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British Isles Tour

3 Week Conducted tour

For **\$8,395** per person twin share
This price includes Airport Taxes & Levies

This price includes all of the following:

- Return air fares from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane to London with Singapore Airlines.
- An 18 day tour of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, including three nights in London.
- A 2 night stopover in Singapore.
- Good accommodation, mainly 3 to 4 star, with two night stays in London, Killarney, Dublin and Edinburgh.
- Many meals.
- All transport and transfers.
- Prepaid gratuities to the main tour guides and drivers.
- Services of local tour guides and an Australian tour escort.



For anyone requiring a single room there will be an extra cost of \$1,475.

Highlights include Stonehenge in England, the Ring of Kerry and Cliffs of Moher in Ireland, the Scottish Highlands and impressive Edinburgh Castle.



Tour departs Australia 6th June and returns 26th June 2024

We try harder to find you the best travel deal

Itinerary for British Isles Tour

Included meals are indicated as B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

06.06.24 Sydney/Melbourne/Brisbane – Singapore

Depart Melbourne at 9.35am on SQ 238, arriving in Singapore at 3.25pm.

Depart Brisbane at 9.20am on SQ 256, arriving in Singapore at 3.30pm.

Depart Sydney at 11.00am on SQ 232, arriving in Singapore at 5.30pm.

Upon arrival we are met and transferred to our hotel for a two night stay.

Accommodation: Rendezvous Hotel or similar

07.06.24 Singapore

(B)

This morning we have a half day city tour. We begin at Kampong Glam, an area where modernity meets tradition. This district has a tradition that dates back to Singapore's colonial era, where the Malay, Arab and Bugis communities resided. We pass the Singapore Cricket Club, historic Parliament House and the National Gallery of Singapore. The gallery consists of the former Supreme Court Building and the City Hall. Next we stop at the Merlion Park to enjoy the impressive views of Marina Bay. We visit Thian Hock Keng Temple, one of Singapore's oldest Buddhist-Taoist temples, before driving past Chinatown. Our last stop is the Singapore Botanic Gardens, Singapore's first UNESCO World Heritage Site. We walk through the National Orchid Garden, which boasts a sprawling display of 60,000 orchids. Following the tour we are returned to the hotel, with the remainder of the afternoon at leisure.

Accommodation: Rendezvous Hotel or similar

08.06.24 Singapore - London

We have an early morning transfer to the airport for our flight to London.

Depart Singapore at 9.00am on SQ 308, arriving in London (Heathrow Airport) at 3.40pm. We are transferred to the hotel for a two night stay.

Accommodation: Novotel London West or similar

09.06.24 London

(B)

Today is at leisure in London, or you can join choose from a number of optional activities. You may choose to join a local guide for an optional morning sightseeing tour of the city's famous landmarks; the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Whitehall's mounted horseguards and the Prime Minister's Downing Street residence, Piccadilly Circus and Buckingham Palace. Later, maybe visit Windsor Castle or the Tower of London with its spectacular Crown Jewels.

Accommodation: Novotel London West or similar

10.06.24 London – Stonehenge – Widcombe - Plymouth

(B/D)

This morning we meet our Tour Director and depart at 8am for the West Country. Cross the chalky terrain of Wiltshire and visit Stonehenge, one of England's most intriguing mysteries. Explore the visitor centre with its imaginative exhibitions, then admire the magnificence of the monument from up close. In the heart of Dartmoor National Park, ghostly setting for Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's The Hound of the Baskervilles, visit quaint Widcombe-in-the-Moor. Later, in Plymouth, we

hear about Sir Francis Drake and see the Mayflower Steps, where the Pilgrim Fathers embarked in 1620. Dinner this evening is included.

Accommodation: Jurys Inn Plymouth or similar

11.06.24 Plymouth – Glastonbury – Bath – Cardiff, Wales

(B)

Via Glastonbury and its legends of King Arthur to the elegant city of Bath, famed for its amazing Roman relics and Georgian buildings. We cross the spectacular Severn Bridge into Wales and head for the capital, Cardiff. We have an orientation drive to introduce us to all the major attractions; Cardiff Castle, Cathays Park, Millennium Stadium and the stately civic buildings.

