

SKIPPACK TRAVEL PRESENTS

# NORTHERN ENGLAND & WEST WALES

## SEPT 28 – OCT 8, 2010

### \$2499 \*\*

- INCLUDED:** \* R/T Air Newark/Manchester  
 \* 3 Nts Windermere\*3 Nts York, England\*3 Nts Llanberis, Wales  
 \* Full Breakfast Daily/7 Dinners  
 \* Deluxe Motor Coach Tour  
 \* Professional Tour Manager And Driver  
 \* Travel Agency Escort  
 \* Hotel Portorage & Local Taxes

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Lake Windermere Cruise\*Wordsworth Museum, Gallery, Dove Cottage\*Mirehouse  
 Historic House & Gardens, Keswick\*Harrogate Fountains Abbey\*Walking Tour York\* North Yorkshire  
 Moors Railways\*Whitby Abbey\*Ghost Hunt Tour of York\*Liverpool\*Port Sunlight\*Chester\*Snowdon  
 Mountain Railway & Much More \* Walled City of Conwy/Conwy Castle Visit

Deposit/Payment Schedule

- Deposit \$200 Per Person
- Final Payment June 12
- Price Based On 30 Passengers

Refunds/Cancellations

- Non-Refundable May 1
- Price Based On Double Occupancy
- Single Supplement \$325

Not Included

- R/T Transfer To Newark Airport - Cancellation Insurance Available -
- Air Tax/Fuel Surcharge \$349 (Subject to Change) -
- Tips To Driver/Guides In England & Wales -

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- NAME AS ON PASSPORT - SEND COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT WITH THIS APPLICATION FORM -

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Hotel's Accommodations Requested (Check One) Double Bed:\_\_\_ Twin Bedded:\_\_\_ Single Person In Room:\_\_\_

Round Trip Transfer To Newark Airport? Price advised after final payments are received. (Approx. \$60 Per person) Yes\_\_ No\_\_

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**Tue Sept 28<sup>th</sup>** A get-acquainted gathering at Justin's Restaurant in Skippack before boarding a transfer coach for Newark Airport (Price to be advised) and our flight to **Manchester, England.**

**Wed Sept 29<sup>th</sup>** Morning arrival at **Manchester Airport** we are met by our tour manager and escorted to our motor coach and driver to begin our tour. Our first stop will be for a **coffee/tea break** then continue to **Kendall in the Lake District** for three nights at the **Riverside Hotel & Leisure Center. Located on the River Kent** the hotel **dates back to 1620.** The now modernized 47 room hotel has a Leisure Center, **indoor pool, spa pool, gym, sauna and steam room.** Afternoon free, this evening enjoy **dinner with specialties supplied by the hotels kitchen garden & farm. Overnight Riverside Hotel, Kendal. (D)**

**Thu Sept 30** Breakfast, then we depart for **Windermere, in the Lake District and where the writer Beatrix Potter lived,** wrote and illustrated a series of children's stories, **the most famous of which is the "The Tale of Peter Rabbit",** published in 1902. We partake in a **90 minute cruise on Lake Windermere;** at ten and a half miles long Windermere is England's largest lake. Continue our tour and go to **"Dove" cottage the home of Poet William Wordsworth which dates from the 17<sup>th</sup> Century.** Wordsworth lived at **Dove Cottage for 14 years from 1799 - 1813** where he wrote some of his most enduring work. The house contains personal effects and the attached museum permanent exhibits of his life. **Dinner and Overnight Riverside Hotel, Kendal (B, D)**

**Fri Oct 1** This morning we go to **Mirehouse Historic House and Garden in Keswick** to visit a **family run historic home.** Set in the heart of the Lake District the beautiful Gardens at Mirehouse include the **poetry walk, rhododendron tunnel and walled bee garden.** The Earl of Derby built the house in 1666, sold only once when he parted with it in 1688 to Roger Gregg. The house contains a very unusual display of manuscripts. **James Speddings collection of Francis Bacon's works, letters from Wordsworth, Tennyson.** Free time in the **market town of Kendal. Dinner and Overnight Riverside Hotel, Kendal (B, D)**

