Lee College Community Education presents…

Exploring Britain & Ireland

September 4 – 18, 2020

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15 Days • 20 Meals: 13 Breakfasts, 7 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... London, Stonehenge, Bath, Cardiff, Waterford, Choices on Tour, Blarney Castle, Killarney, Diner’s Choice, Ring of Kerry, Jaunting Car Ride, Farm Visit, Dublin, Irish Cooking Class, Wales, Lake District, Edinburgh, York, Stratford-upon-Avon

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE
Day 1: Friday, September 4, 2020 Overnight Flight Discover the true cultural treasures of Britain and Ireland on a comprehensive journey through England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland.

Day 2: Saturday, September 5, 2020 London, England - Tour Begins Your journey opens in the regal city of London. A capital of culture and commerce, the city blends traditional with modern. Tonight, meet your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 3: Sunday, September 6, 2020 London Discover the pageantry of London as we join a local guide for a city tour. See Big Ben, Westminster, Whitehall, Hyde Park and Buckingham Palace. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore this iconic city or perhaps partake in an optional excursion to Windsor Castle. (B)

Day 4: Monday, September 7, 2020 London - Stonehenge - Bath - Cardiff, Wales Travel to Stonehenge, the mysterious formation that dates back to the Stone Age. Explore various theories on how the colossal stones arrived at the location and their purpose. Continue to the elegant Georgian town of Bath to visit the Roman Bath Museum’s 2,000-year-old elaborate spas. Enjoy some time to stroll through Bath’s cobblestone streets and soak in its old-world atmosphere. Your day ends in the Welsh capital of Cardiff. (B)

Day 5: Tuesday, September 8, 2020 Cardiff - Ferry to Ireland - Waterford Join a local expert on a leisurely-paced walking tour of Cardiff. Learn about the city’s deep ties to the coal industry, its connection to ancient Rome and its famous Victorian shopping arcades. Take in the beautiful countryside of Wales en route to the coastal village of Fishguard. There we board the ferry for Ireland, crossing the Irish Sea. Upon arrival in Rosslare, travel to Waterford, your home for the evening. (B, D)

Day 6: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 Waterford - Blarney - Killarney This morning, it’s your choice! Tour the House of Waterford Crystal factory featuring a fascinating visitor’s center and a retail store housing the largest collection of Waterford Crystal in the world. Enjoy a leisurely-paced walking tour of Ireland’s oldest city and discover its rich Viking, Norman and Cromwellian history. Later, travel to historic Blarney Castle. Make your way to the top of the castle, lie back and kiss the famous Blarney Stone. Legend has it that if you do, you will be blessed with the "gift of eloquence." This evening it’s Diner’s Choice...tonight’s dinner is included and you’ll choose the perfect spot from a ‘menu’ of Killarney’s great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 7: Thursday, September 10, 2020 Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney This morning explore Killarney National Park on a traditional jaunting car ride.* Then travel along the glorious Ring of Kerry where you’ll find some of Ireland’s most magical scenery. Pause for a moment at the Gap of Dunloe to browse for traditional Irish handcrafted goods. As we continue our journey, marvel at the vistas created by windswept cliffs, rugged mountains, lakes and picturesque villages. Later, see border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration at a family-run farm. (B)

Day 8: Friday, September 11, 2020 Killarney - Rock of Cashel - Dublin Today we venture through the “Golden Vale” en route to the awe-inspiring Rock of Cashel. Be amazed by its imposing facade and visit the spot where St. Patrick preached. End your day in the exciting city of Dublin, with time to discover the city’s charm on your own. (B)

Day 9: Saturday, September 12, 2020 Dublin Discover Dublin’s past and present on a locally guided tour highlighting the Bank of Ireland, O’Connell Street, Grafton Street, Phoenix Park and St. Patrick’s Cathedral. Later, experience for yourself the welcoming nature of the Irish as you set out to explore the “Fair City” on your own. Tonight, give traditional Irish cuisine a modern twist during a cooking class.
and dinner at one of Dublin’s premier culinary institutions. Top off the evening by making your very own Irish coffee! (B, D)

Day 10: Sunday, September 13, 2020 Dublin - Ferry to Wales - Cheshire
Ferry across the Irish Sea to Holyhead, Wales. As you traverse northern Wales, pass Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogogoch, the town with the longest name in the world. Make a stop at majestic Caernarfon Castle, where Charles was crowned Prince of Wales. Then, continue through the Welsh countryside and discover some of the most magnificent scenery in all of Britain. Tonight, experience dinner at a traditional English carvery. (B, D)

Day 11: Monday, September 14, 2020 Cheshire - Lake District - Gretna Green, Scotland - Edinburgh
Travel north into England’s scenic Lake District. Here you’ll feel the inspirational appeal of the region’s quintessential English villages, Lake Windermere, Ambleside and Grasmere. Crossing into Scotland, stop in the town of Gretna Green where generations of runaway couples eloped. Continue to Edinburgh, Scotland’s majestic capital city. (B, D)

