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12 DAY WORLD HOLIDAY



# British Isles – Castles, Countrysides and Capitals

*Scotland • England • Wales • Ireland*

**Departure Date:** September 10, 2020

  
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**12 Days • 15 Meals** Discover the history and charms of the British Isles as you visit Scotland, England, Wales and Ireland. See historic royal castles, the beauty of England's Lake District and Ireland's countryside...you'll experience it all on this journey through these four magnificent countries.

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 15 Meals (10 breakfasts and 5 dinners)
- ✓ Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- ✓ Included visits to Edinburgh, Cardiff and Blarney Castles
- ✓ Discover the capital cities of Edinburgh, Cardiff and Dublin on included guided tours
- ✓ Visit Gretna Green, 'the marriage capital of the UK'
- ✓ Relax aboard a scenic cruise on Lake Windermere in England's famed Lake District
- ✓ Tour the medieval town of York and visit the Minster
- ✓ Tour the childhood home of William Shakespeare during the visit to Stratford-upon-Avon
- ✓ Enjoy a scenic journey through the Cotswolds, one of England's most picturesque areas
- ✓ Discover the ancient art of creating Waterford Crystal
- ✓ Kiss the Blarney Stone during the visit to Blarney Castle's mysterious grounds
- ✓ See the Book of Kells at Trinity College in Dublin
- ✓ Local entertainment at dinner shows in Edinburgh and Dublin
- ✓ \$60 in Mayflower Money



Experience the beauty of the Cotswolds

### DAY 1 – Depart the USA

Depart the USA on your overnight flight to Edinburgh, Scotland, where centuries of history meet a vibrant, cosmopolitan city.

### DAY 2 – Edinburgh, Scotland

Upon arrival, you'll be met by a Mayflower representative and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure to begin immersing yourself in the Scottish culture.

### DAY 3 – Edinburgh

The day begins with an included tour of this capital city. See the delightful contrast of the city between the 18th-century Georgian "New Town" and the medieval "Old Town". The famed Royal Mile, backbone of the Old Quarter, runs from the Palace of Holyrood House to Edinburgh Castle. See the iconic sites of St. Giles Cathedral, Parliament Square and John Knox House. During the visit of Edinburgh Castle see the Scottish crown jewels and the Stone of Destiny. The balance of the afternoon is at leisure. This evening, join your Tour Manager and traveling companions for an evening of entertainment with an included dinner and show. **Meals: B, D**

### DAY 4 – Edinburgh to Manchester, England via the Lake District

Today's adventure begins with the motorcoach journey through the rolling hills of the Scottish countryside en-route to England. Before leaving Scotland, learn the local legends and lore of the famous Gretna Green, known as the 'marriage capital of the UK', and see the famous Blacksmiths Shop which is steeped in history and magical charm. Enjoy the scenic wonders of northern England with a visit to the Lake District. A local guide may inspire you while talking about William Wordsworth and Beatrix Potter, each of whom resided in this area. Relax aboard a cruise on Windermere, the largest natural lake in England, as you enjoy the tranquil setting and picturesque landscape. The journey continues as you travel through the British countryside arriving in Manchester this evening. **Meal: B**

### DAY 5 – York, England

Today's excursion takes you across the Pennines (the 'Backbone of England') to the Viking city of York. A local guide will lead you on a walk through the historic Shambles, a medieval shopping street filled with character and charm. See the Roman city walls and visit the spectacular York Minster, the largest medieval cathedral in the UK. After the tour, free time will be available for your independent exploration be-



## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**Days Two and Three** – Hilton Grosvenor or similar, Edinburgh, Scotland

**Days Four and Five** – Midland Hotel or similar, Manchester, England

**Days Six and Seven** – Future Inn Hotel or similar, Cardiff, Wales

**Days Eight and Nine** – Brandon House Hotel or similar, New Ross, Ireland

**Days Ten and Eleven** – Camden Court Hotel or similar, Dublin, Ireland





Tour historic Cardiff Castle



Enjoy a visit to the famous Blarney Castle



Locals entertain during dinner shows in Edinburgh and Dublin

fore returning to Manchester this afternoon. This evening, dinner is included at a local restaurant. **Meals: B, D**

