J.A.K. Travel Ltd Seasonal Tours 2024



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Monday Departing Bradford 08.00, heading North to Perth, with stops en route as required including an off motorway stop at lunchtime.

Tuesday Today we start by taking in the stunning panoramas over Loch Tummel at Queens View, before continuing to dramatic **Blair Castle**, the home of the Atholl family for over seven centuries. The castle has had a diverse history, witnessing both turbulent and peaceful times, enlarged and adapted over 750 years. The gardens and woodland grounds will be a spectacle of Autumn colours.

Wednesday Morning will be spent at the magnificent Scone Palace, with a guided tour of this palace which was once the crowning place of the Kings of Scotland. Afternoon will be spent at leisure in Perth.

Thursday We take a **scenic drive** via Kilmahog, and then through the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park and the shores of Loch Earn to take in the Autumn scenes. We will also call at the oldest whisky distillery in Scotland, **Glenturret Distillery at Creif**, for a tour that will take you through the traditional art of making Glenturret single malt whisky using hand-operated, time-honoured methods. The tour ends with a wee tasting too.

Friday Time to bid a fond farewell and head for home, with stops en route as required, including an off motorway stop at lunchtime. Arrive home mid evening.

The Hotel



Dating from 1699, this relaxed 3 star historic hotel in the centre of Perth, is a 2-minute walk from the River Tay. There are 84 bedrooms each different in size, that have traditional furnishings and come with free Wi-Fi, TVs, and tea and coffee making equipment. The restaurant serves meals using local produce where possible and is part of Visit

Scotlands "Taste our best" promotion. There is also a popular bar in which to relax. The hotel has a lift.

tours as described above
A good quality hotel
A good quality hotel
4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 485.00
Single	£ 565.00

This 5 day tour includes:

A full itinerary with visits and





Monday Departing Bradford at 08.00 we travel north to our hotel with three stops en route. Tonight we celebrate '**Christmas Eve**' starting with a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie on arrival.

Tuesday Today we combine a visit to the **Glen Moray distillery** and the town of **Elgin**. Glen Moray is a small working distillery, where a guided tour will take you through the entire process and the opportunity to taste the end product. There is also a café and gift shop to explore. Elgin is a former royal burgh and city with the ruins of what was once considered Scotland's most beautiful cathedral. Amongst the ancient buildings is the Elgin Museum, based in the same building since 1843, making it one of Britain's oldest museums. Today is '**Christmas Day**' so we will enjoy a full Christmas Dinner as well as a visit from Santa.

Wednesday We visit Inverness, beautifully situated at the mouth of the River Ness, and offering attractive walks along its banks and across to the islands in the river. It is the cultural capital of the Scottish Highlands and the Old Town features the 19th century cathedral and the Old High Church. The shopping ranges from quirky individual retailers to national chains. Whilst in Inverness we will enjoy an afternoon tea at the Palace Hotel, before returning to our hotel for 'Hogmanay' and a Tartan themed evening.

Thursday Today we take **the train from Inverness to Kyle of Lochalsh** enjoying spectacular scenery. With a backdrop of magnificent mountains and passing tranquil lochs including Loch Carron, we pass by the famous village of Plockton, known as a filming location for Hamish Macbeth and The Wicker Man. From here we join the coach for a scenic return journey again passing mountains, lochs and moors. Tonight there will be a quiz to enjoy in the hotel.

Friday We travel home, again with three stops arriving back mid evening

The Hotel



Located on the outskirts of Newtonmore in the heart of the Cairngorm National Park the Highlander Hotel offers friendly service, quality food and a warm Scottish Welcome. .The hotel consists of two buildings, one housing the public areas, the other housing the bedrooms, with an external access between the

two. All 80 bedrooms are comfortable and equipped with TV, hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. Although the hotel does not have a lift many of the bedrooms are on the ground floor, the rest on the first floor. The restaurant, bar and lounge are spacious and comfortable.

Hotel: Highland Hotel, Kingussie Road, Newtonmore, Inverness-Shire PH20 1AY Telephone: 01540 673 341

This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- · A good quality hotel
- · 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 455.00
Single (Limited Availability)	£ 455.00

Blackpool, Illuminations & Leighton Hall

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Monday Departing Bradford at 09.30 we visit **Kirkby Lonsdale** for a mid morning break. Here there is an attractive selection of cafes, restaurants and gift shops as well as a delightful walk along the banks of the River Lune. From here, we visit **Leighton Hall for their 'Deck the Halls'**, where you can tour the house which will be sumptuously decorated for Christmas.