Accommodation: Mercure Cardiff North or similar

12.06.24 Cardiff – Tenby – Tramore, Ireland

(B/D)

Enjoy vistas of rich dairy farmland this morning on the way to the pretty seaside resort of Tenby. Then we travel to Pembroke, which is the departure point for the ferry across St. George's Channel to Ireland. We arrive at Rosslare in just under four hours. We have a two night stay at our hotel. Dinner this evening is included.

Accommodation: Majestic Hotel Tramore Bay or similar

13.06.24 Tramore – Blarney - Killarney

(B)

Today we discover why Ireland is called the 'Emerald Isle.' We drive along the southern coast, passing Cork, the country's second-largest city. We stop in Blarney, famous for its Stone of Eloquence, with time to see the castle and shop for Irish crafts and handmade crystal. Following this we continue to the popular resort of Killarney.

Accommodation: Killarney Court Hotel or similar

14.06.24 Killarney, Ring of Kerry Excursion

(B)

At Killorglin we join the road known as the Ring of Kerry for a 100 mile coastal panoramic drive featuring sparkling seascapes, mountains dotted with brightly painted farmhouses, winding lanes bordered with subtropical vegetation and spectacular views of the Lakes of Killarney from Ladies View. Following this we return to our hotel in Killarney.

Accommodation: Killarney Court Hotel or similar

15.06.24 Killarney – Dingle Peninsula – Adare – Limerick

(B)

Breathtaking scenery this morning on the Dingle Peninsula, where the 32 mile Slea Head drive affords magnificent vistas of the Atlantic Ocean. See the Blasket Islands and hear about the way of life and unique literary achievements of its inhabitants prior to their evacuation in 1953. Then we travel to Limerick, via Adare, a village known for its prize-winning thatched cottages.

Tonight, consider joining an optional medieval banquet at a historic castle.

Accommodation: Limerick City Hotel or similar

16.06.24 Limerick – Cliffs of Moher – Galway - Dublin

(B)

Take a scenic route this morning via the Cliffs of Moher and The Burren on the way to the port city of Galway, a popular seaside destination and a buzzing cosmopolitan district with vibrant shops and a busy cafe and bar culture. We

continue across the mighty Shannon before arriving in Dublin for a two night stay.
Accommodation: The Bonnington Dublin Hotel or similar

17.06.24 Dublin

(B) A day in the 'Fair City' starts with an orientation drive through Eire's capital, including statue-lined O'Connell Street, elegant Georgian squares, and St. Patrick's Cathedral. The afternoon is at leisure to relax or further enjoy the city. Perhaps try an Irish Guinness in a local pub.

Accommodation: The Bonnington Dublin Hotel or similar

18.06.24 Dublin – Caernarfon, Wales – Liverpool, England

(B) We take the ferry across the Irish Sea to Holyhead on the Welsh Isle of Anglesey with its tongue-twisting names. Explore North Wales on the way to Caernarfon where the castle saw the investiture of Charles as Prince of Wales. Overnight in Liverpool, of Beatles fame and once the departure port of the great transatlantic liners.

Accommodation: Jurys Inn Liverpool or similar

19.06.24 Liverpool – Lake District – Gretna Green, Scotland - Glasgow

(B/D) We drive into the tranquil Lake District, often considered to be the finest of England's national parks and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Then we visit Gretna Green, where the blacksmith used to wed runaway couples. We travel through the history-steeped Lowland Hills to Glasgow, Scotland's largest city. Dinner this evening is included.

Accommodation: Leonardo Inn Glasgow West End or similar

20.06.24 Glasgow – Fort William – Inverness – Culloden Moor – Highlands

(B/D) Skirt the 'Bonnie Banks' of Loch Lomond and head through wild Rannoch Moor into the Highlands. We pass through Glen Coe, where the MacDonald Clan was massacred in 1692, to Fort William beneath Ben Nevis. Then, the Great Glen for vistas of the Caledonian Canal, Loch Lochy, and Loch Oich. We follow the banks of Loch Ness, home of the timid and timeless Nessie. We continue via Inverness, the Highland capital. On the way to tonight's destination we stop at the battlefield of Culloden Moor with its memories of Bonnie Prince Charlie.

