189		
Super Saver	Our Choice	SS4NW	2 excursions of our choice £1				

Supplements per person: Room with a view £20. No Single Supplements at Leisureplex Hotels.



# **ALFA INCLUDES**

- 3 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- Fn suite room
- Entertainment on at least one evening at Leisureplex Hotels
- Return coach travel from loca pick up points
- 2 half day excursions
- No single supplements at Leisureplex hotels



# ST DAVID'S DAY **SPECIAL**

FROM
£194
PER PERSON
CELEBRATE
ST DAVID'S DAY

Stay in the heart of Wales with these fantastic 5 day breaks and celebrate the National Day of Wales, St David's Day. With a range of celebratory events taking place in lots of towns and villages across Wales, and the country's national flag flying more than usual, it's a chance to see Wales at its best!

Resort	Hotel	Code	Days	Full Day Excur	Feb 28	
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	5380W	5	Pembroke & St Davids	Narberth & Carmarthen	£199
Criccieth	George IV	5365W	5	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	Ffestiniog & Porthmadog	£194
Llandudno	Hydro	5350W	5	Betws-y-Coed & Conwy	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	£199
Porthcawl	Seabank	5389W	5	The Royal Mint	Cardiff	£199

Supplements per person: No Single Supplements! Room with a view £20

# **REUNION BREAKS**

Our fantastic Reunion Breaks, ever growing in demand, are the ideal holiday to enjoy with friends old and new. They offer the perfect chance to escape to stunning seaside resorts and enjoy some well-deserved 'me time' in the company of likeminded companions.

Resort	Hotel	Code	Days	Full Day Excur	Apr 11	Oct 24	
Eastbourne	Queens	5215R	5	Brighton	Rye & Hastings	£229	-
Blackpool	Queens	5305R	5	Ribble Valley & Oswaldtwistle Mills	Southport	-	£254

Supplements per person: No Single Supplements! Room with a view £20







# SPRING BREAKS %

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# LENGTHENING DAYS, PRISTINE BEACHES AND SPRINGTIME BLOSSOM

Start the year in style and enjoy the beautiful sights of Britain as the flowers come into bloom with one of our fantastic value for money Spring Breaks. Choose from a 5 day break or a week long holiday all with included excursions, entertainment on at least 2 evenings, return coach travel and amazing offers. With a great choice of destinations, staying at our very own Leisureplex Hotels, there can be no better way to enjoy the Spring sunshine.

# SPRING OFFERS

As if our holidays weren't already great value for money... they are even more so with our amazing Spring offers. With FREE lunches on resort days, FREE drinks, half price bar deals and no single supplements, there are plenty of reasons to escape with us on your next holiday.



# FREE DRINKS ON SPRING HOLIDAYS

Have a drink on us! Enjoy a complimentary glass of wine, beer or a soft drink with dinner every evening on Spring 2022 tours up to and including 29th April 2022 (at Leisureplex Hotels only).



# **SPRING SINGLE SAVER\***

No single supplements at Leisureplex Hotels on Spring 2022 holidays departures up to and including 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022.



# FREE LUNCHES ON RESORT DAYS

Relax and enjoy a free lunch on non-excursion days at our Leisureplex Hotels on Spring 2022 holidays departing up to and including 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022. 5 day breaks include lunch on one free day whilst 7/8 day breaks include lunch on all free days in resort.



# **SCOTTISH SINGLE SAVER\*+**

There are no supplements for guests staying in single rooms at our Leisureplex Selborne Hotel in Dunoon or Croit Anna Hotel in Fort William regardless of when you book your holiday. Double rooms will only be charged our standard Leisureplex single supplement price.



# **DOUBLE AS SINGLE OFFER\*+**

For guests staying in any of our Leisureplex Hotels you can request a double room and only be charged our standard Leisureplex single supplement on Spring departures up to and including 29th April 2022.



# **BLACKPOOL SINGLE SAVER\***

Solo travellers staying at our Queens Hotel in Blackpool are invited to take advantage of the fact that we don't charge single supplements throughout most of the season, with the only exclusions being August, September, Christmas and New Year.

\*Offer excludes tours that have a non-Leisureplex overnight hotel. Book early to secure your room as offers are subject to availability! +Double for sole is subject to availability and is authorised by the Alfa reservations team, whose decision is final. All Spring offers run up to and including 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022. Only tours staying at Leisureplex Hotels which are listed in the Spring tables are included in these offers.



# 5 Day Spring Breaks - 2022 prices in £s per person

Resort	Hotel	Code	Full Day Excursi		Jan 31	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Feb 28	Mar 7	Mar 14	Mar 21	Mar 28	Apr 4	Apr 11	Apr 18	Apr 25	Apr 27
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Weston-Super-Mare	Anchor Head	5100	Cheddar Gorge & Wells	Bath	£169	-	£179	£189	£194	-	£209	-	£214	-	-	£224	-	£239
Ilfracombe	Imperial	5110	Minehead, Lynton & Lynmouth	Barnstaple & Bideford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£209	-	£219	-	£229	-	-
Newquay	Eliot	5132	Eden Project	Padstow & Bodmin	-	-	-	£199	-	-	£209	-	-	£219	-	£229	-	-
Torquay	Regina	5151	Teignmouth & Exeter	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	-	-	-	-	-	-	£199	-	-	-	£239	-	-	-
Torquay	Metropole	5152	Looe & Polperro	Exmouth & Sidmouth	-	£174	-	-	£184	-	-	-	£214	-	-	-	-	£234
Torquay	Metropole	5154	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	Exmouth & Sidmouth	-	-	£179	£179	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-	£229	-	-
Exmouth	Cavendish	5155	Teignmouth & Dawlish	Sidmouth & Seaton	-	£179	-	£184	-	-	-	£214	£214	-	£239	-	-	£259
Bournemouth	Suncliff*	5170	Lyndhurst & Salisbury	Weymouth & Portland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£289	-	£299	-
Sandown Isle of Wight	Bayshore	5195	Newport	Alum Bay & Cowes	-	-	-	-	-	-	£209	-	£219	-	-	£229	-	£249
Shanklin Isle of Wight	Shanklin	5200	Alum Bay & Yarmouth	Ryde & Cowes	-	-	-	-	£184	£199	-	£209	-	£229	£229	-	-	-
Bognor Regis	Royal Norfolk	5205	Chichester & Arundel	Portsmouth & Southsea	-	-	£179	-	£189	£199	-	£199	-	£219	£219	-	-	£239
Eastbourne	Queens	5215	Brighton	Rye & Hastings	£179	£179	£189		£189	-	£209	-	£209	£219	-	-	-	-
Great Yarmouth	New Beach	5260	Cromer & Sheringham	Norwich	-	-	-	£184	-	£194	£199	-	£209	-	-	£219	-	£229
Cromer	Hotel de Paris	5265	Sheringham & Norwich	Great Yarmouth & Wroxham	-	£189	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-	£219	-	£239	-	-
Scarborough	Cumberland	5275	North York Moors & Whitby	York	£179	£179	-	£189	£194	-	£214	£214	-	£219	-	-	-	£249
Bridlington	Monarch	5278	Scarborough & Filey	York	-	£189	-	£189	-	£209	-	£209	-	£229	£229	-	-	-
Blackpool	Queens	5305	Ribble Valley & Oswaldtwistle Mills	Southport	£169	£179	£179	-	£179	£189	£189	-	£189	£199	£199	-	-	-
Llandudno	Hydro	5350	Betws-y-Coed & Conwy	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	£169	£179	£189	£199	-	£209	£209	£219	£219	£224	£234	£239	-	£249
Criccieth	George IV	5365	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	Ffestiniog & Porthmadog	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£209	-	-	£239	-	-	-
Criccieth	George IV	5368	Portmeirion	Caernarfon (H)	-	-	-	-	-	£209	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£259
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	5380	Pembroke & St Davids	Narberth & Carmarthen	£194		£199			-	£214	-	-	-	£244	-	-	£279
Porthcawl	Seabank	5386	Cardiff & St Fagans National History Museum	Swansea & Bracelet Bay	-	£179	-	-	-	£199	-	-	£209	-	-	£219	-	£239
Porthcawl	Seabank	5389	The Royal Mint	Cardiff	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£239	-	-	-
Dunoon	Selborne	5410	Dumbarton & Loch Lomond	Oban	-	-	£189	-	-	£199	-	£209	£209	£219	-	£219	-	-
Fort William	Croit Anna	5433	Loch Ness & Inverness	Isle of Skye	-	-	-	-	£189	£189	£204	-	£214	£214	£219	-	-	-
Super Saver	Our Choice	SS5NW	At least 2 excursion	ns of our choice	£149	£159	£159	£159	£169	£169	£184	£184	£184	£184	£209	£209	-	£209

Supplements per person: No Single Supplements at Leisureplex Hotels on Jan-Apr departures! Jan-Apr. Room with a view £20. \*Third party hotel supplements may vary, call for details.

# 7 Day Spring Breaks — 2022 prices in £s per person

Resort	Hotel	Code	(Excursions	Full Day Excursions Included (Excursions are full days, except where (H) denotes a half day excursion)					Mar 27 Sun	Apr 3 Sun	Apr 10 Sun	Apr 17 Sun	Apr 24 Sun
Weston-Super-Mare	Anchor Head	102	Bristol	Bath	Cheddar Gorge & Wells	Sun £249	Sun -	Sun £289	- Suii	-	-	-	£309
Ilfracombe	Imperial	112	Barnstaple & Bideford	Great Torrington & Dartington Crystal	Dunster & Minehead	-	£244	-	£264	-	£279		£299
Newquay	Eliot	132	St Ives	Eden Proiect	Padstow (H)	£259	-	£279	-	_	£299		£329
Torquay	Regina	152	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	Teignmouth & Exeter	Brixham (H)	£259		£274	_	£284		£299	
Torquay	Metropole	154	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	Exmouth & Sidmouth	Dartmouth	-		£289	£289	-	£299	-	£319
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Exmouth	Cavendish	157	Sidmouth & Seaton	Dartmoor & Torquay	Exeter (H)	£259	-	-	-	-	-	£299	<u> </u>
Bournemouth	Suncliff*	172	Weymouth & Portland	Salisbury & Shaftesbury	Lyndhurst (H)	-	-	-	£389	-	-	-	-
Sandown Isle of Wight	Bayshore	196	Newport & Cowes	Alum Bay & Yarmouth	Ryde (H)	£249	-	-	-	£269	-	-	£309
Shanklin Isle of Wight	Shanklin	202	Isle of Wight Steam Railway & Cowes	Newport & Ryde	Ventnor (H)	-	£279	-	-	-	£329	-	£329
Bognor Regis	Royal Norfolk	207	Chichester & Littlehampton	Portsmouth & Southsea	Worthing & Amberley	-	£279	-	-	£309	-	£339	£339
Eastbourne	Queens	217	Brighton	Rye & Hastings	Battle & Carr-Taylor Vineyard	-	-	£289	£289	-	-	-	-
Great Yarmouth	New Beach	262	Norwich	Wroxham & Cromer	Aldeburgh	-	-	-	-	£269	-	£289	£299
Cromer	Hotel de Paris	267	Great Yarmouth	Norwich	Sheringham	-	-	-	£279	-	-	-	£299
Scarborough	Cumberland	277	North York Moors & Whitby	Bridlington & Beverley	York	-	£259	-	-	-	-	-	£299
Bridlington	Monarch	278	North York Moors & Whitby	Scarborough & Beverley	York	-	-	-	£279	-	-	£309	-
Llandudno	Hydro	352	Beaumaris	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	Conwy (H)	-	-	£269	-	-	£289	-	-
Criccieth	George IV	367	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	Ffestiniog & Porthmadog	Bala & Betws-y-Coed	-	£269	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	382	Pembroke & St Davids	Narberth & Carmarthen	Broad Haven (H)	-	-	-	£284	-	-	-	£319
Porthcawl	Seabank	387	Cardiff & St Fagans National History Museum	Tenby	Swansea & Bracelet Bay	-	-	£279	-	£299	-	£319	-
Dunoon	Selborne	414	Oban	Tighnabruaich (H)	Dumbarton & Loch Lomond	-	£259	-	-	£279	£279	£279	-
Fort William	Croit Anna	432	Isle of Mull	Mallaig	Isle of Skye	-	-	£269	-	-	£304	£329	£329
Super Saver	Our Choice	SS7NW		At least 2 excursions of our choice				£249	£249	£254	£254	£264	£264

Supplements per person: No Single Supplements at Leisureplex Hotels on Mar-Apr departures! Mar-Apr. Room with a view £30. \*Third party hotel supplements may vary, call for details.



# SPRING WEEKENDS

Our weekend breaks are designed to give you chance to relax and take in the stunning British scenery. Escape to one of our lovely seaside resorts for the

4 DAYS
FROM **£139**PER PERSON

weekend for your own perfect mini getaway. With fantastic destinations to choose from as well as a free drink with dinner every evening (see page 8 for details), there has never been a better time to spend the weekend with us.

# **Weekend Breaks**

Resort	Hotel	Code	Half Day Excu	rsions Included	Feb 25 Fri	Mar 11 Fri	Mar 25 Fri
Weston-super-Mare	Anchor Head	4100W	Wells	Bristol	£149	-	-
Scarborough	Cumberland	4275W	Whitby	Bridlington	£149	£159	£179
Bridlington	Monarch	4279W	Beverley	Scarborough	£159	£169	-
Blackpool	Queens	4305W	Lytham	Fleetwood	£159	-	-
Llandudno	Hydro	4350W	Convvy	Betws-y-Coed	£159	£169	£189
Criccieth	George IV	4365W	Caernarfon	Porthmadog	-	£159	£169
Porthcawl	Seabank	4385W	Swansea	Barry Island	-	£159	-
Super Saver	Our Choice	SS4NW	At least 2 excurs	£139	£149	£149	

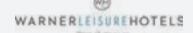
Supplements per person: No Single Supplements at Leisureplex Hotels! Room with a view £20.

# WARNER LEISURE HOTELS

We have partnered with Warner Leisure Hotels to offer you a fabulous selection of activity and world class entertainment breaks.

You are invited to explore the resort, stay within the estate and try something you've never experienced before, or simply take some time out to relax. In the evening quality entertainment guarantees a lively atmosphere that won't disappoint.







York Harrogate from Warner Nidd Hall with Re-Mixed

Price	£494
Departs	22/08/2022
Code	5289
Duration	5 Days

Garden and house tours, dance workshops, competitions, quizzes, fitness classes and more.



Oxford Winchester from Warner Littlecote House with Gold entertainment package

Price	£464
Departs	09/05/2022
Code	5344
Duration	5 Days

Bingo, game shows, quizzes, cooking demos and more.



South Downs Portsmouth from Warner Lakeside with Gold entertainment package

Price	£424
Departs	11/07/2022
Code	5188
Duration	5 Days

Bingo, game shows, quizzes, cooking demos and more.



South Downs Portsmouth from Warner Lakeside

Price	£404
Departs	05/09/2022
Code	5188
Duration	5 Days

Situated by the sea and with a bright courtyard, Lakeside makes for a great coastal break.



Oxford Winchester from Warner Littlecote House

Price	£444
Departs	10/10/2022
Code	5344
Duration	5 Days

Delicious food, live entertaiment every night, and a host of activities from tennis to shooting.

# Supplements per person: Single Room £30

# QUEENS JUBILEE SPECIAL

In 2022, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee, seventy years of service. Make the most of the extended June bank holiday and join us to commemorate this momentous occasion on our Queens Jubilee Special tours which include a traditional British celebratory afternoon tea at selected Leisureplex Hotels.

Keep a look out for the '' icon throughout this brochure for our Queens Jubilee Special tour dates.

# BLACKPOOL ILLUMINATIONS

The world-famous Blackpool Illuminations need little introduction. Well known for being the greatest free light show on Earth, they feature over a million bulbs to create a dazzling spectacle of lights. Our Leisureplex Queens hotel is ideally situated on the South Promenade, so it's perfect to experience the Illuminations for yourself!

Look out for the icon in this brochure for tours that stay in resort during the Blackpool Illuminations.

# SOUTH WEST

Stunning landscapes that melt together with rolling hills and postcard-shot beaches, the largest of all regions in England often feels pleasantly off the beaten track.

In this part of the country you can discover endless Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, cream teas, cider, Cornish pasties and Cheddar cheese.

Step into England's history with the stately grandeur of Brunel's ss Great Britain, discover the beautiful Hartland Abbey, see how the Romans bathed in Bath, or visit the Eden Project, a dramatic global garden dubbed the eighth wonder of the world by some.

There is also a huge array of bustling, picturesque and vibrant seaside villages to visit, including Lynton, Lynmouth, Falmouth, St. Ives, Paignton and Looe.



66 Being a popular fishing point and one of the most historic harbours in Devon. Ilfracombe is known as a haven for seafood lovers. Along with other famous points of interest in Ilfracombe, you can visit "The Tunnels Beaches", a heritage attraction hand carved in the 1820s and Damien Hirst's famous 20m high sculpture, Verity. Fancy an unforgettable day excursion?! No problem, Ilfracombe is only 45 minutes away from the iconic Lynton and Lynmouth, a popular holiday destination going as far back as the Victorian era.



Alex Laziea, General Manager, Imperial Hotel, Ilfracombe

# **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA:**

Paignton, Weston-super-Mare, Newquay, St. Ives, Exmouth, Ilfracombe, Torquay



Paignton

A classic seaside resort with a small historic fishing port, Paignton offers all the traditional seaside attractions such as the pier, theatre and promenade. Paignton was also the home town of Agatha Christie, and Isaac Singer of sewing machine fame.

# MARINE HOTEL

Paignton **OOO** 



Ideally situated opposite the promenade, which offers a delightful flat walk to the resort's amenities, the Marine Hotel offers a superior standard of accommodation and panoramic views of Paignton's seafront and gardens. Tel: 01803 559778.









# **ESPLANADE HOTEL**

Paignton **QQQ** 



In a prime position overlooking Paignton beach and only a few minutes from the town centre, the Esplanade's en-suite guest rooms include TV and hairdryer. The hotel's restaurant serves a delicious, varied menu. Tel: 01803 556333.









# Paignton TOUR 149

# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Buckfast Abbev



# **Excursions Included**

NEW! Dartmoor & Tavistock

We explore the rolling hills of the Dartmoor National Park, stopping briefly at Princetown, before arriving in the market town of Tavistock, with its historic architecture and maze of old streets lined with independent shops.

Teignmouth & Exeter

We travel through the attractive seaside towns of Teignmouth and Dawlish, then along the estuary of the River Exe to Exeter – a city full of history with its famous cathedral.

Buckfast Abbey

We visit Buckfast Abbey, beautifully situated on the southern edge of Dartmoor (free entrance).

Dε	eparts Sunday - Re	eturns on Saturday	
May 1*	£476	Aug 14	£546
Jul 10	£546		
D	eparts Monday - F	leturns on Sunday	
Oct 10	£476		
	Supplements	per person	
Single (May)	£79	View	£40
Single (Jul-Oct)	£40		

\*Stays at Esplanade Hotel. All other dates stay at Marine Hotel.





# Weston-super-Mare

Weston-super-Mare is Somerset's best known holiday resort. It is situated in a sheltered bay at the foot of the Mendip Hills with views across the Bristol Channel to South Wales. There are many charming Victorian and Edwardian terraces interspersed with colourful parks and gardens providing fascinating walks.

# **ANCHOR HEAD HOTEL**

Weston-super-Mare **©©©** <sup>M</sup>★★★

Splendidly situated between Weston's two piers and close to the boating slipway and a small beach; the promenade walk begins right next to the hotel. There are magnificent views of the bay from the lounge, restaurants and many

bedrooms. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01934 620880.









# Wonders of the West Country TOUR 5102



- What Alfa Includes
- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

# Southern Cotswolds

The Cotswolds, with gently sloping green hills and honeycolour limestone villages, is considered to be the largest Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty in the country. In the southern part of the Cotswolds you'll find lovely, ancient, untouched villages. The Cotswolds is one of the most treasured and visited destinations in the UK. With such timeless, unique and heart-warming preservations on such a large scale, surrounded by golden green countryside, you won't find anywhere else like it.

# Dunster & Minehead

Travelling along the shores of the Bristol Channel to the picturesque village of Dunster, overshadowed by its historic castle. Continuing to Minehead, now a popular holiday centre but once an important port, retaining many historic features from that era. Its promenade with its cafés, bars and shops offers access to the sandy beach and spectacular views across to North Hill, where St. Michael's Church can be accessed via the quaint Church Steps, a footpath between thatched cottages, with stunning views across the town.

Departs V	Vednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
May 25	£284	Aug 3	£314
Jun 1 👑	£304	Sep 14	£294
Jul 13	£314	·	
5	Supplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

# Steamships & Steam Trains TOUR 5103



## What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to ss Great Britain
- Trip on West Somerset Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

# Brunel's ss Great Britain & Bristol

In the morning we visit the stately grandeur of the only surviving 19th century iron-hulled steam ship, the Brunel's ss Great Britain (entrance included in the tour cost), before exploring the fascinating docks and the rest of this ancient maritime city. Take in the street art by locals including Banksy and delve into the 'Bristol sound' in the city's cultural scene with music and theatre venues all through town.

# West Somerset Railway & Minehead

We travel to Bishops Lydeard to catch our own slice of the Golden Age of Steam, chugging through miles of sylvan scenery and restored period stations to Minehead (rail fare included in the tour cost) where we spend a relaxing afternoon exploring the beach and peaceful old town. This charming seaside town, with its mile long seafront and attractive harbour is a wonderful place to revel in and unwind.

Departs V	/ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
May 11	£304	Aug 17	£324
Jun 8	£324	Sep 21	£314
Jul 20	£324		
S	upplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

# Bath, Mendips & Minehead TOUR 100



- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

# Bath

Already a spa resort in Roman times, Bath became the height of fashion during the 18th century and has many fine Georgian buildings

# Cheddar Gorge & Wells

Spectacular Cheddar Gorge has the highest inland cliffs in the country. The deep caves beneath the cliffs, where prehistoric man once lived, are today used to refine Cheddar cheese. England's smallest city, Wells, is crowned by its glorious cathedral and unique moated Bishop's Palace. The Wells Museum offers further insight into the geology of the local area.

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Departs	Sunday - Re	turns on Sunday	
Jun 12, 19	£447	Jul 3, 17	£47
S	upplements <sub>l</sub>	oer person	
Single	£40	View	£40









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Weston-super-Mare is the most popular resort in North Somerset. Our annual Sand Sculpture Festival open from May-Oct shows off some fantastic works of art, you can even have a go yourself. On the Grand Pier you can soak up the views in Tiffany's tea rooms and a visit to the refurbished Weston museum is a must. 99

Janet Day, General Manager, Anchor Head Hotel, Weston-super-Mare





# Bath, Bristol & Cheddar Gorge

**TOUR 102** 



# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included**

#### Bath

Already a spa resort in Roman times, Bath became the height of fashion during the 18th century and has many fine Georgian buildings. The Pump Room is well worth a visit and there are several museums, including the world's largest costume museum. There is also a fine medieval abbey.

# ☐ Cheddar Gorge & Wells

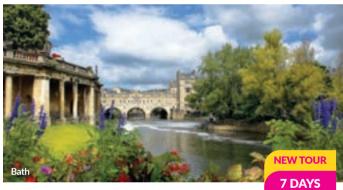
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Enveloped in the hills of South West England the ancient maritime city of Bristol has its own unmistakable identity, with its world-famous suspension bridge that spans the picturesque Avon Gorge, fascinating docks and eclectic array of architecture.

De	parts Sunday - Ro	eturns on Saturday	
Mar 6	£249	Jul 24	£426
Mar 20	£289	Aug 7	£426
Apr 24	£309	Aug 28	£406
	Supplements	per person	
Single (Mar-Apr)	£0	View (Mar-Apr)	£30
Single (Jul-Aug)	£40	View (Jul-Aug)	£40

# Bath, Mendips & Minehead

**TOUR 103** 



# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included**

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	Departs Sunday - Retur	ns on Saturday	
May 22	£376	Sep 25	£346
	Supplements per	person	
Single	f40	View	£40

# Newquay

Newquay

Newquay is Cornwall's premier holiday resort boasting some of the finest coastline and beaches in Europe. Although well known as Britain's surfing capital, there are many other activities and the surrounding countryside has an endless wealth of fascinating places to visit. Newquay offers wonderful cliff and beach walks and a picturesque harbour.

# **ELIOT HOTEL**

Newguay **②◎◎** <sup>44</sup> ★★★

Very well situated close to Great Western and Tolcarne beaches, only a few yards from the seafront and within easy walking distance of the shops and harbour. There are three lovely airy lounges in which to relax. Large car park Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01637 878177.











# Cream of the Cornish Coast TOUR 130



# What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions

## **Excursions Included**

# ■ Falmouth

Today's journey takes us to the third largest natural harbour in the world, Falmouth. It boasts a bustling waterfront, four beaches, a castle, and attractive gardens. Falmouth has been transformed in recent years with the development of the new marina complex, which is now home to the National Maritime Museum Cornwall, housing many fascinating displays illustrating our maritime tradition.

# St. Ives

Today we travel south along Cornwall's northern coast through St. Agnes, Portreath and Gwithian to St. Ives, one of Britain's most picturesque towns.

## Mevagissey

Mevagissey is still a working fishing village and there are many white and colour washed cottages perched on the hills overlooking the pretty harbour.

Departs	Sunday - 🛚	Returns on Sunday	
May 1	£407	Jul 3, 10, 31	£467
May 8	£417	Aug 21	£467
May 29 날	£447	Sep 4	£437
Jun 5	£447	Sep 11	£417
Jun 19	£457	Oct 9	£387
Sı	pplement	s per person	
Single (May-Sep)	£40	Single (Oct)	£0

# Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.

# **Cornwall Coast to** Coast & Eden TOUR 133



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Eden Project

#### **Excursions Included**

# ■ NEW! Looe & Polperro

We visit these picture perfect Southern Cornish villages with their intricate maze of narrow little streets lined with charming Cornish cottages.

# St. Ives

Today we travel south along Cornwall's northern coast through St. Agnes, Portreath and Gwithian to St. Ives, one of Britain's most picturesque towns. The narrow winding streets mean the coach is unable to take us into the heart of this delightful town, but a regular and inexpensive shuttle service runs the short distance into the town centre.

# Eden Project

Today's excursion takes us to one of the wonders of the modern world - the magnificent Eden Project. With its fantastic architecture and amazing collection of plants from around the world, it is an experience never to be forgotten (entrance included in the tour cost).

Departs S	unday - R	eturns on Saturday	
May 22	£386	Aug 28	£406
Jun 26	£416	Sep 18	£366
Jul 24	£426	Sep 25	£336
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single	£40		

# **Cornish Gardens**

TOUR 5131



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Eden Project
- Entrance to Lost Gardens of Heligan

#### **Excursions Included**

# Eden Project

Today's excursion takes us to the South Coast of Cornwall and one of the wonders of the modern world - the magnificent Eden Project. With its fantastic architecture and amazing collection of plants from around the world, it is an experience never to be forgotten. In addition to the gardens, a new exhibition has been added, exploring the Invisible Worlds all around us, which are usually too small or too remote to grab our attention (entrance included in the tour cost).

# Mevagissey & Heligan

Mevagissey is still a working fishing port with a lively harbour and many interesting pubs. A short journey takes us to the Lost Gardens of Heligan. This is the site of the largest garden restoration in Europe and Britain's real life secret garden (entrance included in the tour cost). Heligan is also recognised as the home of the national collection of Camellias and Rhododendrons. Visitors may also want to seek out the famous "Sleeping Beauty" statue.

Departs V	Vednesday ·	- Returns on Sunda	ay
May 4	£274	Jul 13, 27	£334
May 11	£304	Aug 10, 24	£334
May 25	£304	Sep 7	£324
Jun 1 👑	£334	Sep 21	£294
Jun 15, 29	£324	Sep 28	£274
S	upplements	per person	
Single	£30		

Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.



# St. Ives

The beautiful, picture postcard resort of St. Ives is the dazzling jewel in Cornwall's crown. Renowned for its arts scene, complete with its own Tate gallery, quaint cottages and winding alleys conjuring up tales of smugglers from long ago, St. Ives provides the perfect base from which to explore.

# ST. IVES BAY HOTEL

St. Ives QQQ

A beachfront retreat with beautiful views of Porthminster Beach. The hotel's bar. lounge, and courtyard terrace offer a relaxing environment. All guest rooms include TV and hairdyer. To access this hotel 12 steps must be negotiated. Tel: 0844 4999356.











# St. Ives & Isles of Scilly

**TOUR 135** 



# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Return Ferry to Scilly Isles

# **Excursions Included**

#### Falmouth

Today's journey takes us to the third largest natural harbour in the world, Falmouth. It boasts a bustling waterfront, four beaches, a castle, and attractive gardens. Falmouth has been transformed in recent years with the development of the new marina complex, which is now home to the National Maritime Museum Cornwall, housing many fascinating displays illustrating our maritime tradition.

# Isles of Scilly

Sail to the stunning Isles of Scilly arriving in picturesque St. Mary's, our destination. Enjoy the chance to explore this truly tropical paradise with white sandy beaches, indigenous plants, flora and fauna. (Return ferry included in tour cost).

#### Truro & St. Mawes

We visit the county town of Cornwall, bustling Truro, which is a delightful market town dating back over 800 years. Its most striking feature is the Cathedral, with its green spire and gothic appearance. We then continue to picturesque St. Mawes, one of Cornwall's most exclusive coastal villages offering stunning seascapes and gentle hills.

	eparts Sunday - Retu	ns on Saturday	
Mar 6	£449	Jul 31	£606
Mar 27	£449	Aug 14	£606
Jun 5	£576	Sep 18	£576
	Supplements pe	r person	
Single	£79	-	

# Falmouth, Truro & St. Mawes

TOUR 5135



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included**

#### ■ Falmouth

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# Truro & St. Mawes

Sat at the head of the river Fal, Truro is a delightful market town which dates back over 800 years. Its most striking feature is the Cathedral, with its green spire and gothic appearance. Built at the turn of the century it dominates the Truro skyline. Meander through the quaint Georgian streets and partake in a spot of retail therapy or perhaps make a visit to the fascinating Royal Cornwall Museum. Following our visit to Truro, we then continue on to the picturesque St. Mawes, one of Cornwall's most exclusive coastal villages offering stunning seacapes.

Departs Monday - Returns on Friday				
May 2, 16	£354	Jun 13, 20	£384	
Supplements per person				
Single	£49			

# Exmouth

Exmouth developed as a resort in Georgian times and was once probably the most select seaside resort in Britain, home to such famous people as Lady Nelson and Lady Byron. Nowadays it offers a rich mixture of immaculate sands, lovely gardens, a busy marina and a wide range of sports facilities that combine to make it an excellent resort.

# **CAVENDISH HOTEL**

Exmouth





Popular with sightseers, this delightful hotel is wonderfully situated on the level seafront overlooking Exmouth's fine golden sands, a few minutes' walk from the shops. Fantastic sea views from many of the front facing rooms. Car parking. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01395 272528.









# **Devon Coast Delights**

**TOUR 5156** 



- What Alfa Includes
- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included**

#### Sidmouth & Seaton

Situated amid the dramatic red sandstone cliffs of the Jurassic Coast, Sidmouth is a famously select resort which was regularly visited by Princess Victoria before she became Queen. Visitors appreciate the peaceful, genteel ambience, wide flat promenade and shingle beach, all framed by prominent headlands. Seaton is a charming resort with a delightful tramway and a visitor centre run by the local Wildlife Trust, which explores the historic and current wildlife of the Jurassic Coast.

# ■ Teignmouth & Dawlish

We travel around the estuary of the River Exe to Dawlish, a relaxing resort renowned for its attractive gardens and tranquil brook on which glide the resort's famous black swans. We continue to Teignmouth, a fascinating ancient port with a myriad of narrow streets.

Departs W	ednesday/	- Returns on Sunday	
May 11, 25	£284	Aug 24, 31	£314
Jun 8, 22	£304	Sep 7	£294
Jul 20	£324	Sep 21	£264
Sı	upplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

# **Devon Coast & Gardens**

TOUR 155/158



## What Alfa Includes

- 6/7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- **Entrance to Bicton Park Gardens**

# **Excursions Included**

#### Dartmoor & Torquay

Heading West, we skirt the southern edge of Dartmoor to Buckfastleigh, before turning south to Devon's largest resort, Torquay. Here we have plenty of time to explore the harbour or visit the many shops before returning to Exmouth.

# **NEW!** Sidmouth & Bicton Park Gardens

Sidmouth is a famously select resort which was regularly visited by Princess Victoria before she became Queen. Huge cliffs rise on either side of the town's Regency architecture. Bicton Gardens (entrance included in the tour cost) spans over 64 acres and includes an historic Palm House, Italian garden and Woodland as well as a fascinating Country Museum.

## ☐ Teignmouth & Dawlish

Refer to Devon Coast Delights 5156 description.

8 DAYS - 155: I	Jeparts Su	nday - Returns on	Sunday
May 1	£397	Jul 24	£477
May 8	£407	Aug 21	£477
May 29 👑	£437	Sep 4	£467
Jun 19	£457	Sep 11	£417
Jul 3	£477	Sep 25	£397
7 DAYS - 158: D	eparts Sur	nday - Returns on S	Saturday
May 15	£386	Jul 10, 31	£426
Jun 5	£396	Aug 7	£426
S	upplement	s per person	
Single	£40	View	£40

# **Exeter Cathedral & Broadchurch TOUR 5157**



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Exeter Cathedral & Boat Trip

# **Excursions Included**

# Exeter Cathedral Tour & River Boat Trip

The city of Exeter is famous for its cathedral, with long vaulted ceilings, astronomical clock and minstrel's gallery. The cathedral's experienced guides lead us on a 60 minute tour exploring the cathedral building and the personalities who helped shape it (entrance included in the tour cost). We enjoy a scenic boat trip (included in the tour cost) along the Exe estuary from Topsham to Exmouth. Informative commentary brings to life the many interesting sights on the river's banks.

# Bridport & West Bay

Bridport and West Bay are gateways to the Jurassic Coast and are also important locations in the TV drama Broadchurch. In West Bay we find many Broadchurch locations including the folly on West Quay which doubles as Broadchurch Police Station.

Departs V	Vednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Jun 15	£329	Aug 17	£349
Aug 3	£349	Sep 28	£339
Supplements per person			
Single	£30	View	£30



# llfracombe

Ilfracombe nestles around a harbour as old and as beautiful as any in Britain with the breathtaking scenery of North Devon as a backdrop. There are splendid walks along the Coastal Path, the famous Torrs walks or swimming from the Tunnel beaches and coves. Take a stroll through the delightful gardens or enjoy a boat trip to see the cliffs of North Devon.

# **IMPERIAL HOTEL**

Ilfracombe **②◎②** <sup>A4</sup> ★★★

Situated in one of the best positions in Ilfracombe, overlooking Wildersmouth beach and the splendid Landmark Theatre and Conference Centre, close to the High Street and only a short, almost level walk from the harbour. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01271 862536.







