



WALES & THE LAKE DISTRICT

THE ENGLISH MANNER



MAY 26TH - JUNE 8TH 2018

Castle ruins, meandering medieval streets, and a magnificent Celtic heritage bring the beauty of Wales to life against a backdrop of rolling green hills and dramatic sea cliffs. Past and present coexist in this distinctive part of the world—the Romans mined for gold, the Tudors founded a dynasty, and the Normans built castles whose ancient remains are scattered along windy hilltops throughout the countryside. Along the way, Wales’ ancient Celtic heritage was memorialized in a stunning collection of literature and artwork.

Our stay in Cumbria takes in several literary locales—Wordsworth’s Dove Cottage and Beatrix Potter’s charming habitat—and will give you an indication of why Wordsworth and the other Lakeland poets (Coleridge, Southey, et al.) decided to make this area their home.

This program has been designed, by special request, by Alexandra Messervy, founder and president of The English Manner, and she will personally lead this tour to some of her favorite places. Alexandra was formerly a member of The Royal Household of Her Majesty The Queen and was part of the team who organized private family and state events such as the Royal Wedding. She latterly served as Private Secretary to a member of the Royal Family.

THE COST OF THIS ITINERARY, PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY IS:

LAND ONLY (NO AIRFARE INCLUDED): \$6290
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$1680

Airfares are available from many U.S. cities. Please call for details.

THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE INCLUDED:

- HOTELS:** 12 nights’ accommodation in first-class hotels including all hotel taxes and service charges
- COACHING:** All ground transportation as detailed in the itinerary
- MEALS:** Full breakfast daily, 1 afternoon tea, 10 dinners
- BAGGAGE:** Portorage of one large suitcase per person
- ENTRANCES:** Entrance fees to all sites included in the itinerary
- GUIDES:** Alexandra Messervy as guide throughout

Please note that travel insurance is not included on this tour.



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SATURDAY, MAY 26TH - Evening departure from your chosen US gateway city.

OVERNIGHT: PLANE

SUNDAY, MAY 27TH - Your morning arrival at London Heathrow will be met for the transfer to our nearby hotel. We will gather the group together here from various arrivals and, after time to unpack and rest up from the overnight flight, there will be a welcome reception. This will be followed by dinner at the hotel. **(D)**

OVERNIGHT: WINDSOR AREA

MONDAY, MAY 28TH - This morning we speed along the motorway and cross the Severn Bridge into the principality of Wales. We will spend the next 2 nights in Abergavenny. Known as the 'gateway to Wales' this pretty little town features some wonderful crafts, galleries and workshops, including the famous Alison Tod Couture Milliner. After settling into our hotel we have a private visit and afternoon tea at Castle Acre. Overlooking Grosmont Castle the gardens at Castle Acre are being lovingly restored by Sue Gill, a noted (now retired) garden designer. Dinner is included this evening at our hotel. **(B, D)**

OVERNIGHT: ABERGAVENNY

TUESDAY, MAY 29TH - Our excursion today takes us to the magnificent Tintern Abbey and the historic riverside town of Chepstow before we make our way to the historic town of Monmouth and a visit to the Castle, and the breathtaking views of Symonds Yat. We return to our hotel for dinner. **(B, D)**

OVERNIGHT: ABERGAVENNY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30TH - This morning we will drive to the black and white town of Ledbury, and a visit to Eastnor Castle, before we drive via the A49 to Craven Arms and Welshpool and on to Aberdovey and our accommodation at the family owned and much loved Trefiddian Hotel. Set in an unrivalled position overlooking the estuary waters and just beside a delightful little town full of interesting gift shops and cafes, this hotel has been much loved by Alexandra and her family and is full of old fashioned service charm. **(B, D)**

OVERNIGHT: ABERDOVEY

THURSDAY, MAY 31ST - This morning, after a leisurely breakfast, we will drive south towards the Mynach Falls and Devils Bridge. This afternoon we will have a special private garden visit. **(B, D)**

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FRIDAY, JUNE 1ST - A drive through North Wales and the Snowdonia National