Dinner this evening is included.

Accommodation: Aviemore Inn MacDonald Aviemore Highland or similar

21.06.24 Highlands – Pitlochry – St. Andrews – Edinburgh

(B) This morning we drive through more spectacular Highland scenery for a stop in the pretty Victorian mountain resort of Pitlochry. Then we travel via Perth and Dundee before crossing the Tay Bridge to St. Andrews, whose Royal and Ancient Golf Club, founded in 1754, has given us the rules of golfing. We continue through Fife and over the mighty Forth Road Bridge to spend the next two nights in Edinburgh. A suggestion for this evening: enjoy a traditional Scottish night out, with Highland dancers, bagpipers, and, of course, the Ceremony of the Haggis.

Accommodation: Novotel Edinburgh Park or similar

22.06.24 **Edinburgh**
(B) A full day to enjoy the Scottish capital. Our morning sightseeing tour with a local guide will introduce us to the 200-year-old 'New Town,' home to famous scientists, inventors, and novelists. In the 'Old Town,' we visit Edinburgh Castle to admire Scotland's Crown Jewels.
Accommodation: Novotel Edinburgh Park or similar

23.06.24 **Edinburgh – Jedburgh – York, England – Leeds**
(B) At Jedburgh we see the abbey ruins before heading towards the Cheviot Hills and the English border. We travel through wild Northumberland National Park. On the way we see a section of Hadrian's Wall, the Roman coast-to-coast defense against marauding northern tribes. In York, England's most complete medieval city, stand in awe in front of the great structure of York Minster, then follow your tour director through a maze of quaint streets, including the narrow Shambles. Overnight is in Leeds.
Accommodation: Holiday Inn Leeds Wakefield or similar

24.06.24 **Leeds – Stratford–Upon–Avon – London**
(B) In Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon, take photos of Anne Hathaway's Cottage and explore the town at your own pace. We return to London about 4pm. The evening is free to take in the sights and sounds of this bustling city.
Accommodation: Novotel London West or similar

25.06.24 **London - Singapore**
(B) After breakfast this morning we are transferred to the airport for our flights home. All passengers depart London at 11.25am on flight SQ 317, arriving in Singapore at 7.30am the next morning (26.06.24).

26.06.24 **Singapore – Australia**
Sydney passengers depart Singapore at 9.35am on flight SQ 211, arriving in Sydney at 7.15pm.
Brisbane passengers depart Singapore at 9.55am on flight SQ 245, arriving in Brisbane at 7.30pm.
Melbourne passengers depart Singapore at 11.10am on flight SQ 217, arriving in Melbourne at 8.35pm.

Note: The ground operator while in Europe for this tour is Cosmos

Tour Difficulty Ratings & Advice

To ensure that you select the right tour for you, Macleay Valley Travel has provided a clear set of tour difficulty and fitness recommendations for our tours. The ratings, from 1, being the easiest, to 5 the most strenuous, will give you a good idea of what is reasonably required for you to be able to participate on each tour. Most tours require a moderate to good level of fitness, however there are others that are quite challenging. For your enjoyment of the tour, and also the enjoyment of your fellow travellers, please consider whether or not the suggested difficulty level for the tour you are interested in is compatible with your health and fitness.

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Tour Difficulty Level 3

This tour rating typically involves a good level of physical activity, such as ascending stairs, getting into a bathtub shower, being responsible for your own luggage at airports and hotels, walking distances of up to 500 metres at a time over possible uneven ground and/or cobblestone streets. Walking tours of considerable distances should be expected on tours with this rating as well as some early departures. This tour involves considerable time spent on the coach and contains long touring days.



Conditions for Macleay Valley Travel's British Isles Tour

Deposits and Payments - A non-refundable deposit of \$400 per person is payable within 7 days of booking. This deposit is not refundable should you later cancel. The balance is payable in full 10 weeks prior to departure. Macleay Valley Travel has to adhere to strict payment deadlines and your booking on the tour may be cancelled if final payment is not received by the due date, with no refund applicable.