# Ilfracombe, Exmoor & Clovelly TOUR 5111



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- **Entrance to Clovelly**

#### **Excursions Included**

# Bideford & Clovelly

A visit to the ancient port of Bideford with its delightful quayside shops and cafés. The historic quayside was once amongst the busiest in England. Today it is a relaxing town, with many reminders of its maritime heritage. We then travel to the delightfully preserved private village of Clovelly, with its single cobbled street tumbling down to the sea (entrance to Clovelly included in tour cost).

# Exmoor & Dunster

We take a journey along the dramatic North coast of Devon as we travel through Exmoor National Park which is home to some amazing landscapes and has the highest sea cliffs in Britain. Our next stop is picturesque Dunster, a fascinating historic village with a Norman castle steeped in history. It is a very special and unique place with so much to discover including the iconic Yarn Market, the remains of a Benedictine priory, a working Watermill, Packhorse Bridge and Iron Age settlements.

Departs We	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
May 4	£254	Aug 10, 24	£304
May 18	£264	Aug 31	£294
Jun 1 👑	£284	Sep 7	£284
Jun 15, 29	£294	Sep 14, 21	£274
Jul 13, 27	£304	Sep 28	£254
Supplements per person			
Single	£30	View	£30

# Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.

# Hartland Abbey & **Dartington Crystal TOUR 110**



# What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- **Entrance to Dartington Crystal**
- Entrance to Hartland Abbev

#### **Excursions Included**

# Bideford & Hartland Abbey

A visit to the ancient port of Bideford and then to Hartland Abbey with its beautiful gardens and grounds which lead to the rocky cove (entrance to house and gardens included in tour cost).

# Minehead, Lynton & Lynmouth

We travel to the twin towns of Lynton and Lynmouth, spectacularly situated on the northern edge of the Exmoor National Park. A trip on the water operated cliff railway is not to be missed. Continuing to Minehead, now a popular holiday centre but once an important port.

# Barnstaple & Great Torrington

Barnstaple is an ancient market town lying on the River Taw. It has many shops and a number of interesting buildings including the parish church and St. Anne's Chapel Museum. The market town of Great Torrington is home to the famous Dartington glass works (factory visit included in tour cost).

Departs Sunday - Returns on Sunday				
May 15	£407	Jul 17, 31	£467	
Jul 3	£457	Aug 21	£457	
Jul 10	£457	Sep 25	£387	
Supplements per person				
Single	£40	View	£40	

# Exmoor, Barnstaple & Hartland Abbey TOUR 113



# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Hartland Abbey

#### **Excursions Included**

# Barnstaple & Woolacombe

Barnstaple is a lively, bustling place, with several narrow interesting streets and a profusion of shops. The quay, once a busy port, is well worth a look, as is the 14th century parish church. Barnstaple's Pannier Market, dates back to Saxon times. Woolacombe is a lively village with an awardwinning 3 mile long beach.

# Bideford & Hartland Abbey

A visit to the ancient port of Bideford and then to Hartland Abbey with its beautiful gardens and grounds which lead to the rocky cove (entrance to house and gardens included in tour cost).

## Lynton, Lynmouth & Dunster

We travel to the twin towns of Lynton and Lynmouth, spectacularly situated on the northern edge of the Exmoor National Park. Picturesque Dunster is a fascinating historic village with a Norman castle steeped in history.

Departs S	unday - R	eturns on Saturday	1		
May 8	£366	Aug 14	£406		
May 22	£376	Aug 28	£386		
Jun 12, 19	£406	Sep 11	£366		
Su	Supplements per person				
Single	£40	View	£40		



Torquay is one of Britain's most famous resorts, situated at the heart of 22 miles of unspoilt coastline, often referred to as the "English Riviera". It has a mild climate, sparkling blue waters and in its beautiful public gardens you will see subtropical plants and palm trees. Torquay really does have something to offer everyone.

# **METROPOLE HOTEL**

Torquay **②◎◎** <sup>A4</sup> ★★★

Situated in the heart of Torquay just a five minute walk from the beach, the Metropole Hotel offers a conveniently located base to explore beautiful Torquay and the wellrenowned English Riviera. Large car park. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel:01803 293682.











# **Devon & Cornwall**

**TOUR 5152** 



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included**

#### Looe & Polperro

We travel over the River Tamar into Cornwall and visit these picture perfect Cornish villages with their intricate maze of narrow little streets lined with charming Cornish cottages. Looe has a bustling port and is an award winning resort, with its beautiful sandy beaches, while Polperro, another Cornish gem, almost takes you back in time with its unspoilt beauty and slower pace of life, perfect for relaxing.

# Sidmouth & Exmouth

Today we visit East Devon and the elegant resorts of Exmouth and Sidmouth, travelling through Teignmouth and Dawlish and along the western side of the River Exe estuary, past Exeter and then down the eastern side of the river. Unlike their Cornish cousins, these South Devon towns have been seaside resorts for two centuries.

Departs	Wonday -	Keturns on Friday	
Feb 7	£174	Mar 28	£214
Feb 28	£184	Jun 27	£314
Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday			
Apr 27	£234	Aug 10	£324
May 4	£254	Aug 31	£304
Jul 6	£314	Sep 21	£274
Jul 27	£324	Sep 28	£254
Aug 3	£324	Oct 12	£224
Supplements per person			
Single (Feb-Apr, Oct)	£0	View (Feb-Apr, Oct)	£20
Single (May-Sep)	£30	View (May-Sep)	£30

# **Devon Cities &** Dartmoor TOUR 5154



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Buckfast Abbey

# **Excursions Included**

#### Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey

This historic naval city has a breathtaking harbour and a wealth of attractions including the National Marine Aquarium, the delightful Hoe, the Promenade along Plymouth Sound and some excellent shopping. We return via Buckfast Abbey, famous for its tonic wine. Offering a tranquil refuge to chaotic everyday life, the Abbey also has gift shops and The Grange Restaurant where you can enjoy homemade cakes (free entrance).

## Sidmouth & Exmouth

Today we visit East Devon and the elegant resorts of Exmouth and Sidmouth, travelling through Teignmouth and Dawlish and along the western side of the River Exe estuary, past Exeter and then down the eastern side of the river.

Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday		
Feb 14, 21	£179	May 23	£274	
Mar 14	£199	Jun 20	£314	
Apr 18	£229	Oct 31	£234	
Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday				
Jun 8	£304	Sep 14	£284	
Jul 20	£314	Oct 5	£224	
Aug 17	£324			
Supplements per person				
Single (Feb-Apr, Oct)	£0	View (Feb-Apr, Oct)	£20	
Single (May-Sen)	£30	View (May-Sen)	£30	

# The Best of Devon

**TOUR 154** 



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Buckfast Abbey

## **Excursions Included**

Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey

Refer to Devon Cities & Dartmoor 5154 description.

# Sidmouth & Exmouth

Today we visit East Devon and the elegant resorts of Exmouth and Sidmouth, travelling through Teignmouth and Dawlish and along the western side of the River Exe estuary, past Exeter and then down the eastern side of the river.

Today we visit Dartmouth, a picturesque river town near the estuary of the Dart, home of the Royal Naval College. Passengers may choose to take a sail on the river upstream towards Totnes (cost not included in tour price). We then return to Torquay via Paignton.

Departs S	unday - R	eturns on Saturday	
Mar 20, 27	£289	May 15, 22	£376
Apr 10	£299	Aug 28	£446
Apr 24	£319	Oct 9	£336
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£0	View (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£30
Single (May-Aug)	£40	View (May-Aug)	£40

# **REGINA HOTEL**





Ideally situated on the harbour-side, with shops and the theatre just a stroll away. Part of the Regina is particularly interesting as for three years it was the home of the poet, Elizabeth Barrett Browning. Public car park across the road. Wi-Fi in public areas. Tel: 01803 292904.











# Three Rivers & Riviera TOUR 5150



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included**

# Dartmouth

Today we visit Dartmouth, a picturesque river town near the estuary of the Dart, home of the Royal Naval College. Passengers may choose to take a sail on the river upstream towards Totnes (cost not included in tour price). We then return to Torquay via Paignton.

# Teignmouth & Exeter

We travel through the attractive seaside towns of Teignmouth and Dawlish, then along the estuary of the River Exe to Exeter. A city full of history - visit the famous cathedral or the nearby Ship Inn which Drake used to frequent.

Departs Wednes Returns on Sur	
May 11	£274

Jun 29	£304		
Jul 20	£314		
Aug 24	£314		
Sep 21	£264		
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#### Single £30 £30 View

# Devon Rivers & Railway TOUR 5153



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trips on Exe Estuary Boat & South Devon Railway

# **Excursions Included**

# South Devon Railway & Totnes

The picturesque South Devon Railway conveys us in style from Buckfastleigh on Dartmoor's edge to the Tudor town of Totnes (rail fare included in the tour cost) where we have time to explore before a visit to Dartmouth. Totnes is surrounded by breathtaking countryside and has a fascinating history.

# Topsham & Exmouth

We potter around the pretty pink and white cottages of Topsham before taking a cruise down the River Exe estuary (boat trip included in the tour cost) to Exmouth.

Departs Wedne Returns on Su			
May 18	£294		
Jun 1	£294		
Jul 13	£334		
Sep 7	£314		
Supplements per	Supplements per person		
Single	£30		
View	£30		

# **Devon Discovery TOUR 150**



- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- **Entrance to Buckfast Abbey**

# **Excursions Included**

# Teignmouth & Exeter

Refer to Three Rivers & Riviera 5150 description.

#### Exmouth & Sidmouth

Today we visit the elegant resorts of Exmouth and Sidmouth, travelling through Teignmouth and Dawlish. These South Devon towns have been seaside resorts for two centuries.

# Buckfast Abbey

Beautifully situated on the southern edge of Dartmoor on the banks of the River Dart, the Abbey is famous for its tonic wine, but it is also a living monastic community (free entrance).

Departs Sunday -		
Returns on Su	nday	
Jun 12	£487	
Jul 3	£497	
Aug 7	£497	
Sep 4	£467	
Oct 2	£387	
Supplements per person		
Single (Jun-Sep)	£40	
Single (Oct)	£0	
View (Jun-Sep)	£40	
View (Oct)	£30	

# **Devonian Delights TOUR 152**



# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Buckfast Abbey

# **Excursions Included**

# Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey

This historic naval city has a breathtaking harbour and a wealth of attractions including the National Marine Aguarium, the delightful Hoe, the Promenade along Plymouth Sound and some excellent shopping. We return via Buckfast Abbey, famous for its tonic wine (free entrance).

# Teignmouth & Exeter

Refer to Three Rivers & Riviera 5150 description.

## Brixham

Morning excursion to the pretty fishing town of Brixham at the southern end of Torbay.

Departs Sunday -				
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Mar 6	£259	Jun 19	£426	
Mar 20	£274	Jul 10	£446	
Apr 3	£284	Aug 28	£446	
Apr 17	£299	Sep 11	£406	
May 1	£366	Sep 18	£386	
May 8	£376	Sep 25	£356	
May 29	£396	Oct 16	£326	
Jun 5	£406			
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Supplements per person		
Single (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£0	
Single (May-Sep)	£40	
View (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£30	
View (May-Sep)	£40	

# SOUTH AND **SOUTH EAST**

Visit the South of England for the chance to step back in time in medieval villages and quintessential coastal towns, or why not explore the myths and legends of smugglers along England's stunning South Coastline.

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**66** Officially the sunniest town in Britain, Bognor Regis is an oldschool seaside resort in West Sussex. Enjoy the live music from the bandstand in the charming grounds of Hotham Park, take a short trip to Arundel which is home to Arundel Castle & Gardens, or explore the Tudor Market Cross and Norman Cathedral surrounded by a host of independent shops. The South Downs National Park is also just a stone's throw away and well worth a visit. "



Peter Malinowski, General Manager, Royal Norfolk Hotel, Bognor Regis

### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA:**

London, Sandown (Isle of Wight), Shanklin (Isle of Wight), Bognor Regis, Eastbourne, Bournemouth, Stevenage, Tunbridge Wells, Wessex, Kent, Weymouth



# London. Windsor & Kew Gardens

Discover one of the world's most exciting cities. From our hotel base we enjoy a guided tour of London, a day trip to Kew, with its famous botanical gardens and marvel at Windsor Castle which has been home to the British monarchs for over 900 years.

# **HOLIDAY INN**

Stevenage **©©©** 



Situated in Stevenage town centre, this hotel is ideally located for leisure travellers. Guests can relax in the restaurant and bar, offering a variety of cuisines. Bedrooms are en suite with air conditioning. Tel: 01438 722727.









# London, Windsor & Kew Gardens

TOUR 5247



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Guided Tour of London & Entrance to Kew Gardens

# **Excursions Included**

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We have a morning guided sightseeing tour (included in the tour cost) to take in the principal sights of London and perhaps select a place to visit at length later in the day.

# Kew Gardens

Probably the world's best known botanical garden, first laid out by Princess Augusta, the mother of George III and offering more than 100,000 species (entrance included in the tour cost).

# Royal Windsor

Windsor Castle is the largest inhabited castle in the world and has been the home of British monarchs for over 900 years. It is worth a full day visit (castle entry at additional cost).

Dep	Departs Monday - Returns on Friday			
Apr 25	£329	Aug 1, 15	£354	
Jul 18	£354	Sep 5	£344	
Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday				
Jun 1	£344			
Supplements per person				
Single	£69			





# Sandown

The Isle of Wight has a great deal to offer with many superb sandy beaches, mile upon mile of stunning countryside and coastal walks and all the usual modern holiday facilities in the resorts. Sandown is the island's principal resort, and offers a wealth of entertainments. Sandown Bay is the largest on the island and offers a long, safe, sandy beach.

# BAYSHORE HOTEL

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Magnificent position on the seafront, opposite the superbly sandy beaches and pier, the Bayshore is a popular choice. The hotel has a light, spacious bar and lounge area. The sun lounge and attractive restaurant overlook the sea. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01983 403154.









# Sandown & Osborne House TOUR 5197



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Osborne House

#### **Excursions Included**

# Alum Bay & Yarmouth

We journey across the island to Alum Bay, famous for its coloured sands. Nearby are the magnificent chalk Needles, the remains of a ridge which once joined the island to the mainland. We return via Yarmouth which is located on the North West of the Isle of Wight.

# Whippingham Church & Osborne House

We journey to the North of the island to see the famous Whippingham Church of St. Mildred, designed for Victoria and Albert. We continue to Queen Victoria's spectacular hideaway, Osborne House, which still features a large collection of the Royal's possessions, artwork and photographs. Osborne House is also home to the Swiss Cottage and a private beach. (Entrance included in the tour cost)

Departs V	Vednesday	- Returns on Sunday		
May 4	£274	Jul 20	£334	
May 18	18 <b>£294</b> Aug 3, 17, 31 <b>£334</b>			
May 25	£304 Sep 7 £304			
Jun 8	£324	Sep 21	£284	
Jun 22	£324	Sep 28	£274	
S	Supplements per person			
Single	£30	View	£30	

# Isle of Wight Delights

**TOUR 195** 



## What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Osborne House
- Entrance to Rosemary Vineyard

#### **Excursions Included**

# Alum Bav & Yarmouth

Refer to Sandown & Osborne House 5197 description.

# Whippingham Church & Osborne House

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# Rosemary Vineyard & Ryde

We travel along the eastern coast and have a fascinating vineyard visit (included in the tour cost) before continuing to Ryde which has a magnificent pier with outstanding views across the busy Solent. At the heart of this town is a fantastic range of independent shops, it's one of the best places on the isle to indulge in a bit of retail therapy!

Departs	Sunday - I	Returns on Sunday	
May 1	£407	Aug 21	£497
Jun 5			
Jul 10	£497	Oct 9	£367
Supplements per person			
Single (May-Sep)	£40	View (May-Sep)	£40
Single (Oct)	£0	View (Oct)	£30

# Isle of Wight Explorer

**TOUR 197** 



# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Osborne House
- **Entrance to Rosemary Vineyard**

#### **Excursions Included**

# Alum Bay & Yarmouth

Refer to Sandown & Osborne House 5197 description.

# Whippingham Church & Osborne House

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Departs S	Sunday - R	eturns on Saturday	
May 15	£386	Jun 26	£426
May 29 날	May 29 👱 <b>£406</b> Jul 17, 24, 31 <b>£436</b>		
Jun 12	£416	Aug 28	£416
Supplements per person			
Single	£40	View	£40

날 Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.



# Shanklin

# Beautiful beach, thatched cottages & lovely walks

Shanklin boasts a long, safe sandy beach which lies at the foot of the spectacular cliffs on which most of the town is situated. The two are connected by a cliff lift. The traditional seaside part of town blends into the picturesque thatched cottages of Shanklin Old Town at the head of the impressive Shanklin Chine. The delightful nature trail through the Chine is not to be missed and includes a surprising relic of the Second World War - a section of PLUTO, the Pipeline Under The Ocean, which was used to pump fuel under the sea to France for the Normandy landings. Although a quieter and more intimate resort than Sandown it nevertheless has its own theatre and lively pubs.







SHANKLIN HOTEL

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One of the best known hotels on the island, the Shanklin is situated in Shanklin town with superb views from its magnificent Starlite Restaurant and many bedrooms. Shanklin Old Village is a few minutes' walk away and the beach is accessible via the nearby cliff lift. Facilities include an impressive reception area, splendid bar, spectacular Starlite Restaurant with dance floor, indoor swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna, and games room. Car parking is available. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01983 862286.

# Seaside Towns & The Needles

TOUR 5200



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

# Alum Bay & Yarmouth

We journey to Alum Bay, famous for its coloured sands. Nearby are the magnificent chalk Needles, the remains of a ridge which once joined the island to the mainland. We return via Yarmouth on the North West of the Isle of Wight.

#### Ryde & Cowes

Ryde is the largest town on the Isle of Wight and named 'The Gateway to the Island' with its ferry terminal. It also has the oldest pleasure pier in Britain, built during the Napoleonic wars. Returning via the vibrant seaport of Cowes which is famous throughout the world as a yachting centre. It's a great place to visit for its selection of boutique shops, cafes and restaurants.

Feb 28	£184	Apr 4	£229
Mar 7	£199	Apr 11	£229
Mar 21	£209	Oct 24, 31	£224
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Ret	urns o	n Sunda	У
May 18	£274	Aug 10	£324
Jun 15	£314	Oct 5	£234
Jul 13	£324	Oct 12	£224
Supplements per person			
Single (Feb-Apr, Oct)		£0	
Single (May-Aug)		£30	
View (Feb-Apr, Oct)		£20	
View (May-Aug)		£30	

# Shanklin & Isle of Wight Steam Railway TOUR 200



### What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Trip on Isle of Wight Steam Railway

# **Excursions Included**

# Isle of Wight Steam Railway & Cowes

We travel towards Ryde where we take a journey back in time on board a train pulled by a restored locomotive at the Isle of Wight Steam Railway (rail fare included in the tour cost). We return via Britain's yachting capital, Cowes.

# Newport & Ryde

We journey inland to Newport with its range of historic attractions and independent shops. We continue to Ryde which offers many shops and a magnificent pier.

# Ventnor

Ventnor is a traditional seaside resort at the southern end of the Isle of Wight. Well known for its unique micro-climate, a stroll through the beautiful Victorian Ventnor Park is a must.

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Jul 17, 24, 31
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Single (Oct)
View (May-Aug)
View (Oct)

Departs Sunday -

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# Railway Lines & Vines

**TOUR 5203** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on Isle of Wight Steam Railway
- Entrance to Rosemary Vineyard

#### **Excursions Included**

# Isle of Wight Steam Railway & Newport

We travel towards Ryde where we take a journey back in time on board a train pulled by a restored locomotive at the Isle of Wight Steam Railway (rail fare included in the tour cost). The majestic steam engines and the guiet rural stations will leave you with some enduring memories. We return via Newport, the county town, with its range of historic attractions (entry fees may apply) and independent shops.

# Rosemary Vineyard & Ryde

We travel along the eastern coast and have a fascinating vineyard visit (included in the tour cost) before continuing to Ryde which has a magnificent pier with outstanding views across the busy Solent.

Departs Wednes Returns on Sur		
Jun 29	£324	
Jul 27	£334	
Aug 24	£334	
Sep 21	£294	
Supplements per person		
Single	£30	
View	£30	

# Great Gardens of the Isle of Wight

**TOUR 201** 



### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Mottistone House & Gardens
- **Entrance to Ventnor Botanic Gardens**

#### **Excursions Included**

## Mottistone Gardens & the Needles

The southerly location of this magical garden suits the varied planting, including Mediterranean species that can thrive here. We also visit Alum Bay, from where the dramatic Needles can be seen. (Entrance included in the tour cost).

# Quarr Abbey & Ryde

The extensive grounds of Quarr Abbey include woodland housing rare red squirrels, wildflower meadows, and formal gardens. (Free entrance).

# Wentnor Botanic Gardens

Sheltered by tall cliffs, Ventnor Botanic Gardens (entrance included in the tour cost) are home to a wide range of plants from across the world.

Departs Sund Returns on Sat	
May 1	£386
May 8	£406
Jun 5	£456
Aug 14, 21	£476
Sep 18	£386
Sep 25	£356
Supplements per	person
Single	£40
View	£40



Bognor Regis

Bognor Regis has been a seaside fishing settlement since Anglo Saxon times. It became a fashionable resort in the reign of George III and has been frequented by royalty on numerous occasions. The resort is flat and has an excellent promenade walk. There is a pier, the delightful Hotham Park and a pebbly beach with beautiful clean waters.

# **ROYAL NORFOLK**

Situated on the seafront with extensive lawns and superb Channel views, this exceptional Georgian building dates from the 1830s and has been visited by the Emperor Napoleon III of France and various descendants of Queen Victoria. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01243 826222.









# **South Downs** Splendour TOUR 5205



- What Alfa Includes
- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included**

# Chichester & Arundel

We visit the historic city of Chichester with its fine cathedral, Georgian houses and ancient city walls. The Cathedral hosts a pair of Peregrine falcons, who can sometimes be seen swooping across the city. We then travel to historic Arundel. Its castle and cathedral dominate the countryside and the charming town is delightful.

# Portsmouth & Southsea

A trip westwards along the coast to the historic naval town of Portsmouth with its fascinating harbour which plays host to the remains of Henry VIII's Mary Rose and Nelson's flagship, Victory. Gunwharf Quays Shopping Village is a shopper's paradise with nearly 100 great quality outlets. We continue to Southsea with its stunning pier and promenade.

Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday		
Feb 14	£179	Mar 21	£199	
Feb 28	£189	Apr 4, 11	£219	
Mar 7	£199	Oct 31	£224	
Departs Wo	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday		
Apr 27	£239	Sep 7	£289	
Jun 8	£289	Sep 14	£279	
Jun 29	£299	Oct 5	£239	
Jul 6	£309	Oct 12	£229	
Supplements per person				
Single (Feb-Apr, Oct)	£0	View (Feb-Apr, Oct)	£20	
Single (Jun-Sep)	£30	View (Jun-Sep)	£30	

# Sussex Heritage Highlights TOUR 5207



## What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Amberley Museum & Fishbourne Palace

#### **Excursions Included**

# Worthing & Amberley

We visit the large seaside town of Worthing, where Oscar Wilde wrote The Importance of Being Earnest while on a visit in the 1890s. We then stop at Arundel and the Amberley Museum & Heritage Centre where working craftspeople demonstrate their traditional crafts and we can ride on the narrow gauge railway and historic bus services (entrance included in the tour cost).

# Chichester & Fishbourne Roman Palace

We visit the historic city of Chichester with its fine cathedral, Georgian houses and ancient city walls. Then back in time to Fishbourne, a magnificent 1st century Roman Palace complete with mosaics, under floor heating systems and a restored Roman garden (entrance included in the tour cost).

Departs V	Vednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
May 18	£279	Jun 22	£309
Jun 1 날	£309	Jul 27	£329
5	upplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10

# South Downs, Spinnaker & Sheffield Park TOUR 5209



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on Bluebell Railway, entrance to Sheffield Park Gardens & Spinnaker Tower

#### **Excursions Included**

# Bluebell Railway & Sheffield Park Gardens

We go back in time to travel on the fine steam Bluebell Railway through the gentle Sussex Weald before exploring the extensive splendour of Sheffield Park Gardens, a magnificent landscape garden laid out in the 18th century by 'Capability' Brown with four lakes at its centre (rail fare and entrance to gardens included in the tour cost).

# NEW! Portsmouth (incl. Spinnaker Tower)

A trip westwards along the coast to Britain's greatest naval port which is home to an historic dockyard (free entry) and plays host to the remains of Henry VIII's Mary Rose and Nelson's flagship, Victory. Gunwharf Quays Shopping Village is a shopper's paradise with nearly 100 great quality outlets under one roof. The highlight of our visit is an ascent of the 560ft Spinnaker Tower, offering dramatic views along the South Coast and across to the Isle of Wight (entrance included in the tour cost).

Departs \	Nednesday	- Returns on Sund	ay
May 4	£299	Jul 20	£339
May 25	£309	Aug 17	£339
Jun 15	£339	Sep 21	£299
	Supplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30





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First time me and my husband have been to the Royal Norfolk Hotel and the resort of Bognor Regis. We would definitely recommend it to family and friends. First class service all round. Thanks for an excellent holiday. 🤊 🤊

B. Bachegalup





# Historic Dockyard, Worthing & Brighton TOUR 5206



## What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard & Boat Tour

## **Excursions Included**

## **NEW!** Portsmouth Historic Dockyard incl. All Attractions & Boat Tour

Access to all the Dockyard attractions is included in our visit. You may choose to visit the Mary Rose restoration, HMS Victory, HMS Warrior, HMS M.33, the Submarine and Firepower museums or the site's temporary exhibitions. We also take a 45 minute Harbour Tour to discover many of the fortifications that were built to protect Portsmouth over the centuries. The Harbour Tour gives us a unique perspective on the modern and ancient warships in the vast harbour.

# Worthing & Brighton

We visit the large seaside town of Worthing, where Oscar Wilde wrote The Importance of Being Earnest while on a visit in the 1890s. We continue to Brighton, famous for its graceful Regency buildings including the exotic iron-domed Royal Pavilion.

Departs We	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday			
Aug 10	£344	Aug 31	£334		
Departs	Departs Monday - Returns on Friday				
Oct 24	£264				
Su	pplement	s per person			
Single (Aug)	£30	View (Aug)	£30		
Single (Oct)	£0	View (Oct)	£20		

# Splendid Sussex & Spinnaker Tower TOUR 206



## What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Spinnaker Tower

#### **Excursions Included**

# Brighton & Worthing

We travel to the resort famous for its graceful Regency buildings including the exotic Royal Pavilion which was built as a palace for the Prince Regent. We then visit the large seaside town of Worthing, where Oscar Wilde wrote The Importance of Being Earnest while on a visit in the 1890s.

# NEW! Portsmouth (incl. Spinnaker Tower)

Britain's greatest naval port is home to an historic dockyard (free entry) and shopper's paradise at Gunwharf Quays. The highlight of our visit is an ascent of the 560ft Spinnaker Tower, offering dramatic views (entrance included in the tour cost).

The market town of Arundel with its many listed buildings sits below the castle of the same name, once a stronghold of Roman Catholicism in England. This charming town combines one thousand years of history with independent shops, contemporary art galleries, cafés and restaurants.

Departs :	Sunday - R	eturns on Saturday				
May 1	£359	Jul 3	£459			
May 8	£379	Aug 7, 21	£459			
Jun 12	£399	Sep 4	£439			
Jun 26	£439	Sep 18	£399			
Supplements per person						
Single	£40	View	£40			

# Bognor Regis & Amberley Museum TOUR 207



- What Alfa Includes
- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Amberley Museum & Heritage Centre

#### **Excursions Included**

# Worthing & Amberley

We visit the large seaside town of Worthing, where Oscar Wilde wrote The Importance of Being Earnest while on a visit in the 1890s. We then stop at Arundel and the Amberley Museum & Heritage Centre where working craftspeople demonstrate their traditional crafts and we can ride on the narrow gauge railway and historic bus services (entrance included in the tour cost).

# Portsmouth & Southsea

We journey along the coast to the historic naval town of Portsmouth with its fascinating harbour before continuing to Southsea with its stunning pier and promenade.

## Chichester & Littlehampton

We visit nearby Chichester, an ancient town famous for its arts festival. Littlehampton, a peaceful harbour town famous for the UK's longest bench, also features a miniature railway and several parks and gardens.

Departs S	unday - R	eturns on Saturday	
Mar 13	£279	Jul 24	£459
Apr 3	£309	Aug 28	£459
Apr 17, 24	£339	Oct 2	£339
May 29	£389	Oct 16	£319
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£0	View (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£30
Single (May-Aug)	£40	View (May-Aug)	£40

# Eastbourne

Eastbourne is one of Britain's more elegant resorts. enjoying a glorious location on the South Coast. Because it is sheltered by Beachy Head and the South Downs it has an excellent sunshine record, always coming in around the top of the sunshine league. It has a spacious promenade to stroll along and the world-famous Carpet Gardens.

# **QUEENS HOTEL**

Eastbourne OOO M\*\*\*

This magnificent Victorian hotel is in an outstanding position overlooking the pier. Public rooms include a bar, sun lounge and two restaurants. Two lifts serve all floors and a wheelchair lift operates between the ground floor's two levels. Large car park. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01323 722822.









# **Eastbourne & Brighton**

**TOUR 5216** 



## What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Battle Abbey

#### **Excursions Included**

# Rye & Battle Abbey

Today Rye is best known for its Thursday market but historically it was one of the Cinque Ports and home for many years to the novelist Henry James. We also explore the atmospheric Battle Abbey ruins and their recently refurbished museum and visitor centre (entrance included in the tour cost). Indeed we can stand on the very spot where King Harold is said to have died!

# Brighton

We travel to Brighton, made famous by the Prince Regent who built the remarkable Pavilion transformed by John Nash between 1815 and 1823. Brighton is host to numerous museums and galleries as well as an aquarium and several theatres, while the pier offers visitors the traditional promenade above the waves. Add to this the abundance of quirky independent shops clustered around the unique "Lanes", and there is never a dull moment.

Departs W	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday		
May 4	£274	Jul 27	£334	
Jun 1 날	£334	Aug 17	£334	
Jun 29	£324	Aug 31	£334	
Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday		
May 16	£284	Jun 13	£319	
Supplements per person				
Single	£30	View	£30	

# **Leeds Castle &** Bluebell Railway TOUR 5217



## What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on Bluebell Railway & Entrance to Leeds Castle & Sheffield Park Gardens

#### **Excursions Included**

# Bluebell Railway & Sheffield Park Gardens

We go back in time to travel on the fine steam Bluebell Railway, one of the first preserved heritage lines, through the gentle Sussex Weald before exploring the extensive splendour of Sheffield Park Gardens. A magnificent landscape garden laid out in the 18th century by 'Capability' Brown with four lakes at its centre. Walk through this horticultural work of art on its circulating paths through the wooded areas surrounding them. (Rail fare and entrance to gardens included in the tour cost).

# Leeds Castle

We visit what Lord Conway described as 'The Loveliest Castle in the World', a romantic and deeply historical wonderland which is listed in the Domesday Book. It has been a Norman stronghold, a royal residence for six of England's medieval queens and a palace of Henry VIII (entrance included in the tour cost).

Departs W	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Apr 27	£294	Jul 13	£359
May 11	£324	Aug 24	£364
Jun 22	£354	Sep 7	£344
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single (Apr)	£0	View (Apr)	£20
Single (May-Sep)	£30	View (May-Sep)	£30

# East Sussex Railway & Herstmonceux TOUR 5218



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on East Sussex Railway
- **Entrance to Herstmonceux Castle**

#### **Excursions Included**

# NEW! Kent & East Sussex Railway

Weave between Tenterden and Bodiam on England's finest rural light railway (included in tour cost). Experience travel from the bygone era on-board this unique collection of coaches and locomotives.

## Herstmonceux Castle & Rye

Herstmonceux Castle is one of the oldest significant brick buildings to still be standing. Its magnificent moated castle is set in beautiful parkland with superb Elizabethan gardens. You may recognise this privately owned estate from many of the TV and film productions it has appeared in *(entrance*) included in the tour cost). Today we also visit Rye which was home for many years to the novelist Henry James. Best known for its Thursday market but historically it was one of the Cinque Ports.

Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday			
May 23	£319	Aug 1	£334		
Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday					
Sep 28	£274				
Sı	pplement	s per person			
Single	£30	View	£30		









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Thank you so much to all of the staff at the Queens for your kindness and hospitality. I'm always made to feel so welcome and comfortable. 99

F. Petrank





# **Eastbourne & Sussex Towns**

**TOUR 216** 



- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Carr-Taylor Vineyard

# **Excursions Included**

# Battle & Carr-Taylor Vineyard

Battle was the site of William the Conqueror's victory over Harold. Follow the history trail around the village to learn how the battle unfolded. We then visit nearby Carr-Taylor Vineyard, where we receive an informative and entertaining tour of the vines and the winery (included in tour cost).

# Rye & Hastings

Today Rye is best known for its Thursday market but historically it was one of the Cinque Ports and home for many years to the novelist Henry James. We then visit Hastings, which has undergone extensive regeneration in recent years, and features a new £15m pier, several museums and galleries, a cliff railway, and delightful shops in the Old Town.

We travel via the dramatic Devil's Dyke to the resort famous for its graceful Regency buildings including the exotic iron-domed Royal Pavilion which was built as a palace for the Prince Regent. Its enticing series of narrow streets, The Lanes, have many delightful small shops.

D	eparts Sunday - R	leturns on Sunday	
May 1	£417	Jun 19, 26	£507
May 8	£447	Jul 10, 24, 31	£507
May 22	£467	Aug 14	£507
May 29 날	£487	Sep 4	£497
Jun 12	£507	Sep 11	£467
	Supplements	per person	
Single	£40	View	£40

# Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.

# Sussex & Scenic Steam

**TOUR 218** 



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on East Sussex Railway

# **Excursions Included**

■ NEW! Kent & East Sussex Railway

Weave between Tenterden and Bodiam on England's finest rural light railway ( $included\ in$ tour cost). Experience travel from the bygone era on-board this unique collection of coaches and locomotives.

# Rye & Hastings

Today Rye is best known for its Thursday market but historically it was one of the Cinque Ports and home for many years to the novelist Henry James. We then visit Hastings, which has undergone extensive regeneration in recent years, and features a new £15m pier, several museums and galleries, a cliff railway, and delightful shops in the Old Town.

# Brighton

We travel via the dramatic Devil's Dyke to the resort famous for its graceful Regency buildings including the exotic iron-domed Royal Pavilion which was built as a palace for the Prince Regent. Its enticing series of narrow streets, The Lanes, have many delightful small shops.

Depa	arts Sunday - R	eturns on Saturday				
May 15	£396	Aug 7, 21	£456			
Jul 3, 17	£456	Aug 28	£436			
	Supplements per person					
Single	£40	View	£40			

# Bournemouth

Bournemouth is not just a seaside resort but a "city by the sea" with a huge range of shops, entertainments and amenities. It has a real international flavour and its combination of miles of golden sands and some of the finest parks and gardens in the country make it a superb resort whatever your tastes. The Lower Gardens in particular provide a lush green contrast to the nearby beach. There are many outstanding attractions including museums, an art gallery, two piers and a wealth of evening entertainment ranging from classical music to top name summer shows.

