

CLASSIC BRITAIN: LONDON TO EDINBURGH

July 2027

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Discover England, with a Taste of Scotland and Wales

Experience the very best of England on a fascinating journey through grand cities, charming villages, historic landmarks, and beautiful countryside, with a taste of Scotland along the way. Begin in London, exploring iconic sights such as St Paul's Cathedral, the Tower of London, Buckingham Palace, and Kew Gardens, while enjoying a West End show and special theatre experiences. Beyond the capital, wander among the ancient stones of Stonehenge, explore elegant Bath and the Cotswolds, and discover the literary heritage of Stratford-upon-Avon and Oxford. You'll experience Liverpool's musical heritage, medieval castles in Wales, and the spectacular Lake District before following the history of Hadrian's Wall. In Scotland, visit Edinburgh Castle and the Royal Yacht Britannia, sample Scottish whisky, and experience the unforgettable Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Along the way, enjoy traditional pubs, a Tudor feast, lively music, and a Scottish ceilidh.



INTERNATIONAL



GROUP SIZE



ACTIVITY LEVEL

► Departure from:

- ❶ **BC Interior:** July 29, 2027 - 17 days
- ❷ **Vancouver Island:** July 29, 2027 - 17 days
- ❸ **Lower Mainland:** July 29, 2027 - 17 days

► Fares per person

- ❶ from **\$17,365** double/twin, **\$21,165** single*
- *Pricing details for all departures provided on page 2.*

► Early Booking Bonus

\$300 on first 8 seats; **\$150** on next 4.

► Earn 311 Experience Points



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WHAT'S INCLUDED

► Meals

- **26 total:** 15 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 8 dinners

► Transportation

- Transfers between the BC Interior, Greater Vancouver, or Greater Victoria Areas & the Kelowna, Vancouver, or Victoria Airport
- Flights to London, England
- Current air taxes, security fees & surcharges
- 1 checked bag per person
- Coach transportation in Britain for 14 days
- Transfer from London Airport to hotel
- Transfer from Edinburgh hotel to airport
- Flights from Edinburgh to Kelowna, Victoria, or Vancouver

► Accommodation

- 15 nights of hotel accommodation & taxes
- Luggage handling at some hotels

► Guides, Gratuities & Tolls

- British tour guide for 16 days
- Gratuities to British guide, local guides, & British coach drivers
- Road & bridge tolls

► Wells Gray tour director throughout tour

► Key Highlights

- St. Paul's Cathedral
- Tower of London with Crown Jewels
- Locally-guided tour of London landmarks
- Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace

- Kew Gardens with guided tour
- Theatre Workshop with behind-the-scenes tour
- London West End show (TBA)
- Stonehenge
- Locally-guided walking tour of Bath
- Bath Abbey
- Pulteney Bridge
- Cheddar Gorge Cheese Company tour & tasting
- William Shakespeare's birthplace
- Tudor Feast
- Locally-guided walking tour of Oxford
- Blenheim Palace
- Locally-guided tour of Liverpool
- The Beatles Story
- Conwy Castle
- Snowdonia National Park
- Dove Cottage & Wordsworth Museum
- Cruise on Ullswater
- Durham Cathedral
- Hadrian's Wall
- Vindolanda Fort & Roman Army Museum
- Angel of the North sculpture
- Alnwick Castle & Gardens
- Locally-guided tour of Edinburgh
- Edinburgh Castle
- St. Margaret's Chapel
- Royal Yacht Britannia
- Ticket to the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- Glamis Castle
- Scottish whisky distillery tour & tasting
- Ceilidh show

Attractions are subject to change. Please see [Terms & Conditions](#) for more information.

FARES PER PERSON

	Departure Point	Fares per Person	Notes
I	BC Interior	\$17,365 double/twin \$21,165 single	
V	Vancouver Island	\$17,540 double/twin \$21,340 single	• This tour is exempt from GST.
L	Lower Mainland	\$17,415 double/twin \$21,215 single	

ITINERARY

Thursday, July 29

Your [departure point](#) will be discussed at the time of booking. We fly from Kelowna, Victoria, and Vancouver via Calgary to **London**.

Friday, July 30

We arrive in London about noon. **Welcome to England!** Our British guide and driver meet us at the airport and provide a short orientation drive en route to the hotel. We stay four nights in the Kensington district of London. A get-acquainted dinner is planned.

Meals included: Dinner

Accommodation: The Bailey's Hotel London

Saturday, July 31

Some of the outstanding attractions of London are offered during the next three days. **St. Paul's Cathedral** was Sir Christopher Wren's masterpiece, a symbol of London's resilience and history. Admire magnificent mosaics and murals, climb the dome for spectacular city views, test the Whispering Gallery acoustics, and explore the crypt resting place of Britain's greatest heroes. At the **Tower of London**, step into nearly 1,000 years of royal intrigue at this UNESCO World Heritage Site. Marvel at the dazzling Crown Jewels, meet the legendary ravens, chat with the iconic Yeoman Warders, and uncover fascinating tales of kings, queens, prisoners, and plots. The rest of the afternoon and evening is free time.