Tuesday A leisurely start to the day to give you a chance to explore Fleetwood, before we travel to **Blackpool** to give you time to explore this vibrant seaside town with its many attractions. Early evening you join the coach for **a drive through the world famous lights**, then returning for our evening meal.

Wednesday We visit the huge family owned **Bents Garden Centre** where in addition to the usual plants and gardening accessories, there is an extensive home and gift section There will also be a wide selection of seasonal treats from decorations, gifts, food and drinks, as well as impressive seasonal displays. From here we travel home arriving early evening.

The Hotel

The North Euston Hotel, considered Fleetwood's crown jewel by many is a fine semi-circular building which opened in 1841. It derives its name from the fact that it stood at the end of the railway line from London Euston. The imposing frontage dominates the Fleetwood waterfront and enjoys spectacular panoramic views over the Wyre estuary to Morecambe Bay and the Lake District. It is within a short walking distance of the local shopping centre, just minutes from Fleetwood Market and Fleetwood Freeport Shopping Outlet. Plus with the tram and bus stop across the road you'll find easy transport all along the coast. There are 53 well-equipped en-suite bedrooms, a comfortable lounge to enjoy the peace and quiet, plus meals served in the stylish Bay Restaurant or Victoria Bar by attentive staff who are on hand to look after your needs. Plus FREE WIFI available throughout the hotel. There is a lift to all floors.

This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- · A good quality hotel
- · 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 225.00
Single (Limited Availability)	£ 225.00

Hotel: North Euston Hotel, Esplanade, Fleetwood FY7 6BN. Telephone: 01253 876 525

Depart Code A

Worcester Christmas Market & Sudeley Spectacle of Light

Thursday 28th November-Sunday 1st December 2024

Thursday Departing Bradford at 09.30 we travel to **Lichfield**, famous as the only cathedral in England with three spires. The city has a variety of shopping to enjoy including a range of independent shops as well as the Three Spires Shopping Centre.



Friday We visit **Stratford upon Avon**, the beautiful town forever linked with William Shakespeare. As well as the attractions associated with the Bard there are many others including riverside walks, gardens and a selection of interesting shops. **We return to our hotel for lunch** before we travel to **Sudeley Castle Gardens for their Spectacle of Light** (*NB There is no access to the castle*). Here we explore the night-time trail around the stunning grounds marvelling at the majestic trees and romantic ruins. (*NB no evening meal today*).

Saturday Today we visit **Worcester for their famous Victorian Fayre**, with over 200 stalls across the city centre selling local arts and crafts, delicious street food and gifts. In keeping with the theme you will see Victorian characters, entertainers, musicians, carousel and fun fair. Other attractions include the magnificent cathedral with the tomb of King John and the Edward Elgar corner, museums relating to the pottery history of the city and the riverside walks.

Sunday We visit **Trentham Shopping Village** with its high street of timber lodges with gift shops, cafes and quirky stores. Also here is Trentham Garden Centre, one of the UK's largest indoor and outdoor garden centres with a huge selection of products for the home and garden. From here we travel home arriving early evening.

The Hotel



The 4-star Mercure Walton Hall Hotel & Spa is 16th century Grade II listed building with a wealth of character. Situated within 65 acres of private grounds, the hotel is tucked away amid woodland and beautifully maintained green land. It is equipped with an in-house bar & restaurant as well as leisure facilities, including spa treatment rooms, a swimming pool and a gym. The bedrooms have a

modern vibe and feature Wi-Fi, TVs, and tea and coffee making facilities. The hotel has a lift.

This 4 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- A good quality hotel
- · 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- 1 night lunch, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 365.00
Single	£ 460.00

Hotel: Mercure Walton Hall Hotel & Spa, Wellesbourne, Warwick.



the UK's largest independent garden centre with 16 acres of retail therapy. As well as lots of gardening items, there is an art gallery and shop, clothing and accessories, books, homeware and small animal centre. Plus a licensed restaurant and coffee lounge.



Tuesday Today we start the day with a visit to the city of Norwich giving you a chance to explore the numerous attractions. Then, the highlight of the tour, the visit to Thursford for the Christmas Spectacular. Set indoors amongst the collections of traction engines and fairground rides with the sound of the mighty Wurlitzer organ, this is one of the most spectacular Christmas Shows with songs, carols, dazzling dancers in beautiful costumes, outstanding music, singing and variety acts with a cast of over 100 people. The time of the show has yet to be confirmed.