# **SUNCLIFF HOTEL**

Bournemouth **OOO** 



Located on the seafront overlooking Bournemouth Bay in the prestigious East Cliff neighbourhood of town, The Suncliff hotel is a five-minute stroll from



the sandy beach. Tel: 01202 298350.



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# TROUVILLE HOTEL

Bournemouth @@@ 44 \*\*\*





This attractive hotel is situated on a short, steep hill just a few minutes stroll from the beaches, town centre and pier. It has an

indoor leisure centre (free to use for Alfa customers). Tel: 01202 552262.







Bournemouth





# MARSHAM COURT HOTEL

Bournemouth

Featuring an outdoor heated pool (May-Sep) this hotel is conveniently located opposite the Russell-Coates Gallery and Museum, a few minutes'



walk from the beach. Tel: 01202 552111.











**NEW** HOTEL

# Bournemouth

**TOUR 5171** 

# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

# Salisbury & Shaftesbury

Salisbury's history dates back to the nearby Iron Age fort, but it is best known for having the tallest cathedral spire in England along with a superbly well preserved medieval town plan with many wooden buildings. We then journey past the ancient and mystical Stonehenge on our way to Shaftesbury, a famously picturesque village.

# Weymouth & Portland

We travel to Weymouth to spend the day in this delightful Dorset resort. It has just about everything one could ask for in a seaside town: a lovely curving bay with soft sands, a fascinating harbour with interesting old pubs and cottages, the remains of a Tudor castle, some engaging architecture, a wide variety of shops and plenty to entertain both day and night. The view of Chesil Beach from Portland is quite remarkable.

Departs l	Monday -	Returns on Friday				
May 16	£364	Jul 18 <sup>^</sup>	£344			
Jun 13*	£344	Aug 15	£384			
Jul 4	£374	Sep 12 <sup>^</sup>	£324			
Su	Supplements per person					
Single	£30	View (May, Jul-Aug)	£49			

\*Stays at Suncliff Hotel. ^Stays at Trouville Hotel. No view rooms at this hotel. All other dates stay at Marsham Court Hotel.

# & New Forest TOUR 5172

What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Beaulieu

#### **Excursions Included**

# Lvndhurst & Beaulieu

A day in the New Forest, an area of beautiful unspoilt countryside, much of it woodland, with its famous wild ponies. Beaulieu is a fantastic day out for everyone, with Palace House, abbey, National Motor Museum and Gardens which stretch down to the river's edge (entrance included in the tour cost).

# Salisbury & Shaftesbury

Salisbury's history dates back to the nearby Iron Age fort, but it is best known for having the tallest cathedral spire in England along with a superbly well preserved medieval town plan with many wooden buildings. We then journey past the ancient and mystical Stonehenge on our way to Shaftesbury, a famously picturesque village.

Departs Monday - Returns on Friday				
Jun 27	£324	Sep 19	£324	
Supplements per person				
Single	£30			

All dates stay at Trouville Hotel

# **Bournemouth &** Beaulieu TOUR 172

What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Beaulieu

#### **Excursions Included**

# Lvndhurst & Beaulieu

A day in the New Forest, an area of beautiful unspoilt countryside, much of it woodland, with its famous wild ponies. Beaulieu is a fantastic day out for everyone, with Palace House, abbey, National Motor Museum and Gardens which stretch down to the river's edge (entrance included in the tour cost).

# Salisbury & Shaftesbury

Refer to Bournemouth 5171 description.

# Weymouth & Portland

We travel to Weymouth to spend the day in this delightful Dorset resort. Weymouth boasts splendid beaches, a busy harbour and many narrow shopping streets as well as a Tudor fort and a nature reserve. The view of Chesil Beach from Portland is quite remarkable.

Departs	Sunday - R	eturns on Saturday	
Mar 27*	£389	Jul 17	£556
May 22	£546	Sep 4	£556
Jun 12	£556	Oct 9*	£456
S	upplement	s per person	
Single	£40	View (May-Sep)	£89

<sup>\*</sup>Stays at Suncliff Hotel. All other dates stay at Marsham Court Hotel.







Located in the heart of Hertfordshire, just a short distance from bustling London, Stevenage offers its visitors a wonderful blend of heritage, retail therapy and exciting events. The crowning jewel of this district is Fairlands Valley Park, with its 120 acres of stunning parkland just waiting to be explored.

# **HOLIDAY INN**

Stevenage @@@

Situated in Stevenage town centre, this hotel is ideally located for leisure travellers. Guests can relax in the restaurant and bar, offering a variety of cuisines. Bedrooms are en suite with air conditioning. Tel: 01438 722727.











# Wartime Britain

**TOUR 5248** 



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Bletchley Park, Churchill War Rooms & RAF Duxford

# Oxford & Cambridge

TOUR 5323



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Guided Tours of Cambridge & Oxford

# **Excursions Included**

## Oxford

We turn West to Oxford, site of England's oldest university, the "City of Spires". With its mix of ancient and modern, there is plenty to be explored. We have a guided walking tour of the city (guided tour included in the tour cost) and time to visit the many shops before returning to our hotel.

# Cambridge

Home to more Nobel prize winners than any other city, Cambridge is brimming with learning, culture and discoveries. The college buildings of Cambridge are a wonder to behold, but the river, the Botanic Gardens and the excellent shops are also worthy of a visit (guided tour included in the tour cost).

# St. Alban's

With its splendid Abbey and the remains of Roman Verulamium. St. Alban's has many delightful buildings and is often used for filming (including Inspector Morse and Foyle's War). Buzzing with life, entertainment, culture and history, there's something for everyone to enjoy in St. Alban's.

De	parts Wednesday - Re	turns on Sunday	
Jun 22	£304	Aug 31	£304
	Supplements per	person	
Single	£69		

# **Excursions Included**

Bletchley Park

Today we visit the famous Bletchley Park, famous for the secret team who cracked the Enigma Code during World War II. Bletchley Park gives us a glimpse into 1940's Britain and the efforts of the home front (entrance included in the tour cost). We return via the market town of Aylesbury located just north of the Chiltern Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The town offers both the history and heritage of its old quarter as well as the modern shopping centres and nightlife of a contemporary town

# London & the Churchill War Rooms

We visit the Churchill War Rooms, the wartime bunker under Whitehall that sheltered Churchill during the Blitz *(entrance included in the tour cost).* We walk the top-secret corridors of Churchill War Rooms and glimpse at what life would have been like during these tense days and nights of World War II. We then have free time to explore the capital.

# RAF Duxford

The Imperial War Museum based at RAF Duxford (entrance included in the tour cost) is Britain's best-preserved World War II airfield and reflects the landmark achievements made in aviation history. We return via the pretty town of Bishop's Stortford.

Depar	ts Wednesday	- Returns on Sunday			
May 11	£344	Aug 10	£344		
Jul 6	£344				
	Supplements per person				
Single	£69				

# Royal Kent

Based in the genteel former spa town of Royal Tunbridge Wells, we explore the history of the Garden of England from the times of Henry VIII to the county's role during World War 2.

# **MERCURE HOTEL**



Situated on the outskirts of Royal Tunbridge Wells, in a quiet corner of Kent. The hotel is styled around a traditional Georgian oast house and surrounded by a summer seating area. All bedrooms are en-suite and feature flat-screen TV and hairdryer. Tel: 01892 628298.











# **Royal Kent**

TOUR 5243



### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- **Boat Trip on Medway**
- Entrance to Hever Castle & Gardens and Kent Life Museum

### **Excursions Included**

# Hever Castle & Gardens

One of England's most romantic castles, childhood home to Anne Boleyn, Hever stands out with its double moat and extensive portrait collection. Hever's award-winning and extensive gardens are carefully planted to offer eye-catching displays (entrance included in the tour cost).

#### Kent Life Museum & Medway Boat Trip

We visit the Kent Life Museum with its Victorian and WWII village, oast houses, working forge and traditional cottage gardens. From here we take a boat trip on the Medway to the heart of Maidstone passing Allington Castle, where Henry VIII used to meet Anne Boleyn. (Museum entrance and boat trip included in the tour cost).

	Departs Monday - R	Returns on Friday			
Apr 18	£329				
Dej	Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday				
May 4	£384	Jul 13	£404		
Supplements per person					
Single	£99				



# Glorious Gardens of Wessex

From our base in Street we journey West through the delightful Somerset countryside, which was once part of the ancient kingdom of Wessex to visit two glorious gardens located in picturesque North Devon.

# **WESSEX HOTEL**

Street OOO A4 \*\*\*



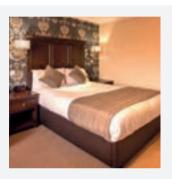
Located in the West Country town of Street, the Wessex Hotel offers the perfect base for exploring picturesque Somerset. The hotel features include a separate restaurant and attractive bar lounge. Tel: 01458 443383











# Glorious Gardens of Wessex

**TOUR 5124** 



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- **Entrance to RHS Rosemoor Gardens**
- **Entrance to Arlington Court**

### **Excursions Included**

## RHS Rosemoor Gardens & Great Torrington

Rosemoor Garden covers 65 acres in a warm, sheltered location surrounded by woodland, ideal for growing a wide variety of interesting species. On site you will find a visitor centre, library, plant centre, shop, and tearoom (entrance included in tour cost). Nearby Great Torrington is a small historic town in a unique position above the River Torridge.

# Arlington Court & Ilfracombe

Arlington Court is a complete family estate held by the Chichester family for over 500 years. The house itself, built in 1823 houses an eclectic collection, from model ships to shells. The stables house the National Carriage Museum (entrance included in tour cost).

Dep	oarts Monday - K	eturns on Friday		
Jul 18	£354	Aug 15	£354	
Supplements per person				
Single	£30			

# Kent Coast

From our base in historic Gillingham, our tours visit a wide variety of interesting sites. Such sites include Winston Churchill's home, the spectacular Leeds Castle, and the former hunting lodge of Henry VIII, as well as Kent's revitalised seaside resorts, the rolling hills of high weald and the twin castles of Scotney.

# KING CHARLES HOTEL

Gillingham **QQQ** 

Conveniently located in the heart of Gillingham, with its extensive shopping and amenities including the Royal Engineers Museum and Chatham Historic Dockyard, the King Charles Hotel offers quality accommodation and traditional dining. Lounge bar. Tel: 01634 830303.











# **Kent Coast & Castles**

TOUR 5254



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Hornby Toy Museum & Scotney Castle

# **Excursions Included**

# Margate, Ramsgate & Hornby Visitor Centre

We take a trip along the North Kent coast to Margate, home to the new Turner Gallery, many unique and interesting shops and the official Hornby Toy Museum (museum entrance included in tour cost). We continue to Ramsgate, with its redeveloped marina and various

# Scotney Castle

We journey to the High Weald, a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, to visit the delightful house and gardens of Scotney Castle (entrance included in tour cost). The ruined 'Old Castle' stands on a moated island surrounded by sloping wooded gardens with many beautiful flowering shrubs. The 'New Castle' was built in the 1800s in Tudor style with more formal lawns and planting. We also visit historic Maidstone on the return journey.

# Whitstable

Famous since Roman times for its oysters, Whitstable features miles of shingle beach, a maze of historic alleyways between delightful shops and pubs, and the largest village green in England.

	Departs Monday - Ret	urns on Friday	
Apr 25	£279	Sep 12	£294
Aug 22	£314	,	
-	Supplements pe	r person	
Single	£69	-	

# **Historic Houses of Kent**



# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Chartwell, Leeds Castle & Penshurst Place

# **Excursions Included**

#### Chartwell

Chartwell was the much-loved family home of Sir Winston Churchill from 1922 (entrance included in the tour cost). The rooms remain much as they were originally, with personal mementoes reflecting on the interests of the great statesman, writer, painter and family man. The hillside gardens reflect his love of nature and include the lakes he created, the kitchen garden and the Marycot, a playhouse designed for his youngest daughter Mary.

#### Leeds Castle

We visit what Lord Conway described as 'The Loveliest Castle in the World', a romantic and deeply historical wonderland which is listed in the Domesday Book. It has been a Norman stronghold, a royal residence for six of England's medieval queens and a palace of Henry VIII (entrance included in the tour cost).

# Penshurst Place & Gardens

We journey to Kent and visit the grand manor house of Penshurst Place, once owned by Henry VIII and featured in the TV series 'Wolf Hall' (entrance to house & gardens included). On our return we have a short stop at Royal Tunbridge Wells, a fashionable 18th century spa town which has an interesting common.

	Departs Monday - Ret	urns on Friday	
May 30	£324	Aug 15	£334
Jul 25	£334	Sep 5, 19	£324
	Supplements pe	r person	
Single	£69		



# Weymouth

Weymouth is one of Britain's oldest seaside resorts, made popular by George III whose statue stands on the promenade. It has just about everything one could ask for in a seaside town: a lovely curving bay with soft sands, a fascinating harbour with interesting old pubs and cottages, the remains of a Tudor castle, some engaging architecture, a wide variety of shops and plenty to entertain both day and night. Add to this a bird reserve which is almost in the centre of town, a museum, an indoor swimming pool and lots of boat trips and you are sure to have an amazing holiday.

# **BERKELEY HOTEL**

Weymouth 00



This original Georgian building is splendidly situated with wonderful views of Weymouth's sweeping bay from the hotel and some of the bedrooms. Tel: 01305 766640











# **ROYAL HOTEL**

Weymouth @@@



The Royal is conveniently situated on the seafront, close to local attractions. The hotel's cosy lounges, friendly bar, and chic restaurant afford views



across the promenade. Tel: 01305 782777.











# **HOTEL PRINCE REGENT**

Weymouth **@@@** 



An elegant hotel situated on Weymouth's Esplanade with a beautiful period ballroom. The restaurant offers splendid views of the bay and a varied menu with











# Wonderful Weymouth

**TOUR 5165** 



# **Excursions Included**

# Dorchester, Bridport & Abbotsbury

We first travel to Dorchester, the county town of Dorset – Casterbridge in Thomas Hardy's books. Afterwards we continue to the ancient town of Bridport – ITV's Broadchurch – and the village of Abbotsbury on The Fleet, the lagoon behind the amazing Chesil Beach.

### Poole & Bournemouth

Travelling Eastwards to the Georgian port of Poole, now a leading yacht harbour, then to Dorset's largest resort, Bournemouth.

Dep	arts Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Apr 18	£289	Jun 13	£334
May 16	£304	Jul 11	£344
May 30*	£344	Sep 5	£334
Depart	s Wednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Sep 21*	£374		
	Supplement	s per person	
Single (Royal)	£49	View (Apr)	£20
Single (Prince Regent)	£30	View (May-Sep)	£30

# \*Stays at Royal Hotel. All other dates say at Prince Regent Hotel.

# Weymouth & Picturesque Dorset

**TOUR 166** 



# • 3 Full Day Excursions **Excursions Included**

# Wareham & Swanage

We travel East to the Purbeck Hills and the quaint resort of Swanage.

Dorchester, Bridport & Abbotsbury

Refer to Wonderful Weymouth 5165 description.

# Poole & Bournemouth

Refer to Wonderful Weymouth 5165 description.

De	parts Sunday - Retur	ns on Saturday	
Mar 13	£399	Aug 7*	£496
May 22	£506	Aug 14	£586
May 29*	£486	Oct 16	£456
	Supplements pe	r person	
Single (Royal)	£79	View	£40
Single (Berkeley)	£40		

<sup>\*</sup>Stays at Berkeley Hotel. All other dates say at Royal Hotel.

# **EAST** COAST

The East of England is home to expansive wetlands, vast sandy beaches and stylish coastal towns.

Discover the famous Norfolk Broads, a stunning National Park with over 125 miles of lock free waterways which are home to some of the rarest plants and animals in the UK.

Travel through England's history with a visit to Sandringham House; the much loved country retreat of Her Majesty the Queen and Blickling Estate; a fascinating Jacobean hall and gardens.

The East Coast is home to a variety of popular towns, with attraction-packed resorts such as Skegness and Great Yarmouth, to the charming seaside resort of Cromer and smaller villages like Aldeburgh.

If you've never visited the beautiful East Coast of England before then prepare to be inspired!





We have stayed at the Hotel de Paris on several occasions and have always enjoyed our stay and found the staff very polite and accommodating. "

M. Lambert

We had a very enjoyable holiday at the New Beach and are looking forward to going again soon. It is a credit to you all at Alfa.

#### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE** IN THIS AREA:

Skegness, Great Yarmouth, Cromer, Southend & London



# Skegness

Skegness is the largest resort on the Lincolnshire coast and has been a firm favourite holiday destination for decades. Wide, clean, award-winning beaches are amongst the fine attributes of this lively town. Why not take a stroll around the many gardens that straddle the seashore.

# **ROYAL HOTEL**

Skegness **©©**©



Situated in its own grounds at the southern end of the promenade, looking towards the sea and an easy stroll from the resort's principal attractions. There is a lounge bar, games room and a ballroom. Tel: 01754 762301.









# **Skegness & Lincoln**

**TOUR 5272** 

# What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions



# **Excursions Included**

Lincoln

Lincoln's splendid cathedral is one of the finest in the country and is surrounded by many other fascinating buildings of all periods including its castle which houses one of four remaining copies of the Magna Carta. Offering an experience rich in history combined with independent boutique shopping, great arts and culture and a wealth of places to eat and drink, Lincoln provides a great day out.

## Mablethorpe, Louth & Wainfleet

We have a short break at Mablethorpe, a small resort once frequented by the poet Tennyson and notable for its splendid sands. We then visit Louth, an ancient market town on the Wolds with a mixture of Elizabethan and Georgian buildings and a splendid church, before return to Skegness via the ancient town of Wainfleet.

#### Feb 7 £189 Jul 11 £284 Oct 10 £229 £234 Mar 7 Supplements per person Single (Feb-Jul) £30 Single (Oct

# **Lincolnshire Coast**

**TOUR 272** 

# What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Bateman's Brewerv



# **Excursions Included**

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# Woodhall Spa & Wainfleet

Wainfleet. We journey inland to the former Spa town of Woodhall, famously the headquarters of the Dam Busters. We continue to Wainfleet for a fascinating, tour of Batemans Brewery (entrance included in the tour cost).

Departs Sunday - Returns on Saturday					
Mar 13	£329	Aug 21	£426		
Jun 19	£406	Sep 18	£386		
Jul 24	£416				
Supplements per person					
Single	£40				



# Great Yarmouth

# East Anglia's liveliest resort

Great Yarmouth is East Anglia's top seaside venue, whose long sandy beach stretches for miles, backed by the Marine Parade and promenade, ideal for a gentle stroll or a ride on a horse-drawn landau. Visitors enjoy a huge range of attractions including the Model Village, a magnificent Sea Life Centre and the Hippodrome Circus, one of the longest running permanent circuses in England. Historically Great Yarmouth's South Quay was a bustling port, described by Daniel Defoe as the finest quay in Europe with its many Georgian buildings. Those with an interest in history might also enjoy the Nelson Museum and the preserved Row Houses, unique to Great Yarmouth. There's something for everyone in England's far East!









# **NEW BEACH HOTEL**

Great Yarmouth **②②②** <sup>44</sup>★★★











Recently refurbished and expanded with all the facilities you could need, the New Beach is situated in Great Yarmouth's most central and lively location, on the seafront opposite Britannia Pier and adjacent to the shops and resort amenities. All public areas (new bar lounge with sea views, new restaurant and entertainment room) are on the ground floor. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01493 332300.

# Great Yarmouth & The Broads

TOUR 5261



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Boat Trip on The Broads

#### **Excursions Included**

# Cromer & The Broads

We travel to Cromer via Caister and North Walsham. We return through Aylsham to Wroxham where we take a short trip on the Norfolk Broads to relax and enjoy the tranquillity and beautiful scenery (boat fare included in the tour cost).

Norfolk's county town of Norwich is one of Britain's most attractive cities, a fine town with an irregular medieval street plan and many notable buildings of all periods including a Norman castle and imposing cathedral. In addition to the historical attractions, the centre of Norwich is replete with a myriad of interesting shops and a large daily market featuring a variety of clothes and homewares as well as the local agricultural produce.

Departs Wednesday -		
Returns on Su	nday	
May 4	£254	

May 4	£254
Jun 1 날	£304
Jun 29	£294
Jul 27	£304
Aug 10, 24	£304
Sep 7	£294
Sep 14	£284
Sep 21	£274
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Supplements per person	
Jun 13	£294
May 16	£274
Returns on Fri	day
Departs Mona	ay -

View £30 Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see p10.

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£30

# Suffolk Coast & The Broads



#### What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Boat Trip on The Broads

# **Excursions Included** Cromer & The Broads

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#### Aldeburgh & Southwold

Once a major Tudor port whose shipwrights built Drake's Golden Hind, Aldeburgh is today a picturesque coastal town with many interesting buildings such as the Moot Hall, windmill and Martello Tower. We also visit Southwold with its pier, waterclock and lighthouse.

Norwich

Refer to Great Yarmouth & The Broads 5261 description.

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Departs Sunda Returns on Sur	
May 15	£417
Jun 5	£437
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Departs Sunday -	
Returns on Sur	iday
May 15	£417
Jun 5	£437
Jun 19	£447
Jun 26	£467
Jul 3, 24, 31	£467
Aug 7, 14	£467
Aug 28	£457
Sep 11	£407
Supplements per	person
Single	£40
View	£40

# **East Anglia Coast & The Broads**

**TOUR 263** 



### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Boat Trip on The Broads

# **Excursions Included**

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Refer to Great Yarmouth & The Broads 5261 description.

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£366
£406
£376
£366
person
£40
£40

# **Great Yarmouth & Coastal Towns**

**TOUR 5260** 



# 2 Full Day Excursions

# **Excursions Included** Cromer & Sheringham

Cromer is a delightful resort, full of character, with narrow winding streets and several fascinating buildings overlooking the best preserved pier in England - famous for its summer shows. Along the coast from Cromer lies the seaside town of Sheringham with its rural craft centre.

# Norwich

Norfolk's county town of Norwich is one of Britain's most attractive cities, a fine town with an irregular medieval street plan and many notable buildings of all periods including a Norman castle and imposing cathedral. In addition to the historical attractions, the centre of Norwich is replete with a myriad of interesting shops and a large daily market.

Departs Mor	
Returns Fri	iday
Feb 21	£184
Mar 7	£194
Mar 14	£199
Mar 28	£209
Apr 18	£219
Oct 24	£204
Oct 31	£204
Departs Wedn	esday -
Returns on S	unday
Apr 27	£229
Oct 5, 12	£224
Oct 19	£214
Supplements pe	r person
Single	£0
View	£20

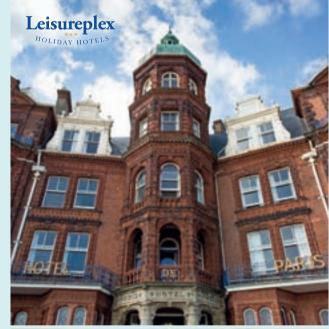


# Cromer

# Victorian charm amid flint cottages & unspoilt beaches

Cromer was once a small fishing village which has now grown into a bustling family holiday resort, with superb sunshine records. This attractive, small resort is full of character with its narrow twisting streets in the town centre and lively seafront promenade behind the sandy beach. Colourful gardens offer quiet relaxation but if you're feeling energetic there are leisure facilities available including bowling greens, tennis courts, squash and golf. During the summer season there's a varied entertainments programme available at the famous Pier Pavilion. Cromer is set amidst the pleasant countryside of North Norfolk with its leafy country lanes, villages with their flint cottages and of course the Norfolk Broads, miles and miles of waterways weaving their way through this unique landscape. On this holiday you will have the opportunity to take a trip on the Broads and visit some of Norfolk's principal sights on our excursions.









**HOTEL DE PARIS** 

Cromer **②②②** <sup>A4</sup> ★★★











A delightful and unique hotel, occupying the finest position in Cromer, a town full of character. Hotel de Paris is close to the shops and historic parish church and directly overlooking the pier and lively seafront. Superb reception lounge, attractive bar and lounge. Delightful restaurant with small dance floor. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01263 513141.

## **Cromer & Royal Norfolk**

**TOUR 5267** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- · 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Blickling Hall
- Entrance to Sandringham Museum & Gardens

#### **Excursions Included**

#### North Norfolk Coast & Sandringham

We travel West to Wells-next-the-Sea, a quaint, thriving port We continue to Royal Sandringham to visit the Royal Estate (entrance to museum and gardens included in the tour cost). NB. Entrance is not possible when Royal Family is in residence, expected to be late July/early August.

#### Sheringham & Blickling Hall

A short distance along the coast lies Sheringham, a delightful bustling seaside town boasting a splendid craft centre with traditional rural crafts. Turning inland we come to Blickling Hall, a superb Jacobean House said to be home to the ghosts of both Anne Boleyn and Falstaff! (Entrance included in the tour cost).

Departs Wednes Returns on Sur		
May 18, 25	£304	
Jun 8	£324	
Jul 6, 20	£344	
Aug 3, 17	£344	
Aug 31	£334	
Sep 14	£314	
Supplements per person		
Single	£30	
View	£30	

### Norfolk Coast & Norwich

**TOUR 267** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

Great Yarmouth

We visit Norfolk's principal seaside resort which is packed with entertainments and amusements of all descriptions.



Norfolk's county town is one of Britain's most attractive cities, a fine town with an irregular medieval street plan and many notable buildings of all periods including a Norman castle and imposing cathedral. The centre of Norwich is replete with a myriad of interesting shops.



This seaside town along the coast from Cromer is home to a splendid craft centre with traditional rural crafts which have been part of North Norfolk life for generations.

#### Mar 27 £279 Apr 24 £299 Sep 25 £336 Oct 2 £336 Supplements per person Single (Mar-Apr, Oct) fO Single (Sep) £40 View (Mar-Apr, Oct) £30

View (Sep)

## Sandringham, Sail & Steam



#### What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Trip on Bure Valley Railway & Boat Trip on The Broads
- Entrance to Sandringham Museum & Gardens

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Bure Valley Railway & The Broads

We make the short journey to Aylsham for a trip to Wroxham on Norfolk's longest narrow gauge railway. After a break for lunch (not included) and time to inspect the local crafts we take a gentle cruise on the relaxing Broads (rail and boat fares included in the tour cost).

North Norfolk Coast & Sandringham

Refer to Cromer & Royal Norfolk 5267 description.

Norwich

Refer to Norfolk Coast & Norwich 267 description.

Sheringham

Refer to Norfolk Coast & Norwich 267 description.

Departs Sunda Returns on Sur	
May 1	£417
May 8	£437
Jun 5	£447
Jun 12	£467
Jul 24	£507
Aug 21	£507
Aug 28	£487
Supplements per	person
Single	£40
View	£40

## **Royal Sandringham & The Broads**

**TOUR 269** 



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Boat Trip on The Broads
- Entrance to Sandringham Museum & Gardens

#### **Excursions Included**

Norwich

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North Norfolk Coast & Sandringham Refer to Cromer & Royal Norfolk 5267 description.

Great Yarmouth & The Broads

Norfolk's principal seaside resort is packed with entertainments and amusements of all descriptions. We continue to Wroxham to take a gentle cruise on the relaxing Broads (boat fare included in the tour cost).

Departs Sunda Returns on Satu	
Jun 26	£446
Aug 7	£456
Sep 11	£386
Supplements per	person
Single	£40
View	£40

£40



## Southend-on-Sea

Southend is the largest resort in Essex and Londoners' favourite seaside resort. It has a famous pier, the longest in the world, with a railway service stretching a mile out to sea. A large lift offers access to the seafront from the town's shopping centre and theatres.

#### PARK INN PALACE

Southend-on-Sea @@@



This hotel is in an ideal position, a short stroll away from Southend's excellent shopping centre with the seafront accessible via a free promenade lift. Below the hotel on Marine Parade is the long pier with its own railway. Tel: 01702 455100.











### Southend & London

**TOUR 252** 





#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Maritime Museum & Guided Tour of London

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Greenwich & the National Maritime Museum

We travel to Greenwich and the famous National Maritime Museum (free entrance). There is a Nelson display, and the history of Atlantic trading. A short walk away uphill is the Royal Observatory with its amazing collection of ship clocks and story of 'finding longitude'.

#### Colchester & Clacton on Sea

Today we visit Britain's oldest town which grew from a Roman fortress and still has long stretches of Roman fortifications as well as a splendid Norman keep (the largest in Europe). We then continue to Clacton, the leading resort on the Essex "Sunshine Coast".



We have a morning guided sightseeing tour (included in the tour cost) to take in the sights of London. We then have the rest of the day to explore the city or do a spot of shopping!

	Departs Sunday - Retu	ns on Saturday	
May 22	£416	Sep 18	£426
Jun 19	£416		
	Supplements pe	r person	
Single	£179	View	£69

# **NORTH EAST** & YORKSHIRE

North East England and Yorkshire is where England's true beauty shines, from historical attractions, World Heritage Sites and stunning countryside, to those that know this region there is a wealth of beauty unspoilt by large numbers of visitors.

It's easy to uncover some of the regions heritage, from historic York, to the bygone era of North Eastern life at the Beamish Open Air Museum. There's also Durham Cathedral, the largest and finest example of Norman architecture in England, famous for its appearance in Harry Potter films.

Let's not forget the maritime history of Scarborough, Bridlington and Whitby, which have been the heart of these towns for centuries. Many of you may remember Whitby from the TV series Heartbeat!

The real beauty of the North East & Yorkshire is its secret and it's there waiting to be discovered.

**66** Excellent from start to finish. 10 out of 10 for every detail. Will book Alfa again, no hesitation.

T. Reed



Scarborough has a lot to offer whether you are old, young, a first time visitor or one of many return visitors. During the Summer months Europe's largest open air theatre can have acts ranging from Cliff Richard to Madness. If that's too lively you could always take a walkthrough the Italian Gardens or even up to Oliver's Mount and take in Scarborough's stunning panoramic views. We are the most visited place outside of London and we would like to show you why! \*\*\*



Kyle Patel, General Manager, Cumberland Hotel, Scarborough

#### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA:**

Bridlington, Scarborough, Northumberland, Whitby, Harrogate & York



# Bridlington

With its sandy beaches, award-winning promenades and historic harbour, Bridlington is a hidden seaside gem awash with traditional entertainment. Visit the funfair, amusements and donkey rides on the beach for a traditional British day out to the seaside. Alternatively, explore Bridlington's Old Town and Priory Church of St. Mary.

#### MONARCH HOTEL Bridlington OOO M\*\*\*

Located in a prominent seafront location on Bridlington's South beach, the Monarch offers breathtaking sea views. Situated close to the Spa Theatre and a short walk to the busy harbour which is alive with colourful trawlers and pleasureboats. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01262 674447.





### Jewels of the Yorkshire Coast TOUR 5279



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Burton Agnes Hall

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Scarborough & Filey

Today we visit Filey a tranquil resort town, with a picturesque bay and flat prom. At the northern end of the town is the fishing quay of Coble Landing and inland are the beautiful Crescent Gardens with traditional bandstand. Later we head north to Scarborough which is said to be the oldest seaside resort in Britain, predating Brighton. The town's two bays are divided by a dramatic headland with its medieval castle. Scarborough also retains a busy fishing harbour.

### Beverley & Burton Agnes Hall

Today we visit Burton Agnes Hall (entrance included in tour cost) an Elizabethan Manor House filled with treasures collected over the centuries. The extensive gardens include walled areas with intricate planting, sweeping lawns and a woodland walk. Later we head south to historic Beverley which is home to an impressive 13th century Minster, noted as one of England's finest Gothic churches. Meander the quaint cobbled streets and take in the glorious architecture.

Departs \	Nednesday -	- Returns on Sund	lay
May 4	£249	Aug 3	£319
May 11	£259	Aug 24	£309
May 25	£279	Sep 14	£289
Jun 22	£309	Sep 21	£279
Jul 6	£319		
;	Supplements	per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

# Bridlington & N. York Moors Railway TOUR 279



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on North York Moors Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Scarborough & Filey

Refer to East Coast Escape 5279 description.

#### North York Moors Railway & Whitby

We enjoy a scenic journey by train (included in tour cost) from Pickering to Goathland. Our heritage train takes us through the dramatic North York Moors National Park where we alight in Whitby. Explore the atmospheric Abbey towering over winding cobbled streets or sit watching the brightly coloured fishing vessels passing by. Also don't forget to sample Yorkshire's best fish and chips!

### Beverley & Hornsea

Today we visit Hornsea, a charming seaside town which boasts a sandy beach and long flat prom, ideal for a stroll. There is also a large inland lake with many wild birds. Later we head inland to historic Beverley which is home to an impressive 13th century Minster, noted as one of England's finest Gothic churches.

Departs	Sunday - Re	turns on Saturda	
May 1	£369	Aug 14	£429
May 15	£389	Sep 4	£399
Jun 5	£399	Sep 18	£359
Jul 17	£429		
;	Supplements	per person	
Single	£40	View	£40

## **Castle Howard & York** City Cruise TOUR 5287



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Castle Howard
- River Ouse Boat Trip

#### **Excursions Included**

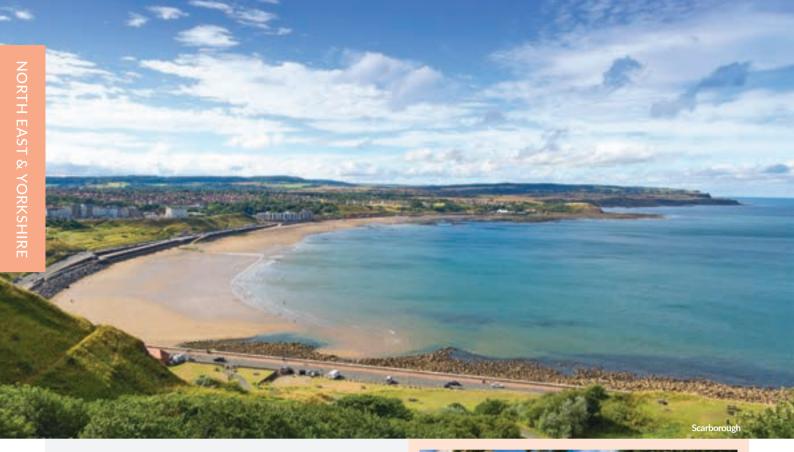
#### Castle Howard & Helmsley

One of Yorkshire's grandest houses, the construction of Castle Howard (entrance included in the tour cost) took nearly a full century. The grand house was extensively restored following a fire in 1940. The house and its extensive gardens offer many elegant and dramatic scenes to delight the eye. Helmsley is a charming small town with a variety of interesting shops and cafes. The main sight is the ruined Helmsley Castle and adjoining walled garden (entry fees apply).

#### NEW! York & City Cruise

Historic York boasts impressively complete city wall, the largest medieval cathedral in England, and museums of Roman, Viking and medieval history (charges apply). We enjoy an entertaining and informative cruise on the River Ouse, through the heart of the city. As we glide along the shipper provides a revealing commentary on the history of York and the peoples who have lived in the city. (Boat fare included in tour cost).

