



Sunday, June 27th Evening departure from Chicago, O'Hare airport aboard your direct overnight flight to London. **Overnight: Plane**

Monday, June 28th On arrival at London's Heathrow airport, we will be met by our courier and board the bus for the drive to Cambridge. We'll arrive at our hotel at around lunchtime and be able to check straight in to our rooms. There will be an afternoon orientation meeting and then there will be time to relax, take a stroll and get to know the neighborhood. This evening we will have a welcome dinner party at the hotel. **(D)** **Overnight: Cambridge**

Tuesday, June 29th This morning we will meet our local guide for a walking tour of the ancient university city of Cambridge, beginning with King's College Chapel. Cambridge was a center for the Reformation movement and Bishops Cranmer, Latimer and Ridley, martyred in Oxford by Mary I, were all educated here. After free time for lunch we'll meet with Professor David Thompson and the URC Historical Society. The evening is free. **(B)** **Overnight: Cambridge**

Wednesday, June 30th This morning we drive north to nearby Ely, and visit to its remarkable cathedral. Its octagonal tower, built in 1322 to replace the collapsed central tower, is truly exquisite and unique in England. There will be free time to explore the town, little changed since medieval times. Oliver Cromwell's House is open to the public; he lived here for ten years as a tithe collector. We return to Cambridge for a free afternoon; perhaps hire a punt on the River Cam and enjoy a quintessential Cambridge tradition. For those who are interested, there will be an afternoon excursion to Duxford and the American Air Museum, which houses 150 historic WWII aircraft. We reconvene at the hotel and walk to a nearby pub for a traditional pub supper. **(B, pub D)** **Overnight: Cambridge**

Thursday, July 1st Turning north today, we'll stop for a coffee break in the handsome town of Stamford, which was used in the TV adaptation of George Eliot's *Middlemarch*. We continue to Boston, a center for Nonconformism and the departure point for many Puritans on their way to New England. We'll visit the Guildhall (scheduled to reopen in the summer of 2004), where some of the Pilgrim Fathers were held after their failed attempt to leave England for Holland. We'll also visit the church of St Botolph. John Cotton was vicar here in 1612 and later a leader of the Boston Puritans. We'll detour slightly out of Boston to the village of Fishtoft where a memorial has been erected at the spot where the ship bound for Holland was stopped. We continue north across the wide expanse of the fenlands arriving in the city of Lincoln in time to visit its magnificent cathedral with its fantastic decorative frieze carvings. Dinner at our hotel in Lincoln this evening. **(B, D)** **Overnight: Lincoln**

Friday, July 2nd An excursion to the "Pilgrim Villages" today. We'll begin in the tiny village of Sturton le Steeple where John Robinson, pastor of the Pilgrim Fathers in Leiden, was born. We continue to the old river-port of Gainsborough; its Congregational church commemorates John Robinson. Gainsborough Old Hall was built in the 1460s; nonconformist services were held here and certainly Pilgrims would have worshipped here, as explained in the short exhibition dedicated to the Mayflower Pilgrims. Just north of Gainsborough lies the village of Epworth; John and Charles Wesley were born here in the Old Rectory. We continue to the village of Austerfield where William Bradford was born; its Norman church contains the baptismal font where Bradford was baptised and the Mayflower window. We'll break our day's pilgrimage with lunch in the Bawtry pub before continuing to Scrooby where William Brewster was postmaster. Our final visit is to Babworth where Richard Clyfton was rector before moving to Scrooby and onwards to the Netherlands with the Pilgrim Fathers. We return to Lincoln in time to visit Lincoln Castle, which houses one of the four surviving copies of the Magna Carta. The evening is free to try a local restaurant for dinner. **(B, pub L)** **Overnight: Lincoln**

Saturday, July 3rd Leaving Lincoln we head north across the magnificent Humber suspension bridge to the city of York. After time for lunch, a walking tour introduces this beautifully maintained medieval city. We'll visit York Minster, Britain's largest Gothic building containing the finest medieval stained-glass windows in the country, and have free time to visit the Jorvik Viking Centre, a reconstruction of the original Viking settlement, or the National Railway Museum before we drive the short distance to Bradford and meet with our host families. **(B)** **Overnight: Bradford**



Cambridge - The "Backs"

Sunday, July 4th Morning service this morning with our hosts. This afternoon there will be an excursion up into the nearby Yorkshire Moors. Our first stop will be the town of Saltaire, named after Sir Titus Salt who built a model industrial settlement here in 1853, before we continue on to the Bronte Parsonage in the village of Haworth. This evening we spend with our host families in Bradford. **Overnight: Bradford**