Refunds and Cancellations - Cancellations after final payment will result in a refund limited to whatever we can recoup from the airline. Any refund for a cancelled booking will not be paid until the airline(s) have provided said refund.

Limitation of Liability concerning Covid-19 - It is possible that there may be outbreak(s) of Covid-19 during this tour. Macleay Valley Travel cannot be held responsible for any quarantines or other associated costs brought about by quarantines, border closures and/or travel delays. You are aware that Covid-19 is a highly contagious and potentially dangerous disease that may result in significant illness and even death. You acknowledge that you are voluntarily participating in the tour with knowledge of the inherent risks of Covid-19, and you agree to assume all risks.

Insurance - Adequate travel insurance that includes medical coverage for Covid-19 is required. Please contact your preferred travel insurance provider. The responsibility to obtain adequate travel insurance rests with the passenger. Proof of your travel insurance is required to be presented to us on or before the final payment date of the tour.

Airline Tickets - Please note that any changes made to airline tickets once they have been issued will likely incur high cancellation and/or reissue fees. These fees are typically set by the airline and are outside of our control.

Passports - All travellers require a current passport with at least 6 months left on it at the end of the tour. Non-Australian passport holders require a re-entry visa for Australia. Australian citizens travelling to Europe will require an ETIAS (European Travel Information and Authorisation System) for stays of up to 90 days. The expected cost for this is 7 Euros per person.

Basic Tour Price and Taxes - Air taxes and fuel levies are included in the basic tour price if the tour is paid in full on or before the due date on the final invoice. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to charge for any increase in air taxes and fuel levies if the tour is not paid in full by the due date.

Not Included in the Cost - All items of a personal nature such as telephone calls, drinks, excess baggage, tips, meals, (except those specified in the itinerary), etc. Also travel insurance and departure taxes. Similarly, credit card payments (Visa/MasterCard) can only be accepted if 1.2% is added to the price to help defray the heavy merchant fees charged to us by the credit card companies. There is a 2% surcharge for payments made using American Express.

Ground Operator - Our primary operator for this tour is Cosmos. They will be in touch closer to the departure date to obtain your acceptance to their own terms and conditions. These conditions must be accepted to participate on the tour, and are in addition to Macleay Valley Travel's terms and conditions.

Breakaway - All prices are based on group travel and a minimal number of post tour extensions may be permitted. Please contact our office for information and prices, subject to availability.

Accreditation - Macleay Valley Travel is a fully accredited travel agency under the AFTA (Australian Federation of Travel Agents) ATAS - AFTA Travel Accreditation Scheme. As such, you are assured of a consumer focused and quality assured business, ensuring professional conduct and ethical business practices.

Health and Fitness - Macleay Valley Travel recommends that the passenger is reasonably healthy and/or fit to participate in this tour. Persons with a disability requiring special assistance must be accompanied by a companion. Macleay Valley Travel and their representatives cannot provide this service. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to accept/decline or terminate a passenger's participation in the tour under certain circumstances. It is strongly recommended that you are fully vaccinated against Covid-19, but this is not mandatory. Passengers must comply with any specific Covid-19 requirements that may be imposed by airlines and/or authorities of the destinations visited.

Twin Share Bookings - We will try and assign you with another traveller but this is not guaranteed. We assign passengers by their gender, on a first come, first served basis and do not assign twin share passengers according to their age, profession, interests etc. There are risks with sharing a room with a person you do not know, and Macleay Valley Travel accepts no responsibility if you are incompatible with your assigned room mate. If you are assigned a travelling companion to share with and they cancel off the tour prior to making the final payment, then you will either be required to pay the single room supplement or we will try our best to assign you with another twin share passenger, if one is available.

Disclosure of fees or commissions received from third parties - Macleay Valley Travel Pty Ltd may receive fees, commissions, gifts or financial incentives from third parties under this contract.