Meals included: Breakfast

Accommodation: The Bailey's Hotel London

Sunday, August 1

During a **panoramic tour of London**, admire its famous landmarks such as Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, and Trafalgar Square as you discover the history and character of one of the world's great cities. The tour is timed to witness one of Britain's iconic traditions – the **Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace**. Enjoy the colour, precision, and pageantry as soldiers in red tunics and bearskin hats perform this spectacular ceremonial handover accompanied by military

music and marching displays. Another British tradition is featured – a fish and chips lunch.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: The Bailey's Hotel London

Monday, August 2

Explore the world's largest collection of living plants at **Kew Gardens**. Wander through magnificent glasshouses, stroll among colourful gardens and historic landmarks, and enjoy breathtaking treetop views in this botanical paradise beside the Thames. This afternoon, we take part in a **theatre workshop**. Go behind the scenes at a London theatre, take part in a hands-on drama workshop, stage a musical number, and enjoy an exclusive Q&A with an industry professional. Tonight, we attend a **West End show** with the title to be announced when summer 2027 theatre schedules are available.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: The Bailey's Hotel London

Tuesday, August 3

As we head west from London, we stop at the most celebrated megalithic monument in England, **Stonehenge**. Built between 3000 and 1000 BC, it consists of four concentric rings of standing stones. Surrounded by mystery and wonder, its purpose is still a puzzle, but it could have been a Druid temple or an astronomical clock. We continue to **Bath**. The Romans were captivated by the Bath region over 2,000 years ago, when Bath was a green valley with a miraculous stream of endless hot water. In the 18th century, Bath became a fashionable health resort. The Great Bath still receives over one million litres of hot water daily from the 12,000-year-old King's Spring below. Try tasting the spa water – a healthy drop containing 42 minerals and purported healing power. Our guide leads a walking tour of Bath featuring the Royal Crescent of Georgian architecture, the 7th century Bath Abbey, and the striking Pulteney Bridge with its covered shopping arcades. We stay two nights at Hotel Indigo which dates back to the 18th century and reopened in 2020 after a multi-year restoration. It has hosted novelists Sir Walter

Scott, Jane Austen, and Mary Shelley; abolitionist William Wilberforce, and the Duke of York.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: Hotel Indigo, Bath

Wednesday, August 4

We journey through the Mendip Hills and enjoy a tour and tasting at **Cheddar Gorge Cheese Company**. The tour features a working dairy where we can watch traditional, hand-crafted cheddar production, from curd to cave-aged maturation, showcasing how authentic cheddar is made in its birthplace. Then savour tastings of Somerset's most famous export. The afternoon is leisure time in Bath.

Meals included: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel Indigo, Bath

Thursday, August 5

We drive through the Cotswolds, one of England's most picturesque regions with rolling hills, honey-coloured villages, charming market towns, and historic estates. In **Stratford-upon-Avon**, we step inside the beautifully preserved Tudor home where William Shakespeare was born. Explore fascinating exhibits, discover the playwright's life and legacy, and experience one of England's treasured literary landmarks. We stay two nights in Stratford and tonight, savour a **Tudor Feast**.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: Hotel Indigo, Stratford upon Avon

Friday, August 6

We explore the historic city of **Oxford**, home to the renowned university. Discover ornate colleges, the Bodleian Library, the Covered Market, and landmarks linked to literary greats, political leaders and the inspiration behind Harry Potter. Next is **Blenheim Palace**, the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill and one of Britain's grandest stately homes. Discover opulent interiors, priceless collections, and splendid gardens.

Meals included: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel Indigo, Stratford upon Avon

Saturday, August 7

We drive from Stratford to **Liverpool**. During a driving and walking tour, discover Liverpool's rich

maritime heritage, vibrant culture, and musical legacy. See the restored waterfront at Albert Dock, stunning architecture, and legendary sites linked to The Beatles and the city's thriving music scene. At **The Beatles Story**, immerse yourself in the remarkable journey of the Fab Four at the world's largest permanent Beatles exhibition. Enjoy interactive displays and fascinating insights into the lives, music, and global success of Liverpool's most famous sons. Dinner is in a Liverpool pub with entertainment by a local English folk band.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: Maldron Hotel