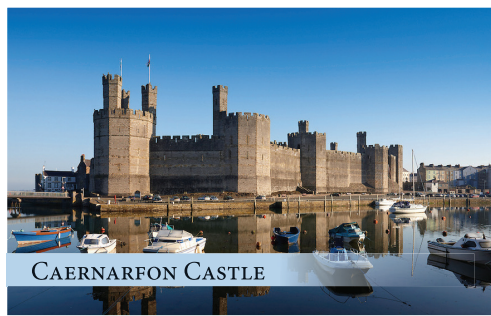
Park today, and a visit to Harlech Castle, perched high above the sea in front of a magnificent backdrop of peaked mountains Cader Idris and Mount Snowdon. From here we drive to the village of Portmeirion, designed in the 1920s by ceramic designer Sir Clough Williams-Ellis in an array of different architectural styles. Famous as the location for the TV series *The Prisoner* filmed here, it is also the inspiration for the iconic Portmeirion pottery, particularly *The Botanic Garden* design collected worldwide. From here we will drive to the much loved hotel of Bodysgallen Hall and famous National Trust garden. The hall is a Grade I listed 17th Century



house within 220 acres of parkland, with the most spectacular views towards Conwy Castle and Snowdonia. Award winning gardens, renowned food and comfort and a delightful spa awaits! Our route will take us through Betws y Coed, past the Swallow Falls, and through the Vale of Conwy to the estuary. **(B, D)**

OVERNIGHT: LLANDUDNO

SATURDAY, JUNE 2ND - A day on the mystical Isle of Anglesey, the Druid's sacred island. We will first visit the beautiful Grade I listed Gwydir Castle in the Conwy Valley. A 10-acre garden surrounds this fine example of a Tudor courtyard house, and the important 1640s dining room has now been reinstated in the House, following its repatriation from the New York Metropolitan Museum! Driving on past Penrhyn Castle, Bangor, overlooking the Menai Straits to Anglesey. We'll cross the famous suspension bridge designed by Thomas Telford in the 1820s and see the restored toll keeper's cottage which never closed, whatever the weather! We visit Plas Newydd, the



CAERNARFON CASTLE

ancestral home of the Marquess of Anglesey. Built on the side of the water straits, this is a truly lovely house and garden, and the whole island has a very special feel. HRH Prince William, the Duke of Cambridge, was stationed here for some time during his RAF pilot work, and has very fond

memories of the welcome he and his new bride received. We return to our hotel for a free evening. **(B)**

OVERNIGHT: LLANDUDNO

SUNDAY, JUNE 3RD - We begin the day with a visit to Conwy Castle, built by Edward I in the 13th century. We continue to historic Caernarfon Castle, where Her Majesty The Queen invested HRH The Prince of Wales in 1969. We will then drive up through the Llanberis Pass for perhaps the most spectacular views of Mount Snowdon. A free evening in Llandudno this evening. **(B)**

OVERNIGHT: LLANDUDNO

MONDAY, JUNE 4TH - Leaving Wales behind, we will this morning depart by coach to the Lake District. En route we will visit St Winifred's Well at Holywell. Our route into the Lakes will take a few hours and we will have a chance to stop at the renowned tearoom and café at Sizergh Castle and have a chance to visit the Castle and delightful gardens, with over 750 years of history. We will then drive on through the lower Lakes to our luxury accommodation at Holbeck Ghyll. Dinner together this evening after a chance to unpack. **(B, D)**

OVERNIGHT: LAKE DISTRICT

TUESDAY, JUNE 5TH - After a leisurely breakfast, we visit Dove Cottage, the home of the Wordsworths and Rydal Water, Grasmer, with a visit to Rydal Mount. On to Hawkshead and a stop for lunch (own arrangements) at the outstanding Inn: The Drunken Duck. Dinner at our hotel this evening. **(B, D)**

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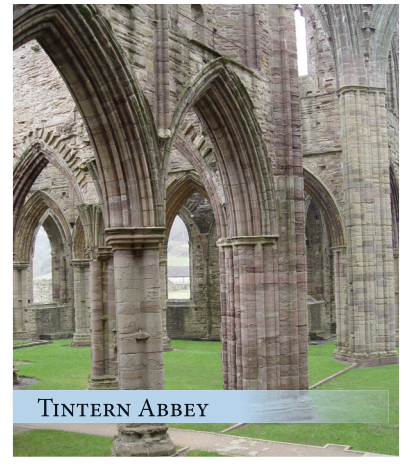
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6TH - Today, a visit to magnificent Holker