Monday, July 5th Our one long drive of the tour occurs today - we head south on the motorway down to Bath. We'll break our journey as we need to along the way and stop for lunch near Birmingham. We'll leave the motorway and take the pretty route this afternoon, through the Cotswold Hills. This is quintessential picture-book England where the villages of thatched-roof cottages nestle in the valleys of the rolling green hills. We'll arrive at our hotel in central Bath with plenty of time to relax and take a stroll around the neighborhood before dinner. **(D)** **Overnight: Bath**

Tuesday, July 6th This morning a walking tour introduces the historic city of Bath. Our first stop will be Bath Abbey, the last of the great English pre-Reformation churches, built in a pleasantly consistent late-perpendicular style. From the Abbey we walk across the piazza to the Roman Baths. These are some of the most extensive and best-preserved Roman remains in the country and the whole underground complex makes a fascinating visit. The afternoon and evening are free to explore the many attractions that Bath has to offer. **(B)** **Overnight: Bath**

Wednesday, July 7th Our first stop this morning, just outside Bath, is the little village of Bradford-on-Avon where we visit what is perhaps the best Saxon church surviving in the country. Parts of the church date from 705 AD! We then travel east towards the capital. We stop in the town of Windsor for lunch and a visit to Windsor Castle, the official residence of the royal family and the longest continuously-inhabited royal residence in the world. It is a short drive from here into central London and our hotel. Dinner at the hotel this evening. **(B, D)** **Overnight: London**

Thursday, July 8th The day begins with a sightseeing tour of London. We'll start in the City of Westminster with a visit to Westminster Abbey and then drive by many of London's major monuments. Heading east into the City of London, we'll lunch at the historic Mayflower Pub before we take a guided tour of St. Paul's Cathedral. The rest of the afternoon and evening are free to make your own plans; spend an evening at the theatre or perhaps try one of London's great restaurants or a quiet pint in the neighborhood pub. **(B, pub L)** **Overnight: London**



The Cotswold Hills

Friday, July 9th A completely free day to explore London - as Dr. Samuel Johnson said: "the man who is tired of London is tired of life, for in London there is all that life can afford." Alternatively your courier can arrange a day trip to Canterbury by train for those interested. We all gather again this evening for a farewell dinner at the hotel. **(B, D)** **Overnight: London**

Saturday, July 10th Morning transfer to Heathrow airport for the return flight to Chicago. **(B)** **Overnight: Home**

Key to included meals: **B** = Breakfast, **L** = Lunch, **D** = Dinner



The Dome of St. Pauls

Registration Form

1. Passenger Details:

Passenger Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

e-mail: _____

Passport Number: _____

Place of Issue: _____

Date(s) of Birth: _____ / _____

Special Dietary Requirements: _____

Health Information: _____

2. Trip Details:

Itinerary Name: **Pilgrims & Puritans**

Departure Date: **June 27th, 2004**

Departure Airport or City: **Chicago**

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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 before signing.
4. Complete both sides of the form above.
5. Detach the form above and return it to Discover Europe, P. O. Box 435, Dublin, NH 03444 with your registration payment of \$500 per person. Keep this section for your records.

DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Passenger Details:

- i). Name(s). Please make sure that your name appears on this form exactly as it does on your passport.
- ii). Address. If you have a different summer address, please give the details, including dates that you are there, on a separate sheet.
- iii). 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.
- iv). Dietary Requirements. Please let us know if you require any special meals both for the hotels and the airlines.
- v). 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.

2. Trip Details:

This section should be largely completed by Discover Europe. Please make any necessary changes.

3. Emergency Contact:

If you are an American citizen and Discover Europe is arranging your air transportation, we are required to provide the airline with an emergency contact. It has also proved very useful in the past for us to have this information.

4. Flight Information:

If you are arranging your own flights to join the tour, it is essential that Discover Europe has your complete flight information. Please make sure you give us 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.

5. Rooming Requirements:

Please tick the appropriate boxes. We will book non-smoking rooms (where available) unless otherwise requested.

- i). 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.
- ii). A twin room has two separate single beds in it. A double room has one large bed. Please let us know your preference.

3. Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Telephone: (_____) _____

Work Telephone: (_____) _____

4. Flight Information (if self-arranged):

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

1. Space on this tour is limited. Your deposit will be returned if your registration cannot be accepted for any reason.
2. 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.
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4. 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.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

1. A deposit of \$500 must accompany the completed form.
2. The remaining balance will be billed and payable 60 days prior to trip departure.