Departs \	Wednesday -	Returns on Sunc	lay
Jun 8	£329	Aug 10	£339
Jul 27	£339	Aug 31	£329
;	Supplements	per person	
Single	£30	View	£30



# Scarborough

# The gem of the Yorkshire coast

Scarborough is arguably the oldest seaside resort in Britain - a Dr Wittie of Scarborough was advocating sea bathing as long ago as 1660, more than a century before it became popular in Regency Brighton! But Scarborough is much older even than this - a cursory glance at the headland which divides Scarborough's two bays reveals the impressive medieval castle. The name Scarborough is a Viking one and the castle grounds conceal the remains of a Roman signal station. The busy harbour is haven to a welter of fishing vessels and there are the usual seaside pursuits a-plenty on the adjacent South Bay promenade which leads to the Spa. The steep hill sides are beautifully landscaped and there are many attractive parks and gardens. The resort is noted for its theatres and there is an art gallery and several small museums.







**CUMBERLAND HOTEL** 

Scarborough **②◎②** <sup>44</sup> ★★★







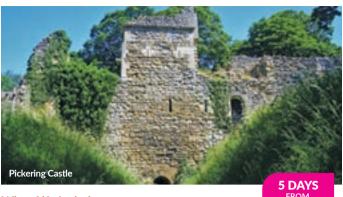




Very well situated on the South Cliff a few minutes walk from the Spa complex, beach and town centre. With excellent views of the town from the North facing rooms, this brilliant hotel has all the amenities including in room tea/coffee. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01723 361826.

## Scarborough, Whitby & Beverley

**TOUR 5276** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

## **Excursions Included**

#### Bridlington & Beverley

A short journey brings us to Bridlington, a lively seaside resort and fishing port. Further South lies Beverley, a delightful town with many Georgian buildings and the famous 13th century Minster.

#### North York Moors & Whitby

We travel inland along the southern edge of the North York Moors to Pickering with its magnificent 12th century castle. Then over the moors to Whitby, incomparably situated on the banks of the River Esk and with a skyline dominated by the remains of the ancient abbey. The many attractions of this famous port town include the Captain Cook Museum, Mining Museum, and several art galleries (entry fees may apply), as well as fresh fish and chips!

Departs Wednes	sdav -
Returns on Sur	
May 4	£264
May 25	£284
Jun 1 👑	£314
Jun 8, 15, 22	£304
Jul 13, 20, 27	£314
Aug 17, 24	£314
Sep 14	£274
Sep 28	£244
Supplements per	person
Single	£30
View	£30

Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.

## Scarborough, York & The Deep

TOUR 5277



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to The Deep

## **Excursions Included**

#### NEW! Hull & The Deep

With the cobbled streets of the city's Old Town, the fascinating Museum Quarter, and bustling Marina, Hull is deservedly the UK City of Culture 2017. We visit The Deep, one of the most spectacular aquariums in the world with over 3500 fish! (Entrance included in the tour cost).

#### York

One of the world's great tourism cities with its wealth of places to visit including the Roman walls, the famous Minster and the fascinating Jorvik centre. Like stepping back into the middle ages, the overhanging timber-framed houses and traditional shopfronts of The Shambles makes this one of the UK's most historic streets. Why not visit the National Railway Museum? (Free entrance).

Departs Wedne Returns on St	
May 11	£284
May 18	£294
Jun 29	£324
Jul 6	£324
Aug 3	£324
Supplements pe	r person
Single	£30
View	£30

## Yorkshire Coast & Country

**TOUR 275** 



- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Whitby

We spend the day in Whitby, situated on the banks of the River Esk and with a skyline dominated by the remains of the ancient abbey. The many attractions of this port town include the Captain Cook Museum and several art galleries (entry fees may apply), as well as fresh fish and chips!

North York Moors Towns & Villages Refer to Coastal Towns & Country 276 description.

#### Bridlington & Beverley

A short journey brings us to Bridlington, a lively seaside resort and fishing port. Further South lies Beverley, a delightful town with many Georgian buildings and the famous 13th century Minster.

Returns on Sui	
Jul 17	£477
Oct 9	£367
Supplements per	person
Single (Jul)	£40
Single (Oct)	£0
View (Jul)	£40
View (Oct)	£30

## **Coastal Towns & Country**

**TOUR 276** 



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

### Whitby

We spend the day in Whitby, situated on the banks of the River Esk and with a skyline dominated by the remains of the ancient abbey. The many attractions of this port town include the Captain Cook Museum and several art galleries (entry fees may apply), as well as fresh fish and chips!

#### North York Moors Towns & Villages

We have a day to explore the picturesque towns and villages dotted around the spectacular North York Moors. We visit Helmsley on Market Day, and have a brief stop in Kirkbymoorside, before visiting Malton.

#### Bridlington & Beverley

Refer to Yorkshire Coast & Country 275 description.

Departs Sunday -		
Returns on Satu		
May 15	£376	
May 29 날	£406	
Jun 12, 26	£416	
Jul 24	£426	
Aug 7, 14, 21	£426	
Aug 28	£416	
Sep 11	£396	
Sep 18	£356	
Supplements per	person	
Single	£40	
View	£40	
	l tour,	

see page 10.



## Northumberland

Newcastle provides an excellent base to explore this area of spectacular scenery. Here was the most northerly sustained frontier of the Roman Empire and a beacon of Christianity during the Dark Ages. Gorgeous coastline with rocky headlands, fishing villages and medieval castles, rolling countryside and historic sights – they are all here!

#### **CALEDONIAN HOTEL**

Located in the heart of Jesmond, a cosmopolitan area of Newcastle with many restaurants, bars and boutiques, about one mile from Newcastle's city centre, the Caledonian is a comfortable hotel with a friendly feel. There is a small lounge area near to reception. Tel: 0191 2817881.











## Holy Island & Hadrian's Wall

**TOUR 5290** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Chesters Fort

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Bamburgh & Lindisfarne

Today we journey North to Lindisfarne which is commonly known as Holy Island due to its religious history dating back to 635AD. Both an island and a picturesque village Holy Island is cut off twice daily (visit dependent on tides). We also visit Bamburgh, home to Bamburgh Castle where the former Kings of Northumbria ruled. The impressive castle stands atop a 180 foot high basalt crag, the views from the castle of the coast and surrounding countryside are breathtaking.

#### Hadrian's Wall, Chesters Fort & Carlisle

Part of Hadrian's Wall, Chesters Fort is also the best-preserved Roman cavalry fort in Britain. A must-see monument of milecastles, barracks, ramparts and forts (entrance included in the tour cost). We then continue to Carlisle, the capital of Cumbria, its castle a formidable fortress stands proud over the city. Once a Roman settlement established to serve the forts on Hadrian's Wall, it has history and heritage aplenty.

	Departs Monday - Ret	urns on Friday	
May 9	£284	Sep 5	£294
Jul 18	£304	Sep 12	£294
	Supplements pe	r person	·
Single	£69		

### Northumbria & Beamish

**TOUR 5291** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Beamish Open Air Museum

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Beamish

The North of England Open Air Museum is set in lovely countryside and vividly recreates life in the North East at the start of the Industrial Revolution (entrance included in the tour cost).

#### Durham

A short journey brings us to Durham with its superb Norman cathedral. The adjacent castle is a reminder that church and state were never closer than in the time of the warlike Prince Bishops who were based here. Durham is an amazing county in North East England which lies on the River Wear with so much to be explored.

#### Warkworth & the Northumbrian Coast

Warkworth Castle, birthplace of Harry Hotspur, is a magnificent sight enclosed within the meandering River Coquet. Look out for the lion badge carved throughout the castle as you explore. This was the badge of the powerful Percy family who wielded almost kingly power in the north. More castles follow at Dunstanburgh and romantically situated Bamburgh, signs of the turbulent past of this border region.

	Departs Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Mar 28	£279	Jul 4	£304
Jun 20	£304		
	parts Wednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Aug 3	£304		
	Supplement	s per person	,
Single	£69		



# Whithu

Whitby is an ideal base from which to explore the breathtaking North York Moors and Yorkshire Coast. This quaint old fishing town, standing on the mouth of the River Esk, is famous as the home of Dracula. Towering over the harbour are the ancient ruins of the Abbey of St. Hilda.

#### **ROYAL HOTEL**

Whitby **@@@** 

Commanding a superb clifftop position, the Royal Whitby Hotel offers guests a tranquil stay in spacious surroundings with stunning views over the sea. The recently refurbished restaurant offers British classics and international favourites. Tel: 01947 602234.











### Whitby & North York Moors Railway TOUR 5280



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 1 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Trip on the North York Moors Railway & Entrance to Ryedale Folk Museum

#### **Excursions Included**

#### North York Moors Railway & Ryedale Folk Museum

Enjoy a journey aboard the fabulously restored carriages of the famous North York Moors Railway before visiting the Ryedale Folk Museum. We return to Whitby taking the scenic route over the stunning moors. (Rail journey and entrance to museum included in tour cost).

#### Scarborough

We take a jaunt along the coast to Scarborough, one of the world's first seaside resorts. With its two bays, separated by a mighty castle, which is perched on the headland and bustling harbour, there is plenty to explore.

	Departs Monday - Ret	urns on Friday	
Apr 4	£329	Aug 1	£384
May 2	£354	Oct 10	£334
Jul 4	£384		
	Supplements pe	r person	
Single	£69		



# Harrogate & York

One of the most famous hotels in Harrogate, the St. George Hotel is a magnificent Edwardian property situated in the heart of this historic spa town. There is so much to explore on your doorstep including the Royal Baths, stylish shops, Royal Hall and famous Betty's tearooms.

#### ST. GEORGE HOTEL

Harrogate **@@@@** 

An elegant Edwardian hotel located close to Harrogate's main attractions. This stunning, stylishly furnished hotel sits among beautiful landscaped grounds in the centre of Harrogate and is ideally situated to explore. Tel: 0844 4999357











## Harrogate & York

**TOUR 5288** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 1 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

Explore one of the world's great tourism cities with its wealth of places to visit including the Roman Walls, the famous Minster and the quaint Shambles with its historic, picturesque streets and shops. The city is home to many fascinating museums including the National Railway Museum (free entry), Jorvik Viking Centre and York Chocolate Story (entry fees apply).

#### Knaresborough

Enjoy a jaunt to the picturesque market town of Knaresborough, perched high above the River Nidd.

	Departs Monday - Ret		
May 9	£384	Sep 12	£394
Jul 11	£394		
	Supplements pe	r person	
Single	£89		

## **CENTRAL ENGLAND**

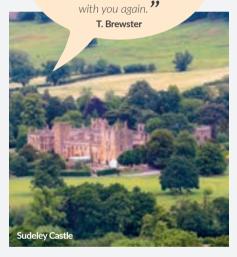
Visit Central England for the chance to explore the historic counties of Derbyshire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire.

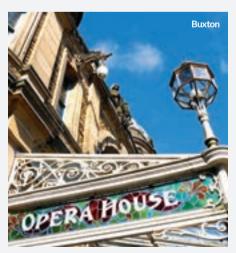
Stratford-upon-Avon is where Shakespeare's story began and a visit to the house where the world's most famous playwright was born and grew up is an absolute must.

In Central England you can also marvel at the picturesque chocolate box sleepy Cotswolds villages, with stunning rolling hills it is one of the prettiest places in England to explore.

Make time to discover the glorious town of Oxford, which is one of Britain's oldest university cities, there's guaranteed to be plenty going on when you visit.

> **"**Our holiday has been excellent. The driver was first class, and the included tours were excellent and very informative. We look forward to holidaying





#### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE** IN THIS AREA:

Severn & Wye, Oxford, Stratford & Cotswolds, Derbyshire Dales & Chatsworth



## Valleys of the Severn & Wye

Take in the natural splendour of the valleys of the Severn & Wye and their surrounding areas. We have a delightful tour which takes advantage of the heritage railways and river boats that criss-cross the region. Our base is Symond's Yat, in the heart of the lush green Wye Valley, right beside the river.

#### PADDOCKS HOTEL

Situated in an area of outstanding natural beauty, with meadows leading down to the banks of the River Wye. The comfortably furnished lounge and bar areas overlook the river and gorge with splendid views. All bedrooms have private bath or shower and WC, TV, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. Tel: 01600 890246.











### Castles of the Malverns & Cotswolds TOUR 5335

#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions Entrance to Fastnor Castle. Sudeley Castle & Berkeley

Castle

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Eastnor Castle in the Malverns & Ledbury

Eastnor Castle is full of medieval armour and fine art. In the beautiful grounds visitors will find an arboretum and a lake with many spectacular walks, trails and views. Ledbury is one of the finest half-timbered market towns in England.

#### Sudeley Castle & The Cotswolds

Set in the charming Cotswolds, Sudeley was once home to Katherine Parr, final and surviving spouse of Henry VIII, and gave refuge to Charles I during the civil war. We also have time to see more of the scenic Cotswolds.

#### Berkeley Castle

Strategically situated in the lower Severn Valley, Berkeley Castle has been home to the same family for 900 years and is replete with artefacts and treasures collected by the family over the ages.

#### £324 £374 May 2 Jul 4 Supplements per person Single £30

## Severn & Wye Rivers & Railways TOUR 5336

#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Wve Boat Trip. G&W Railway Trip & Severn Valley Railway Trip

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Wye Valley Cruise & Monmouth

We take a scenic cruise on the Wye, boarding at Symond's Yat *(included in the tour cost)*. Throughout the sailing, the informative commentary reveals the hidden history of the Wve Valley. Monmouth was the birthplace of Henry V, and remains a picturesque market town with many historic buildings such as the Shire Hall and Gatehouse Bridge.

#### G&W Railway & Broadway

We journey by coach to the charming Cotswold village of Broadway, where we enjoy some free time before taking the heritage Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Railway to Cheltenham (rail fare included in the tour cost).

#### 🕞 Severn Valley Railway & Ludlow

We take a leisurely journey aboard the heritage Severn Valley Railway, following the river upstream from Bewdley to Bridgnorth (rail fare included in the tour cost). On our return we visit the charming market town of Ludlow, with its ancient castle and timber framed buildings.

Departs I	Monday -	Returns on Friday	
May 23	£344	Oct 10	£334
Jul 18	£384		
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single	£30		





## xford, Stratford & Cotswolds

See the Heart of England's finest areas as we tour the delightful Cotswolds, magnificent Oxford and Shakespeare's historic Stratford from our base in beautiful Warwickshire.

#### KINGS COURT HOTEL

Alcester **QQQ** 



Featuring individually styled rooms, in delightful verdant surroundings, the Kings Court Hotel offers comfortable accommodation and attentive service. All guest rooms are en-suite and include Wi-Fi, flatscreen TV, hairdryer and tea/ coffee making facilities. Tel: 01789 763111











## Oxford, Stratford & Cotswolds

**TOUR 5322** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Guided Tour of Oxford

#### **Excursions Included**

#### The Cotswolds

We travel South to the famous Cotswolds, an expanse of gently sloping green hills and honeycolour limestone villages. The largest Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty in the country.



We journey to Oxford, site of England's oldest university, the 'City of Spires' and have a guided walking tour of the city (guided tour included in the tour cost).

#### Stratford-upon-Avon

Known the world over as the birthplace of the world's greatest bard, Stratford has many fascinating Shakespearean sites including the World of Shakespeare exhibition and Anne Hathaway's cottage. There are also lots of shops and pubs and the river is a delight.

	<b>Departs Monday - Ret</b>	urns on Friday	
Apr 4	£354	Jul 4	£374
Jun 27	£369	Oct 10	£354
	Supplements pe	r person	
Single	£120		



## Derbyshire Dales & Chatsworth

Inland England at its very best! Our base is England's greenest city, Sheffield, which includes areas of the Peak District National Park within its boundaries. Our excursions take us to a selection of delightful towns and lovely countryside as well as beautiful Chatsworth House.

#### **JURYS INN** Sheffield @@@

Located on Eyre Street, this hotel offers a fantastic city centre location. Situated just 5 minutes walk from the hotel is Sheffield Town Hall which offers stunning architecture, and the beautiful Peace Gardens which are particularly impressive lit up at night. Tel: 0114 2912222.











## **Derbyshire Dales & Chatsworth**

**TOUR 5317** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Chatsworth House

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Ashbourne & Buxton

The delightful market town of Ashbourne has a largely Georgian feel with an attractive cobbled market place. Buxton is the highest market town in England. Its splendid architecture including the Opera House date from its popularity as a major spa town.

#### The Northern Peaks, Bakewell & Chatsworth House

We visit Bakewell and Chatsworth, home to the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire and one of the country's outstanding stately homes (entrance included in the tour cost).

The fast flowing River Derwent made Matlock an early mill town but it became a famous spa in Victorian times and has attractive parks and architecture and a preserved railway.

De	eparts Monday -	Returns on Friday	
May 9	£294	Sep 12	£294
Jul 25	£314		
	Supplement	s per person	
Single	£99		

# NORTH **WEST**

There are so many enchanting places to visit in the North West, with its idyllic countryside, iconic seaside resorts and historic towns; this is one of the most exciting corners of the country.

Experience the revolutionary city of Liverpool, with its impressive musical legacies, art galleries and theatres, together with magnificent buildings.

A visit to the ancient city of Chester is a breathtaking experience, with the most complete city walls, the oldest racecourse, 1000 year old cathedral and the largest Roman amphitheatre in Britain. Just along the coast from these major cities you will find a string of vibrant seaside resorts such as Blackpool, Southport and Lytham

The serenity of the Lake District, with its stunning scenery and varied landscapes provides the perfect escape from the hustle and bustle.

There is something to charm everyone in the North West. We don't think you can improve the holiday. The hotel was lovely and the staff couldn't be faulted, all very helpful." E. Kimber

Whilst in Blackpool a visit to one of the traditional piers is an absolute must, as is a trip to the famous Tower where the ballroom dancing is magical. Another great experience is Madame Tussauds with stunningly life-like wax figures of some of the UK's best loved superstars; you can even have a drink in the Rovers Return! As the regular driver for Alfa's Blackpool tours, my favourite excursion is to Windermere in the Lake District, it is always beautiful!



Roy Barber, Alfa Tour Driver

#### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA:**

Lytham St. Annes, Isle of Man, Liverpool, Blackpool, Lake District



# Lytham St. Annes

The twin resorts of Lytham and St. Annes are a contrast to nearby Blackpool with their peaceful parks and half timbered houses. There are shops, a promenade and some of the best golf courses in England.

#### **MONTEREY BEACH HOTEL**

Situated on St. Annes seafront and close to the pier, cafes and shopping centre of this traditional resort. The lounge bar overlooks the front terrace and seafront promenade, Tel: 01253 721317.











## St. Annes, Southport & Skipton

**TOUR 5309** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

Ribble Valley & Skipton

A delightful scenic drive through some of the loveliest country in the North, visiting Clitheroe in the Ribble Valley, as well as the well-known railway town of Settle, and historic Skipton with its famous castle.

Southport

Despite their common Victorian heritage, the studied elegance of Southport's Lord Street could not be more different from Blackpool's Golden Mile! It has several lovely parks and its shops are outstanding.

	Departs Monday - Ret	urns on Friday	
Mar 21	£239	Jun 27	£284
Apr 25	£239	Aug 15	£304
May 9	£274	Sep 5	£304
May 30	£284	Oct 24	£244
	Supplements per	person	
Single	£30	View	£39



# Isle of Man

The Isle of Man's scenery combines a beautiful coastline of sandy beaches and rocky points with a mountainous interior which is never more than a few minutes' drive away.

#### **HYDRO HOTEL**

Douglas @@

This friendly family run hotel is situated in the centre of Douglas seafront overlooking the bay and a few minutes' walk from the seafront shops. Tel: 01624 676870.













## Scenic Isle of Man

**TOUR 592** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Return Ferry Crossing

#### **Excursions Included**

Northern Island Tour

Including visits to the other large town, Ramsey, and the ancient harbour town of Peel with its fortified cathedral enclave.

#### Southern Island Tour

Visiting Port Erin, Cregneash village at the tip of the island with views of Calf Sound and Calf of Man and stopping at Castletown.

A short trip to the attractive former mining village of Laxey with its spectacular water wheel.

De	parts Sunday - Retu	rns on Saturday	
Mar 6	£369	Aug 7	£496
Apr 10	£389	Sep 4	£486
Jun 19	£486	Sep 25	£446
Jul 3, 10, 17, 24	£496	Oct 2, 9	£386
	Supplements pe	er person	
Single	£89		



## Liverpool

Liverpool is well known for its lively atmosphere. From our base in Liverpool, you can enjoy the city's magnificent buildings, fascinating waterfront and superb museums which all make for an absorbing day out.

### **ALOFT HOTEL**

Liverpool @@@

Housed in the iconic Grade II-listed Royal Insurance Building, the Aloft Hotel, part of the Marriott group, offers modern amenities in a classical setting. Situated close to The Pier Head and Royal Albert Dock. Tel: 0151 2943970.











## **Liverpool City Break**

**TOUR 5304** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Guided Tour of Liverpool

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Liverpool

Our expert guide (included in the tour cost) first takes us to Port Sunlight where we visit the Lady Lever Gallery (free entry). We then take the famous 'ferry cross the Mersey' to Liverpool. On arrival in the city centre we visit the Museum of Liverpool (free entry). Our guide takes us to the famous Beatles related sites across Liverpool and the city's 2 cathedrals.

#### Chester

Chester is a classic, contemporary city bursting with shops, eateries, tourist attractions and over 2000 years of history. Home of the most complete city walls, oldest racecourse and largest Roman amphitheatre in Britain.

D	eparts Monday - I	Returns on Friday	
Apr 18	£329	Oct 10	£334
Aug 1	£344		
	Supplements	per person	
Single	£99		



## Blackpool

Few resorts anywhere in the world can rival the popularity of Blackpool - Britain's Capital of Fun! The world famous Tower, three piers, miles of golden sands, the Pleasure Beach with its "white knuckle" rides, horse drawn carriages, a Sealife Centre, Madame Tussaud's Waxworks, a Zoo Park, an art gallery - Blackpool has them all.

### **QUEENS HOTEL**

Ideally situated on South Promenade between Central and South Piers, the Queens is one of Blackpool's larger hotels. It overlooks the Irish Sea and is only a ten minute walk from the famous Pleasure Beach. Large car park. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01253 336980.









# Blackpool & The Ribble Valley TOUR 5305



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Guided tour of Ribble Valley

#### **Excursions Included**



Despite their common Victorian heritage, the studied elegance of Southport's Lord Street could not be more different from Blackpool's Golden Mile! It has several lovely parks and its shops are outstanding. With 22 miles of coastline and plenty of beaches, it's the perfect place to relax and unwind. There's plenty to keep you entertained with restaurants, theatres, a museum and an art gallery.

#### Ribble Valley & Oswaldtwistle Mills

Take our guided tour through the Ribble Valley and visit Clitheroe, Chatburn and Downham. We hear tales of the infamous 17th century trial and execution of the Pendle Witches and learn about the Sabden Treacle Mines. We visit Oswaldtwistle Mills and return by the 'Nick of Pendle' road to Blackpool (guided tour included in tour cost).

Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Jan 31	£169	May 2	£224
Feb 7, 14, 28	£179	May 9	£244
Mar 7, 14, 28	£189	Oct 31 💗	£234
Apr 4, 11	£199		
Departs We	dnesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Jun 1 👑	£274	Sep 28 🕴	£274
Aug 3	£284	Oct 5 🔻	£264
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single (Jan-Jul, Oct)	£0	View (Jan-Apr, Oct)	£20
Single (Aug-Sep)	£30	View (May-Sep)	£30

## Blackpool, Lune Valley & The Lakes TOUR 5306



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on Lancaster Canal Cruise
- Trip on Lake Windermere Cruise

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Lancaster

Lancaster is renowned for its Georgian architecture and boasts an impressive castle. Explore its colourful history and tales of witches, or perhaps simply stroll through the pedestrianised city centre. We then discover Lancashire from a different angle, with a cruise on the Lancaster Canal (included in the tour cost).

#### Lake Windermere Cruise & Grasmere

Today we take a boat trip on Windermere, from Lakeside to Bowness (included in tour cost). We continue via Ambleside to Grasmere, famously the former home of William Wordsworth, who was inspired in his writing by much of the local scenery. You can visit Wordsworth's grave in the churchyard and sample the legendary Grasmere Gingerbread.

Departs W	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Jun 8	£284	Aug 10	£294
Jul 27	£294	Aug 31	£294
Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Jun 20	£294	Jun 27	£294
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single (May-Jul)	£0	View	£30

### Blackpool, East Lancs Railway & Bury TOUR 5310



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on East Lancashire Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Liverpool

Liverpool's success is built on a history of trade with its port once a hive for international merchants. Today the city's history is celebrated with the Tate Liverpool, the Beatles Story, Merseyside Maritime Museum (entry fees may apply). Whilst the Albert Dock is a vital component of Liverpool's UNESCO designated World Heritage Maritime Mercantile City.

#### Bury Market & East Lancs Railway

We board our round trip East Lancashire Railway experience at Bury (rail fare included in the tour cost) where you will have time to wonder the huge traditional market, voted the best in Britain. Take the traditional steam train through the Lancastrian landscape, from beautiful rural panoramas to postcard villages, you will pass through Burrs Country Park, Irwell Vale and Rawtenstall.

Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Jun 13	£299	Sep 19 ¥	£279
Departs W	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Jul 13	£309		
Sı	pplement	s per person	
Single (Jun)	£0	View	£30
Single (Sep)	£30		

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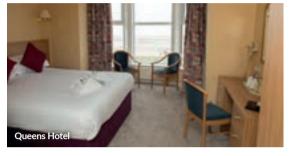






Our first holiday with you was spent at the Queens Hotel in Blackpool where the staff couldn't do enough for us. Thank you for a truly lovely stay. 99

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### **Tower Tea Dance &** Manchester TOUR 5307



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 1 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Blackpool Tower Afternoon Tea Dance

#### **Excursions Included**

■ NEW! Blackpool Tower Afternoon Tea Dance Take a step back in time with Blackpool Tower Ballroom. The atmosphere and stunning architecture off this iconic ballroom make this afternoon tea (included in tour cost) a truly special experience.

#### Manchester

Manchester is a great European city with a rich heritage stretching back to Roman times. Its role as the leading city in the Industrial Revolution is celebrated in its superb Museum of Science and Industry, just a stone's throw from its remaining Roman walls and excellent shops and cafés (free entrance to museum).

#### Jul 6 £309 Oct 12 🕴 £299 Sep 14 Supplements per person £30 Single (Jul, Oct) View (Jul-Sep £0 £20 £30 View (Oct) Single (Sep)

Blackpool Illuminations, see p10

# Blackpool & Windermere TOUR 307



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on Lake Windermere Cruise

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Lake Windermere Cruise & Grasmere

Today we take a boat trip on England's largest lake, Windermere, from Lakeside to Bowness (included in tour cost). We continue via Ambleside to Grasmere for a look around Wordsworth's village

#### Ribble Valley & Skipton

A delightful scenic drive through some of the loveliest country in the North, visiting Clitheroe in the Ribble Valley, as well as the well-known railway town of Settle, and historic Skipton with its famous castle.

#### Southport

Despite their common Victorian heritage, the studied elegance of Southport's Lord Street could not be more different from Blackpool's Golden Mile! It has several lovely parks and its shops are outstanding. With 22 miles of coastline and plenty of beaches, it's the perfect place to relax and unwind. There's plenty to keep you entertained with a great choice of restaurants, three theatres, a museum and an art gallery

Departs S	Gunday - R	eturns on Saturday	
May 22	£366	Jul 31	£386
Jun 19, 26	£376	Aug 21, 28	£386
Sı	pplement	s per person	
Single (May-Jul)	£0	View	£40
Single (Aug)	£40		

## Blackpool, Liverpool & Southport TOUR 308



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Southport

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#### Liverpool

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#### Lytham

Lytham and St. Annes provides a contrast to nearby Blackpool with her peaceful parks and gardens and half timbered houses. There are excellent shops and an attractive promenade ideal for a tranquil stroll.

Departs S	Sunday - Re	turns on Saturday	1
Sep 18 🕴	£376	Oct 2 💗	£356
Sı	ipplements	per person	
Single (Sep)	£40	View (Sep)	£40
Single (Oct)	£0	View (Oct)	£30

▼ Blackpool Illuminations, see p10.

## Lake District

The Lake District is England's largest National Park and has inspired more poetry than any other area of English landscape. Both Wordsworth and Coleridge lived and worked here for a time and every corner provides a new and enticing vista.

#### **AUCKLAND HOTEL**

Morecambe @@@



A family owned and run hotel on the Central Promenade offering a warm welcome and personal service, the Auckland is well placed



for all the resort's main amenities. Tel: 01524 412565.











### **Lakes & Dales**

**TOUR 5302** 

#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Boat Trip from Ambleside to Bowness



#### **Excursions Included**



Up the Lune Valley to Kirkby and Skipton with its Castle and museum. Then over the fells to Grassington in Upper Wharfedale to Aysgarth and into Wensleydale, returning via Sedbergh.



We travel first to Keswick on Derwent Water, then work our way slowly back South, passing Thirlmere, Wordsworth's beloved Grasmere and Rydal Water before coming to England's largest lake, Windermere. Here we take a boat trip from Ambleside to Bowness (boat fare included in the tour cost), where we rejoin the coach to return to Morecambe.

Depart	s Monday - R	eturns on Friday	1			
Mar 28	£279	Jul 4	£344			
May 23	£324	Sep 12	£344			
Jun 27	£344					
(	Supplements per person					
Single	£30	View	£49			

#### SUMMERGROVE HALLS

Whitehaven @@



Nestled amongst beautiful gardens, the recently refurbished Summergrove Halls offer quality, modern style accommodation,



which serves as an ideal base for exploring scenic Cumbria and the Lake District. Tel: 01946 813328.









## Western Lakes & Eskdale Railway TOUR 5297

#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Muncaster Castle & Trip on Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

Grasmere & Keswick

We travel to the heart of the Western Lakes via Cockermouth, then along the edge of Bassenthwaite to Keswick. In the afternoon, we travel past Thirlmere to Grasmere and Coniston

#### Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway & Muncaster Castle

We enjoy a scenic trip on the Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway, to the tiny village of Boot We continue to Muncaster Castle, home to an amazing octagonal library, and the Hawk and Owl Centre (railway fare & castle entrance included in tour cost).

#### Cockermouth

The attractive small town of Cockermouth was the birthplace of poet William Wordsworth, physicist John Dalton, and Bounty mutineer Fletcher Christian. Today it is home to Jennings Brewery and the Kirkgate Arts Centre.

Depart	s Monday - R	leturns on Friday	
Apr 25	£299	Jul 11, 25	£314
May 23	£314	Aug 1, 22	£314
Jun 20	£314	Sep 19	£314
	Supplements	per person	
Single	£30		

#### **DERWENTWATER HOTEL**

nr Keswick @@@



Superbly situated amid 16 acres of grounds, the Derwentwater Hotel offers a tranquil base from which to explore the stunning Lake



District. All guest rooms are en-suite and feature television and hairdryer. Tel: 01768 772538.













## Windermere & Ullswater

**TOUR 5299** 

#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day **Excursions**
- **Boat Trips on Windermere** & Ullswater



#### **Excursions Included**

Grasmere & Windermere

We pass Thirlmere and Helvellyn en-route to Grasmere, famously the former home of William Wordsworth, before continuing to Ambleside from where we take a scenic boat trip on England's largest lake (included in tour cost). We then have time to explore Bowness, on the shores of the lake.

#### Ullswater & Keswick

We travel to Pooley Bridge to join the Ullswater 'Steamer' boat trip to Glenridding (boat fare included in tour cost), at the foot of mighty Helvellyn. Then onto Keswick, the busiest town in the North Lakes, situated beside Derwentwater



The attractive small town of Cockermouth was the birthplace of poet William Wordsworth, physicist John Dalton, and Bounty mutineer Fletcher Christian, Today it is home to Jennings Brewery and the Kirkgate Arts Centre.

Departs Monday - Returns on Friday					
Apr 25	£339	Oct 10	£324		
May 9	£364				
Supplements per person					
Single	£69				



## WALES

A colourful myriad of rugged coastline, mountainous national parks and Celtic culture, Wales has everything you could wish for in a holiday.

Delve into Wales' epic heritage with more than 600 castles to explore, including the magnificent World Heritage Sites of Beaumaris and Caernarfon castles.

Lose yourself in the pretty seaside towns of Tenby, Criccieth and Porthcawl, with glorious beaches and warming atmospheres to provide the perfect holiday escape.

Vibrant Llandudno is a Victorian seaside gem with history dating back to the Bronze Age, it's located between two famous headlands; The Great Orme and Little Orme which have breathtaking views from the summit.

Experience the magic of Portmeirion which has served as the location for numerous films and television shows such as The Prisoner.

The phrase 'good things come in small packages' may be a cliché, but in the case of Wales it's absolutely true.

"I had a marvellous time on your Portmeirion and Snowdonia tour, a real experience I will never forget."



Llandudno has fantastic beaches at both the North and West shore, both of which have lovely views. A must for any visit to Llandudno is a trip up the Great Orme, for those who don't fancy walking up there is a vintage coach, a tram or cable car to take you to the top. The promenade is nice and flat with ample shops and cafes and lots going on during the summer season.



Derek Ashley, Alfa Tour Driver

#### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA:**

Shropshire To The Sea, Llandudno, Criccieth, Porthcawl, Tenby, Cheshire & Clwyd



## Shropshire To The Sea

The pretty spa town of Llandrindod Wells lies in the secret heart of Wales and is surrounded by beautiful hillsides. The town has various craft shops, museums and theatres plus a pleasant park.

#### **COMMODORE HOTEL**

Llandrindod Wells



Ideally located in the centre of the historic Spa town of Llandrindod Wells, this beautifully refurbished grand Victorian rectory boasts a heated outdoor pool (seasonal opening) with the stunning backdrop of rolling Welsh Hills. Tel: 01597 822288.











## **Shropshire To The Sea**

**TOUR 5372** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- · 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Guided Tour of Elan Valley plus entrance to Berrington Hall

#### **Excursions Included**

Flan Valley

A short journey takes us through the tiny market town of Rhayader, to the stunning and remote Elan Valley. We enjoy a scenic guided tour (included in tour cost) of the network of reservoirs.

Berrington Hall & Ludlow

We visit the Neo-classical mansion of Berrington Hall (entry included in tour cost), whose grounds were the last to be re-designed by Capability Brown. We continue to the charming Shropshire market town of Ludlow, with its ancient castle and timber framed buildings.

Aberystwyth & Devil's Bridge

Our first stop is Wales' principal resort of Aberystwyth before moving onto Devil's Bridge, which stands over the River Mynach.