Hall, home of the Cavendish family (Chatsworth), a visit to Cartmel Priory and of course, a chance to find the Sticky Toffee Pudding shop! From here, back along Coniston Water and a visit to Brantwood, the home of John Ruskin. We return to our hotel for dinner. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: LAKE DISTRICT**

THURSDAY, JUNE 7th- This morning we will drive up the notoriously bleak but spectacular Kirkstone Pass and Glenridding, before we drive to Lake Ullswater and take a one-hour boat trip along the beautiful shores. From here we will drive to Bassenthwaite and Derwent Water, for a final look at the beautiful scenery of Cumbria before heading down the motorway to our hotel close by Manchester Airport. This evening we will enjoy a farewell dinner in the private dining room of our hotel. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: ALDERLEY EDGE**

FRIDAY, JUNE 8th- Morning transfers to Manchester Airport for returning flights to the U.S. or, alternatively to London to spend a few days in the capital. **(B) OVERNIGHT: HOME**

Key to included meals: B - breakfast, T - afternoon tea, D - dinner



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REGISTRATION FORM

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please type or print.
2. Make checks payable to DISCOVER EUROPE, LTD.
3. Be sure to read the Terms & Conditions and the Refund Policy contained on the reverse before signing.
4. Complete both sides of this form.
5. Detach the bottom section and return to Discover Europe with your deposit of \$500 per person if this has not already been paid. Keep the top section for your records.

DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS

1. Name(s). Please make sure that your name appears on this form exactly as it does on your passport. Include your "Known As" or preferred name.
2. Passport Details. Having your passport details ahead of time enables Discover Europe to speed the check-in process at hotels and helps in the event of lost or stolen documents.
3. Address. If you have a different address, please let us have the details, including dates that you are there, on a separate sheet.
4. Dietary Requirements. Please let us know if you require any special meals both for the hotels and the airlines.
5. Health Information. It is very valuable for us to know ahead of time if you require any special assistance. Discover Europe tours are always paced for comfort, but inevitably there is also a certain amount of walking involved. Participants should have sufficient stamina to keep pace with the tour group and not cause delays. Please consult with your physician if have any questions regarding your ability to participate fully.

TRIP DETAILS

Please fill in the name of the trip you wish to register for, the departure date and your departure airport (city).

EMERGENCY CONTACT

This information is essential.

INDEPENDENT FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

1. If transatlantic flights are not already included as part of your tour package, Discover Europe will be very happy to book these for you. The fee for this service is \$40 per ticket.
2. If you are arranging your own flights, please provide your complete flight information, giving the following: dates of travel, airline(s), flight numbers, departure and arrival airports and departure and arrival times for all flight segments that you have booked. Transportation to and from the hotel for arrival and departure arrangements that are separate from the group can be made at an additional cost.

ROOMING REQUIREMENTS

Please tick the appropriate boxes.

1. If you are sharing a room, please let us know with whom. If you would like to share a room but do not have a roommate, we will be happy to try and match you up but unfortunately cannot guarantee that this will be possible. If no match is available, the single supplement will apply.
2. A twin room has two separate single beds in it. A double room has one large bed. Please let us know your preference.



PASSENGER DETAILS FOR WALES & THE LAKE DISTRICT (0526/ALW)

Passport Name: _____

1. _____
 Title First Middle Last

2. _____
 Title First Middle Last

Known As: 1. _____ 2. _____

Passport 1#: _____ Exp.Date: _____ DOB: _____

Passport 2#: _____ Exp.Date: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Preferred Telephone: (____) _____ work/cell/home
circle one

