

# ESSENTIAL BRITAIN 12 DAYS

## WITH GLOBUS THE DETAILS ARE DONE

You'll always visit the key sites and enjoy more inclusions; inside visits and special features are shown in UPPERCASE in the tour description, including admission charges where applicable. For standard inclusions, see page 8.

**TRIP SCALE** Leisurely  On the Go

### **Lf LOCAL FAVOURITES**

Globus has created special experiences that will bring you behind the scenes, spotlight the unique stories of your journey, and bring to life the local flavour of your destination. Just look for the **Lf** icon to see what we've included for you.

## ALL THIS IS INCLUDED

### ■ SIGHTSEEING AND MORE

**STONEHENGE** Visit the prehistoric monument

**PLYMOUTH** **Lf** Plymouth Sound cruise; welcome dinner

**CORNWALL** Take photographs of St. Michael's Mount, visit Land's End and St. Ives

**BATH** Visit the Roman relics

**BUILTH WELLS** Visit the ancient market town

**CHESTER** Walking tour; **LIVERPOOL** Visit the Beatles Story

**GRASMERE** Visit Wordsworth's village; **Lf** try original Grasmere gingerbread; **GRETNA GREEN** **Lf** Take part in a wedding re-enactment

**MALLAIG-ARMADALE** Cross the Sound of Sleat by ferry

**PITLOCHRY** Visit the Victorian mountain resort

**ST. ANDREWS** Visit the home of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club

**EDINBURGH** Guided sightseeing, visit Edinburgh Castle and Holyrood Palace

**ALNWICK** Visit the ancestral home of the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland or explore the spectacular garden

**YORK** Walking tour


**STRATFORD-UPON-AVON** Take pictures of Anne Hathaway's Cottage, visit Shakespeare's birthplace

■ **HOTELS** LONDON Hilton London Metropole (SF) or Park Plaza Westminster Bridge (SF), PLYMOUTH Crowne Plaza Plymouth (SF), CARDIFF Mercure Holland House (SF), LIVERPOOL Novotel (F), GLASGOW GoGlasgow (F), INVERNESS Mercure Inverness (F), EDINBURGH Courtyard by Marriott (SF) or Hilton Edinburgh Carlton (SF), YORK Mercure York Fairfield Manor (F)

■ **MEALS** Full English breakfast (B) daily; 4 three-course dinners (D) with wine and choice of menus, including a welcome dinner in Plymouth

■ **TRANSPORTATION** Motorcoach; Plymouth Sound cruise; ferry to the Isle of Skye

■ **HEADSETS** Throughout the tour except London

■ **FREE WI-FI**  available on your motorcoach and in most hotel lobbies

## CUSTOMISE YOUR HOLIDAY

■ **EXTRA NIGHTS** in London

■ **MyACCOUNT** Personalise your tour ahead of time with additional excursions. Visit our website for details and conditions.

**COMBINATION** Tour GC with RW2 on page 109; take advantage of the second tour discount (see page 23).



**EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO**  
ticket included for departures 0728 through 0818



**Lf LOCAL FAVOURITE** TAKE PART IN A WEDDING RE-ENACTMENT AT GRETNA GREEN, WHERE THE LOCAL BLACKSMITH WED RUNAWAY COUPLES IN THE 1700s.

### DAY 1 ARRIVE IN LONDON, ENGLAND.

Welcome to London! Uniformed Globus Hosts will be waiting to welcome you. After checking into your hotel and an afternoon at leisure, we recommend our optional Taste of London excursion with dinner, followed by a guided illumination cruise on the Thames River.

### DAY 2 LONDON-STONEHENGE-PLYMOUTH.

Meet your Tour Director and travelling companions, and depart London at 8 am. First, try to unravel the mystery of prehistoric STONEHENGE. Explore the visitor centre with its imaginative exhibitions, then take the shuttle to the stone circle and admire the magnificence of the monument up close. Continue on through Thomas Hardy's Wessex, and head to Plymouth, where you follow in the footsteps of Drake, Raleigh, and the Pilgrim Fathers with a **Lf** CRUISE on Plymouth Sound, one of the world's great natural harbours. You will also have time at the historic Barbican to see the Mayflower Steps. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner at your hotel. (B,D)

### DAY 3 PLYMOUTH. CORNWALL EXCURSION.

A day full of West Country sights as you head through *Poldark's* Cornwall. After viewing St. Michael's Mount, take photos at Land's End before exploring the popular seaside resort of St. Ives. Back in Plymouth, why not join an optional excursion into Dartmoor National Park for an evening of storytelling at a local pub? (B)