De	parts Monday - Re	turns on Friday	
Mar 28	£269	Aug 22	£304
May 30	£294	Sep 5	£294
Jul 11	£304		
	Supplements p	er person	
Single	£59		



## Llandudno

Situated on a sandy isthmus between the Great Orme and Little Orme heads, Llandudno boasts two superb beaches. The shingly North Shore is the busier of the two with its Victorian Pier, boat trips, donkey rides and much more. The sandy West Shore is quieter with miles of sands and panoramic views of the Snowdonia mountain range.

#### **HYDRO HOTEL**

Llandudno @@@ 44 \*\*\*

Ideally placed on the seafront close to the theatre and a short walk from Llandudno's wonderful shops, pier and Happy Valley gardens. "Looking Glass" bar and newly refurbished sun lounge with views over the bay. Car parking available. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01492 870101.









## North Wales Highlands & Islands TOUR 5351



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- **Entrance to National Slate Museum**

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Anglesey & Beaumaris

We travel to Anglesey with time to explore the charming town of Beaumaris. There are many attractions here including the town's castle, the former courthouse, which is now open to the public as a museum, and the lifeboat station. We then make a short stop in the place with the longest name in Europe, usually abbreviated to Llanfairpwllgwygyll, and visit its Woollen Mills.

#### Caernarfon & Snowdonia

A magnificent journey today takes us along the shores of Conwy Bay to Caernarfon, with its splendid castle beside the harbour. We then turn inland through to Porthmadog. Passing through the heart of Snowdonia on the return journey we arrive in Llanberis at the foot of Snowdon where we visit the National Slate Museum (free entrance).

Departs W	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
May 11	£274	Aug 17	£324
May 25	£294	Sep 14	£284
Jul 27	£324	Sep 21	£274
Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Jun 13	£314	Jul 18	£324
Jun 20	£314	Aug 22	£324
Supplements per person			
Single	£30	View	£30

### **Great Little Trains** of Wales TOUR 5352



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Trips on Bala Lake Railway, Ffestiniog Railway & Llanberis Lake Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Ffestiniog Railway

We travel first to Porthmadog before taking the most famous of the Great Little Trains up to Blaenau Ffestiniog, in the heart of the Welsh slate mining area. The former 'slate capital of the world' has recently become one of the most innovative activity centres of northern Wales.

#### 🕞 Snowdon & Llanberis Lake Railway

Llanberis Lake lies at the foot of Snowdon, the highest mountain in Wales with majestic views. We return via Swallow Falls, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

#### 🕞 Llangollen & Bala Lake Railway

Travelling via the lovely Horseshoe Pass, we take a trip on the Bala Lake Railway. Excellent views of the lake and its surrounding woodland scenery can be viewed on the trip.

Departs	Departs Monday - Returns on Friday				
May 16	£324				
Departs We	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday			
Jun 8	£344	Aug 31	£354		
Jul 6	£364	Sep 7	£344		
Aug 3	£364				
Supplements per person					
Single	£30	View	£30		

### **Gardens of** North Wales TOUR 5353



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Bodnant Gardens, Gwydir Castle, Penrhyn Castle & Plas Newydd House & Gardens

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Beaumaris & Plas Newydd House & Gardens

We cross through Anglesey to the charming town of Beaumaris then we visit the beautiful 18th century Plas Newydd House with its fine gardens (entrance to Plas Newydd House and gardens included in the tour cost).

#### Gwydir Castle & Bodnant Gardens

We spend the morning at the fine Elizabethan Gardens of the splendid Tudor Gwydir Castle and continue to Bodnant Gardens (entrance to Gwydir Castle and Bodnant Gardens included in the tour cost).

#### Penrhyn Castle

A visit to the early 19th century Penrhyn Castle, with its exotic plants in the Victorian walled garden (entrance included in the tour cost).

Departs	s Monday -	Returns on Friday	
May 30 날	£344		
Departs V	Vednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Jun 29	£354	Aug 10	£364
Jul 13	£364		
S	upplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.







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We would like to take this opportunity to register our thanks and appreciation to the staff at the Hydro Hotel, they were absolutely brilliant. They were caring and organised, a true credit to Alfa. 99

M. Weaver





## Welsh Highland Highlights

**TOUR 351** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Caernarfon & Snowdonia

A magnificent journey today takes us along the shores of Conwy Bay to Caernarfon, with its splendid castle beside the harbour. We then turn inland through to Porthmadog. Passing through the heart of Snowdonia on the return journey we visit Llanberis at the foot of Snowdon.

### ■ Vale of Clwyd & Llangollen

A delightful journey via Bodelwyddan with its famous marble church and then through the Cambrian mountains to the ancient town of Llangollen on the River Dee, home to the International Eisteddfod, the Welsh festival of literature, music and performance. Returning via the Conwy Valley.

#### Betwys-y-Coed & Swallow Falls

A delightful journey up the Vale of Conwy takes us to the town of Betws-y-Coed and the nearby beauty spot of Swallow Falls.

	eparts Sunday - Ret	urns on Sunday	
May 8	£407	Aug 7, 14	£497
May 29 날	£467	Aug 21	£487
Jun 5, 12	£477	Sep 4	£477
Jun 19, 26	£487	Sep 18	£437
Jul 10, 17, 31	£497	Sep 25	£407
	Supplements po	er person	
Single	£40	View	£40

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## Snowdonia, Anglesey & Conwy

**TOUR 353** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to National Slate Museum

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Anglesey & Beaumaris

We travel to Anglesey with time to explore the charming town of Beaumaris. There are many attractions here including the town's castle, the former courthouse, which is now open to the public as a museum, and the lifeboat station. We then make a short stop in the place with the longest name in Europe, usually abbreviated to Llanfairpwllgwygyll, and visit its Woollen Mills.

#### Betws-y-Coed & Conwy

We travel down the Vale of Conwy, through Llanrwst to Betws-y-Coed, a wooded village in a picturesque setting where three rivers meet. We then continue to the historic town of Conwy, with its mighty castle and medieval town walls.

#### Caernarfon & Snowdonia

A magnificent journey today takes us along the shores of Conwy Bay to Caernarfon, with its splendid castle beside the harbour. We then turn inland through to Porthmadog. Passing through the heart of Snowdonia on the return journey we visit Llanberis at the foot of Snowdon. In Llanberis we visit the National Slate Museum (free entrance).

Departs Sunday - Returns on Saturday					
May 1	£376	May 15	£376		
Supplements per person					
Single	£40	View	£40		

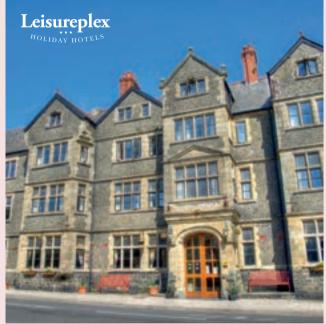


# Criccieth

## The Pearl of Wales on the shores of Snowdonia

Criccieth lies on the South side of the Llyn Peninsula with splendid views over Cardigan Bay. It is home to a medieval castle, built by the Welsh in the mid-thirteenth century but later taken by Edward I who incorporated it into his ring of castles designed to maintain Norman control. It was captured by Owain Glyndwr in the uprising of 1404 and the scorch marks from that battle can still be seen! The castle headland divides the town into two with a pebbly beach to the West and a lovely sheltered mainly sandy beach to the East. Nearby is the village of Llanystumdwy, which boasts a museum devoted to David Lloyd George, the "Welsh Wizard", whose family once lived in Criccieth. The countryside around Criccieth is breathtaking with fabulous coastal views over Cardigan Bay, awesome mountain scenery in Snowdonia and delightful gardens and castles at every turn.









**GEORGE IV HOTEL** 

Criccieth **©©©** <sup>AA</sup>★★★











Situated on the High Street in the centre of Criccieth with magnificent views towards the sea and castle from many bedrooms. This iconic hotel with its ideal location, is a popular choice with its extensive public areas including a delightful intimate bar, attractive large restaurant, entertainment room with additional bar and a cosy lounge. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01766 522168.

## Welsh Highlands & Medieval Town

**TOUR 5365** 



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to National Slate Museum

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Caernarfon & Snowdonia

We travel to Caernarfon, home to one of the finest castles in Wales and boasting attractive streets and a lively harbour. Passing through the heart of Snowdonia on the return journey we visit Llanberis at the foot of Snowdon where we visit the National Slate Museum (free entrance).

#### Ffestiniog & Porthmadog

We travel East to Blaenau Ffestiniog, in the heart of Snowdonia, once a major centre of the slate mining industry. We return to the coast at Porthmadog, a harbour town with a long maritime history and arguably Britain's narrow gauge railway capital with stations on both the Ffestiniog and the Welsh Highland Railways.

Departs Monday - Returns on Friday				
Mar 21	£209	Oct 24	£224	
Apr 11	£239	Oct 31	£224	
Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday				
May 18	£264	Sep 7	£284	
Jun 15	£284	Sep 21	£264	
Jul 13	£304	Sep 28	£254	
Aug 10	£304	Oct 5	£244	
Supplements per person				
Single	(Mar-A	pr, Oct)	£0	

Single (May-Sep)

View (Mar-Apr. Oct)

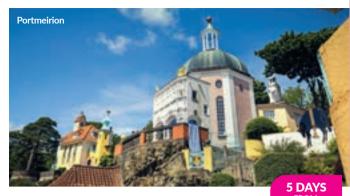
View (May-Sep)

£30

£20

£30

## Portmeirion & Snowdon Railway



#### What Alfa Includes

- · 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Portmeirion
- Trip on Snowdon Mountain Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Snowdon

The unique Snowdon Mountain Railway rises to within 66' of the summit of Wales' highest mountain and provides unforgettable views of some of the finest mountain scenery in the British Isles (rail fare included in tour cost - service stops part way in severe weather).

#### Portmeirion Village

This unique village is set on its own peninsula on the southern shores of Snowdonia. Its dreamlike Italianate quality made it the setting for the famous TV series *The Prisoner*. There are lovely gardens and fascinating views at every turn. Explore the central piazza, architectural stroll, quayside and battery square. (Entrance included in tour cost).

Departs Wednes Returns on Sui	
May 11	£284
May 25	£294
Jun 8	£334
Jun 22	£334
Jul 6, 20	£344
Aug 3, 17	£344
Supplements per	person
Single	£30
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## Welsh Scenic Railways

**TOUR 5367** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to National Slate Museum
- Trips on Welsh Highland Railway, Llanberis Lake Railway & Talyllyn Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

Llanberis Lake Railway & Welsh Slate Museum Llanberis lies at the foot of Snowdon, the highest mountain in Wales with majestic views (rail fare included in the tour cost). We then spend time at the National Slate Museum (free entrance to museum). We return via Swallow Falls.

#### Talyllyn Railway

This historic, steam-operated railway runs for seven and a quarter miles through the beautiful Fathew Valley from Tywyn to Abergynolwyn (rail fare included in the tour cost).

#### Welsh Highland Railway

We take a spectacular 25 mile scenic journey on the Welsh Highland Railway (rail fare included in the tour cost).

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### Portmeirion & Snowdonia

**TOUR 368** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- **Entrance to Portmeirion**
- Trip on Snowdon Mountain Railway

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Portmeirion Village

This unique village is set on its own peninsula on the southern shores of Snowdonia. Its dreamlike Italianate quality made it the setting for the famous TV series The Prisoner. There are lovely gardens and fascinating vistas at every turn (entrance included in tour cost).

### Snowdon

Refer to Portmeirion & Snowdon Railway 5366 description.

#### Barmouth & Ffestiniog

A lovely coastal journey through Harlech to Barmouth, with its long sandy beach and picturesque harbour, before continuing to Ffestiniog in the heart of Snowdonia.

Departs Sunda	
Returns on Satu	ırday
May 15	£406
May 22	£416
May 29 날	£416
Jun 12	£426
Jun 26	£436
Jul 10, 24, 31	£436
Sep 4	£426
Sep 18	£386
Supplements per	person
Single	£40
View	£40
110	

날 Queen's Jubilee Special tour,



## Porthcawl

Located between Swansea and Cardiff, the attractive seaside resort of Porthcawl was originally a port for the iron and steel industries. Today this attractive seaside resort offers numerous facilities including the world famous golf course, an expansive sandy beach and all your traditional seaside entertainments.

#### **SEABANK HOTEL**

Porthcawl OOO M\*\*\*





Situated on a headland, a short walk from the Grand Pavilion and John Street shops. There are spectacular views of the Bristol Channel and South Wales coast from the bar, restaurant and most bedrooms. Large car park. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01656 782261.









## **Glamorgan Coast**

TOUR 5385



- What Alfa Includes
- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast

Glamorgan Coast, Barry & Cardiff We travel via Southerndown and Llantwit Major to the port

of Barry and nearby Barry Island, setting for television's

the Welsh capital where we can explore the National

Museum, visit the revitalised waterfront at Cardiff Bay,

home to the Millenium Centre complex and drink in the

Swansea is a bustling city full of interest, with a sweeping waterfront leading onto the beautiful Gower Peninsula.

Swansea is home to the National Waterfront Museum and

offers exceptional sea views across the Bristol Channel. The

Jul 27

Sep 21

Aug 22

£309

£309

£269

£309

£30

the Dylan Thomas Centre. Bracelet Bay, near Mumbles,

more active guest might choose to walk to Mumbles.

£259

£279

£299

£299

£30

Supplements per person

"Gavin and Stacey". We continue to Cardiff for a look around

2 Full Day Excursions

**Excursions Included** 

atmosphere of this vibrant city.

Swansea & Bracelet Bay

### **Heart of South Wales**

TOUR 5386



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to St. Fagans National History Museum

#### **Excursions Included**

### Cardiff & St. Fagans Nat. History Museum

We travel the short distance to Cardiff and start the day with a tour of the city (guide included). We then have free time to look around the Welsh capital where we can explore the National Museum, visit the revitalised waterfront at Cardiff Bay, home to the Millenium Centre complex and drink in the atmosphere of this vibrant city. We then visit St Fagans National History Museum (free entrance) one of Europe's premier open air museums and the most popular heritage attraction in Wales

#### Swansea & Bracelet Bay

Swansea is a bustling city full of interest, with a sweeping waterfront leading onto the beautiful Gower Peninsula. Bracelet Bay, near Mumbles, offers exceptional sea views across the Bristol Channel.

Departs l	Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Feb 7 <b>£179</b> Apr 18 <b>£219</b>			
Mar 7	£199	Oct 24	£219
Mar 28	£209		
Departs We	dnesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Apr 27 £239 Oct 19 £214		£214	
Sep 28	£239		
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single (Feb-Apr, Oct)	Single (Feb-Apr, Oct) £0 View (Feb-Apr, Oct) £20		
Single (Sep)	£30	View (Sep)	£30

## **Gardens of South Wales**

TOUR 5387



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Entrance to Aberglasney Gardens, Dyffryn Gardens, National Botanic Gardens of Wales
- Entrance to St. Fagans Nat. History Museum

#### **Excursions Included**

#### National Botanic Garden of Wales & Aberglasney Gardens

A short journey takes us to Carmarthen and the first major Botanic Garden to be created this century. Features include a Mediterranean Garden, Double Walled Garden and Great Glass House. In the afternoon we continue to nearby Aberglasney Gardens, one of the most beautiful gardens in Wales with a famous Cloister Garden and Yew Tunnel (entrance to both gardens included in the tour cost).

#### Dyffryn Gardens & St. Fagans National History Museum

We travel to the heart of the vale of Glamorgan to visit Dyffryn Gardens (entrance included in the tour cost). We then visit St. Fagans National History Museum (free entrance) one of Europe's premier open air museums.

Departs	s Monday -	Returns on Friday	
May 23	£309		
Departs V	Vednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
Aug 10	£329	Sep 14	£309
S	upplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30



May 4

May 18

Jun 1 🖼

Jun 13

Single

날 Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.

## **Botanic Gardens & Brecon Railway**

**TOUR 5388** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on Brecon Mountain Railway
- Entrance to National Botanic Gardens of Wales
- Entrance to Cyfarthfa Castle

#### **Excursions Included**

Brecon Mountain Railway & Cyfarthfa Castle Today we take a trip on the newly extended Brecon Mountain Railway (fare included in tour cost). We then visit Cyfarthfa Castle, once a pivotal location in the Industrial Revolution.

Nat. Botanic Gardens of Wales & Swansea A short journey takes us to Carmarthen and the first major Botanic Garden to be created this century (entrance included in the tour cost). Features include a Mediterranean Garden, Double Walled Garden and Great Glass House. Swansea is a bustling city full of interest including the National Waterfront Museum and the Dylan Thomas Centre

Departs Wednes Returns on Sui	
Jun 29	£299
Jul 13	£309
Aug 17	£309
Sep 7	£289
Supplements per	person
Single	£30
View	£30

### Porthcawl, Cardiff, Tenby & Royal Mint TOUR 385



#### What Alfa Includes

- 7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 2 Half Day Excursions
- Guided tour of Cardiff
- Entrance to St. Fagans National History Museum

## **Excursions Included**

Tenby

Refer to South Wales Cities & Seaside 387 description.

Cardiff & St. Fagans Nat. History Museum Refer to South Wales Cities & Seaside 387 description.

NEW! Royal Mint

On the outskirts of Cardiff we find the Royal Mint and its visitor centre. Here we gain an insight in to the history of our currency and explore the coin making process.

NEW! Barry Island

We travel to nearby Barry Island, setting for televisions "Gavin and Stacev".

Departs Sund Returns on Sui			
May 1	£389		
Jun 5	£429		
Jun 12	£449		
Jun 26	£459		
Supplements per	Supplements per person		
Single	£40		
View	£40		

### South Wales Cities & Seaside

**TOUR 387** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Guided tour of Cardiff
- Entrance to St. Fagans National History Museum

Mar 20 £279 Aug 21 £419

Apr 3 **£299** Aug 28 **£399** 

Apr 17 | £319 | Sep 25 | £349

Supplements per person

Single (Mar-Apr, Oct)

Single (May-Sep)

View (Mar-Apr, Oct)

View (May-Sep)

Oct 2 £319

£0

£40

£30

£40

May 22 £389

Jun 19 £399

### **Excursions Included**

Tenby

Tenby's two superb beaches and photogenic harbour are overlooked by its pastel coloured Georgian and Regency buildings. Its narrow streets and fortified walls combine to create a unique seaside atmosphere.

Cardiff & St. Fagans Nat. History Museum We travel to Cardiff and start the day with a tour of the city (guide included). We then have free time to look around the Welsh capital. We then visit St. Fagans National History Museum (free entrance) one of Europe's premier open air museums and the most popular heritage attraction in Wales.

Swansea & Bracelet Bay

Refer to Glamorgan Coast 5385 description.

## **TOUR 389**

**Historic Houses of South Wales** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Llancaich Fawr, Llanelly House & Margan Country Park

#### **Excursions Included**

Llancaiach Fawr Manor & Caerphilly

We journey to the former mining village of Nelson to visit the Civil War era manor house at Llancaiach Fawr *(quided tour* included). Our guides remain in costume and in character throughout our visit. We then visit the border town of Caerphilly, with its dramatic castle (entrance not included).

Llanelly House & Margam Country Park

Llanelly House is an excellent example of an early-18th century Georgian town house. On our return we visit Margam Country Park, at the centre of which is Margam Castle (entrance to both attractions included in tour cost).

Cowbridge is a market town in the Vale of Glamorgan.

Departs Sunda Returns on Satu	
May 15	£389
Jul 17	£419
Aug 7	£419
Sep 18	£379
Supplements per	person
Single	£40
View	£40





Tenby is a uniquely attractive resort. Its pastel coloured buildings, narrow streets, fortified walls and the quality of the light from its shimmering bays give it an atmosphere which is reminiscent of the Mediterranean. Tenby has four magnificent sandy beaches and a delightful harbour with regular ferries to nearby Caldey Island.

#### **CLIFFE NORTON HOTEL**

Tenby **@@@** 44 \*\*\*

The Cliffe Norton Hotel occupies a prime position on the North Beach, affords uninterrupted views across the bay and is just a short walk from the town centre. Rooms available with magnificent sea views across the bay. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01834 842333.









## **King Arthur Country**

TOUR 5381



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Pembroke & St. David's

Our tour visits Pembroke, birthplace of Henry VII, Pembroke was the site of a prolonged siege by Oliver Cromwell from which the town retains a magnificent castle. A charming walled town with a central main street heading east from the castle gates and a moat or castle pond extending round much of the town. As wonderful as the castle is to see, there is much more to Pembroke including the Town Hall, Poyer's House and Barnard's Tower. Although technically a city due to its magnificent cathedral, St. Davids is actually an attractive village, set amongst beautiful coastal scenery.

#### Narberth & Carmarthen

A delightful small town with an intriguing museum, Narberth boasts an atmospheric castle ruin, a wide range of quirky independent shops, and a distinctive former town hall and gaol, which resembles a boathouse. One of the oldest settlements in Wales, Carmarthen is brimming with historic architecture, such as Clough Williams-Ellis's bridge over the Towy, and boasts a bustling market and shopping streets.

Departs W	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
May 4	£294	Jul 13, 27	£304
May 25	£294	Aug 17	£304
Jun 15	£294	Aug 31	£294
Sı	pplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

All dates stay at Cliffe Norton Hotel

# Tenby, St. Davids & Gwili Railway TOUR 5382



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on Gwilli Railway

### **Excursions Included**

### Pembroke & St. David's

Our tour visits Pembroke, birthplace of Henry VII, Pembroke was the site of a prolonged siege by Oliver Cromwell from which the town retains a magnificent castle. A charming walled town with a central main street heading east from the castle gates and a moat or castle pond extending round much of the town. As wonderful as the castle is to see, there is much more to Pembroke including the Town Hall, Poyer's House and Barnard's Tower. Although technically a city due to its magnificent cathedral, St. Davids is actually an attractive village, set amongst beautiful coastal scenery.

#### 🕞 Gwili Railway & Carmarthen

Known as "the friendly line", the Gwili steam and diesel railway operates on part of the former Carmarthen to Aberystwyth line (rail fare included). The journey takes in some delightful natural scenery and industrial heritage. There is a miniature railway display and a former travelling post office to explore. We also have some free time in historic Carmarthen, birthplace of Merlin.

Departs We	ednesday	- Returns on Sunday	
May 18	£304	Sep 14	£324
Jun 29	£344		
Departs I	Monday -	Returns on Friday	
Sep 5*	£344		
Su	pplement	s per person	
Single	£30	View	£30

\*Stays at Belgrave Hotel. All other dates stay at Cliffe Norton Hotel.

## **Tenby & Pembrokeshire**

**TOUR 383** 



- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Broad Haven & St. David's

As the name suggests, Broad Haven's beach is wide and calm, backed by a long flat promenade and a selection of tea rooms and cafés. Although technically a city due to its magnificent cathedral, St. David's is actually an attractive village, set amongst beautiful coastal scenery.

#### Saundersfoot & Narberth

Situated in the heart of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, Saundersfoot is a small seaside resort with a wide, sandy, blue flag beach and one of the most beautiful harbour's in the UK. Narberth is a quirky small town with independent shops.

#### Pembroke

Birthplace of Henry VII, Pembroke was the site of a prolonged siege by Oliver Cromwell from which the town retains a magnificent castle. A charming walled town with a central main street heading east from the castle gates and a moat or castle pond extending round much of the town.

Departs	Sunday - Ret	turns on Saturda	
May 8	£376	Sep 4	£476
Jun 12	£456	Sep 25	£386
Jul 31	£476		
S	upplements	per person	
Single	£40	View	£40

All dates stay at Cliffe Norton Hotel



#### **BELGRAVE HOTEL**

Tenby **©** 

Ideally set on the esplanade overlooking the South Beach and within easy walking distance of the shops and old harbour. Tel: 01834 842377.











## **Timeless Tenby**

**TOUR 382** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Pembroke & St. David's

Our tour visits Pembroke, birthplace of Henry VII and site of a prolonged siege by Oliver Cromwell from which the town retains a magnificent castle. St. Davids is situated on the far South West coast of Wales; although technically a city due to its magnificent cathedral, St. Davids is actually an attractive village, set amongst beautiful coastal scenery.

#### Narberth & Carmarthen

A delightful small town with an intriguing museum, Narberth boasts an atmospheric castle ruin, a wide range of quirky independent shops, and a distinctive former town hall and gaol, which resembles a boathouse. One of the oldest settlements in Wales, Carmarthen is brimming with historic architecture, such as Clough Williams-Ellis's bridge over the Towy, and boasts a bustling market and shopping streets. It is also reputed to be the birthplace of King Arthur and Merlin.

#### Broad Haven

As the name suggests, Broad Haven's beach is wide and calm, backed by a long flat promenade and a selection of tea rooms and cafés.

Dej	oarts Sunday - Ret	turns on Saturday	
Mar 27	£284	Jul 3*	£506
Apr 24	£319	Oct 9	£346
May 1*	£486		
	Supplements	per person	
Single (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£0	View (Mar-Apr, Oct)	£30
Single (May-Jul)	£40		

\*Stays at Belgrave Hotel. All other dates stay at Cliffe Norton Hotel.



## Canals of Cheshire & Clwyd

From our tranquil base just outside the historic market town of Mold, we visit the delightful regions of Cheshire and Clwyd, renowned for their canal heritage. Our final excursion takes us to the charming village of Llangollen which is a UNESCO World Heritage site.

#### **BEAUFORT PARK HOTEL** Mold **@@@**

Conveniently located in North Wales, the Beaufort Park is situated in the village of New Brighton approximately two miles from the historic town of Mold. The well-appointed bedrooms are tastefully furnished and designed with comfort in mind. Tel: 01352 758646.







## Canals of Cheshire & Clwyd TOUR 5314



- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to National Waterways Museum & Anderton Canal Boat Trip

#### **Excursions Included**

### Anderton Canal Lift & The National Waterways Museum

We visit the Anderton Boat Lift, known as one of the 'Seven Wonders of the Waterways' responsible for lifting boats and barges 50 feet from the River Weaver Navigation to the Trent & Mersey Canal. The National Waterways Museum looks after one of the greatest collections of historic boats in the world (entrance included).

#### Llangollen & Vale of Clwyd

Once home to Welsh princes and influential abbots, this historic "Gateway to Wales" makes the most of its riverside setting in the narrowest stretch of the lush Dee Valley. The Vale of Clwyd lies in the county of Denbigshire.

#### Chester

We have plenty of time to explore this compact city which is easy to get around on foot.

Dep	arts Monday -	Returns on Friday	
May 9	£334	Jul 4, 18	£344
	Supplements	s per person	
Single	£30		



## SCOTLAND

A land of magical glens and picturesque lochs with stunning mountain views, when it comes to exploring Scotland, it's as much about the journey as the destination.

Glasgow and Edinburgh are two amazing historic cities with exceptional galleries, museums and restaurants to explore.

Beyond the cities, Scotland is studded with an astonishing number of ancient monuments, castles and legends in abundance. For example, you can delve into Scotland's turbulent past at Inveraray Castle or go in search of the infamous 'Nessie' at Loch Ness.

From the shimmering waters of Loch Lomond, to the unspoilt natural beauty of the highlands and everything in between, a holiday to Scotland is sure to leave you with memories to last a lifetime.





Outdoor Capital of the UK, home to the highest mountain in Britain towering above us at 4411ft. An ideal base for exploring the beauty of the Highlands and Islands, discover the Islands of Mull and Skye or take your chance at spotting the Loch Ness Monster! For those wanting to chill and take in the beautiful views of Loch Linnhe from the front facing bedrooms or the public rooms you may be lucky to see some otters, porpoise, seals and many more!



Chris Matthews, General Manager, Croit Anna Hotel, Fort William & Tony Riley, Alfa Tour Driver

#### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA:**

Arran & Cumbrae, Oban & Mull, Glasgow & Edinburgh, Fort William, Dunoon, Loch Lomond, Aberdeenshire, Pitlochry, Scottish Borders, Blairgowrie



## Arran & Cumbrae

The beautiful Isle of Arran lies in the Firth of Clyde between the mainland and the Mull of Kintyre and rises spectacularly to almost 900 metres. Our base is the popular resort of Largs, with its warm summer micro-climate and views of Great Cumbrae, it's a popular holiday destination.

## WILLOWBANK HOTEL Largs @@@

Centrally located just a few minutes' walk from the sea, with the rolling hills of Ayrshire inland, the family run Willowbank Hotel offers comfortable accommodation and a friendly welcome. All guest rooms are located on the ground and first floors. Tel: 01475 672311.





### **Arran & Cumbrae**

**TOUR 5400** 



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Return Ferries to Great Cumbrae & Arran

#### **Excursions Included**

Arran

A memorable day as we catch the ferry from Ardrossan to Brodick for a circular trip around the island visiting Lochranza, then along the West coast with views of the Mull of Kintyre as we travel to Blackwaterfoot before returning via the mountainous spine of the island to Brodick in time for the ferry back to the mainland (ferries included in the tour cost).

#### Cumbrae

We follow the beautiful Ayrshire Coast to Largs, where we board the ferry to Great Cumbrae, known as the Jewel in the Clyde. In the island's main town, Millport, look out for the famous Crocodile Rock. Away from Millport the island consists of green fields and golden beaches (ferries included in the tour cost).

	Departs Monday - Reti	irns on Friday	
May 2	£304	Sep 12	£344
	Supplements per	person	
Single	£79		





## Oban & Scotland's West Coast

Oban is the most popular resort and touring centre in the Western Highlands. Its busy harbour provides the link with the islands of the Inner Hebrides and it also has plenty of shops.

#### **GREAT WESTERN HOTEL** Oban **@@@**

Ideally located on the Oban esplanade, the Great Western offers easy access to shops and harbour, with lovely views of the bay. Comfortable residents' bars and lounges ensure a relaxed stay. All rooms are en-suite and feature TV, iron and hairdryer. Tel: 01631 563101.









## **Oban & Scotland's West Coast**

**TOUR 5427** 



#### **Excursions Included**

#### Lochgilphead & Inveraray

Travelling south to Lochgilphead and then along the shores of Loch Fyne to Inveraray, ancestral seat of the Campbells, Dukes of Argyll.

#### Isle of Mull

We take the ferry to Craignure on the Isle of Mull. We then continue by coach up to Tobermory, the capital of Mull with its colourful buildings with echoes of Iceland and Norway. We return via ferry to Oban (ferries included in the tour cost).

Departs Monday - Returns on Friday					
Mar 7	£259	Jul 25	£414		
Dep	Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday				
May 25	£354				
Supplements per person					
Single	£69				



## Glasgow & Edinburgh

Our base at Bannockburn is the site of Robert The Bruce's defeat of Edward II and the lifting of the siege of Stirling. The town also houses a rather unusual bridge by Telford. This holiday also includes guided tours of Scotland's two most iconic cities, perfect if you love exploring!

### KING ROBERT HOTEL

Bannockburn @@@

Situated on the site of the Battle of Bannockburn, The King Robert is a family run hotel. Bruce's Bistro Restaurant serves evening meals in a modern and relaxed atmosphere whilst breakfast is served in the Garden Suite. Tel: 01786 811666









## Glasgow & Edinburgh

**TOUR 5550** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Guided Tours of Glasgow & Edinburgh

#### **Excursions Included**

Edinburgh

A relatively short journey takes us to Scotland's most historic city where we have a guided city tour (included in the tour cost) and plenty of time to explore the National Museum of Scotland (free admission, additional charge for some exhibitions).

#### Glasgow

With its magnificent buildings and delightful parks beside the Clyde, Glasgow has become one of Europe's most dynamic and cultured cities. We have a guided tour of the city (included in the tour cost).

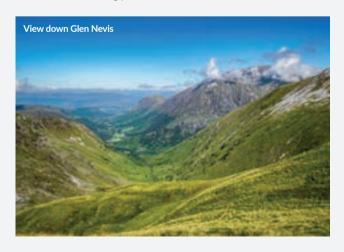
	Departs Monday - Ret	urns on Friday	
May 30	£304	Sep 12	£324
	Supplements per	r person	
Single	£69		

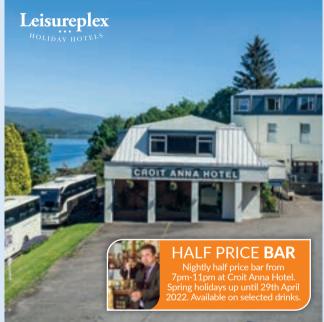


# Fort William

# Outdoor capital of the UK

Fort William, the "Outdoor Capital of the UK", is not only an important tourist centre but also a splendid location from which to explore the magnificent Western Highlands. It is situated at the southern end of the Great Glen, on the shores of Loch Linnhe, beneath towering Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain. For those who do not feel quite up to the ascent of Ben Nevis, nearby Aonach Mor offers Britain's only alpine cable car, rising over 2000 feet to the Snowgoose restaurant, from where there are spectacular views of the Great Glen. The surrounding countryside has some of Britain's most spectacular and romantic scenery and its torrid history has produced over 30 battlefields in the Lochaber area alone. As a touring centre. Fort William is unrivalled and our splendid excursion programme makes the best of this with coverage of many of the area's most interesting places.









#### **CROIT ANNA HOTEL**









Situated on the shores of Loche Linnhe, three miles from the centre of Fort William, with spectacular views across the loch from all of the public rooms and most of the bedrooms, the Croit Anna offers a comfortable and friendly base in which to relax. There is a panoramic lounge, spacious bar and terrace. Extensive car parking. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01397 702268.

## Loch Ness & Skye

**TOUR 5433** 



#### **Excursions Included**

#### Isle of Skve

A scenic journey takes us along Loch Lochy, then past the Five Sisters of Kintail to the much photographed Eilean Donan Castle. We continue to Kyle of Lochalsh and then across to Skye with a short tour of this enchanting Island.

#### Loch Ness & Inverness

We travel to the beautiful city of Inverness which boasts an array of historic buildings including Inverness Castle and St. Andrew's Cathedral. The route to Inverness follows the shores of probably the most famous lake in Britain, Loch Ness. This magnificent long loch is surrounded by the towering Scottish hills. Whether a monster lurks in the deep waters is a matter of conjecture, but do have a look just in case!

28	£189	Jul 11	£304	
· 7	£189	Aug 1	£304	
14	£204	Sep 5	£294	
28	£214	Sep 12	£284	
4	£214	Oct 10	£244	
11	£219	Oct 24	£224	
13	£284	Oct 31	£224	
Departs Wednesday -				
Re	turns o	n Sunda		
19	£224			
ıpp	lement	s per per	son	
Single			£0	
iev	/ (Feb-Ap	or, Oct)	£20	
Vie	w (Jun-	Sep)	£30	

## **Highland Lochs & Skye**

**TOUR 431** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Cruise on Loch Linnhe

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Isle of Skye

A scenic journey takes us along Loch Lochy, then past the Five Sisters of Kintail to the much photographed Eilean Donan Castle. We continue to Kyle of Lochalsh and then across to Skye with a short tour of this enchanting Island.

#### Loch Ness & Inverness

Refer to Loch Ness & Skye 5433 description.

#### ■ NEW! Loch Linnhe

Take a cruise on Loch Linnhe (included in tour cost). Departing from Fort William Town Pier you will be surrounded by wonderful unique views of Ben Nevis. Keep your eyes open for a host of local wildlife, from birdlife to dolphins and seals they are a sight not to be missed.