**Sat Oct 2** Leaving the **Lake District** we continue on to **York.** We stop en route in **Harrogate** to visit the **Fountains Abbey & Studley Water Garden. Yorkshire's first World Heritage Site, the dramatic Abbey ruins at Fountains are the largest monastic ruins in the country and one of England's most spectacular Georgian water gardens. Fountains Abbey was founded in 1132 when 13 exiled Monks were provided with a site on which they could establish a new monastery. Late afternoon arrival at our centrally located hotel in York. Dinner and Overnight Novotel Hotel, York. (B,D)**

**Sun Oct 3** We start the day with a **walking tour of York. With its web of Timbered houses and narrow winding streets York is renowned for its Roman, Viking and Medieval heritage. The buildings have remained more or less unchanged for centuries. The pride of York is its magnificent Minster, which contains England's greatest concentration of stained glass.** The afternoon and evening are free for sightseeing and dinner on your own. **Overnight Novotel Hotel, York. (B)**

**Mon Oct 4** We start the day at the **North Yorkshire Moors Railway,** riding on a **magnificently preserved and authentic steam train.** The railway operates steam trains along an 18 mile line between the **market town of Pickering and the village of Grosmont, through the heart of the North York Moors National Park. Pickering is a 1930's station and home of a traditional tea room with freshly baked scones and pies. Grosmont is a 1952 style British Rail station and home to the engine sheds where the locomotives are restored. We then drive to the seaside town of Whitby to visit Whitby Abbey, an iconic gothic ruin. This evening we will join a Ghost Hunt Tour of York, officially the most haunted city in England. Overnight Novotel, York (B)**

**Tue Oct 5** Leaving York we travel via **Liverpool and Chester to North Wales** and our next hotel in **Llanberis, Gwynedd County.** Free **time in Liverpool** then a visit to **Port Sunlight, the region's hidden gem. Wirral's Port Sunlight is without doubt one of the most delightful villages in Britain.** Originally built by the local philanthropist Willam Hesketh Lever (Later Leverhulme) as homes for his soap factory workforce in 1888, **Port Sunlight** is a conservation area **with over 900 listed buildings and landscape gardens and features the Lady Lever Art Gallery – one of the finest galleries in Britain.** The name is derived from Lever's most popular brand of cleaning agent, Sunlight. **Overnight Legacy Royal Victoria Hotel, Llanberis (B,D)**

**Wed Oct 6** This morning we take a ride on the **Snowdon Mountain Railway,** an amazing feat of engineering! **Your journey begins at Llanberis station,** continues through woodland, across an impressive viaduct before starting the long haul to the ridge and onto the mountain. The view from the top takes in the **Isle of Man and the Wicklow mountains in Ireland.** You will have a 30 minute stay at the peak to savor the views and use the summit facilities. Your train then returns to **Llanberis 2 1/2 hours after your journey began.** This afternoon, take time to **relax, shop in the village for local crafts** or enjoy a pleasant walk through the beautiful surrounding countryside. **Dinner and Overnight Legacy Royal Victoria Hotel, Llanberis (B, D)**

**Thu Oct 7** Today we visit the walled town of **Conwy for a visit to its castle, a most impressive example of medieval military architecture.** Free time to explore the town, look out for the **smallest house in Britain!** Built originally as a fisherman's cottage on the quay front, its last occupant was 6'3" but amazingly the house measures 9' high and just 6' wide. **The finest surviving town house of the Elizabethan era in Britain is Plas Mawr.** Built in 1576 it dominates the town with its gatehouse, stepped gables and outlook tower. **Farewell dinner and Overnight at the Legacy Royal Hotel, Llanberis (B,D)**

**Fri Oct 8** After breakfast today we say goodbye to England and our tour manager as we return to **Manchester airport and our flight to USA and Newark Airport.**