Secondary Telephone: (____) _____ work/cell/home
circle one

Special Dietary Requirements: _____

Health Information: _____

Other Comments or Notes: _____

Trip Details

Departure Date: _____ Return Date: _____

Departure Airport or City: _____

I would like to extend my trip to: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:
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TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Please be sure to complete both sides of this form.
2. Space on this journey is limited and registrations are accepted strictly on a first come, first served basis.
3. Registration and payment imply acceptance of the terms and conditions described herein. This information, as well as your itinerary description regarding dates, inclusions and prices, form the basis of your individual contract with Discover Europe, Ltd.
4. Registration and payment waive and release Discover Europe, Ltd. and The English Manner, their affiliates, directors, officers, employees, including any person or entity employed or utilized by them, from all claims arising from any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay or expense resulting from events beyond their control, including, without limitation: natural disasters, war, strikes, incidents of politically-motivated violence, sickness or quarantine, government restrictions or regulations, and in the absence of its own gross negligence, arising from the use of any vehicle or from any act of omission by any bus or car rental agency, airline, taxi or tour service, hotel, restaurant, or other firm, agency, company or individual.
5. Discover Europe, Ltd. reserves the right to substitute hotels, airlines, activities or excursions in response to changes in availability, local events or weather conditions, provided such substitutions do not adversely affect the overall quality of the tour. Such substitutions do not constitute grounds for withdrawal with full refund.
6. Conduct During the Tour: You are also responsible for respecting the authority and following the directions of the tour guide and the laws of the countries in your itinerary. We may exclude you from participating in all or any part of the tour if, in our sole discretion, your condition or behavior renders you unfit for the tour or unfit for continuation once the tour has begun. Unfitness may include, without limitation, any behavior that, regardless of its cause, is inappropriate or offensive or interferes with the delivery of tour services, or may constitute a hazard or embarrassment. In such case, our liability shall be strictly limited to refund of the recoverable cost of any unused portion of the tour. Should you decide not to participate in certain parts of the tour or use certain goods included in the tour, no refunds will be made for those unused parts of the tour or goods.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

1. A deposit of \$500 must accompany this completed form (if it has not already been paid).
2. The remaining balance will be billed and payable 90 days prior to trip departure.

TOUR COST ADJUSTMENTS

Discover Europe makes every effort to guarantee that the published cost of your chosen tour will not change. However, we do reserve the right to make adjustments in the following circumstances:

1. Exchange rates. Should the value of the dollar fall against the currency of the countries visited on your tour by more than 10% in the 6 months

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Telephone: (____) _____

FLIGHT INFORMATION
(Please check one)

Do you want Discover Europe to book your flights : Yes No

Flight details (if self-arranged): _____

2. Group size. Discover Europe tours are generally based on a group size between 5 and 15 participants, custom-designed or sponsored tours sizes can vary (see your trip organizer for details). Should we end up with fewer than the minimum number, you will be given the option of cancelling with full refund, paying a surcharge to keep the tour as is, or making adjustments to the tour in order to keep the cost the same.
3. Airfares. If your tour includes airfare, Discover Europe reserves the right to pass along increases in costs (taxes, airport fees, fuel surcharges, etc.) that are charged by the airline involved.

REFUND POLICY

1. Participants who withdraw more than 90 days prior to tour departure will receive a refund of all monies received by Discover Europe, Ltd., less a \$200 cancellation penalty per person.
2. Participants who withdraw fewer than 90 days prior to tour departure will receive a refund of all monies received by Discover Europe, Ltd., less the following cancellation penalties:
 - 90-61 days prior to departure: \$1000 per person
 - 60 - 31 days prior to departure: \$2000 per person
 - Fewer than 30 days prior to departure: no refund
3. Please note that the final payment becomes due upon receipt of the final invoice and will remain payable, as per the above schedule, if your cancellation is received after this.
4. These cancellation penalty amounts do not include any airfares purchased on your behalf by Discover Europe Ltd. Note that the least expensive airfares are usually non-refundable. Refunds for airline tickets will be handled separately from the refund of the land tour package.
5. Trip cancellation insurance is *not* included in your Discover Europe tour package. Discover Europe, Ltd., strongly advises that you purchase travel insurance for your upcoming trip. Information describing the services of a recommended travel insurance company will be made available to you upon registration.
6. All cancellation requests must be received in writing.
7. There is no provision for refund for any activities missed due to the participant's absence once the tour has started.
8. Your place on this tour is not transferrable.

INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS

1. All inclusions are listed on the day-by-day itinerary and registration form.
2. The following are not included (unless specifically mentioned in the itinerary): travel insurance, transportation to and from the participant's home to their chosen departure airport, passport fees, excess baggage charges, tips to couriers and tour bus drivers, items of a personal nature.



ROOMING REQUIREMENTS

(Please check one)

I would like a single room (see itinerary for supplement)

I will be sharing with: _____

We would like a double twin-bedded room

PERMISSIONS

Discover Europe may use any photographs taken during the tour in promotional materials. Yes No

Discover Europe may include my e-mail address on the tour passenger list. Yes No

SIGNATURES

I have read and agree to the attached Terms & Conditions and understand that travel insurance is not included in the trip.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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