Limitation of Liability - As Macleay Valley Travel acts only as agent for the Airlines, Hotels, Coach Companies etc., providing accommodation, transportation and other services, Macleay Valley Travel shall not be liable or responsible for death or injury to any person or loss or damage to any property including baggage arising out of or connection with any transportation, accommodation or other services, or resulting directly or indirectly from acts of God, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of Government or other authorities, de jure or defacto wars, whether declared or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, epidemics, pandemics, endemics, quarantines, medical or customs regulations, delays or cancellations caused by changes in schedules or itinerary, or over bookings or defaults or for any causes beyond Macleay Valley Travel's control or any loss or damage resulting from improper or insufficient passports, visas or other documents and neither Macleay Valley Travel, and its servants or employees shall be or become liable or responsible for any additional expenses or liability sustained or incurred by the tour member as a result of the foregoing causes. Additionally you must meet the entry requirements for each country you visit. Macleay Valley Travel will not be liable if you are denied entry to a country for any reason, including a past criminal history. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to decline bookings made for any group tour. Any tour booking confirmation is conditional, contingent on our view of the ability of a person to be able to participate in a tour without the likelihood of conflict between members of a tour whether perceived or actual. Macleay Valley Travel reserves the right to modify the itinerary or the accommodation if circumstances make this necessary, provided that the amended itinerary is of equal value or greater value than that of the original program.

MACLEAY VALLEY TRAVEL - BOOKING FORM

PLEASE PRINT DETAILS CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS AND ALSO

A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT MUST BE SENT WITH BOOKING FORM

Name of Tour: _____ Departure Date: _____

Passenger 1 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Passenger 2 (as written in passport) _____

Title: **Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss. Dr.** _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Postal Address: _____

_____ **PostCode** _____ **Email** _____

Telephone / Fax Number: _____ **Mobile** _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiry Date: _____

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Passport Nationality: _____

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(Passport must have 6 months validity from the time of tour completion)

Single room / Twin beds / Double bed: (Room type is subject to availability)

Circle which airport you wish to depart from: SYDNEY / MELBOURNE / BRISBANE

Any existing medical conditions – Passenger 1: _____ Passenger 2: _____

Special Dietary Needs – Passenger 1: _____ Passenger 2: _____

Optional Extensions: _____

In case of emergency, please notify :

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please return this sheet with your non-refundable deposit of \$400 per person and the health form.

DECLARATION. I have read and understand fully the booking conditions and I accept them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

A copy of passport is required to verify spelling of name; If this is not provided and the information we have for the airline is incorrect and ticket is issued, then the airline will charge a reissue fee.

HEALTH & FITNESS QUESTIONNAIRE

Macleay Valley Travel strives to make our tours enjoyable experiences for all passengers, however some countries and tour services lack the standards that you can typically expect in Australia.

To help ensure your personal safety and enjoyment on tour, please answer the following questions. The information you provide will be treated confidentially and will be used to check that the transportation, accommodation and facilities on tour are suitable for you:

- 1. Do you have any allergies? Yes / No
If yes, please provide details and severity: _____
- 2. Can you walk 500 metres to 1km in distance comfortably and unaided? Yes / No
- 3. Can you negotiate uneven, undulating and sometimes challenging terrain? Yes / No
If no, please provide details about these limitations: _____
- 4. Do you use a mobility aid? Yes / No
If yes, please provide details: _____
- 5. Are you travelling with a companion or carer who is able to provide all the assistance you need to enter buildings, disembark and embark ships, aircraft, coaches, small boats and assist you on excursions? Yes / No
If yes, please provide the name of your carer/companion and your relationship to them: _____
- 6. Are you taking any medical equipment to assist you? Yes / No
If yes, please provide details: _____
- 7. Do you suffer from any condition which may cause you to experience memory loss or become disoriented? Yes / No
If yes, please provide details: _____
- 8. Are you asthmatic or do you have other breathing difficulties? Yes / No
If yes, please provide details (travelling to high altitudes is not recommended): _____
- 9. Do you require supplementary oxygen? Yes / No
- 10. Are you currently taking medication? Yes / No
If yes, are you able to administer your own medication? Yes / No
- 11. If you have any other medical information that is not covered in the previous questions, please provide a description here: _____

The information you supply us will be passed onto relevant travel suppliers who will do their best accommodate you. However, it is very important to remember that meeting your needs cannot be guaranteed, especially when travelling to third world countries.

DISCLAIMER

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