#### DAY 6 – Manchester to Cardiff, Wales

Departing Manchester, continue to another capital city, Cardiff, Wales. En-route, a stop is made in the traditional English town of Stratford-upon-Avon with its typical oak-beamed, gable-roofed houses. Visit the most famous house in town, the birthplace and childhood home of the Bard himself, William Shakespeare. You'll also see the school where he received his education, and the Royal Shakespeare Theatre, erected in his memory. In the nearby village of Shottery, see Anne Hathaway's cottage where the wife of Shakespeare lived as a child. Continuing on, experience the beauty of the Cotswolds - rolling hills ('wolds'), river valleys, and sleepy villages where houses made from the Cotswold Stone and cozy shops line the meandering streets. Enjoy a visit to one of these charming towns before arriving in Cardiff early this evening for an included dinner. **Meals: B, D**

#### DAY 7 – Cardiff

The day begins with a guided tour of Cardiff, the largest city in Wales. During the panoramic portion, your local guide will point out architectural sites that range from historic to modern, as well as provide history of the city. On the included visit to Cardiff Castle, whose walls conceal 2,000 years of history, you'll discover stories from the times of the Romans, Normans, Vikings, Victorian Era and even WWII. After the excursion, return to the hotel where the rest of the day is free of planned activities for your independent exploration of this capital city.

**Meal: B**

#### DAY 8 – Cardiff to Waterford, Ireland

A late morning departure from the hotel takes you to the port for embarkation of the ferry and the journey across the Irish Sea to Pembroke, Ireland. Upon arrival, continue by coach to the Waterford area for two nights' accommodation. **Meal: B**

#### DAY 9 – Waterford and Blarney

Today's excursion discovers the sites of Waterford and Blarney. On a visit to the House of Waterford Crystal, witness the master craftsmen at work as you watch the process of transforming a ball of red-hot molten crystal into an elegantly crafted piece of art. Continue on to Blarney where there is time for lunch on your own before visiting the famed Castle known the world over as home to the 'Stone of Elo-

quence' or the Blarney Stone. Legend has it, if you climb to the top of the castle and kiss the stone, you will never be lost for words and will receive the 'gift of gab'. The grounds of the castle are a curious place of ancient trees and stones, by legend a garden of Druid origin. The park has an aura of magic and mystique with Wishing Steps, Witch's Kitchen, Druid's Cave and many other delights, telling a story of centuries past. Return to Waterford for an included dinner. **Meals: B, D**

#### DAY 10 – Waterford to Dublin

Leaving Waterford, travel to Dublin, the last capital city to be experienced on your journey through the British Isles. On the guided panoramic tour of this historic city, travel along O'Connell Street with its monument to Daniel O'Connell and other figures from Irish History. See the General Post Office, one of Ireland's most famous buildings, that was the rebel headquarters in the 1916 Easter Rising. Cross over the River Liffey which flows through the center of the city and catch a glimpse of the Temple Bar area. Visit Trinity College and see the Book of Kells, the famous 8th-century hand-illuminated gospel manuscript. See Grafton Street, one of the main pedestrian-zoned shopping streets and drive through Georgian Dublin, with the beautiful 18th-century houses and squares. Pass the National Museum, Parliament Building, St. Stephen's Green and visit St. Patrick's Cathedral before returning to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure. A special treat is in store tonight with an included dinner and evening entertainment. Music, song and traditional Irish dancers take the stage during a show you're sure to enjoy! **Meals: B, D**

#### DAY 11 – Dublin

Your final day is left free of planned activities to enjoy as you please... continue sightseeing, finish any last-minute shopping or just relax at a pub and mingle with the locals. **Meal: B**

#### DAY 12 – Dublin / USA

It's time to bid 'cheerio' to the British Isles as you depart for the Dublin Airport with warm memories of the castles, countryside and capital cities of your journey through these amazing countries. **Meal: B**





Enjoy a walking tour of York with a local guide

2020 DEPARTURES	PER PERSON TWIN	SINGLE ROOM
September 10	\$4,499	add \$1,549

**Pricing includes airfare from Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR) and ground transportation to and from the airport.**

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	Deposit Amount
• 91 days or more	20% of tour cost
• 90 to 45 days prior	30% of tour cost
• 44 to 15 day prior	40% of tour cost
• 14 to 1 day prior	100% of tour cost
• Day 1 of departure	or early departure from tour
• No refund on unused portions of the tour	

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TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL

1	2	3	4	5
EASY				ENERGETIC