REFUND POLICY:

1. Participants who withdraw more than 60 days prior to tour departure will receive a refund of all monies received by Discover Europe, Ltd., less a \$100 cancellation penalty.
2. Participants who withdraw less than 60 days and more than 30 days prior to tour departure will receive a refund of all monies received by Discover Europe, Ltd., less a \$500 cancellation penalty.
3. Participants who withdraw less than 30 days prior to tour departure will receive a refund of all monies received by Discover Europe, Ltd., less a \$1,000 cancellation penalty.
4. Comprehensive travel insurance, including cancellation coverage, is included in your tour package. Cancellation for legitimate covered reasons will result in a complete refund of all monies paid to Discover Europe, Ltd.
5. All cancellation requests must be received in writing.
6. There is no provision for refund for any activities missed due to the participant's absence once the tour has started.

INCLUSIONS:

1. All inclusions on a particular Discover Europe tour are listed on the day-by-day itinerary.
2. The following are not included (unless specifically mentioned in the itinerary): passport fees, excess baggage charges, tips to couriers and tour bus drivers, items of a personal nature.

5. Rooming Requirements:

I will be sharing with: _____

We would like a double ___ twin ___ bedded room

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

6. Signatures:

I have read and agree to the attached Terms & Conditions:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

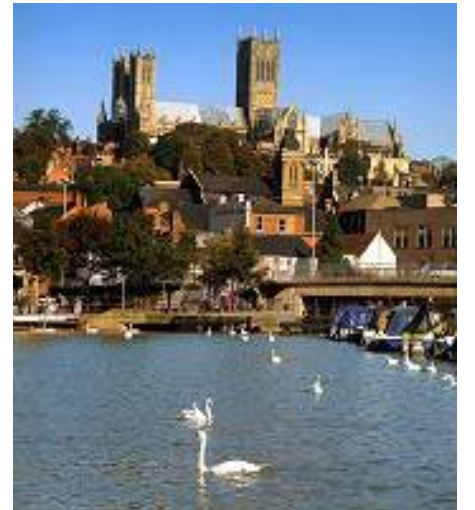
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Pilgrims & Puritans

**A Tour of England Designed for
St. Charles Congregational UCC**

June 27 - July 10, 2004

The history of the search for religious freedom is a long and noble one, and St. Charles Congregational United Church of Christ sets out to trace a portion of it on this pilgrimage to the Old World. We will visit sites of historical and religious significance in the Pilgrims' beloved homeland, its landscape almost unchanged from the time our forefathers bid farewell to it so many hundreds of years ago in their quest for religious tolerance.



Lincoln Cathedral

Our pilgrimage into the heart of nonconformist history takes us to Cambridge, the intellectual center of the reform movement. We meet with the local URC History Society and take a walking tour that introduces the glorious colleges. An excursion to Ely rounds off our time in East Anglia and give us a chance to enjoy the wide open spaces of this quiet corner of England.

We turn further north to Lincoln and visits to Boston and the "Pilgrim Villages." These are the tiny hamlets which the Pilgrims would have called home and where nonconformist worship would have been held in secret. We also visit magnificent Lincoln Cathedral and Lincoln Castle where you can view one of the original copies of the Magna Carta.

Then to York, medieval jewel of the North. A homestay with a local family in nearby Bradford will make you feel truly welcome and part of the rich fabric of life in England. Turning back to the south we spend two nights in the beautiful city of Bath, virtually untouched since the graceful Georgian terraces were first built.

We end in London; this bustling, modern world capital is a far cry from the city the Pilgrims might have known. We tour some of London's most prominent historic buildings including Westminster Abbey and St Paul's Cathedral and have one completely free day there for you to explore your own interests.

St. Charles UCC will be accompanied throughout the tour by Discover Europe's own courier who holds a special interest in the history of Non-Conformism and a passion for all that is England. This June, as the summer sun begins to warm the meadows and fields of England, join St. Charles and Discover Europe on the pilgrimage of a lifetime.



Bath - the Pulteney St. Bridge

The cost of this itinerary is **\$2790** per person, double occupancy (single supplement: \$460)
This includes the following:

- Airfare:** Round trip air from Chicago to London
All customs fees and airport taxes included
- Hotels:** 10 nights accommodation in first class hotels (see below)
All hotel taxes and service charges included
- Coaching:** All transportation by luxury private motorcoach as detailed in the itinerary
- Couriers:** Fully-qualified Discover Europe courier throughout
- Meals:** Full English breakfast, 2 pub lunches (2 courses, set menu), 6 table d'hote dinners and 1 pub supper (3 courses, set menu)
- Guides:** Local guides in Cambridge and London
- Expenses:** Portorage of one large suitcase per person
- Entrances:** Entrance fees to all sites included in the itinerary
- Insurance:** Complete travel insurance inc. cancellation coverage

This itinerary is based upon using the following hotels, although Discover Europe reserves the right to substitute properties of an equivalent or superior standard should these prove unavailable at the time of booking.

Cambridge	The Royal Cambridge	Bath	The Abbey Hotel
Lincoln	The White Hart	London	Jury's Gt. Russell St.
Bradford	Homestay		