Wednesday After a leisurely start, we travel to picturesque Stamford with its 17th and 18th century stone buildings and older timber- framed buildings. There is an attractive range of shops and cafés to enjoy before we travel home arriving mid evening.

The Hotel



The QHotels Dunston Hall is an imposing red brick country house hotel set in 150 acres of beautiful wooded Norfolk parkland. It has restaurants and bars as well as a Spa and Leisure club with swimming pool, sauna, steam room, spa treatments and work out facilities. The stylishly decorated rooms at

Dunston Hall are a treat. Some retain period features and all are extremely comfortable. All rooms include Satellite TV with Pay TV and Movies, Direct Dial telephone, Hairdryer, Sky TV, Tea / Coffee making facility, Irons and ironing boards, En-suite bathrooms.

This 3 day tour includes:

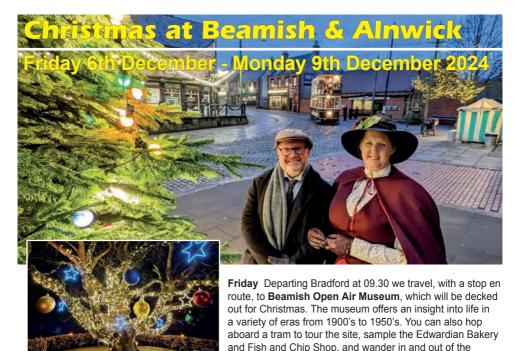
- · A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- Tickets for the Thursford Christmas Spectacular
- · 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 330.00
Single	£ 390.00

Hotel: Dunstan Hall Hotel, Ipswich Road, Norwich NR14 8PQ. Telephone: 01508 470444

Depart Code B



Saturday We travel to the beautiful seaside village of Bamburgh, often regarded as one of the best places to live in the UK, where we visit Bamburgh Castle to view the magnificent castle dressed for Christmas. From here we travel to Alnwick Gardens to explore their Winter Light Trail enjoying the sights and sounds of this award winning garden. We return to our hotel for a late evening meal.

Sunday Today we visit **Newcastle** where you can explore its many attractions at your leisure. These include the vibrant Quayside Sunday Market alongside the River Tyne with its produce, street food and gifts and the Newcastle Christmas Market in the city centre. For the slightly more adventurous the Metrocentre shopping complex is one stop away on the Metro.

Monday You have a chance to explore the historic city of **Durham**, which is dominated by the spectacular Norman Cathedral. There is a range of shopping opportunities available including an indoor market situated in the historic Market Hall. From here we travel home arriving early evening.

The Hotel



Overlooking the River Wear right in Durham city centre, the 4 star Radisson Blu Hotel has 207 rooms, all with free Wi-Fi and in-room coffee and tea facilities. The Restaurant brings to you a delicious selection of classic British dishes made from the freshest ingredients and infused with an innovative spin. It also hosts an extensive breakfast buffet, and The Bar offers a cosy, inviting atmosphere. Other

amenities include a steam room, indoor pool, hot tub, sauna, and a gym. The hotel has a lift.

This 4 day tour includes:

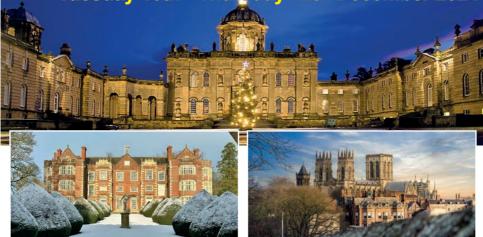
- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- · A good quality hotel
- · 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 379.00
Single	£ 469.00

Castle Howard & Burton Agnes Hall at Christmas -Scarborough & York

Tuesday 10th - Thursday 12th December 2024



Tuesday Departing Bradford at 09.30, we head for **Castle Howard** to see this wonderful house dressed resplendently for Christmas. The house will be adorned by the Howard family's decorations and traditional fresh foliage, with many rooms lit by flickering candles and cosy fires. Mid afternoon we travel to Scarborough and our hotel, where a welcome tea or coffee awaits us on arrival.

Wednesday Today we make a morning visit to view the Christmas decorations at Burton Agnes Hall, where the stunning Elizabethan house has a reputation for its fine traditional natural decorations. The afternoon will be free to explore Scarborough at your leisure.

Thursday We start the journey home with a visit to the historic city of **York**, which in addition to the usual attractions hosts the ever popular **St Nicholas Christmas Market**, with its wide selection of food, drinks and gifts for you to explore and enjoy. We return home early evening.

