

Sample itinerary: London & The Cotswolds

Day 1: Arrival

Upon arrival you will be met by your driver and whisked away to Cliveden House in the Buckinghamshire countryside where you will enjoy a walk through the stunning gardens to blow away the cobwebs of jetlag before sitting down to an exquisite afternoon tea overlooking the parterre.

Overnight at Cliveden House

Day 2: Cotswolds

Visit Sudeley Castle, a hidden gem in the Cotswolds where Henry VIII's last wife, Queen Katherine Parr, is buried. Stroll along the acres of gardens and visit the rare pheasants that call Sudeley home before driving to nearby Snowhill Manor. Here you will see the vast collection of an eclectic gentleman who spent his life gathering curios from all around the world and built this house simply to display his collection. This afternoon, take a visit to Broadway Tower, the highest point in the Cotswolds where you can enjoy the view across the surrounding countryside.

Overnight at Buckland Manor

Day 3: Cotswolds

Experience a tour of some of the Cotswolds most charming villages full of thatched cottages, tea rooms, and a variety of boutiques where you can shop for anything from locally made tweed blazers to antiques and fine art. The highlight today is a private tour of Prince Charles' beloved Royal Gardens at Highgrove followed by a champagne afternoon tea.

Overnight at Buckland Manor

Day 4: Cotswolds

Enjoy one of the Cotswold's finest and most authentic pubs before a visit to beautiful Blenheim Palace. Here you will have time to tour the Duke of Marlborough's private family apartments and explore the extensive grounds and gardens before a private after-hours tour of Blenheim's spectacular State Rooms.

Overnight at Buckland Manor

Day 5: London

Today you will stop on your drive to London for a private behind-the-scenes tour of Hampton Court Palace. On the tour you will see the beautiful art collection, learn more about the intriguing history of the palace, and hear stories of the people who have lived and worked here over the centuries. Following the tour, you will enjoy a private three-course garden picnic on the grounds.

Overnight at The Lanesborough

Day 6: London

This morning you will enjoy a tour of some of the top sites in London, starting with Changing the Guard at Buckingham Palace. From there you will walk through St. James' Park to tour Westminster Abbey before visiting the Houses of Parliament and

take a ride on a boat up the River Thames gliding past the London Eye, Shakespeare's Globe Theater, HMS Belfast, and the Tower of London before taking in the view from the open-air viewing deck at the top of The Shard, where you can see for nearly 40 miles in every direction. This afternoon, enjoy a special private tasting of rare tea blends followed by afternoon tea at the Queen's own grocer, Fortnum and Mason.
Overnight at The Lanesborough

Day 7: London

Today you will discover the Queen's State Apartments in Kensington Palace on a private guided tour. After lunch, explore one of the world's finest art collections at the Victoria and Albert Museum where you will have the opportunity to see the extensive collection of fashion and jewelry charting over 250 years of changing tastes. Tonight, enjoy a theater production on the West End.
Overnight at The Lanesborough

Day 8: London

Today you will have a private tour of Churchill's War Rooms where you will go behind the glass and see the rooms just as they were left in May 1945. See Churchill's chair, his top-secret telephone for contacting President Roosevelt, and even the sugar lumps left behind by the staff when they left. This evening you will arrive at the gates of the Tower of London after it has closed for the day. Here you will be met by a Yeoman Warder who will escort you to the Jewel House where, with a glass of champagne in hand, you will enjoy a private viewing of the Crown Jewels.
Overnight at The Lanesborough

Day 9: Departure

This morning you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home.