May 8	£366
May 29 날	£406
Jul 31	£416
Aug 28	£416
Sep 25	£376
Supplements per	person
Single	£0
View	£40

✓ Queen's Jubilee Special tour, see page 10.

### Highlands & Islands

TOUR 5434



- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Return Ferry to Isle of Mull

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Isle of Skve

The Isle of Skye is the second largest Scottish island, a 50 mile long patchwork of velvet moors, jagged mountains, sparkling lochs and towering sea cliffs, it's a fascinating and beautiful place to visit. A scenic journey takes us along Loch Lochy, then past the Five Sisters of Kintail to Eilean Donan Castle. We continue to Kyle of Lochalsh and then across to Skye for a short tour.

#### Isle of Mull

We take the Corran ferry across Loch Linnhe to Ardgour and proceed through this unspoilt peninsula to Lochaline where we board a second ferry to Mull (included in tour cost). We have time to explore Tobermory, the capital of Mull with its colourful buildings and echoes of Iceland and Norway.

Departs Mond	
Returns on Fr	iday
May 16	£274
May 23	£284
Jun 27	£314
Jul 25	£314
Aug 15	£314
Sep 19	£284
Supplements per	person
Single	£0
View	£30

## Fort William & The Jacobite

TOUR 434 / 433



- 6/7 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Trip on the Jacobite

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Isle of Skye

A scenic journey takes us along Loch Lochy, then past the Five Sisters of Kintail to the much photographed Eilean Donan Castle. We continue to Kyle of Lochalsh and then across to Skye with a short tour of this enchanting Island.

#### Loch Ness & Inverness

Refer to Loch Ness & Skye 5433 description.

#### NEW! Mallaig on The Jacobite

One of the world's great train journeys (rail fare included in the tour cost), the trip to Mallaig starts at the foot of Ben Nevis, passes the dramatic deep waters of Loch Morar, and arrives at the busy port town of Mallaig, with its many ferries to the Hebrides.

Subject to train timetable journey will be on Jacobite or other train.

IR 434	7 DAYS - TOU	434:
	Dep Sun - Ret	
£	Apr 24	£369
£	Jun 12	£446
£	Jul 3	£456
£	Aug 7	£456
IR 433	8 DAYS - TOU	433:
on Su	Dep Sun - Ret	ı Sun
£	May 22	£457
£	Jun 5	£467
£	Jul 24	£487
£	Sep 11	£457
£	Oct 2	£417
er pers	upplements pe	person
	Single	£0
f	View (Apr, Oct)	£30
f	/iew (May-Sep)	£40



## Dunoon

Dunoon is situated on the western shores of the Firth of Clyde, where Loch Long and Holy Loch join the sea. It boasts some lovely gardens, two bays, and a flat promenade - perfect for that most traditional of seaside occupations, strolling along the prom! Nearby Argyll Forest is home to some of Scotland's most spectacular mountain scenery.

#### **SELBORNE HOTEL**

Dunoon @@@ 44 \*\*\*



Superbly situated looking South across the Clyde with pleasant lawns reaching down to the promenade and water's edge. All the public rooms and many of the bedrooms offer uninterrupted views of the river. Car parking available. Wi-Fi throughout. Tel: 01369 702761.







## Dunoon, Oban & Isle of Bute TOUR 5411



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Return Ferry to Isle of Bute

#### **Excursions Included**



Today's journey takes us to Colintraive and then via a short ferry crossing to the Isle of Bute (included in tour cost). We continue to its capital, the resort of Rothesay. Rothesay is a smart Victorian seaside resort with plenty of shops and attractions for visitors to enjoy, including exploring the remains of Rothesay Castle which dates back to the early 1200s. For such a compact island, Bute has some extraordinarily varied landscapes. This peaceful island is home to a rich heritage, contrasting landscapes and seascapes and unrivalled panoramic views.



We visit Oban the most popular resort and touring centre in the Western Highlands. Its busy harbour provides the link with the islands of the Inner Hebrides and it also has plenty of shops. The busy port is overlooked by McCaig's Tower, a folly erected at the turn of the 20th century. En route we pass Inveraray, Loch Awe and the remarkable Falls of Lora.

Departs	Departs Monday - Returns on Friday				
May 2	£244	Jun 27	£314		
May 23	£264	Aug 1	£314		
Departs We	Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday				
Jun 1	£284	Aug 10	£314		
Su	Supplements per person				
Single	£0	View	£30		

### Dunoon, Glasgow & Inveraray TOUR 5412



#### 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast

- 2 Full Day Excursions
- **Guided Tour of Glasgow**
- Entrance to Inveraray Castle

#### **Excursions Included**



We take the ferry across the River Clyde and continue to Glasgow. With its magnificent buildings and delightful parks beside the Clyde, Glasgow has become one of Europe's most dynamic and cultured cities. The city centre has countless impressive Victorian structures and then there are unique masterpieces of one of the city's most celebrated sons, the legendary architect and designer Charles Rennie Mackintosh. We have a guided tour of the city (included in the tour cost).

#### Inveraray Castle

One of the most iconic in Scotland, Inveraray Castle has a history dating back to the 1400s (entrance included). Standing on the shores of Loch Fyne, this impressive home of the Dukes of Argyll and the seat of the Clan Campbell offers incredible history and beautiful gardens.

Departs	Monday -	Returns on Friday			
May 16	£274	Jun 20	£314		
Departs We	Departs Wednesday - Returns on Sunday				
Sep 28	£274				
Supplements per person					
Single	£0	View	£30		

### Dunoon, Oban & Loch Lomond TOUR 5413



- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full Day Excursions
- Loch Lomond Cruise

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Loch Lomond Cruise

Loch Lomond is the largest inland stretch of water in Britain (by surface area) at 24 by 4.5 miles. "Loch Lomond and the Trossachs" was one of the first of the two Scottish national parks, est 2002. At the south end of the loch, is Lomond Shores visitor & shopping complex, from where we take a boat trip on the loch (included in tour cost).

#### Oban

We visit Oban the most popular resort and touring centre in the Western Highlands. Its busy harbour provides the link with the islands of the Inner Hebrides and it also has plenty of shops. The busy port is overlooked by McCaig's Tower, a folly erected at the turn of the 20th century. En route we pass Inveraray, Loch Awe and the remarkable Falls of Lora.

Departs V	/ednesday	- Returns on Sund	ay
Jul 13	£324		
Departs	Monday -	<b>Returns on Friday</b>	
Aug 15	£304	Sep 19	£284
S	upplement	s per person	
Single	£0	View	£30





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A holiday to Dunoon is one that you will return from feeling refreshed. With breathtaking scenery, abundant wildlife, cruise ships and submarines passing by on the Clyde, watching the world go by will really keep you occupied. Views from the hilltops over the Firth of Clyde provide awesome photo opportunities. 99

William Honeyball, General Manager, Selborne Hotel, Dunoon





## Dunoon, Loch Lomond & Isle of Bute TOUR 410



#### **Excursions Included**

#### Dumbarton & Loch Lomond

Return Ferry to Isle of Bute

We travel alongside Loch Eck and Loch Fyne before reaching Loch Lomond. After a scenic journey along the shores, with stops for photo opportunities, we reach the Clyde at Dumbarton. We return via Gare Loch and Loch Long, with views of the Arrochar Alps.

#### Isle of Bute

Today's journey takes us to Colintraive and then via a short ferry crossing to the Isle of Bute (included in tour cost). We continue to its capital, the resort of Rothesay. This peaceful island is home to a rich heritage, contrasting landscapes and seascapes and panoramic views.

#### Cowal Peninsula

A delightful short tour to explore the area immediately around Dunoon visiting Innellan, Toward, Kilmun Church and Strone.

#### Tighnabruaich

The 'secret coast' of Argyll is popular among sailing enthusiasts and is famed for its champion shinty team. The village offers dramatic views of Rubha Dubh headland on Bute.

De	eparts Sunday - Ret	turns on Sunday					
May 1	£387	Aug 7	£457				
Jun 12	£447	Aug 28	£447				
Jun 26	£447	Sep 25	£367				
Supplements per person							
Single	£0	View	£40				

## **Dunoon, Rothesay & Glasgow**

**TOUR 412** 



#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Guided Tour of Glasgow
- Return Ferry to Isle of Bute

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Isle of Bute

Today's journey takes us to Colintraive and then via a short ferry crossing to the Isle of Bute (included in tour cost). We continue to its capital, the resort of Rothesay. This peaceful island is home to a rich heritage, contrasting landscapes and seascapes and unrivalled panoramic views.

#### Glasgow

We take the ferry across the River Clyde and continue to Glasgow. With its magnificent buildings and delightful parks beside the Clyde, Glasgow has become one of Europe's most dynamic and cultured cities. The city centre has countless impressive Victorian structures and then there are unique masterpieces of one of the city's most celebrated sons, the legendary architect and designer Charles Rennie Mackintosh. We have a guided tour of the city (included in the tour cost).

#### Cowal Peninsula

A delightful short tour to explore the area immediately around Dunoon visiting Innellan, Toward, Kilmun Church and Strone.

	eparts Sunday - Retu	rns on Saturday					
May 22	£376	Jul 10, 31	£396				
Jun 5	£386	Aug 14	£386				
Jun 19	£396	Sep 4	£376				
Jul 3	£396	Sep 11	£366				
Supplements per person							
Single	£0	View	£40				



Based in the heart of the Trossachs at Aberfoyle, the surrounding forests and hidden lakes offer a tranquil but breathtaking natural beauty. The Trossachs were home to Rob Roy and the setting for Walter Scott's The Lady of the Lake.

### **ROB ROY HOTEL**

Aberfoyle

The Rob Roy Hotel, named after legendary folk hero, Rob Roy MacGregor is wonderfully situated at the edge of the Trossachs within Scotland's first National Park. Guests can relax in the pleasant ambience of the Thistle Bar. Tel: 01877 382245.











## Loch Lomond & The Falkirk Wheel

**TOUR 5537** 



#### **Excursions Included**

3 Full Day Excursions

The Trossachs

We head North to Lochearnhead, returning via a scenic diversion to Callander.

Boat Trips on Falkirk Wheel & Loch Lomond

Loch Lomond & the Bonnie Clyde

We travel to Dumbarton on the Clyde and follow the river to Helensburgh. In the afternoon we journey to Balloch at the southern tip of Loch Lomond before taking a trip on the loch (included in the tour cost).

#### The Falkirk Wheel & Stirling

We visit the Falkirk Wheel, the world's first and only rotating boatlift! We discover this fascinating construction by taking a breathtaking boat journey (boat fare included in the tour cost), returning via Stirling, one of Britain's most historic cities with a magnificent castle.

	Departs Monday - Ref	turns on Friday	
Mar 14	£239	May 30	£294
Apr 25	£249	Jul 4, 18	£314
May 16	£274	Sep 5	£284
	Supplements pe	er person	
Single	£30		



## Historic Houses of Aberdeenshire

Ancient sites and symbols, mysterious standing stones, towering granite walls and legendary castles mark Aberdeenshire as a heartland of Scottish history. Aberdeen's marine and maritime heritage continues to play an important role today as ships dock against city-centre streets.

#### STATION HOTEL

Aberdeen **@@@** 



This attractive Victorian Hotel is located in the heart of Aberdeen, within a five minute walk from popular visitor attractions such as the Aberdeen Maritime Museum and vibrant shopping streets. Tel: 01224 587214.









### **Historic Houses of Aberdeenshire**

**TOUR 487** 





#### What Alfa Includes

- 6 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 3 Full Day Excursions
- Guided Tour of Drum Castle & Entrance to Haddo House
- Entrance to Braemar Highland Games Centre with free scone

#### **Excursions Included**

Stonehaven & Drum Castle

Stonehaven is a delightful Scottish town. Dating from the 13th century, Drum Castle was owned by the Irvine family for over 650 years. (Guided tour included in the tour cost).

#### Fraserburgh & Haddo House

Discover the endless golden sandy beaches at the Fraserburgh Heritage centre. Stately and striking, Haddo House casts a huge impression from the moment you set eyes on it. (Entrance included in the tour cost).

#### Braemar & the Highland Games Centre

Discover the history of The Braemar Highland Games before we explore the charming village of Braemar (entrance and scone included in the tour cost).

De	eparts Sunday - Retur	ns on Saturday	
Apr 17	£399	Jul 10	£436
May 15	£406	Aug 7	£436
Jun 26	£436	Sep 25	£416
	Supplements per	person	
Single	£139		



# Pitlochry & Highland Safari

Venture into the stunning Perthshire Highlands to Pitlochry, which lies in the heart of Scotland with clear sparkling air, beautiful scenery and rich clan history. Enjoy a chance to get off the beaten track on our unique Land Rover safari experience, exploring the ancient Caledonian Pine Forest.

#### THE PITLOCHRY **HYDRO HOTEL** Pitlochry **©©©**

Situated on the Perthshire Highlands, a short walk from the town of Pitlochry, this grand hotel is set in gardens with views of the surrounding mountains. Tel: 0330 0945919











## Pitlochry & Highland Safari

**TOUR 5540** 



### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 1 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Land Rover Safari Experience & Entrance to Blair Castle

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Highland Safari

This is a truly memorable experience as we board Land Rovers (included in the tour cost) to take a unique journey through the diverse landscapes of Highland Perthshire, as we head into the hills and explore the ancient Caledonian Pine Forest.

#### Blair Castle, Queen's View & Blair Atholl

Admire the spectacular scenery of Queen's View and visit Blair Atholl with an included visit to Blair Castle, home of the Atholl Highlanders, Europe's only private army, packed with artefacts (entrance included in the tour cost).

	Departs Monday - Ret	urns on Friday	
May 2	£394	Jul 25	£454
Jun 27	£434	Aug 22	£454
	Supplements per	person	
Single	£69		



## Scottish Borders & Royal Yacht Britannia

Visit Edinburgh and discover a city like no other. Steeped in history, Scotland's capital seamlessly blends old and new, with stunning cityscapes dominated by its castle. You will also be enchanted by the beauty of the Scottish border country and step aboard The Royal Yacht Britannia.

#### **WAVERLEY CASTLE HOTEL** Melrose **©©**

A 4-minute walk from the River Tweed, this stately looking hotel is located within 5 acres of rolling parkland. Waverley Castle prides itself on its stylish guest spaces with a choice of relaxing lounge and bar areas, chic dining room and beautiful ballroom. Tel: 0330 0945919.













### **Scottish Borders &** Royal Yacht Britannia TOUR 5395



#### What Alfa Includes

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 1 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Visit on board the Royal Yacht Britannia

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Edinburgh

Discover the narrow cobbled streets of the Old Town, the Georgian elegance of the New Town or the medieval atmosphere of the Royal Mile in Edinburgh. Step on board the Royal Yacht Britannia to explore this majestic ship in all her glory (included in the tour cost).

#### Jedburgh

Enjoy panoramic views from your coach seat, as we explore beautiful Border Country. We call at Jedburgh, known for its associations with Mary Queen of Scots.

Departs Monday - Returns on Friday							
May 30 £314 Aug 15 £374							
Jul 11	£374	Sep 19	£364				
Supplements per person							
Single	£69						



## Royal Balmoral, Glamis & Pitlochry

Lying at the foot of the Grampians, Blairgowrie ("Plain of Gowrie" in Scottish Gaelic) has been occupied continuously since the Neolithic period: numerous flint and bronze artefacts have been found in the immediate area. The town's centrepiece is the Wellmeadow, a grassy triangle on which regular markets and shows are held.

## **ANGUS HOTEL**

Blairgowrie **@@@** 

Situated on the charming Wellmeadow green in the town centre. Meals are served in The Baytree bar and restaurant. Indoor pool. Tel: 01250 872455











## Royal Balmoral, Glamis & Pitlochry

TOUR 5502 / 6502





#### What Alfa Includes

- 4/5 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 2 Full & 1 Half Day Excursions
- Entrance to Balmoral & Glamis Castle

#### **Excursions Included**

#### Royal Deeside & Balmoral

We travel to Balmoral Castle and Crathie Church (entrance to Balmoral is included in the tour cost\*). We also journey down the valley to Ballater to see more of the glorious scenery.

Today we pass over Glenshee to the attractive market town of Blairgowrie. We continue to nearby Glamis Castle, family seat of the Queen Mother and setting for Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' (entrance included in the tour cost).

#### Queen's View & Pitlochry

We visit the shores of Loch Tummel and stop briefly at the dramatic Queen's View before spending time in the riverside town of Pitlochry, with its many independent shops and cafés.

5 DAYS - TOUR 5502: Departs Monday - Returns on Friday							
May 2	£344						
6 DAYS - TOUR	6 DAYS - TOUR 6502: Departs Sunday - Returns on Friday						
May 29	£425	Jul 10	£465				
Jun 26	£435						
Supplements per person							
Single (5 days)	£30	Single (6 days)	£35				

#### \*Entrance when the castle is open which is April-July only.

## IRELAND

Known the world over for its rich green pastoral landscape, misty mountains, romantic cultural tradition and the warmth of the welcome given to visitors, Ireland provides a holiday destination which is both fascinating and relaxing.

Whether you'd like to see the superb scenery of the Mountains of Mourne, take a guided tour of the Ring of Kerry or visit the Northern Ireland capital of Belfast and explore the fascinating Titanic Museum, there is something for everyone.





#### **DESTINATIONS AVAILABLE IN THIS AREA:**

Killarney & Scenic County Kerry, Wild Atlantic Way & Connemara, Belfast & Giant's Causeway, Heart of Ireland



## Killarney & Ring of Kerry TOUR 882



The busy town of Tralee, county town of Kerry, is home to the County Museum, delightful Town Park, indoor craft market and National Folk Theatre.

#### **Tour Itinerary**

Outward journey includes dinner, bed and breakfast overnight in Dublin area. We stay in Tralee for 4 nights, including dinner, bed and breakfast. We enjoy a demonstration on how to make a true Irish Coffee on one evening.

#### **Included Excursions**

Killarnev & Dingle Peninsula - a full day to explore the spectacular Dingle Peninsula which has memorable coastal scenery. Killarney is surrounded by breathtaking landscapes mirrored in the serene vista of the Three Lakes. Ring of Kerry Guided tour – We take the unforgettable journey around the Ring of Kerry with its wild seascapes and stunning countryside. This treasure trove in the southwest of Ireland really has it all, which is why people travel from far and wide to

experience the Ring of Kerry for themselves. Return journey includes dinner, bed and breakfast overnight in Dublin area, with time to explore Dublin.

#### **BRANDON HOTEL**

Tralee @@@



Centrally located in the bustling county town of Tralee, the Brandon is a modern, well equipped hotel with excellent leisure facilities







Departs Sunday - Returns on Saturday					
May 1	£569	Sep 25	£609		
Aug 28	£619				
Supp	lement	s per person			
Single (May)	£139	Single (Sep)	£159		
Single (Aug)	£179				

## Wild Wonderful West TOUR 884



A wonderful tour to the unspoilt west coast of Ireland to enjoy the wild beauty of lakes, rocky coastlines and soaring cliffs.

#### **Tour Itinerary**

Outward journey includes dinner, bed and breakfast overnight in Dublin area. En-route to Westport we have time to explore the historic port and cathedral city of Galway. We stay in Westport for 4 nights, including dinner, bed and breakfast

#### **Included Excursions**

Fjord Cruise & Kylemore Abbey – a day packed with stunning seascapes, perhaps a sighting of dolphins or seals, and a guided visit to the Benedictine Kylemore Abbey. Achill Islands - our guide reveals to us the history of Clew Bay and the the Achills, including the ruined castle of a Pirate queen,

and the deserted village of Slievemore. Westport House – while in resort we visit one of Ireland's most beautiful historic homes, set amid superb parkland, lakes and views.

Return journey includes dinner, bed and breakfast overnight in Dublin area, with time to explore Dublin.

### **WESTPORT WOODS HOTEL**

Westport **QQQQ** 



Rated 4\* and perfectly situated between Westport Quay and Westport town. Facilities include indoor pool and steam room at the Beech Health Club and Spa.











Departs Sunday - Returns on Saturday						
Apr 24	£689	Jun 19	£719			
May 15	£709	Sep 4	£719			
Supp	lement	s per person				
Single	£179					

## Belfast & Giant's Causeway TOUR 886



Take in the highlights of Northern Ireland, including the spectacular rock formation of the Giant's Causeway.

#### **Tour Itinerary**

Our outward journey takes us across the Irish Sea and direct to our resort. We stay in Ballymena for 3 nights. including dinner, bed and breakfast.

#### **Included Excursions**

**Belfast Guided Tour & Titanic Museum** - a full day to take in the highlights of Belfast, historic and modern, including a visit to the Titanic museum.

Bushmills & Giant's Causeway - two of Northern Ireland's highlights, the distillery at Bushmills (tour & tasting) and Giant's Causeway, with its curious hexagonal basalt columns.

Mountains of Mourne - after leaving Belfast we enjoy a guided tour of the dramatic Mourne Mountains, also visiting the last resting place of St. Patrick.

Following our exploration of the Mountains of Mourne we stay overnight on the outskirts of Dublin before crossing the Irish Sea to Holyhead.

#### **ADAIR ARMS** HOTEL



An historic hotel offering modern conveniences All guest rooms TV, hairdryer, iron & board, and direct dial telephone.











## Heart of Ireland TOUR 888



Kilkenny is a flourishing city with a fascinating medieval history. The 800-year-old Norman castle overlooks the town's ancient streets.

#### **Tour Itinerary**

Our outward journey takes us across the Irish Sea and direct to our resort. We stay in Kilkenny for 4 nights, including dinner, bed and breakfast.

#### **Included Excursions**

Kilkenny & her Castle - a guided tour of the compact city and its dominant feature, the imposing castle.

Waterford – The bustling riverside city of Waterford was founded by the Vikings. Highlights include the World's largest collection of crystal glasswares.

Cahir Castle & Rock of Cashel – We visit two great Irish monuments replete with tales of religious and temporal conquest, as well as extensive art collections.

Return journey includes dinner, bed and breakfast overnight in Dublin area, with time to explore Dublin.

### **SPRINGHILL COURT HOTEL**

Kilkenny **©©**©



Walking distance from centre. Rooms include complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, TV, telephone. Facilities include swimming pool. sauna steamroom and Jacuzzi

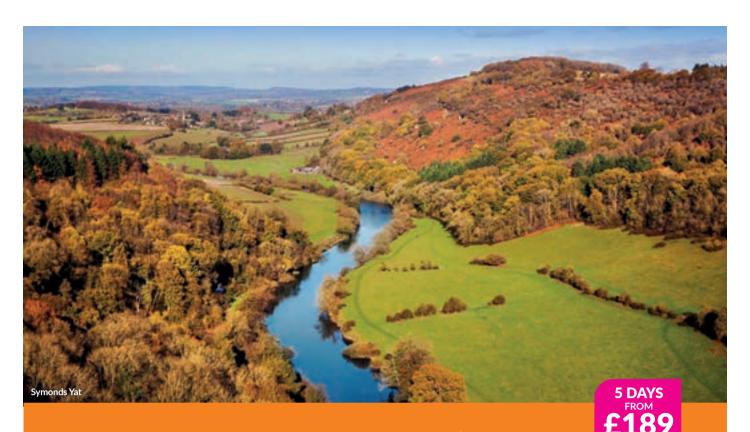








Departs Monday - Returns on Saturday							
May 2	£529	Sep 19	£529				
Supplements per person							
Single	£109						



# AUTUMN BREAKS

#### ENJOY AN AUTUMN BREAK WITH ALFA TRAVEL

What better time to take a break than as the browns and golds of Autumn light up our beautiful British countryside, with falling leaves and transforming landscapes, Autumn can be a stunning time of year to take a break and recharge your batteries.

An Autumn break with Alfa Travel is fantastic value for money. With included excursions, entertainment on at least 2 evenings, return coach travel and amazing offers, it's the perfect excuse to get away. There's a wide range of superb holiday destinations to choose from staying at our very own Leisureplex Hotels, the difficult bit will be deciding where to go!

## **AUTUMN OFFERS**

As if our holidays weren't already great value for money... they are even more so with our amazing Autumn offers. With FREE lunches on resort days and no single supplements, there are plenty of reasons to escape with us on your next holiday.



#### **DOUBLE AS SINGLE OFFER\*+**

Are you a single traveller who would prefer that extra bit of space and the cosiness of a double bed? For guests staying in any of our Leisureplex Hotels you can request a double room and only be charged our standard Leisureplex single supplement price on holidays departing in October 2022.



### **BLACKPOOL SINGLE SAVER\***

Solo travellers staying at our Queens Hotel in Blackpool are invited to take advantage of the fact that we don't charge single supplements throughout most of the season, with the only exclusions being August, September, Christmas and New Year.



#### **SCOTTISH SINGLE SAVER\*+**

There are no supplements for guests staying in single rooms at our Leisureplex Selborne Hotel in Dunoon or Croit Anna Hotel in Fort William regardless of when you book your holiday. Double rooms will only be charged our standard Leisureplex single supplement price.



#### **AUTUMN SINGLE SAVER\***

No single supplements at Leisureplex Hotels on holidays departing in October 2022.

<sup>\*</sup>Offer excludes tours that have a non-Leisureplex overnight hotel. Book early to secure your room as offers are subject to availability! +Double for sole is subject to availability and is authorised by the Alfa reservations team, whose decision is final. Winter Weekends are not included in these offers.



### 5 Day Autumn Breaks - 2022 prices in £s per person

Resort	Hotel	Code	Full Day Excursions Included		Oct 5	Oct 10	Oct 12	Oct 19	Oct 24	Oct 31
	(Excursions are full days, except where (H) denotes a half day excursion)					Mon	Wed	Wed	Mon	Mon
Weston-super-Mare	Anchor Head	5100	Cheddar Gorge & Wells	Bath	£244	-	-	-	£224	£224
Ilfracombe	Imperial	5110	Minehead, Lynton & Lynmouth	Barnstaple & Bideford	-	-	-	£214	£214	£214
Newquay	Eliot	5132	Eden Project	Padstow & Bodmin	£254	-	-	-	£234	-
Torquay	Regina	5151	Teignmouth & Exeter	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	-	-	£224	-	£234	-
Torquay	Metropole	5152	Looe & Polperro	Exmouth & Sidmouth	-	-	£224	-	-	-
Torquay	Metropole	5154	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	Exmouth & Sidmouth	£224	-	-	-	-	£234
Exmouth	Cavendish	5155	Teignmouth & Dawlish	Sidmouth & Seaton	£244	-	£244	£224	£224	-
Bournemouth	Marsham Court*	5170	Lyndhurst & Salisbury	Weymouth & Portland	-	£344	-	-	-	-
Sandown Isle of Wight	Bayshore	5195	Newport	Alum Bay & Cowes	-	-	£224	-	-	-
Shanklin Isle of Wight	Shanklin	5200	Alum Bay & Yarmouth	Ryde & Cowes	£234	-	£224	-	£224	£224
Bognor Regis	Royal Norfolk	5205	Chichester & Arundel	Portsmouth & Southsea	£239	-	£229	-	-	£224
Eastbourne	Queens	5215	Brighton	Rye & Hastings	£234	-	£234	-	£234	£234
Great Yarmouth	New Beach	5260	Cromer & Sheringham	Norwich	£224	-	£224	£214	£204	£204
Cromer	Hotel de Paris	5265	Sheringham & Norwich	Great Yarmouth & Wroxham	£234	-	-	-	£224	£224
Scarborough	Cumberland	5275	North York Moors & Whitby	York	-	-	£234	-	£234	-
Bridlington	Monarch	5278	Scarborough & Filey	York	-	-	-	-	-	£224
Blackpool	Queens	5305	Ribble Valley & Oswaldtwistle Mills	Southport	£264	-	-	-	-	£234
Llandudno	Hydro	5350	Betws-y-Coed & Conwy	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	£254	£249	£244	£234	-	£234
Criccieth	George IV	5365	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	Ffestiniog & Porthmadog	£244	-	-	-	£224	£224
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	5380	Pembroke & St Davids	Narberth & Carmarthen	£254	-	-	-	£234	-
Porthcawl	Seabank	5386	Swansea & Bracelet Bay	Cardiff & St Fagans National History Museum	-	-	-	£214	£219	-
Dunoon	Selborne	5410	Dumbarton & Loch Lomond	Oban	-	£234	-	£214	£224	£224
Fort William	Croit Anna	5433	Loch Ness & Inverness	Isle of Skye	-	£244	-	£224	£224	£224
Super Saver	Our Choice	SS5NW	At least 2 full day	excursions included	£209	£209	£209	£189	£189	£189

Supplements per person: No Single Supplements at Leisureplex Hotels on Oct departures! Single £0. Room with a view £20. \*Non-Leisureplex Hotel.

## 7 Day Autumn Breaks – 2022 prices in £s per person

Resort	Hotel	Code		Full Day Excursions Included days, except where (H) denotes a half day excursion	A	Oct 2	Oct 9	Oct 16
			(Excursions are full	days, except where (n) denotes a hall day excursion		Sun	Sun	Sun
Ilfracombe	Imperial	112	Barnstaple & Bideford	Great Torrington & Dartington Crystal	Dunster & Minehead	£326	£326	-
Newquay	Eliot	132	St Ives	Eden Project	Padstow (H)	£336	-	-
Torquay	Regina	150*	Teignmouth & Exeter	Exmouth & Sidmouth	Brixham (H)	£387	-	-
Torquay	Regina	152	Teignmouth & Exeter	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	Brixham (H)	-	-	£326
Torquay	Metropole	154	Plymouth & Buckfast Abbey	Exmouth & Sidmouth	Dartmouth	-	£336	-
Exmouth	Cavendish	157	Sidmouth & Seaton	Dartmoor & Torquay	Exeter (H)	£356	£346	-
Bournemouth	Suncliffe**	172	Weymouth & Portland	Salisbury & Shaftesbury	Lyndhurst (H)	-	£456	-
Sandown Isle of Wight	Bayshore	195*	Alum Bay & Yarmouth	Osborne House & Whippingham Church	Rosemary Vineyard & Ryde	-	£367	-
Sandown Isle of Wight	Bayshore	196	Newport & Cowes	Alum Bay & Yarmouth	Ryde (H)	-	-	£326
Shanklin Isle of Wight	Shanklin	202	Isle of Wight Steam Railway & Cowes	Newport & Ryde	Ventnor (H)	£326	-	£326
Bognor Regis	Royal Norfolk	207	Chichester & Littlehampton	Portsmouth & Southsea	Worthing & Amberley	£339	-	£319
Eastbourne	Queens	217	Brighton	Rye & Hastings	Battle & Carr Taylor Vineyard	£356	£336	-
Great Yarmouth	New Beach	262	Norwich	Wroxham & Cromer	Aldeburgh (H)	-	£326	-
Cromer	Hote de Paris	267	Great Yarmouth	Norwich	Sheringham (H)	£336	-	-
Scarborough	Cumberland	275	North York Moors Tov	vns & Helmsley	Bridlington & Beverley	-	£367	-
Scarborough	Cumberland	277	North York Moors & Whitby	Bridlington & Beverley	York	£326	-	£326
Bridlington	Monarch	278	North York Moors & Whitby	Scarborough & Beverley	York	-	£319	-
Blackpool	Queens	308	Liverpool	Southport	Fleetwood (H)	£356	-	-
Llandudno	Hydro	352	Beaumaris	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	Conwy (H)	£336	£326	-
Criccieth	George IV	367	Caernarfon & Snowdonia	Ffestiniong & Porthmadog	Bala & Betws-y-Coed	£326	£326	-
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	382	Pembroke & St Davids	Narberth & Carmarthen	Broad Haven (H)	-	£346	-
Porthcawl	Seabank	387	Cardiff & St Fagans National History Museum	Swansea & Bracelet Bay	Tenby	£319	-	-
Dunoon	Selborne	414	Dumbarton & Loch Lomond	Oban	Tighnabruaich (H)	£316	-	£306
Fort William	Croit Anna	432	Isle of Mull	Mallaig	Isle of Skye	-	-	£336
Super Saver	Our Choice	SS7NW	At lea	ast 2 full day excursions included		£309	£289	£289

Supplements per person: No Single Supplements at Leisureplex Hotels on Oct departures! Single £0. Room with a view £30. \*8 day tour. \*\*Third party hotel supplements may vary, call for details.





## FESTIVE BREAKS



#### ADD SOME SPARKLE TO YOUR FESTIVE SEASON

Get into the festive spirit with Alfa Travel and choose from our selection of pre-Christmas Festive Specials, Christmas Breaks and New Year holidays. We offer great value for money with festive entertainment and menus, guaranteeing you a party season to remember!

#### **CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME**

#### 23RD DECEMBER

Bucks fizz with dinner and an evening of dancing.

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

Morning excursion. Competitions after lunch. Gala dinner followed by dancing and entertainment.

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Morning competition to guess the weight of the Christmas Cake. Traditional Christmas lunch with "Santa" and presents. Afternoon tea and games. Dinner followed by dancing and entertainment.

#### **BOXING DAY**

Morning excursion. Pre-lunch glass of punch followed by Boxing Day Lunch. Evening dinner and farewell dance.

#### 27<sup>™</sup> DECEMBER

After breakfast, we reluctantly leave our hotel and journey home.

#### **NEW YEAR PROGRAMME**

#### 30<sup>™</sup> DECEMBER

Bucks fizz with dinner and an evening of dancing.

#### **NEW YEAR'S EVE**

Morning excursion followed by lunch and an afternoon to relax or stroll around the resort. Dinner and an evening of entertainment until the early hours with spot prizes, games and a glass of bubbly to welcome in the New Year.

#### **NEW YEAR'S DAY**

Eniov a leisurely breakfast followed by a half day excursion before returning for evening dinner and farewell dance.

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY

After breakfast, we reluctantly leave our hotel and journey home.

Individual hotel programmes may differ slightly from this programme.