The Hotel



The four star Crown Spa Hotel is the oldest purpose built hotel in Scarborough with many of the original architectural features still in their prime. Bedroom accommodation is spread over 4 floors accessed through modern lifts and tastefully decorated corridors.

There is a luxury leisure centre, with spa treatments (at extra costs) and modern fitness centre . The hotel overlooks the sandy South Beach, and is only 10-minute walk from the town centre, and 20 minutes to the harbour. All bedrooms are ensuite, have refreshment trays, flat screen TV's and free WiFi, and the restaurant is renowned for its Yorkshire cuisine.

This 3 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- · A good quality hotel
- · 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 275.00	
Single (Limited Availability)	£ 335.00	
Sea View Supplement per room		
(on request only)	£ 50.00	

Hotel: Crown Spa Hotel, The Esplanade, Scarborough YO11 2AG



Wednesday Departing Bradford at 09.30, we head west to **Tatton Hall and Gardens** in Cheshire to visit the mansions themed Christmas event. With sensational sets, illuminated floral decorations, enchanting music and characters from a bygone age. Your ticket also includes entrance to the glittering winter gardens. (NB theme to be confirmed).

Thursday We travel to **Salford Quays in Manchester**, with time for a browse of the thriving food and drink scene, high street brands shopping and the Lowry Art Gallery – one of the UK's most visited art attractions. Later we take **a one hour canal cruise** on a fully licenced and centrally heated boat, complete with commentary to describe the history and sights of this vastly redeveloped area which is home to media city for both BBC and ITV. As evening approaches we head to **RHS Bridgewater for RHS Glow**. See the gardens in breath taking beauty as illuminations light your way on a spectacular Glow Trail. The garden centre will be open and there will festive drinks and food available. We return home for mid evening.

The Hotel



Positioned close to the centre of Altrincham, the Best Western Cresta Court Hotel has the perfect blend of contemporary design and supreme comfort. With 148 bespoke bedrooms, each meticulously tailored to offer respite and luxury, and all equipped with tea and coffee making facilities, free Wi-Fi and flat-screen TVs. At the heart of the hotel, you'll find the elegant Townfields Restaurant and Lounge Bar in which to relax. The hotel has a lift.

This 2 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- · A good quality hotel
- 1 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 198.00
Single	£ 223.00
RHS Reduction	-£9.00

Hotel: Best Western Cresta Court Hotel, Church Street, Altrincham, Cheshire

Christmas Festivities in Wales

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th December 20



Monday Departing Bradford at 08.00, we travel with stops en route, including the delightful town of **Droitwich** for our lunchtime break. On arrival at our hotel there will be a welcome tea/coffee, and pre dinner fizzy cocktails and canapes before evening meal, followed by live entertainment.



Tuesday (Christmas Eve) We make a morning visit to **Tenby** to take in some sea air, and enjoy the narrow streets which wind down from the medieval town centre to the harbour and beach. On return to the hotel there is afternoon bingo to enjoy, evening meal, a festive quiz, and live entertainment.

Wednesday (Christmas Day) A relaxed day including a **traditional Christmas Lunch** with all the trimmings. A visit from Santa (only if you have been good!), and the opportunity to watch the Kings Speech, and a Christmas film. Evening meal will be buffet style.

Thursday (Boxing Day) We make a visit to the **National Botanic Gardens of Wales**, a very special place being more than a garden for all seasons, with its huge glasshouse housing a Mediterranean landscape amongst other things. A buffet lunch is served today, and following evening meal, there will be live entertainment.

Friday We travel home with stops en route, including lunchtime at Evesham Garden Centre. We arrive home mid evening.

NB Hotel inclusive's are based on information available at time of publication, but maybe subject to change.





Once a favoured retreat of Lord Nelson and Lady Hamiliton, this historic hotel is just a 10 minute walk from the centre Carmarthen. Its 70 bedrooms are furnished in a traditional style , and are equipped wth TV,hairdryer and tea/coffee making facilities. There is an informal restaurant cosy bar and comfortable lounge in which to relax. There is a lift to all floors, but there are some steps to some rooms from the lift.