Sunday, August 8

We take a day trip into **Wales**. Our first stop is imposing Conwy Castle, a gritty, dark-stoned fortress which has the rare ability to evoke an authentic medieval atmosphere. **Conwy Castle** was constructed by Edward I between 1283 and 1289 as one of the key fortresses in his 'iron ring' of castles to contain the Welsh. Afterwards, we experience the magnificent scenery of **Snowdonia National Park**, a land of rugged mountains, sparkling lakes, and green valleys.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Maldron Hotel

Monday, August 9

We explore the **Lake District**, one of England's most celebrated national parks, where shimmering lakes, dramatic mountains, and charming villages create unforgettable scenery. This inspiring landscape has captivated visitors, artists, and writers for generations. We visit Dove Cottage, the former home of **poet William Wordsworth** where many of his most famous works were created. In the Wordsworth Museum, learn about his life and the landscapes that inspired Romantic poetry. Later, relax on a scenic **cruise on Ullswater**, one of the Lake District's most stunning lakes. Enjoy magnificent mountain views and experience the region's natural beauty from a unique perspective.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: Radisson Blu Durham

Tuesday, August 10

We admire **Durham Cathedral**, one of Europe's greatest Romanesque cathedrals, and marvel at soaring architecture, intricate stained glass, and over 900 years of history at this extraordinary landmark. Nearby is **Hadrian's Wall** which extends 118 km from coast to coast and was built around AD 122 to mark the Roman Empire's northern frontier. Explore the remarkable archaeological site of Vindolanda Fort, view fascinating artifacts, and discover the lives of Roman soldiers through immersive exhibits at the Roman Army Museum.

Meals included: Breakfast

Accommodation: Radisson Blu Durham

Wednesday, August 11

We view Antony Gormley's monumental steel sculpture, Angel of the North. Next is **Alnwick Castle and Gardens**, made famous as Hogwarts in two of the Harry Potter films and Downton Abbey. It dates to 1096 and is currently the home of the 12th Duke of Northumberland. We cross the border into **Scotland** and arrive in Edinburgh for a stay of three nights.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: Voco Edinburgh – Haymarket

Thursday, August 12

During a comprehensive tour of **Edinburgh**, we admire its splendid architecture ranging from the lofty buildings of its medieval Old Town along the Royal Mile to the graceful houses of the Georgian New Town. The tour features **Edinburgh Castle** with its three military museums and St. Margaret's Chapel. Built in the 12th century, it dominates the city skyline. It has been a royal residence and central to many historic conflicts right up to the Jacobite Rising in 1745. This afternoon, we board the **Royal Yacht Britannia**,

now permanently moored in Edinburgh after decades of service to Queen Elizabeth and the Royal Family. A veteran of 968 official voyages, *Britannia* sailed over 1½ million km and accompanied the Royals on many of their most memorable state tours. Tonight, we return to Edinburgh Castle where we have reserved seats at the renowned **Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo**. It is ranked as one of the world's most spectacular shows, featuring 1,000 performers in a whirling, colourful, and breathtaking kaleidoscope of music, dance, and display. The haunting tunes of *Skye Boat Song* and *All the Blue Bonnets* are played against the backdrop of the castle ramparts and the twilight.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation: Voco Edinburgh – Haymarket

Friday, August 13

We journey into the Scottish Highlands with a visit to the enchanting **Glamis Castle**, steeped in royal history, legend, and folklore. This was the childhood home of the Queen Mother, birthplace of Princess Margaret, inspiration for Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, and a filming location for *The Crown*. We also visit a **whisky distillery** to learn about the art of whisky production and enjoy a tasting of the popular Scottish spirit. Tonight we celebrate our journey from London to Edinburgh with a lively private **ceilidh**, traditional music, dancing and a memorable farewell dinner.

Meals included: Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation: Voco Edinburgh – Haymarket

Saturday, August 14

We fly from Edinburgh via Calgary to Kelowna, Victoria, and Vancouver.

Meals included: Breakfast

ACTIVITY LEVEL 3



High Activity: You are an active traveller who wants to explore wherever you go. You don't mind a mix of full days, early morning starts, and some late nights. You can walk longer distances, up to 4 km without difficulty, and stand for prolonged periods. Due to the historic nature of many attractions, it may be necessary to climb stairs and walk on uneven surfaces such as cobblestone streets. You can climb three flights of stairs easily and unassisted, and can handle your own luggage in airports or at hotels where luggage handling may not be available.

This tour is not appropriate for people with canes, walkers, wheelchairs, or other mobility assistance devices. Walking poles are recommended. Additionally, this tour is not appropriate for those who have cognitive impairments such as memory loss or confusion, difficulty expressing thoughts, repeating questions, or getting lost. The tour director, British guide, and drivers have many responsibilities, so please do not expect them, or your fellow travellers, to provide ongoing assistance. If you are not able to keep up with the group or require frequent assistance, the tour director may stop you from participating in some activities or some days of the tour. In extreme situations, you may be required to leave the tour and travel home at your own expense; travel insurance will probably not cover you.