### ALFA INCLUDES

#### **FESTIVE SPECIALS (5 DAYS):**

- 4 nights dinner, room and breakfast with 2 resort lunches
- Bucks fizz with dinner on arrival day
- Pre-lunch glass of punch on one day
- 1 half day excursion & 1 full day shopping excursion

#### **CHRISTMAS (5 DAYS):**

- 4 nights dinner, room & breakfast with 3 resort lunches
- Bucks fizz with dinner on arrival day
- Traditional Christmas lunch with "Santa" and presents. Afternoon tea and games on Christmas Day
- Pre-lunch glass of punch on Boxing Day
- 2 half day excursions

#### TWIXMAS (4 DAYS):

- 3 nights dinner, room and breakfast
- 1 resort lunch
- Bucks fizz with dinner on arrival day
- 2 half day excursions

#### **NEW YEAR (4 DAYS):**

- 3 nights dinner, room & breakfast
- 1 resort lunch
- Bucks fizz with dinner on arrival day
- Evening entertainment with prizes and games and a glass of bubbly to welcome in the New Year
- 2 half day excursions

#### WINTER WEEKENDS (4 DAYS):

- 3 nights, dinner room and breakfast
- 1 resort lunch
- Bucks fizz with dinner on arrival day
- 2 half day excursions

#### CHRISTMAS MARKETS (4 DAYS):

- 3 nights, dinner room and breakfast
- Bucks fizz with dinner on arrival day
- 1 half day excursion & 1 full day excursion to a Christmas market



Festive Specials								
Depart Monday - Return Friday			Nov 7	Nov 14	Nov 21	Nov 28	Dec 5	Dec 12
Weston-super-Mare	Anchor Head	5100X	-	£239 🌲	-	£239 🌲	-	-
Ilfracombe	Imperial	5110X	-	£229	£229	£229	-	-
Newquay	Eliot	5132X	£229	-	-	£229	-	-
Torquay	Regina	5150X	£239	-	£239 🌲	-	£239 🌲	-
Torquay	Metropole	5154X	-	£239 🌲	-	£239 🌲	-	£239 🌲
Exmouth	Cavendish	5155X	-	-	£249 🌲	-	£249 🌲	-
Sandown Isle of Wight	Bayshore	5195X	£229	-	£229 🌲	-	-	-
Shanklin Isle of Wight	Shanklin	5200X	-	£239	-	£239 4	-	-
Bognor Regis	Royal Norfolk	5205X	£239	£249	£249	-	£249 🌲	-
Eastbourne	Queens	5215X	-	£239	-	-	£239 🌲	£239 🌲
Great Yarmouth	New Beach	5260X	£299*	-	£229	£229	-	£299 ×
Cromer	Hotel de Paris	5265X	-	£299*	-	-	-	£299 ×
Scarborough	Cumberland	5275X	£239	£249 🌲	£249 🌲	-	£249 🌲	-
Bridlington	Monarch	5279X	-	£249 🌲	-	-	£249 🌲	-
Blackpool	Queens	5305X	£239	£249 🌲	£249 ♣	£249 ♣	£249 🌲	£249 🌲
Llandudno	Hydro	5350X	£249	£249 🌲	£259 🌲	£259 🌲	£259 🌲	£259 🌲
Criccieth	George IV	5365X	£239	£249	£249	£249	-	-
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	5380X	£239	-	-	£249	-	-
Porthcawl	Seabank	5385X	£239	£239 🌲	-	£249 🌲	-	-
Dunoon	Selborne	5410X	£239 ♣	£239 ♣	£239 ♣	£239 🌲	-	-
Fort William	Croit Anna	5433X	-	£239	£239	-	£239	-
Super Saver**	Our Choice	SS5NW	£209	£209	£209	£209	£209	£209



# Christmas - 2022 - 5 Days

# 2022: Depart Friday 23rd Dec - Return Tuesday 27th Dec

Resort	Hotel	Code	2022		
Weston-super-Mare	Anchor Head	WXNW	£459		
Ilfracombe	Imperial	IXNW	£459		
Torquay	Regina	TRXNW	£479		
Eastbourne	Queens	EXNW	£479		
Cromer	Hotel de Paris	CXNW	£499		
Scarborough	Cumberland	SCXNW	£499		
Blackpool	Queens	BLXNW	£499		
Llandudno	Hydro	LXNW	£499		
Criccieth	George IV	CRXNW	£489		
Porthcawl	Seabank	PXNW	£469		
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	TYXNW	£479		
Dunoon	Selborne	DXNW	£469		
Fort William	Croit Anna	FWXNW	£449		
Super Saver**	Our Choice	SS5NW	£439		
Supplements per perso	on:				
Room with a view			£20		

<sup>\*\*</sup>See page 77 for further details on Super Saver Holidays

Single Room

# **Twixmas - 2022 - 4 Days**

# 2022: Depart Tuesday 27th Dec - Return Friday 30th Dec

Resort	Hotel	Code	2022
Weston-super-Mare	Anchor Head	WTWNW	£209
Ilfracombe	Imperial	ITWNW	£209
Torquay	Regina	TRTWNW	£209
Eastbourne	Queens	ENTWNW	£219
Cromer	Hotel de Paris	CTWNW	£209
Scarborough	Cumberland	SCTWNW	£219
Blackpool	Queens	BLTWNW	£219
Llandudno	Hydro	LNTWNW	£219
Criccieth	George IV	CRTWNW	£209
Porthcawl	Seabank	PTWNW	£209
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	TYTWNW	£219
Dunoon	Selborne	DNTWNW	£209
Fort William	Croit Anna	FWTWNW	£209
Super Saver**	Our Choice	SS4NW	£189
Supplements per perso	n:		
Room with a view			£20
Single Room			£0

<sup>\*\*</sup>See page 77 for further details on Super Saver Holidays

# **New Year - 2022 - 4 Days**

# 2022: Depart Friday 30th Dec - Return Monday 2nd Jan 2023

Resort		Code	2022
Weston-super-Mare	Anchor Head	WNYNW	£359
Ilfracombe	Imperial	INYNW	£339
Torquay	Regina	TRNYNW	£359
Sandown Isle of Wight	Bayshore	IWNYNW	£379
Eastbourne	Queens	ENYNW	£369
Cromer	Hotel de Paris	CNYNW	£369
Scarborough	Cumberland	SCNYNW	£369
Blackpool	Queens	BLNYNW	£399
Llandudno	Hydro	LNYNW	£399
Criccieth	George IV	CRNYNW	£369
Porthcawl	Seabank	PNYNW	£359
Tenby	Cliffe Norton	TYNYNW	£369
Dunoon	Selborne	DNYNW	£369
Fort William	Croit Anna	FWNYNW	£349
Super Saver**	Our Choice	SS4NW	£319
Supplements per person:			
Room with a view			£20
Single Room			£25

<sup>\*\*</sup>See page 77 for further details on Super Saver Holidays



# WINTER \* \* \*\* WEEKENDS \*\* \*





Resort	Hotel	Days	Code	Half Day Excu	<b>Half Day Excursions Included</b>		
Scarborough	Cumberland	4	4275W	Whitby	Bridlington	£199	-
Bridlington	Monarch	4	4279W	Beverley	Scarborough	£199	-
Blackpool	Queens	4	4305W	Lytham	Fleetwood	£199	-
Llandudno	Hydro	4	4350W	Conwy	Betws-y-Coed	£199	-
Criccieth	George IV	4	4365W	Caernarfon	Porthmadog	£199	£199
Porthcawl	Seabank	4	4385W	Swansea	Barry Island	£199	-
Super Saver	Our Choice	4	SS4NW	At least 2 excurs	sions of our choice	£179	£179

£30

 $\textbf{Supplements per person: No Single Supplements at Leisureplex Hotels!} \ Room\ with\ a\ view\ £20$ 



We have tours to the Thursford Christmas Spectacular. An extravaganza of non-stop singing, dancing, music, humour and variety, with a cast of 130, it is the biggest show of its kind in Europe. With tickets included these tours are not to be missed! Hurry – as we expect these tours to sell out fast!

See our Festive Specials price panel for Thursford dates and prices.

# CHRISTMAS MARKETS BREAKS





In the UK, we love a good Christmas Market! What's not to love? Soothing hot chocolates as you amble past the stalls, filled with unique souvenirs and warm, filling treats. And of course, plenty of holiday cheer! There is always something for everyone at the Christmas markets and they are a great way to get into the festive spirit.

Christi	Christmas Markets Breaks		Nov 4	Nov 7	Nov 14	Nov 18	Nov 21	Nov 28	Dec 5	Dec 12	
Code	Days	Tour	Hotel	Fri	Mon	Mon	Fri	Mon	Mon	Mon	Mon
4100W	4	NA	A l l l l	£199	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-
5100X	5	Weston-super-Mare Xmas Market	Anchor Head	-	-	£239	-	-	£239	-	-
5155X	5	Exmouth & Exeter Xmas Market	Cavendish	-	-	-	-	£249	-	£249	-
5150X	5	Targuery & Frieden Vesses Market	Regina	-	-	-	-	£239	-	£239	-
5154X	5	Torquay & Exeter Xmas Market	Metropole	-	-	£239	-	-	£239	-	£239
5200X	5	Isle of Wight Winchester Xmas Markets	Shanklin	-	-	-	-	-	£239	-	-
5205X	5	Bognor Regis & Brighton Xmas Market	Royal Norfolk	-	-	-	-	-	-	£249	-
5215X	5	Eastbourne & Brighton Xmas Market	Queens	-	-	-	-	-	-	£239	£239
5195X	5	Isle of Wight & Winchester Xmas Market	Bayshore	-	-	-	-	£229	-	-	-
4279W	4	Duidlington C Vous Vonce Modest	Monarch	-	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-
5279X	5	Bridlington & York Xmas Market	IVIONATON	-	-	£249	-	-	-	£249	-
4275W	4	Control C Val Van Madat	0	-	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-
5275X	5	Scarborough & York Xmas Market	Cumberland	-	-	£249	-	£249	-	£249	-
4305W	4	District C Manushastan Visco Mandart	0	-	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-
5305X	5	Blackpool & Manchester Xmas Market	Queens	-	-	£249	-	£249	£249	£249	£249
4350W	4	Llandudno & Chester Xmas Market	I badaa	-	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-
5350X	5	Liandudno & Chester Amas iviarket	Hydro	-	-	£249	-	£259	£259	£259	£259
4385W	4	Death and C. Condiff Versa Madat	011	-	-	-	£199	-	-	-	-
5385X	5	Porthcawl & Cardiff Xmas Market	Seabank	-	-	£239	-	-	£249	-	-
5410X	5	Dunoon & Glasgow Xmas Market	Selborne	-	£239	£239	-	£239	£239	-	-

Supplements per person: Room with a view £20. Single room £0.

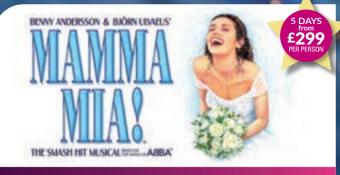


# SPECIAL EVENT BREAKS NEW FOR 2022

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Visit our website at alfatravel.co.uk/special-event-breaks for more details about these tours and for new events which are added to our programme throughout the year.

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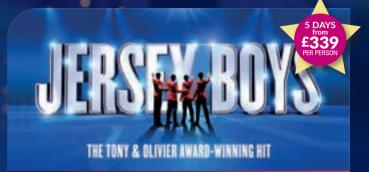


Enjoy dancing and singing along to this sensational musical which includes some of ABBA's hit songs. Departing: 24th August/28th September 2022 Tour Code: S5BRMW / S5LMMW Hotel: Royal Norfolk, Bognor Regis / Hydro, Llandudno



Born into a musical family, André Rieu has forged a life and a career bringing the joy of classical music to millions across the world through his Johann Strauss Orchestra.

Departing: 25th April 2022 Tour Code: 5305A Hotel: Queens, Blackpool



This smash hit musical has won 65 major awards. The show features all their hits including "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry", "Oh What A Night", "Walk Like A Man", "Can't Take My Eyes Off You" and "Working My Way Back To You."

Departing: 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 Tour Code: S5BJBW Hotel: Queens, Blackpool



Join internationally acclaimed spiritual medium, soul coach and angel communicator Jane Dawson and her team on this wonderful weekend full of surprises.

Departing: 11th March 2022 Tour Code: 4305WP Hotel: Queens, Blackpool



If you love BBC One's award-winning TV show Strictly Come Dancing, then this is the tour for you! The much-loved pros of the hit TV show will be hitting the road to showcase their fantastic dance moves live on stage.

Departing: 11th May/23rd May 2022 Tour Code: S5BRSW / S5BSPW Hotel: Royal Norfolk, Bognor Regis / Queens, Blackpool



Visiting more than 1,000 venues worldwide and having been seen by over 60 million people, in 60 different countries and on every continent, Lord of the Dance is one of the most popular dance productions in the world.

Departing: 11th May 2022 Tour Code: S5BLDW Hotel: Monarch, Bridlington



Your hosts John and Linda West were the 'Over 50's British Latin Champions'. They will teach you Modern Ballroom, Latin American, Social Sequence and Argentine Tango. Departing: 14th February 2022 Tour Code: S5BDNW Hotel: Marsham Court, Bournemouth



Directed and choreographed by former Strictly Come Dancing pro, Trent Whiddon, along with his dance partner, turned wife, Gordana Grandosek, this new show features four fan favourites professional dancers plus two special guests!

Departing: 13th July 2022 Tour Code: S5BSDW Hotel: Monarch, Bridlington Queen Extravaganza, the official Queen tribute band produced by Roger Taylor and Brian May is returning to the UK! The show has been rescheduled to return in 2022, following sell out shows across the globe.

Departing: 31st January 2022 Tour Code: S5LLQW Hotel: Llandudno, Hydro



QUEEN EXTRAVAGANZA

2022 will see the return of the magnificent Strictly Come Dancing Live Arena Tour. A host of the celebs and professional dancers from the BBC One TV series will waltz around the M&S bank Arena in Liverpool.

Departing: 31st January 2022 Tour Code: S5BLSW Hotel: Queens, Blackpool



This musical tells the story of five brothers from Utah who were pushed into the spotlight as children and went on to create smash hits for decades.

of the best in the business.

Departing: 5th October/28th November 2022

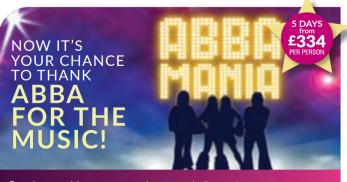
Tour Code: S5BTFW

Hotel: Queens, Blackpool

Tour Code: S5P0SW / S5L0SW

Hotel: Porthcawl, Seabank / Llandudno, Hydro





Featuring a special concert presentation, which celebrates the music of ABBA in a respectful and enjoyable way, reviving special memories of when ABBA ruled the airwaves.

Departing: 6th July 2022 Tour Code: S5BAMW Hotel: Monarch, Bridlington



Come and see the amazing Strictly Ballroom The Musical with Alfa Travel in 2022! Strictly Ballroom the Musical, based on the awardwinning world-wide film phenomenon, is heading out to tour the UK and Ireland!

Return, Roys Rolls, Underworld and The Kabin.

Departing: 24th October 2022 Tour Code: S5LBLW Hotel: Llandudno, Hydro

Hotel: Queens, Blackpool



# **ALFA INCLUDES**

- Choice of 21 Leisureplex hotels
- Choice of 2, 3, 4, 6 or 7 night stays
- Dinner, room and full British breakfast
- Entertainment most evenings
- Dunoon & Isle of Wight holidays include ferry tickets in the holiday cost
- Please note: hotel breaks do not include coach excursions

# SELF DRIVE HOTEL BREAKS

# OUR SELF DRIVE BREAKS ARE FULL OF CHOICE

Our unbeatable value for money Self Drive Hotel Break packages offer varying durations to choose from as well as a fabulous selection of locations to explore throughout the UK.

You can make your own way to the hotel, explore the resort at your leisure, yet still be reassured you will receive the quality accommodation and premium service that comes with every Alfa holiday.

Request a copy of our **FREE Self Drive brochure**, visit us online at **alfatravel.co.uk** or call our friendly reservations team on **01257 248000** for more information about our Self Drive Hotel Breaks.

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# **GREAT HOTELS IN GREAT LOCATIONS**

All of our Self Drive holidays are to our own Leisureplex Hotels, which are in superb locations and are perfectly placed to ensure you make the most of the region you're visiting.

All rooms are en suite with bath or shower, plus don't forget that many of our Leisureplex Hotels have rooms with a view which you can book for just a small supplement. With varying durations to choose from, the difficult bit will be deciding where to go first!

# **FREE FERRIES**

Isle of Wight holidays include off peak ferry tickets in the holiday cost. However, a supplement will apply per car for all peak travel dates. Peak travel dates are subject to change, call our reservations team on **01257 248000** for more details.

Please note the Isle of Wight off peak ferry crossing is from Portsmouth to Fishbourne. If you would like to take your off peak ferry from Lymington to Yarmouth just let us know when you book your break.

"We very much enjoyed the hotel and would not hesitate to book an Alfa Self Drive break again." M Slater

# LEISUREPLEX HOTELS

- Weston-super-Mare Anchor Head Hotel
- 2 Ilfracombe Imperial Hotel
- Newquay Eliot Hotel
- Torquay Regina Hotel
- 5 Torquay Metropole Hotel
- 6 Exmouth Cavendish Hotel
- Shanklin Shanklin Hotel
- 8 Sandown Bayshore Hotel
- 9 Bognor Regis Royal Norfolk Hotel
- 10 Eastbourne Queens Hotel
- Great Yarmouth New Beach Hotel

- Cromer Hotel De Paris
- 13 Scarborough Cumberland Hotel
- Bridlington Monarch Hotel
- 15 Blackpool Queens Hotel
- 16 Llandudno Hydro Hotel
- Criccieth George IV Hotel
- Tenby Cliffe Norton HotelPorthcawl Seabank Hotel
- 20 Dunoon Selborne Hotel
- 21 Fort William Croit Anna Hotel



# SUPER SAVERS

ENJOY A MYSTERY BREAK WITH ALFA TRAVEL







# ENJOY AN ADVENTURE WITH ONE OF OUR SUPER SAVER HOLIDAYS

Our great value for money Super Saver breaks are perfect for those of you that like an adventure and like to explore different places with the added mystery of letting us surprise you with our choice of destination. Or if you are spoilt for choice on which destination to choose for your next holiday then why not try one of our Super Saver holidays where part of the fun is not knowing where you will be going!



# How does it work?

Choose the date on which you wish to travel and the length of holiday you want. There are varying durations to choose from. When you book, we send you a confirmation showing the date, duration and cost of your holiday and a provisional seat allocation but the destination remains a mystery!

You can book your holiday online at alfatravel.co.uk, over the phone with our friendly reservations team or visit your local travel agent. We choose the destination for your holiday and send you a new confirmation showing the holiday we have chosen for you including the seat you have been allocated

# SUPER SAVER TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- It is not possible to reserve specific seats on Super Saver holidays and the seat number shown on your initial Super Saver Confirmation is a notional one only. The actual seat allocated will be shown on the final confirmation.
- Because of the limited time between final allocation of your holiday and departure, we regret that it is not possible to operate our Special Requirements procedure on Super Saver holidays.
- Super Saver prices exclude insurance and any single room supplements.
- All Super Saver rooms are sold as standard rooms and it is not possible to book sea view rooms. On rare occasions clients booking a Super Saver may be allocated a sea view room. If so, this will be at our expense – making your saving even greater!
- Your Super Saver destination is selected at the discretion of Alfa Travel and in booking a Super Saver holiday you undertake to accept whichever Hotel is allocated to you. The only exception to this is that if you have been to the allocated hotel with us within the previous 6 months, you may request an alternative which we will attempt to provide, but if no alternative is possible you undertake to travel to the resort we have selected.
- There are occasions when our Super Saver tours will stay at one of our carefully chosen partner hotels.

4 Day Holidays - S	S4N\	N	
Departs Friday - Returns on I	Vlonday		
Feb 25	£139	Nov 18	£179
Mar 11, 25	£149	Dec 27 *	£189
Apr 15	£179	Dec 30	£319
Nov 4	£179		
Supplements per person			
Single (Mar-Apr, Oct-Dec)	£0	Single (Dec 30)	£25
*Dec 27 Departs Tue-Fri			

# 5 Day Holidays - SS5NW

Departs Monday - Returns on	Friday		
Jan 31	£149	May 23	£239
Feb 7, 14, 21	£159	Jun 20	£259
Feb 28	£169	Jun 27	£259
Mar 7	£169	Aug 22	£279
Mar 14, 21, 28	£184	Oct 10	£209
Apr 4	£184	Oct 24	£189
Apr 11, 18	£209	Oct 31	£189
May 2	£209	Nov 7, 14, 21, 28	£209
May 16	£229	Dec 5, 12	£209
Departs Wednesday - Returns	s on Sun	day	
Apr 27	£209	Aug 31	£259
May 4	£219	Sep 7	£259
May 11, 18	£229	Sep 14	£239
May 25	£239	Sep 21	£229
Jun 1, 8	£249	Sep 28	£209
Jun 15, 22, 29	£259	Oct 5, 12	£209
Jul 6	£259	Oct 19	£189
Jul 13, 20, 27	£279	Dec 23 *	£439
Aug 3, 10, 17, 24	£279		
Supplements per person			
Single (Jan-Apr, Oct-Dec 12)	£0	Single (May-Sep)	£30
Single (Dec 23)	£30		
*Dec 23 Departs Fri-Tue			

# 7 Day Holidays - SS7NW

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Departs Sunday - Returns on S	Saturday	,	
Mar 6	£219	Aug 7, 14, 21	£389
Mar 13, 20, 27	£249	Aug 28	£379
Apr 3, 10	£254	Sep 4	£379
Apr 17, 24	£264	Sep 11	£349
May 1, 8, 15, 22	£319	Sep 18	£329
May 29	£359	Sep 25	£319
Jun 5	£359	Oct 2	£309
Jun 12, 19, 26	£369	Oct 9	£289
Jul 10, 17, 24, 31	£389	Oct 16	£289
Supplements per person			
Single (Mar-Apr)	£0	Single (May-Sep)	£40

# 8 Day Holidays - SS8NW

Departs Sunday - Returns	on Saturda	/	
May 1	£359	Jul 17	£429
May 8	£369	Jul 24, 31	£429
May 29	£399	Aug 7, 21	£429
Jun 5, 12	£399	Aug 28	£399
Jun 19, 26	£409	Sep 4	£399
Jul 3, 10	£419	Sep 11	£369
Supplements per person			
Single (Mar-Apr)	£0	Single (May-Sep)	£40

No Single Supplements on Super Saver breaks departing between October and April! (Except where stated above).





# FREE FEEDER SERVICE FROM LOCAL PICK UP POINTS

We will pick you up close to home and take you to our Burtonwood Interchange (M62 near Warrington) where you will embark on your tour coach and be whisked away to your holiday destination.

Once at Burtonwood you can relax and make the most of the facilities within the services, safe in the knowledge that your luggage will be taken care of by our experienced interchange team and drivers. From the moment you board the coach at your local pick up point, to arriving at your holiday destination you don't need to worry about your luggage; we will take care of it so you can enjoy your holiday.

Pick-up times will be finalised prior to travel and will be indicated on your travel ticket.

# **CHOOSING YOUR PICK-UP POINT**

Please consider the relative locations of your pick-up point, the interchange and your final holiday destination. It is possible to get from all pick-up points to all destinations, however some combinations may result in longer journey times.

For example, we wouldn't recommend anyone living North of Preston to use the feeder system to travel to the Lake District or Scotland as this takes us first to Burtonwood before returning North again. Instead we would suggest joining at Forton Services on the M6.

Clients travelling from Yorkshire to Yorkshire destinations are recommended to join at Hartshead Moor on the M62.

# TRAVELLING SOUTH FROM SOUTH CHESHIRE AND STAFFORDSHIRE

We recommend that any clients in the following towns who are intending to travel southwards book their holiday from our Midlands brochure as this uses an interchange at Tamworth.

CHESHIRE: Crewe, Nantwich

STAFFORDSHIRE: Burslem, Hanley, Kidsgrove, Longton, Meir, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Stoke-on-Trent, Tunstall

# **JOIN EN-ROUTE**

Joining your Alfa holiday is now even more convenient. If you want to join your tour coach en-route to your chosen resort, we'll pick you up on the way.

For selected tours travelling to the **North & Scotland** we can pick you up at;

Burtonwood (M62, Junc. 8), Forton Services (M6, Junc. 32/33), Hartshead Moor (M62, Junc. 25/26), Charnock Richard (M6, Junc. 27/28), Carlisle (M6, Junc. 43 - layby near Tesco), Gretna Green (A747M, Junc. 21/22)

For selected tours travelling South we can pick you up at;

Burtonwood (M62, Junc. 8), Keele (M6, Junc. 15/16), Sandbach (M6, Junc. 16/17)

# **PARK & TOUR**

For only £7 per day you can book parking at Burtonwood Services for the duration of your holiday. A similar facility is also available at Charnock Richard Services (M6, Junction 27/28) for clients travelling to Cumbria and Scotland.

For more information please call our friendly reservations team or visit our website alfatravel.co.uk.

# **OUR COACHES**

Most of our holidays are operated by our own fleet of luxury Mercedes coaches, all of which have an on board washroom and are air conditioned. We also work with selected third party coach operators who supplement our own fleet during peak periods. The facilities on third party coaches can vary, but the majority have air conditioning. We are members of the Confederation of Passenger Transport and the Coach Tourism Association – bodies established to encourage standards of excellence in our industry.



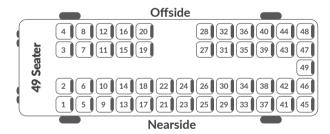
# WE'RE GOOD TO GO INDUSTRY STANDARD

We are delighted to have been awarded the Visit Britain 'We're Good to Go' accreditation for England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. This accreditation recognises that we are following government and industry COVID-19 guidelines to ensure our coaches and all aspects of our holidays are safe and secure for our customers and employee owners.



# **SEATING PLAN**

Upon confirming your Alfa booking you will be able to select your seat for your tour coach, which you will join at Burtonwood. The seating plan below shows a typical Alfa coach.



\*Please note that pre-booked seats do not apply to the vehicle which transports you from your pick-up point to the interchange and back and are subject to availability. Some of our partner coaches have an alternative seating plan, in which case the row and nearside/offside position shown determine your seat.



Alfa Coaches Ltd has met the required standard to be an accredited member of the DVSA Earned Recognition.







# Group HOLIDAYS &

ALL TYPES OF GROUPS CATERED FOR

At Alfa Travel we understand that all of our Groups are unique. From Coach to Self Drive breaks, we pride ourselves on offering fantastic holidays to suit any Group. We have a range of great Spring holidays as well as a Fun-Filled Festive season to entertain your Group all year round. With our own portfolio of Leisureplex hotels and an extensive array of Partner hotels, Alfa Travel really can provide the flexibility to help you create the perfect group holiday. Alternatively, if you have a specific programme in mind, we can also tailor make your holiday for you.



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# REASONS TO BOOK A GROUP HOLIDAY WITH ALFA TRAVEL:

- A fantastic range of value for money holidays
- Special joining arrangements one pick up of your choice for every ten passengers booked.
- Direct return travel so you don't have to travel via the interchange.
- FREE PLACE DISCOUNTS at Leisureplex Hotels on the 21st, 31st, 41st and 48th passenger travelling.
- Tailored itineraries to suit your requirements.
- Exclusive sole use of each coach for 30\* passengers or more. \*T&Cs apply.
- Extensive collection of accommodation from our Leisureplex Hotel Group PLUS an array of carefully selected Partner Hotels.

# HOLIDAY INSURANCE

The following is a summary of the holiday insurance policy offered by Alfa for holidays departing in 2022.

# Covid cancellation and medical cover now included as standard

A client Holiday Travel Insurance scheme is available to eligible passengers travelling on our holidays which is arranged by Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Limited and underwritten by ERGO Travel Insurance Services Ltd (ETI) on behalf of Great Lakes Insurance SE (GLISE). Great Lakes Insurance SE is a German insurance company with its headquarters at Königinstrasse 107, 80802 Munich. UK Branch office: Plantation Place, 30 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3AJ, company number SE000038. Great Lakes Insurance SE, UK Branch, is authorised by Bundeasnstalf tirr Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht and subject to limited regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority and Prudential Regulation Authority, registration number 769884.

ERGO Travel Insurance Services Ltd is registered in the UK, company number 11091555.
Registered office: Plantation Place, 30 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3AJ. Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, register number 805870.

Details about the extent of GISE's authorisation and regulation by the Prudential Regulation Authority, and regulation by the Financial Conduct Authority are available upon request.

Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (their registration)

number is 311394) and is permitted to advise on and arrange general insurance contracts. You can check these detail online using the Financial Services Register (accessible from https://register.fca.org.uk) or by contacting the Financial Conduct Authority Consumer Helpline on 0800 1116768.

Alfa Travel Limited is an Appointed Representative of Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Limited who are authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Their firm reference is 311394.

Please note, this insurance is only available to residents of the United Kingdom who purchase their cover before they travel.

Departures in:	Duration	Jan 2022 - Dec 2022
British Holidays	1-4 days	£16
	5 days	£24
	6-8 days	£28
Southern Ireland Holidays	1-5 days	£31
	6-14 days	£40

The above premiums are inclusive of Insurance Premium Tax @ 20%. British holidays include the Isle of Man & Northern Ireland. Should you wish to take advantage of our Insurance please note that the premium is additional to the holiday cost and should be paid at the time you pay the deposit on your holiday.

You are not obliged to take the insurance we offer, but should you decide to insure elsewhere you must supply details of rou are not contiget to take the insurance we offer, but should you decide to insure elsewhere you must supply decides or your insurer including an emergency telephone number. If you book on the internet, you should send an email quoting your Booking Reference and the name, policy number and emergency contact number of your insurer to reservations@ alfatravel.co.uk. If you choose not to insure, we will send you a disclaimer to confirm that you will be responsible for any costs the company may incur in helping you resolve any difficulties you may experience which would normally have been covered by a holiday insurance policy.

This insurance policy will suit the Demands and Needs of an individual or group (where applicable) who have no excluded pre-existing medical conditions, are travelling in countries included within the policy terms and who wish to insure themselves against unforeseen events detailed in the cover section below. Subject to the terms, conditions and maximum specified claim limits.

# IMPORTANT

ide you with advice about the suitability of this product for your individual needs but will be happy to provide you with factual information.

We summarise below the details of the insurance cover provided which also includes details of the 24 hour Emergency Assistance service, who can be contacted 24/7 365 days a year on 01403 288167.

The following is a brief summary of the cover available. Full details of Cover Policy Warranties and Exclusions will be forwarded with your confirmation of booking. In any event you may ask for a specimen copy of the Policy Wording before booking should you wish to examine this in advance.

Insurers shall not be liable for claims WHERE AT THE TIME OF TAKING OUT THIS POLICY AND BETWEEN THAT TIME AND YOUR DEPARTURE:

a) You are aware of any medical condition or set of circumstances that could reasonably be expected to give rise to a claim (for example the state of health of a Close Relative, Business Associate or any person on whom your travel plans depend).

- b) The Insured Person whose medical condition gives rise to a claim:

  1) Is receiving, or on a waiting list for, surgery, in-patient treatment or investigations in a hospital, clinic or nursing home.
- 2) Is travelling against any health requirements stipulated by the carrier, their handling agents or other public transport

Is travelling against any health requirements stipulated by the carrier, their handling agents or other public transport provider.
 Is travelling against the advice of a Medical Practitioner or for the purpose of obtaining medical treatment abroad.
 Has been given a terminal prognosis.
 Please note: If you are on medication at the time of travel, Your medical condition(s) must be stable and well controlled.
 If you are travelling outside of the UK you must notify the Change in Health helpline immediately if a change in health occurs (including any change to medication) between the date this policy is issued and your scheduled date of departure.

Section and Cover	Benefit	Excess
Cancellation and Curtailment/ Loss of Deposit	£1,500	£45 for holidays under £150 and £55 for holidays over £150. (£10 in respect of Loss of Deposit)
Travel delay and disruption     Delay     Abandonment after 12 hours     Missed Departure	£20 per 12hrs (max £60) £2,500 £100 UK/£300 Southern Ireland	Nil As Per Cancellation Nil
Emergency medical and repatriation expenses	£2,500 UK only/£2,000,000 Southern Ireland	£55
Hospital confinement benefit UK     Hospital confinement benefit outside of the UK     Funeral expenses and body repatriation	Southern Ireland	Nil Nil £55
<ul> <li>Emergency dental treatment</li> <li>Taxi fares</li> </ul>	£250 £1,000	£55 £55
4. Personal accident  - Death (aged over 18)  - Death (under 18)  - Death (aged 65 or over)  - Permanent total disablement  - Loss of limb(s) or total and irrecoverable loss of Sight	£15,000 £1,000 £7,500 £15,000 £15,000	Nil
Personal effects and money     Single Item limit     Valuables limit     Personal money     Cash     Loss of passport/travel documents	£1,500 £200 £400 £200 £200 £200 (£50 under 18) £200	£55 £55 £55 Nii
6. Luggage delay	£50 per 12 hours (minimum 12 hours - max £100)	Nil
7. Personal liability	£2,000,000	Nil
Legal costs and expenses	£25,000	Nil

# COOLING OFF PERIOD

You should read your policy immediately to ensure it meets with your requirements. If for any reason it does not it must be returned to the issuer of the policy within 14 days of the date of issue or prior to travel which ever is the sooner. Your money will be refunded in full, provided no claims have been made or incident likely to give rise to a claim has arisen. If you cancel your policy after 14 days no refund will be given.

# PROTECTING YOUR INFORMATION

We will only use your personal details in line with our Privacy Notice. This can be found on our website or is available in hard copy format upon request and you should read this carefully and contact us immediately if you have any queries. Your personal information includes all of the details you have given us to process your insurance policy. (we will not ask for more information in a is necessary). We may share your data with Third Parties for the provision and ongoing performance of your insurance policy. Your data may be transferred outside the UK. All of the personal information you supply to us will be handled strictly in accordance with the applicable Data Protection regulations and legislation.

# HOW TO CLAIM

HOW TO CLAMP!

In the event of cancellation, written notice must be sent to Alfa Travel immediately. For both cancellation and all other claims you must contact the claims department by phone on 01403 288170 for a claims form which must be returned within 28 days of your cancellation or return from holiday.

We do not charge fees for our insurance related services however we and Wrightsure Services (Hampshire) Limited may receive some form of renumeration in relation to the arrangement of insurance.

PLEASE NOTE: The above is an outline of the cover provided. A policy document containing full details of what is and what is not covered will be forwarded along with your Booking Confirmation. You should read it carefully and you must inform us within 14 days if the policy is unacceptable for any reason.



# **BOOKING CONDITIONS**

Website Terms of Use, together with any other written information we brought to your attention website fermio in Ose, together with any other written information we brought to your attention. before we confirmed your booking form the basis of your contract with Alfa Travel Limited, a company registered in England and Wales with company number 02326610 and registered office Alfa Building, Euxton Lane, Euxton, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 6AF ("we", "us", "our"). Please read these carefully as they set out our respective rights and obligations. In these Booking Conditions references to "you" and "your" include the first named person on the booking and all persons on whose behalf a booking is made or any other person to whom a booking is added or transferred.

By making a booking, the first named person on the booking agrees on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking that:

- 1. they have read these Booking Conditions and have the authority to and does agree to be
- bound by them;

  2. they consent to our use of personal data in accordance with our Privacy Policy and is authorised on behalf of all persons named on the booking to disclose their personal details to us, including where applicable special categories of data (such as information on health conditions or disabilities and dietary requirements);

  3. they are over 18 years of age and where placing an order for services with age restrictions
- declares that they and all members of the party are of the appropriate age to purchase
- those services;

  4. they accept financial responsibility for payment of the booking on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking.

PLEASE NOTE: Our obligations to you will differ depending upon what services you book with us and whether or not they create a Package. We have tried to set out our obligations as clearly as possible below. These booking conditions contain three sections:

a. Section A contains the conditions that will apply to all bookings you make with us; and

- b. Section B sets out the additional terms and conditions that will apply when you make a booking with us for a Package.