This 5 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- · A good quality hotel
- · 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 615.00
Single (Limited Availability)	£ 615.00
Single (double/twin/ room	
for sole use)	£ 695.00

Hotel: The Ivy Bush Royal Hotel, 11 Spilman Street Carmarthen SA31 1LG. Telephone: 01267 235 111

Depart Code B



Monday Departing Bradford at 08.00, with a stop en route, we travel to Dumfries for a lunch time stop. **Dumfries** has been a Royal Burgh since 1186, and is perhaps most well known for its many associations with Robert Burns. It has a range of independent stores and major names, many situated in the Loreburne shopping centre. From here we follow the course of the River Nith to our hotel where we will be greeted with a welcome tea/coffee and shortbread, and a glass of Bucks Fizz/Mulled Wine before dinner.



Tuesday (New Year's Eve) Today, you have some time to explore **Irvine** at your leisure with its shops, cafes and harbour. Followed by a visit to **Robert Burns Cottage** at Ayr, the home of Scotland's most famous poet. Here you can see where the poet was born and lived until the age of seven. You can also visit the **Robert Burns Birthplace Museum**, where you can view many artefacts including his handwritten manuscripts. Tonight we enjoy a **Drinks Reception** in the lounge before a four course, three choice, candle lit dinner for Hogmanay. After dinner we enjoy a **Hogmanay Ball with live band and Ceilidh dancing to see in the New Year**.

Wednesday (New Year's Day) After a leisurely start to the day we enjoy an optional scenic drive along the coast of the Firth of Clyde taking in Greenock and Largs.

Thursday We stop at the **Gretna Green Outlet** with its wide range of stores including clothing, footwear, homeware, food, and drink as well as a selection of dining options. From here we travel home arriving mid evening.

The Hotel



The Riverside Lodge hotel has been transformed into Irvine's premier hotel after going through an extensive refurbishment programme. The new look Riverside Lodge offers a modern feel with plush accommodation and delicious food, located on the outskirts of

Irvine. The 128 warmly decorated bedrooms come with free Wi-Fi, flatscreen TVs and sitting areas, along with tea and coffee making facilities. There is no lift, but ground floor rooms are available.

There is a cosy restaurant, and an open plan lounge /bar area in which to enjoy the range of libations on offer.

This 4 day tour includes:

- A full itinerary with visits and tours as described above
- · A good quality hotel
- · 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast

Prices (Per Person):

Twin / Double	£ 465.00
Single (double/twin/ room	
for sole use)	£ 555.00
National Trust Reduction	£ 11.00

Depart Code A

Hotel: Riverside Lodge Hotel, Annick Road, Irvine, KA11 4LD

Great reasons to travel with us!



All Tours are **Fully Bonded** - we are members of Bonded Coach Holidays (the coaching equivalent of ABTA).



Excursions are included - there are no 'optional' extra cost tours and admissions to main venues are usually included - if not we will tell you clearly in the brochure.



Frequent Breaks - we aim to stop every two to three hours - even on long journeys and NO overnight coach travel.



Good Quality Hotels - All tours have en suite bathrooms and are usually three star rated (sometimes even four star!)



Parking Available - We can offer FREE parking for your car in our Depot compound

No feeder coaches - you stay on the same coach throughout and no long pick up run either! Our pick up run is normally completed within 45 mins.



No compulsory Insurance - we do recommend that you are insured and have the European Health Insurance card for overseas travel, but you are free to shop around.



Air Conditioned Coaches - which is especially welcome on the summer tours! Most of our tours also have an on board toilet.



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Tour 2024 Availability update

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No.	Tour	Singles	Doubles/Twins
P11	Torquay	No	Yes
P12	Thriplow	Yes	Yes
P13	Shropshire	Yes	Yes
P14	Cambridge	Yes	Yes
P15	Kent	Yes	Yes
P16	Suffolk	Yes	Yes
P17	Somerset	No	Yes
P18	Ayrshire	No	Yes
P19	Bournemouth	Yes	Yes
P20	Chelsea	Yes	Yes
P21	Llandudno	Limited	Twins only
P22	Northumberland	No	Yes
P23	Royal Highland Show	Limited	Yes
P24	Devon	Yes	Yes
P25	Gower	No	Yes
P26	Hertfordshire	Limited	Yes
P27	Edinburgh Tattoo	Limited	Yes
P28	Hebridean	No	Limited
P30	Kynren	No	Yes
P31	Norfolk	No	Yes
P32	Deeside	No	Yes
P33	Cornwall	No	Yes
P34	Lake District	No	Yes
P35	Windsor	Yes	Yes
P36	Scotland Autumn Gold	No	Yes
P37	Thursford	Limited	Yes

Availability correct at time of printing (Availability update at 16th January 2024)

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