**DAY 4 PLYMOUTH–GLASTONBURY–BATH–CARDIFF, WALES.**

At Glastonbury, hear about its associations with *King Arthur*, and in elegant Bath, see the amazing excavations of the ROMAN BATHS, with time to explore further on your own. Stay the night in Cardiff, the Welsh capital. You might want to join an evening of Welsh entertainment and dinner tonight. (B)

**DAY 5 CARDIFF–BUILTH WELLS–CHESTER, ENGLAND–LIVERPOOL.**

Your journey through Wales takes you north along the Taff Valley and Brecon Beacons National Park, and via the ancient market town of Builth Wells to Chester. On your walking tour, see the Roman remains, the characteristic black and white half-timbered buildings, and the famous two-tiered arcades called the "Rows." Spend the night in Liverpool; you may wish to join an optional city tour this afternoon. (B)

**DAY 6 LIVERPOOL–GRASMERE–GRETNA GREEN, SCOTLAND–GLASGOW.**

Start the day with a visit to the award-winning BEATLES STORY, an atmospheric journey into the life, times, culture, and music of the "Fab Four." Later, focus on the tranquil Lake District, recently awarded UNESCO World Heritage status. Take a break in Wordsworth's beloved Grasmere and try original  GRASMERE GINGERBREAD. Then, head north for the Scottish border and stop at Gretna Green, where the blacksmith used to wed runaway couples, and take part in a  WEDDING RE-ENACTMENT. Overnight in Glasgow, Scotland's largest city. (B,D)

**DAY 7 GLASGOW–ISLE OF SKYE–INVERNESS.**

Follow the "Bonnie Banks" of Loch Lomond, then proceed via Rannoch Moor, Glen Coe, Fort William, and the "Road to the Isles". At Mallaig, board your FERRY for the crossing to the Isle of Skye, the largest island of the Inner Hebrides and famous for its dramatic landscapes. Return to the mainland and trace the shores of Loch Ness on the way to the Highland capital. (B,D)

**DAY 8 INVERNESS–CULLODEN–PITLOCHRY–ST. ANDREWS–EDINBURGH.**

Main features today: the battlefield of Culloden Moor; the Victorian mountain resort of Pitlochry; St. Andrews; and over the elegant Forth Road Bridge to Edinburgh. Tonight, an optional Scottish evening with Highland dancers, bagpipers, and the Ceremony of the Haggis. For departure numbers 0728 through 0818, tickets are included for tonight's performance of the world-renowned MILITARY TATTOO. (B)

**DAY 9 EDINBURGH.**

Morning city sightseeing with a Local Guide introduces you to the 200-year-old "New Town" and the famous scientists, inventors, and novelists who lived there. In the "Old Town", drive up the narrow Royal Mile to EDINBURGH CASTLE to admire Scotland's Crown Jewels, then explore HOLYROOD PALACE (when available). Later, a unique optional excursion: board the former *Royal Yacht Britannia*, once the perfect royal residence for glittering state visits and family holidays. Dinner rounds off this optional evening. (B)

**DAY 10 EDINBURGH–ALNWICK, ENGLAND–YORK.**

This morning at ALNWICK CASTLE, the choice is yours: visit the



CASTLE itself, the opulent ancestral home of the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland, featured in *Harry Potter* and *Downton Abbey*, or explore ALNWICK GARDEN, where the fountains and waterfalls are a breathtaking feature. Next, make your way to York, England's most complete medieval city. Here, stand in front of the great structure of the Minster, then follow your Tour Director through a maze of quaint streets, including the narrow Shambles. (B,D)

**DAY 11 YORK–STRATFORD-UPON-AVON–LONDON.**

On the last leg of your journey, stop at Stratford-upon-Avon to take pictures of Anne Hathaway's Cottage and visit SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHPLACE. On return to London at about 3:30 pm, a Shownight Theatre Evening would be an incredible finale to your holiday. (B)

**DAY 12 LONDON.**

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

**TOUR GC DATES & PRICES** 12 days from London to London

**PRICED FROM \$2,669<sup>us</sup>**

Departure Number	Start London	End London	Land Only	Departure Number	Start London	End London	Land Only	Departure Number	Start London	End London	Land Only	Departure Number	Start London	End London	Land Only	Departure Number	Start London	End London	Land Only
0324	Sat 24 Mar	Wed 04 Apr	2689	0519	Sat 19 May	Wed 30 May	2889	0630	Sat 30 Jun	Wed 11 Jul	2889	0811	Sat 11 Aug	Wed 22 Aug	3039	0922	Sat 22 Sep	Wed 03 Oct	2889
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Gratuities per person for Tour Director and Driver: \$90  
 Prices are per person, based on double room occupancy.  
 Single room supplement: \$688  
 No triple room reduction.

**Extra nights per person in London:**  
 in single room \$191-\$281  
 in twin \$109-\$152  
 in triple \$103-\$143