Where your booking is for a Package, as defined below, we will act as a "Package Organiser" and you will receive the rights and benefits under the Package Travel and Linked travel arrangements Regulations 2018 ("PTRs"), as outlined in Section B of these Booking Conditions. These can be found here: https://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/634/ contents/made

A "Package" exists if you book with us a combination of at least two different types of the following individual travel services, for the purpose of the same trip or holiday:

- a. transport; or
   b. accommodation; and
   c. any other tourist service not intrinsically part of one of the above travel services, provided that those travel services are purchased together from a single visit to our website and selected by you before you agree to pay; or are advertised, sold or charged at an inclusive or total price; or advertised or sold under the term "package" or a similar term.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please note that where you have made a booking which consists of not more than one type of travel service as listed at (a) – (b) above, combined with one or more tourist services as listed

- one type or dave service as instead at (a) (b) above, combined with one or more course services as at (c) above, this will not create a Package where the tourist services:

   do not account for 25% of the value of the combination and are not advertised as, and do not otherwise represent, an essential feature of the package; or

   are selected and purchased after the performance of the transport or accommodation has
  - started.

These bookings will be treated as "Single Component" bookings and will not be afforded the benefit of the rights under the PTRs.

# SECTION A - APPLICABLE TO ALL BOOKINGS

# 1. Financial Protection

When you book a holiday with us, the money you pay us will be protected by Bonded Coach Holidays (BCH) and the Association of Bonded Travel Organisers Trust Limited (ABTOT), this is a Government approved consumer protection scheme. The scheme will also ensure your repatriation in the event the company becomes insolvent. Our Trading Charter and Booking Conditions set out clearly and simply the responsibility we have to you and in turn, you have with us, when a contract is made. Please see the Consumer Guarantee at www.bch-uk.org.

# 2. Booking & Paying For Your Arrangements

# a) Bookings via telephone or travel agent

Where you make an enquiry for a booking we will reserve your holiday provisionally for 3 days (or only 1 day if the enquiry is made within 6 weeks of the departure date). If you wish to confirm the booking; For holidays including special event tickets; you must pay a deposit of £50 per person plus the cost of the event ticket, plus your insurance premium if you opt to purchase insurance within that 3 day period. If we do not receive the balance in full within that time, we will cease to hold the holiday for you.

For all other holidays; you must pay a deposit of £50 per person plus your insurance premium if you opt to purchase insurance within that 3 day period. If we do not receive the balance in full within that time, we will cease to hold the holiday for you.

You must ensure you pay the balance of monies due (without any further reminder from us) 42 days before departure

# b) Bookings via the internet

It is not possible to make a provisional booking when booking online. Payment must be made online using your credit or debit card.

For holidays including special event tickets; you must pay a deposit of £50 per person plus the cost of the event ticket, plus your insurance premium if you opt to purchase insurance within that 3 day period. If we do not receive the balance in full within that time, we will cease to hold the holiday for you.

For all other holidays; you must pay a deposit of £50 per person plus your insurance premium if you opt to purchase insurance within that 3 day period. If we do not receive the balance in full within that time, we will cease to hold the holiday for you.

You must ensure you pay the balance of monies due (without any further reminder from us) 42 days before departure. You should make a record of your booking reference when you book, although a confirmation will also be sent to you by email if you have provided your email address or alternatively via post.

Your booking is confirmed when we issue you with a booking confirmation. We reserve the right to return your deposit and decline to issue a booking confirmation at our absolute discretion. A binding contract will come into existence between you and us as soon as we have issued you with a booking confirmation that will confirm the details of your booking and will be sent to you or your agent. If your booking confirmation or any other document is incorrect you must advise us immediately as changes cannot be made later and it may harm your rights if we are not notified of any inaccuracies in any document within ten days of our sending it out (five days for tickets).

If we do not receive this balance in full and on time, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you in which case the cancellation charges set out below will become payable

Travel Tickets will be forwarded approximately 7-10 days prior to departure. Since local pick up times can be rescheduled, it is essential that you check the time shown on your travel ticket and do not rely on your initial confirmation for your pick up time.

# 3. Accuracy

We endeavour to ensure that all the information and prices both on our website and in any advertising material that we publish are accurate, however, occasionally changes and errors occur and we reserve the right to correct prices and other details in such circumstances. You must check the current price and all other details relating to the travel arrangements that you wish to book before you make your booking.

We reserve the right to amend advertised prices at any time. We also reserve the right to correct errors in both advertised and confirmed prices, as changes and errors sometimes occur. You must check the price of your chosen travel arrangements at the time of booking.

Where you have booked a Package, additional terms and conditions apply, please see clause 28 for further information.

# 5. Insurance

Adequate travel insurance is a condition of your contract with us, either through our scheme or an equivalent travel policy. If you wish to insure through another company, you must inform us of the insurer's name and emergency contact number by telephone or by emailing us at reservations@ alfatravel.co.uk quoting your booking reference. It is extremely important that you provide us with details of your insurer in case you need assistance in resort. You must be satisfied that your insurance fully covers all your personal requirements including pre-existing medical conditions, cancellation charges, medical expenses and repatriation in the event of accident or illness. If you choose to travel without adequate insurance cover, we will not be liable for any losses howsoever arising, in respect of which insurance cover would otherwise have been available.

# 6. Special Requests

Any special requests must be advised to us at the time of booking e.g. diet, room location, a particular facility at a hotel etc. If booking on the website, please indicate it in the Special Requests section on the booking screen.

Whilst every effort will be made by us to try and accommodate your reasonable special requests, we cannot guarantee that they will be fulfilled.

Seat requests can be made and reserved at the time of booking for the main tour coach only (with the exception of Super Savers) However, whilst we will always do our best to honour seat preferences, should be noted that these requests are not guaranteed and we reserve the right to change seats if

The fact that a special request has been noted on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation or that it has been passed on to the supplier is not confirmation that the request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part unless the request has been specifically confirmed by us. We do not accept bookings that are conditional upon any special request being met. Where a payment is made for additional facilities, our liability shall be limited to the brochure price of that supplement.

If you or a member of your party is mobility impaired or have any medical requirements or disabilities which may affect your holiday, you must contact out special requirements team to ensure that the holiday will suit your needs. To ensure we have the most up to date information, you must go through this process each time you book. Due to the time required to carry out the special requirements process we regret that we can not accept special requirement requests less than 21 days prior to the start of the holiday. Please see clause 7 for further details.

# 7. Fitness to Travel and Medical Conditions

Whilst we are not a specialist disabled holiday company, we will do our utmost to cater for any special requirements you may have. If you or any member of your party has any medical problem or disability which may affect your trip, please provide us with full details before we confirm your booking so that we can try to advise you as to the suitability of your chosen travel arrangements. We may require you to produce a doctor's certificate certifying that you are fit to participate in your chosen tour.

Acting reasonably, if we are unable to properly accommodate the needs of the person(s) concerned, we will not confirm your booking or if you did not give us full details at the time of booking, we will cancel it and impose applicable cancellation charges when we become aware of these details.

If you or any member of your party is mobility impaired or have any medical circumstances or disabilities If you or any member of your party is mobility impaired or have any medical circumstances or disabilities which may affect your holiday you must contact the special requirements team on 01257 248000 or by emailing specialrequirements@alfatravel.co.uk so that we can ascertain if your chosen hotel is able to satisfy your needs. Please note we do not have any vehicles fitted with wheelchair lifts, so it is essential that all customers are able to manage the steps necessary to board a coach either unaided or with the assistance of members of their own party. If you or a member of your party is travelling with a walker or a wheelchair, please note that these must be fully collapsible in order to be accommodated in the luggage compartment of the coach and weigh less than 15kg. Due to weight restrictions on our coaches, we unfortunately cannot accommodate scooters, either on the outbound or inbound journey. Passengers may be able to hire scooters during their stay and they are able to take these on the excursions, so long as the heaviers niere weighs no more than 15kg and the scooter has a brake which can be applied long as the heaviest picec weighs no more than 15kg and the scooter has a brake which can be applied when the coach is moving. Please note that the passenger will be responsible for the scooter and drivers cannot be held responsible for loading/unloading. Should you wish to hire a scooter, please do not hesitate to contact our reservations team on 01257 248000 and they will be happy to check if the hotel can accommodate scooters and to provide you with hire details for companies local to the hotel.

# 8. Minimum Number of Passengers

For all of the holidays that we offer, we require a minimum of 30 travellers to have booked on each holiday in order for us to be able to operate it. Where we do not receive this number of bookings in respect of your chosen holiday, we may unfortunately be unable to go ahead with providing that holiday and may be required to cancel your holiday as a result. If we choose to cancel in such circumstances, whilst we are not liable to pay you any additional compensation, we will provide an equivalent tour at a discount from the published price as set out in clause 11 subject to the period of time before departure by which we notify you of the cancellation. If this alternative is not acceptable, we will refund all monies paid, whereupon we shall have no further liability to you.

Duration	Deadline by which we will notify you of our need to terminate
More than 6 days	20 days before the start of the package
6 days or less	7 days before the start of the package

# 9. If You Change Your Booking & Transfers of Bookings

If you wish to change any part of your booking after our booking confirmation has been issued, you must inform us in writing as soon as possible. This should be done by the lead named person on the booking. Whilst we will do our best to assist, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to meet your requested change. Where we can meet a request, all changes will be subject to payment of an administration fee of £20 per person per change if made more than 42 days prior to departure or £40 per person per change if made 42 days or less prior to departure, as well as any costs and charges incurred by us and/or incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers in making this change. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made and you should contact us as soon as possible. Where we are unable to assist you and you do not wish to proceed with the original booking we will treat this as a cancellation by you. A cancellation fee may be payable in accordance with clause 10.

# 10. If You Cancel Your Booking Before Departure

If you or any other member of your party decides to cancel your confirmed booking you must notify us in writing. Your notice of cancellation will only take effect when it is received in writing by us at our offices and will be effective from the date on which we receive it.

Should one or more member of a party cancel, it may increase the per person holiday price of those still travelling and you will be liable to pay this increase

Since we incur costs in cancelling your arrangements, you will have to pay the cancellation charges as

Period before departure in which you notify us	Coach holidays and self drive
More than 84 days	Deposit is forfeited
43 to 84 days prior to departure	Loss of deposit
29 to 42 days prior to departure	40%
15 to 28 days prior to departure	55%
8 to 14 days prior to departure	75%
Less than 8 days prior to departure	100%

Please note that insurance premiums and amendments charges are not refundable in any circumstances. If the reason for your cancellation is covered under the terms of your insurance policy, you may be able to reclaim these charges

Where possible, we will deduct the cancellation charge(s) from any monies you have already paid to us.

# 11. If We Change or Cancel

As we plan your holiday arrangements many months in advance we may occasionally have to make changes or cancel your booking and we reserve the right to do so at any time.

Changes: If we make a minor change to your holiday, we will make reasonable efforts to inform you or your travel agent as soon as reasonably possible if there is time before your departure but we will have no liability to you. Examples of minor changes include change of accommodation to another of the same or higher standard in the same resort, changes of carriers, or changes to your seats booked on the coach.

Occasionally we may have to make a significant change to your confirmed arrangements. Examples of "significant changes" include the following, when made before departure:

- A change of accommodation area for the whole or a significant part of your time away.
   A change of accommodation to that of a lower standard or classification for the whole or a significant part of your time away.
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  A change of outward departure time or overall length of your arrangements by more than 12 hours.

  A significant change to your itinerary, missing out one or more destination entirely.

Cancellation: We will not cancel your travel arrangements after the balance due date for your holiday, except for reasons of force majeure or failure by you to pay the final balance or where the minimum 30 clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached.

If we have to make a significant change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible and if there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of:

1. (for significant changes) accepting the changed arrangements; or
2. having a refund of all monies paid; or
3. if available and where we offer one, accepting an offer of alternative travel arrangements (we will refund any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value).

You must notify us of your choice within 7 days of our offer. If we do not hear from you within 7 days, we will contact you again to request notification of your choice. If you fail to respond again, we will assume that you have chosen to accept the change or alternative booking arrangements.

Discount in the event of cancellation due to low numbers:

In the unfortunate event that we have to cancel due to insufficient numbers booked onto your chosen holiday, we will contact you to offer an alternative holiday and will provide a discount off the published price as detailed below;

Period before departure in which we notify you	Amount of discount we will provide*
More than 56 Days	Nil
28 – 56 Days prior to departure	£10
15 – 27 Days prior to departure	£15
8 – 14 Days prior to departure	£20
0 - 7 Days prior to departure	£25

If you chose not to book the alternative offered, the Company will refund all monies paid, where upon all liability on the part of the Company shall cea

# Compensation:

In addition to a full refund of all monies paid by you, we will pay you compensation as detailed below, in the following circumstances

- a. if, where we make a significant change, you do not accept the changed arrangements and cancel
- your booking;
  b. if we cancel your booking and no alternative arrangements are available and/or we do not offer one. The compensation that we offer does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so.

Period before departure in which we notify you	Amount you will receive from us*  Coach holidays and self drive
60 – 84 days prior to departure	Nil
42 – 59 days prior to departure	Nil
28 – 41 days prior to departure	£15
14 – 27 days prior to departure	£20
Less than 14 days prior to departure	£25

\*IMPORTANT NOTE: We will not pay you compensation in the following circumstances:

- a. where we make a minor change; b. where we make a significant change or cancel your arrangements before the balance due date;
- where we make a significant change and you accept those changed arrangements or you accept an offer of alternative travel arrangements;
   where we have to cancel your arrangements as a result of your failure to make full payment.
- on time:
- where the change or cancellation by us arises out of alterations to the confirmed booking requested by you;
- booking requested by you, where we are forced to cancel or change your arrangements due to Force Majeure (see clause 14); if we cancel your travel arrangements because the minimum number of participants to run the arrangements has not been reached.

If we become unable to provide a significant proportion of the arrangements that you have booked with us after you have departed, we will, if possible, make alternative arrangements for you at no extra charge and where those alternative arrangements are of a lower standard, provide you with an appropriate price

# 12. Complaints

We make every effort to ensure that your trip runs smoothly but if you do have a problem during your tour, please inform the relevant supplier (e.g. your driver/hotelier as applicable) immediately who will endeavour to put things right.

If your complaint is not resolved locally, and you wish to complain further, write to: The Customer Care Team, Alfa Travel, East Terrace, Euxton, Chorley PR7 6AF within 28 days of the end of your stay, providing your booking reference and all other relevant information or email care@alfatravel.co.uk.

Failure to follow the procedure set out in this clause may affect ours and the applicable supplier's ability to investigate your complaint, and will affect your rights under this contract.

Should you wish to pursue the complaint further, BCH ABTOT have an Alternative Dispute Resolution scheme and full details are available from them. Please contact them at ABTOT, 117 Houndsditch, London, EC3A 7BT.

# 13. Our Responsibility for your Booking

1. Subject to the remainder of this clause, we have a duty to provide the services making up your booking with us with reasonable skill and care. We have no liability to you for the actual provision of the services, except in cases where it is proved that we have breached that duty and damage to you has been caused. 2. We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage

- 2. We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, liniess, death, loss, damage, expense, cost or other claim of any description if it results from:

  a. the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected; or

  b. the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable; or

  c. unusual or unforeseeable circumstances beyond ours or our supplier(s) control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all due care had been exercised; or

  - d. an event which either ourselves or suppliers could not, even with all due care, have fore seen or forestalled.
- 3. We limit the amount of compensation we may have to pay you if we are found liable under this clause:

  a. Loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions and money. The maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is £25 per person in total because you are assumed to have adequate insurance in place to cover any losses of this kind.

  b. Claims not falling under (a) above and which do not involve injury, illness or death. The
  - maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is twice the price paid by you in total. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you have not received any benefit at all from your booking.
- 4. It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this clause that you notify any claim to ourselves and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaints procedure set out in these conditions.

- 5. Where any payment is made, the person(s) receiving it (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to ourselves or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.

  6. Please note, we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss or expense or other sum(s) of any
- description: (a) which on the basis of the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with vou; or (b) relate to any business.
- 7. We will not accept responsibility for services or facilities which do not form part of our agre where they are not advertised on our website. For example any excursion you book whilst on the tour, or any service or facility which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you.

Please Note: Where you have booked a Package we will accept responsibility for that Package as a package organiser and additional terms and condition apply. Please see clause 31 for further information.

# 14. Force Majeure

14. Force Majeure

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these Booking Conditions we will not be liable or pay you compensation if our contractual obligations to you are affected by "Force Majeure". For the purposes of these Booking Conditions, Force Majeure means any event beyond our or our supplier's control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all reasonable measures dab een taken. Examples include warfare and acts of terrorism (and threat thereof), civil strife, significant risks to human Examples include warrare and acts of terrorism (and threat thereof), civil strife, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination or remain at the travel destination, the act of any government or other national or local authority including port or river authorities, industrial dispute, labour strikes, lock closure, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, chemical or biological disaster, unavoidable technical problems with transport and all similar events outside our or the supplier(s) concerned's control.

Covid-19 Implications: Please note that certain travel arrangements may be affected by measures introduced by the government following the Coronavirus pandemic. This could include the unavailability of certain venues and attractions resulting in changes to itineraries at short notice and/or access to certain destinations. Any such changes, which are outside of our control, will not be considered as a major change in accordance with Clause 11 of these booking conditions. It may also be necessary to introduce changes to the configuration of seating on board our coaches and seat reservations may be altered as a result, and/or to apply certain restrictions within our hotels and interchanges to enable us to operate safely within the guidelines.

operate sarely within the guidelines. Should the government introduce the requirement to prove vaccination status and/or proof of a negative Covid test to travel and/or enter a venue, it will be your responsibility to meet these requirements and provide any evidence required and we will not be held responsible should you be refused entry to a venue or have to cancel your holiday as a result. In these circumstances our standard cancellation terms set out in Clause 10 will apply.

If we are unable to operate with a load factor of 30 passengers or more per coach, we reserve the right to introduce a surcharge after the booking has been made. Customers will have the option of cancelling their holiday with a full refund if they do not wish to pay the surcharge, but no compensation will be payable by Alfa Travel.

We both acknowledge the ongoing COVID-19 global crisis and accept our obligations to comply with any official guidance from the government or local authorities both in the UK and/or Ireland and whilst on holiday.

Please note that we will have no liability for any refunds, compensation, costs, expenses or other losses of any kind incurred by you  $\{$ including, where applicable, the cost of medical treatment), in the following

If you, or anyone in your booking party, test positive far Covid-19 and have to guarantine for a period of time, or are notified or otherwise become aware that you have, or suspect you may have, come into close contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19 (or where they otherwise suspect they may have Covid-19) and have to self isolate for a period of time.

If you fail any tests, checks or other measures imposed by us, suppliers, port, border control authorities or other government body or local authorities or fail to submit for testing or assessment when requested to do so, and as such you are denied, entry to the destination, access to the services or you are otherwise unable to proceed with the holiday, or that portion of the holiday.

If this happens whilst you are on your holiday, please notify us without delay and we will provide such reasonable assistance as we can in the circumstances. However, we will not be responsible for covering the cost of any curtailment of your holiday, missed transport arrangements, additional accommodation required, or other associated costs incurred by you. You must ensure you have travel insurance which covers these costs for you.

You also acknowledge that our coaches, hotels, attractions and excursion providers, may need to comply with national and/or local guidance and requirements relating to Covid-19, and have implemented certain measures as a result. This will likely include specific requirements regarding personal protective certain measures as a festur. This will likely include specific requirements regarding personal protective equipment, such as use of face-masks by team members (and you may be required to wear a face-mask as well), social distancing, maximum number restrictions on the use of certain facilities, designated alternative entrance and exit routes, mandatory hand sanitisation, limited entertainment options and limited food/drink availability. We do not expect these measures to have a significant impact on your enjoyment of the holiday and all measures will be taken with the purpose of securing your safety and those around you.

# 15. Visa, Passport and Health Requirements

It is your responsibility to check and fulfil the passport, visa, health and immigration requirements applicable to your itinerary. We can only provide general information about this. You must check requirements for your own specific circumstances with the Irish Embassies and/or Consultes and your own doctor as applicable. Requirements do change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure.

Most countries now require passports to be valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport is in its final year, you should check with the Embassy of the country you are visiting. For further information contact the Passport Advice line on 0300 222 0000 or visit https://www.gov.uk/browse/citizenship/passports. For holidays to the Republic of Ireland you should obtain a completed and issued form EHIC prior to departure.

Up to date travel advice can be obtained from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, visit https://www. ov.uk/travelaware

Non British passport holders, including other EU nationals, should obtain up to date advice on passport and visa requirements from the Embassy, High Commission or Consulate of your destination or country or countries through which you are travelling. We do not accept any responsibility if you cannot travel, or incur any other loss because you have not complied with any passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities. You agree to reimburse us in relation to any fines or other losses which we incur as a result of your failure to comply with any passport, visa, immigration requirements or health formalities.

# 16. Law and Jurisdiction

These Booking Conditions are governed by English law and we both agree that the courts of England and Wales have exclusive jurisdiction over any dispute, claim or other matter which may arise between us (unless you live in Scotland or Northern Ireland, in which case you can bring proceedings in your local court under Scottish or Northern Irish law, as applicable).

We want all our customers to have a happy and carefree holiday. You are responsible for your behaviour and hygiene and the effect it may have on others. If in our opinion or in the opinion of any hotel manager, tour driver or any other person in authority, your behaviour or hygiene or that of any member of your party is causing or is likely to cause distress, danger or annoyance to any other customers or any third party, or damage to property, or to cause a delay or diversion to transportation, we reserve the right to

party, or damage to property, or to cause a delay or diversion to transportation, we reserve the right to terminate your booking with us immediately. In the event of such termination our liability to you and/or your party will cease and you and/or your party will be required to leave your accommodation or other arrangements immediately. We will have no further obligations to you and/or your party. No refunds for lost accommodation or any other arrangements will be made and we will not pay any expenses or costs incurred as a result of termination. You and/or your party may also be required to pay for loss and/or damage caused by your actions and we will hold you and each member of your party jointly and individually liable for any damage or losses caused by you or any member of your party. Full payment for any such damage or losses must be paid directly to the hotel manager or other supplier prior to departure. If you fail to make payment, you will be responsible for meeting any claims (including legal costs) subsequently made against us as a result of your actions together with all costs we incur in pursuing any claim against you. We cannot be held responsible actions together with all costs we incur in pursuing any claim against you. We cannot be held responsible for the actions or behaviour of other guests or individuals who have no connection with your booking

10. Smoking is prohibited by law on all coaches and in the public areas of all hotels throughout the UK. Most hotels, including all Leisureplex Hotels, also prohibit smoking in hotel bedrooms and treat electronic cigarettes and vaping devices as though they were cigarettes made from tobacco and therefore prohibit their use inside the hotel. Failure to follow smoking prohibitions will be considered unreasonable behaviour and the provisions of clause 17 above shall apply.

# 19. Infectious and Contagious Diseases

If you develop an infectious or contagious disease and in our reasonable opinion your presence on the coach represents a serious risk of infection to other customers we reserve the right to refuse to allow you to travel. If you develop an infectious or contagious disease whilst in resort and in our reasonable opinion your presence in the hotel represents a serious risk of infection to other guests we reserve the right to require you to quarantine in your room, or return home as may be appropriate. In such circumstances, we will make every effort to assist with alternative means of returning you to your point of origin but responsibility for the costs incurred in such alternative transport will be yours. If you have taken the insurance policy offered by us at the time of booking, we will ensure all necessary arrangements are made. If you have insurance through another insurer, it is your responsibility to make contact with your insurer but we will make every effort to assist if requested. Please contact us on our emergency number 01257 248002 to request such assistance.

# 20. Animals

Animals (other than registered assistance dogs) are not allowed on our trips. If you have a registered assistance dog you must advise us at the time of booking and provide the dog's registration number or a letter from the Charity who provided the dog, which confirms their assistance dog status.

# 21. Hotel Amenities

Some facilities (e.g. lifts) are not always available due to sudden breakdowns or the need to service them. Other facilities (e.g. outdoor swimming pools) are only available when weather permits. The nature and frequency of entertainment is also subject to demand and is at the discretion of the hotel.

# 22. Our Coaches

We will always use our reasonable endeavours to provide a coach to the specification in our brochure or advert but reserve the right to substitute an alternative vehicle should there be unforeseen circumstances. At certain times of the year we supplement our Alfa Coach fleet, with preferred coach party operators, who are all required to meet the standards we set out. There is a seating plan but, in some cases, operational reasons may require a coach with a different configuration. We reserve the right to alter a coach seating plan and allocate seats other than those booked. Single passengers may be required to share a double seat with other single passengers. When your booking is confirmed, you will be offered the best seats that are available at that time. If you feel that you require more than one seat for your use, then these must be booked and paid for in advance, at the time of booking. If you fail to do this and it transpires that the seat allocated to you is insufficient for your needs and there is no alternative seating available, then you will be refused access to the coach and any payments made will be liable to forfeiture. Specific seats will not be allocated on coaches operating a feeder service between joining points and main holiday departure points.

# 23. Late Arrival by Passenger and Passengers in Difficulties

We will be unable to delay departures where you arrive late at any of the stops en-route during your trip or where you are late to arrive at the departure point and where you miss a pick up you shall have no claim against us for any losses you incur as a result. We will, however, make every effort to assist passengers who get into difficulty through circumstances beyond their control where you notify us and request such assistance by telephoning our emergency number: 01257 248002.

# 24. Conditions of Suppliers

Many of the services which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions which will form part of your contract with us. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable International Conventions. Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions are available on request from us or the supplier concerned.

Excursions or other tours that you may choose to book or pay for whilst you are in resort are not part of your contracted arrangements with us. For any excursion or other tour that you book, your contract will be with the operator of the excursion or tour and not with us. We are not responsible for the provision of the excursion or tour or for anything that happens during the course of its provision by the operator.

# 26. Artists, Concerts, Entertainment and Performances

We cannot accept responsibility for the non-appearance of any artist or the cancellation, withdrawal, closure, curtailment, or other change of any concert, event, parade, show, entertainment or performance for whatever reason. Should any such situation arise, the holiday arrangements will still proceed. We will not always be in a position to advise you in advance of any such cancellation etc. Such situations will not constitute a significant alteration to your holiday arrangements entitling you to cancel or change to another holiday without paying our normal charges.

# 27. Baggage

Each passenger is allowed one suitcase measuring no more than 26in x 8in x 15in and weighing no more than 33lb (15kg). In the interests of the health and safety of our employees and agents, we ask customers to strictly observe this weight limitation on individual suitcases and customers will be refused porterage facilities for suitcases which exceed the weight limit.

# SECTION B: PACKAGE BOOKINGS

THIS SECTION ONLY APPLIES TO PACKAGES AND SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH SECTION A OF THESE BOOKING CONDITIONS.

# 28. Pricing

We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold holidays at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed holidays. We also reserve the right to increase the price of confirmed holidays solely to allow for increases which are a direct consequence of changes in:

- the price of the carriage of passengers resulting from the cost of fuel or other power sources; the level of taxes or fees chargeable for services applicable to the holiday imposed by third parties not directly involved in the performance of the holiday, including tourist taxes;

ii. the exchange rates relevant to the package.

You will be charged for the amount of any increase in accordance with this clause. However, if this means You will be charged for the amount of any increase in accordance with this clause. However, if this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 8% of the price of your confirmed holiday (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the option of accepting a change to another holiday if we are able to offer one (if this is of lower quality you will be refunded the difference in price), or cancelling and receiving a full refund of all monies paid to us, except for any insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. Should you decide to cancel for this reason, you must exercise your right to do so within 7 days from the issue date printed on your final invoice. We will consider an appropriate refund of insurance premiums paid if you can show that you are unable to transfer or reuse your policy. Should the price of your holiday go down due to the changes mentioned above, then any refund due will be paid to you less an administrative fee of £10. However, please note that travel arrangements are not always purchased in local currency and some apparent changes have no impact on the price of your

travel due to contractual and other protection in place. There will be no change made to the price of your confirmed holiday within 20 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period.

# 29. Transferring Your Package

If any member of your party is prevented from travelling on their Package, that person(s) may transfer their place to someone else, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. that person is introduced by you and satisfies all the conditions applicable to the travel
- arrangements making up the Package; we are notified not less than 7 days before departure; you pay any outstanding balance payment, an administration fee of £20 per person transferring if made more than 42 days prior to departure or £40 per person transferring if made less than 42 days prior to departure, as well as any additional fees, charges or other costs arising from the transfer; and

- 4. the transferee agrees to these Booking Conditions, the Supplier/Principal's terms and conditions and all other requirements applicable to the travel arrangements making up the Package; 5. you and the transferee remain jointly and severally liable for payment of all sums.

If you are unable to find a replacement, cancellation charges as set out will apply in accordance with clause 10. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services

# 30. If You Cancel your Package due to Unavoidable & Extraordinary Circumstances

If you have booked a Package, you have the right to cancel your confirmed Package before departure without paying a cancellation charge in the event of "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" occurring at your holiday destination or its immediate vicinity and significantly affecting the performance of the Package or significantly affecting transport to the destination. In these circumstances, we shall provide you with a full refund of the monies you have paid but we will not be liable to pay you any

Please note that your right to cancel in these circumstances will only apply where the Government or Foreign and Commonwealth Office advises against travel to your destination or its immediate vicinity. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" means warfare, acts of terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely to the travel destination.

# 31. Our Responsibilities in Respect of Packages

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1) We will accept responsibility for the arrangements we agree to provide or arrange for you as an
"organiser" under the Package Travel and Linked Travel Arrangements Regulations 2018, as set out below
and as such, we are responsible for the proper provision of all travel services included in your package,
as set out in your confirmation invoice. Subject to these Booking Conditions, if we or our suppliers
negligently perform or arrange those services and we don't remedy or resolve your complaint within
a reasonable period of time, and this has affected the enjoyment of your package holiday you may be
entitled to a parapropriate price reduction or compensation or both entitled to an appropriate price reduction or compensation or both.

You must inform us without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel

You must inform us without undue delay of any failure to perform or improper performance of the travel services included in this package. The level of any such price reduction or compensation will be calculated taking into consideration all relevant factors such as but not limited to: following the complaints procedure as described in these Booking Conditions and the extent to which ours or our employees' or supplier's negligence affected the overall enjoyment of your holiday. Please note that it is your responsibility to show that we or our supplier(s) have been negligent if you wish to make a claim against us.

2) We will not be responsible or pay you compensation for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, cost or other claim of any description if it results from:

a. the acts and/or omissions of the person affected; or

b. the acts and/or omissions of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unavoidable and extraordinary; or

c. Force Majeure (as defined in clause 14).

3) We limit the amount of compensation we may have to pay you if we are found liable under this clause:

- a. Loss of and/or damage to any luggage or personal possessions and money: the maximum amount
  we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is an amount equivalent to the excess on your we will have to pay you in leaplest of these claims is an aircuit equivalent to the excess of your insurance policy which applies to this type of loss per person in total because you are required to have adequate insurance in place to cover any losses of this kind.
- b. Claims not falling under (a) above and which do not involve injury, illness or death: the maximum amount we will have to pay you in respect of these claims is up to three times the price paid by or on behalf of the person(s) affected in total. This maximum amount will only be payable where everything has gone wrong and you or your party has not received any benefit at all from your booking.
- c. Claims in respect of international travel by air, sea and rail, or any stay in a hotel:
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   The extent of our liability will in all cases be limited as if we were carriers under the appropriate
  Conventions such as The Paris Convention (with respect to hotel arrangements). You can ask for a
  copy of this Convention from our offices. Please contact us. In addition, you agree that the operating
  carrier or transport company's own 'Conditions of Carriage' will apply to you on that journey. When
  arranging transportation for you, we rely on the terms and conditions contained within these
  international conventions and those 'Conditions of Carriage'. You acknowledge that all of the terms
  and conditions contained in those 'Conditions of Carriage' form part of your contract with us, as
  well as with the transport company and that those 'Conditions of Carriage' shall be deemed to be
  included by reference into this contract.
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- When making any payment, we are entitled to deduct any money which you have received or are entitled to receive from the transport provider or hotelier for the complaint or claim in question.

4) It is a condition of our acceptance of liability under this clause that you notify any claim to us and our supplier(s) strictly in accordance with the complaints procedure set out in these conditions.

5) Where any payment is made, the person(s) receiving it (and their parent or guardian if under 18 years) must also assign to us or our insurers any rights they may have to pursue any third party and must provide ourselves and our insurers with all assistance we may reasonably require.

6) Please note: we cannot accept any liability for any damage, loss or expense or other sum(s) of any description:

- a. which on the basis of the information given to us by you concerning your booking prior to our accepting it, we could not have foreseen you would suffer or incur if we breached our contract with you; or
- b. relate to any business; or c. indirect or consequential loss of any kind.

7) We will not accept responsibility for services or facilities which do not form part of our agreement or where they are not advertised on our website. For example any excursion you book whilst away, or any service or facility which your hotel or any other supplier agrees to provide for you.

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8) Where it is impossible for you to return to your departure point as per the agreed return date of your package, due to "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances", we shall provide you with any necessary accommodation (where possible, of a comparable standard) for a period not exceeding three nights per person. Please note that the 3 night cap does not apply to persons with reduced mobility, pregnant women or unaccompanied minors, nor to persons needing specific medical assistance, provided we have been notified of these particular needs at least 48 hours before the start of your holiday. For the purposes of this clause, "unavoidable and extraordinary circumstances" mean warfare, acts of terrorism, significant risks to human health such as the outbreak of serious disease at the travel destination or natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safety back to your departure point. earthquakes or weather conditions which make it impossible to travel safely back to your departure point.

# 32. Cutting your holiday short

If you are forced to return home early, we cannot refund the cost of any travel arrangements you have not used. If you cut short your holiday and return home early in circumstances where you have no reasonable cause for complaint about the standard of accommodation and services provided, we will not offer you any refund for that part of your holiday not completed, or be liable for any associated costs you may incur.

Depending on the circumstances, your travel insurance may offer cover for curtailment and we suggest that any claim is made directly with them.

# 33. Prompt Assistance for Packages

If you have booked a Package and whilst you are on holiday, you find yourself in difficulty for any reason we will offer you such prompt assistance as is appropriate in the circumstances. In particular, we will provide you with appropriate information on health services, local authorities and consular assistance, and provide you with appropriate information on health services, local authorities and consular assistance, and with distance communications and finding alternative travel arrangements. Where you require assistance that is not owing to any failure by us, our employees or sub-contractors, we will not be liable for the costs of any alternative travel arrangements or other such assistance you require. Any Supplier/Principal, or other transport supplier may however pay for or provide refreshments and/or appropriate accommodation and you should make a claim directly to them. Subject to the other terms of these Booking Conditions, we will not be liable for any costs, fees or charges you incur in the above circumstances, if you fail to obtain our prior authorisation before making your own travel arrangements. Furthermore, we reserve the right to charge you a fee for our assistance in the event that the difficulty is caused intentionally by you or a member of your party, or otherwise through your or your party's negligence.

# 34. What is included in your Package

Holiday price includes coach travel, accommodation, excursions and meals as specified in the holiday description. Some hotels make a small additional charge for tea or coffee taken after meals. Personal items and other food and beverages are not included in the price of the holiday.

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