Please note: Prior to accepting your booking, you will be required to sign a [declaration](#) that you are capable of travelling on an Activity Level 3 tour.



Tour Size 25

This tour is limited to 25 participants; making it a more intimate travel experience.



TOUR NOTES

Documentation: A passport is required for this tour and must be valid until your return to Canada. A Canadian citizen does not require a visa to enter the United Kingdom. An Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) is required and is applied for on a website before leaving Canada. Details at final payment.

Please book early! England is a very popular tourist destination in summer. We booked hotels 1½ years in advance to ensure the most desirable ones are available. Some hotels have strict policies about our commitment to the number of rooms needed and may cancel rooms from our original reservation if they can sell the rooms to other visitors. If this happens, we have to consider the tour full, even though seats are available on the motorcoach. Therefore, waiting too long to book usually means “Sorry, wait till next departure in 2029.”

Tour director & guides: A Wells Gray tour director accompanies you throughout the tour. A British guide is with you for 16 days in England, Wales, and Scotland. Local guides are hired for some cities to provide in-depth commentary and a regional insight.

Flights to London and return from Edinburgh cannot be booked until late September 2026. After that, we can advise you of the airline and flight schedule. Fares have been estimated and could change if the flight cost is higher or lower than expected.

Flight seating: We are unable to take seating requests of any kind in any class. The airline will not accept them, as group seating is assigned as a block. If this is important to you, we suggest you take the “No Flight” option with a fare reduction and book your own flight which allows seat selection. We can advise you of the reduction in late September 2026. For more information about the “No Flight” option, please see our [Terms and Conditions](#).

Flight upgrades: Please enquire about current prices for upgrades on the flights to London and return from Edinburgh. Business class may be available.

Flight delays or cancellations: In the event flights are delayed or cancelled by airlines due to weather or other reasons, there may be additional costs to you. Wells Gray Tours will not pay for hotel rooms and meals during the delay. Most travel insurance policies cover expenses incurred for flight delays.

Food Allergies: You must notify us no later than at final payment if you have a food allergy. An allergy causes medical distress, a preference does not. For some allergies, please consider bringing your own snacks or food items so you are not dependent on what restaurants are able to serve.

Gratuities: The gratuities to the British guide, local guides, and British coach drivers are included in the tour fare. The customary gratuities to the Wells Gray tour director and Canadian drivers are not included and are left to your discretion.

Hotels: All hotels on this tour are rated 4 stars. Some hotels do not offer luggage handling services, so you must be prepared to carry your own between coach and room. Rooms for singles are often a different style or smaller size than twin rooms. Many hotels limit the number of single rooms allocated to a group. Please book early if you prefer to travel single.

TOUR POLICIES

Payments: A deposit of \$1,000 per person is requested at the time of booking and balance is due April 22, 2027. By paying the deposit, you agree to the [Terms and Conditions, Company Policies](#), Activity Level 3 [Declaration](#), and Cancellation Policy outlined. Payments can be made by online banking or cheque (3% discount on tour fare), or by Visa or Mastercard.

Early Booking Bonus: Receive a \$300 discount on the first 8 seats and \$150 on the next 4 seats for booking early with deposit. The discount is not offered after April 22, 2027.

Cancellation Policy:

- Up to March 22, 2027, the cancellation charge is \$100 per person.
- From March 23 to April 22, the cancellation charge is \$300 per person.
- From April 23 to May 21, the cancellation charge is 40% of the tour fare.
- From May 22 to June 22, the cancellation charge is 80% of the tour fare.
- After June 22, there is no refund.

Travel Insurance: A Comprehensive Insurance policy is available through Wells Gray Tours and coverage is provided by Travel Guard until September 8, 2026 and battleface® after that. Policies purchased at deposit include a waiver of the pre-existing condition clause for medical and cancellation claims, otherwise policies can be purchased no later than at final payment. Medical questionnaire is not needed. Please contact us for details. If you have your own travel insurance, please read the policy carefully to be sure that you are adequately covered for medical, cancellation, interruption, and luggage. Please do not travel outside of Canada without medical insurance as a minimum. Insurance premiums are not refundable whether or not you make a claim.

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Experience Points or E-points: This tour earns 311 Experience Points or e-points. Redeem up to 311 of your earned e-points from a previous tour until April 22, 2027. Please see our [loyalty rewards program](#) for more information about e-points.

Consumer Protection BC Licences: Kamloops 178, Vernon 655, Kelowna 588, Penticton 924, Victoria 65842

For information on itinerary and fare changes please see our [Terms, Conditions, and Company Policies](#).

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