Day 12: Tuesday, September 15, 2020 Edinburgh
Today it’s your choice! Come to know this regal city during a locally guided panoramic city coach tour -OR- for a different perspective, join a local expert and explore the city on foot. Both tours include a visit to Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels, and the Palace of Holyroodhouse,** the Queen’s official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary, Queen of Scots. The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax or explore the city independently. (B, D)

En route to England, visit Hadrian’s Wall. Construction of this ancient structure began in A.D. 122 and since that time, it has served as the northern border of the Roman Empire. Continue to the historic city of York. Find yourself surrounded by the charms of history as you explore its quaint narrow streets. Walk on the famous “Shambles” and see the magnificent 13th-century Minster. (B)

Day 14: Thursday, September 17, 2020 York - Stratford-upon-Avon
Journey to charming Stratford-upon-Avon. Step back in time as we visit William Shakespeare’s birthplace. Afterward, it’s your choice! Tour Anne Hathaway’s thatch-roofed cottage, the childhood home of the author’s wife -OR- set out on a leisurely cruise along the Avon River. This evening we gather to say farewell to this captivating region over dinner. (B, D)

Day 15: Friday, September 18, 2020 Stratford-upon-Avon - Tour Ends
Depart today with many fond memories of lovely Britain and Ireland. (B)

PLEASE NOTE:
Book Now rates valid until Mar 05, 2020, valid on air inclusive packages only.

Included in Price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of $329 per person, Round Trip Air from Houston Intl, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from IAH

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)
*Jaunting car ride is included, weather permitting.
**The Palace of Holyroodhouse may close occasionally when the Queen is in residence or for official state functions.
Travelers arriving in Edinburgh from August 7 - 29, 2020 will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show. Please inquire at time of reservation.
This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.
Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.
Our air passengers will arrive and depart from London airports. On day 15, all transfers will depart from Stratford-upon-Avon for London airports. Distance to London Heathrow Airport from Stratford-upon-Avon / Warwick is approximately two hours.
On day 15, due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel. Return flights should not be booked prior to 11:00 a.m.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of $829 per person (which includes cancellation waiver and insurance) is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of February 27, 2020 are based upon availability. Final payment due by July 06, 2020. Deposits are refundable up until March 05, 2020.

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Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

**London**

**Windsor Castle**

- **Price:** $65 USD

Step into the formal world of the British Monarchy when you visit the stately and expansive Windsor Castle. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II uses Windsor as both a private home and a Royal residence where formal duties of state are performed. Windsor’s 1,000 rooms comprise the largest inhabited castle in the world. It dates back to the 1070s, when William the Conqueror built the original wooden structure, now replaced by the grand stone edifices. Explore one of Britain’s most visited historic buildings, its precincts, and the State Apartments, which house a delightful collection of Royal art treasures. Enjoy time for lunch in the quaint town of Windsor before heading back to London. This once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to visit the castle that houses so much British history and lore is not to be missed!  

*Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

**York**

**The Flavors of Yorkshire**

- **Price:** $70 USD

Surround yourself in old-world ambiance and the fresh flavors of Yorkshire when dining in a family-owned alehouse located in the center of historic York. Begin by being treated to a tasting of five Yorkshire brews that includes a selection of ciders, lagers and ales. Then pick your favorite to enjoy with your homemade farm-to-table dinner. You’ll delight in the personal service as you are guided through the menu featuring a variety of seasonal local dishes including the region’s famous “Yorkshire pudding.” Take this opportunity to get to know Northern England’s budding farm-to-table movement showcased during this locally inspired dining experience.  

*Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 8 passengers is required. Transportation is not included.

**Edinburgh**

**A Scottish Night Out**

- **Price:** $95 USD

Join us for a rollicking evening of tastes, sights and sounds that are classically Scottish. Feast on a banquet prepared from a selection of local recipes. Your taste buds will savor the true flavor and goodness of this distinctive country. Tonight will be filled with entertainment including Highland pipers and dancers, who deliver the very best in Scottish music, song and dance. A highlight of the evening is the Ceremony of the Haggis, and, of course, you may try this national dish. Be prepared for a Scottish night of food, fun and many fond memories! This option will not be offered on tours that include the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.  

*Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.
Dublin

A Traditional Irish Night $99 USD

Come to know Ireland's famed welcoming spirit, lively music and dynamic dancing during a fun-filled evening of Irish entertainment at its very best. You will become Irish for the night as you take in the local entertainment and savor some of Ireland's most traditional dishes, such as homemade soda bread and Dublin coddle. The Irish dancers will dazzle you and the traditional Irish ballads will touch your heart. This toe-tapping evening will take you on a journey that captures the true local flavor in a welcoming setting and immersing you in the magic of Irish culture that is rich in tradition and cheer.  

Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours. Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Pub Lunch & The Guinness Storehouse $75 USD

Enjoy a traditional pub lunch at a historic pub where you will soak up the atmosphere of days gone by. After lunch, continue on to the nearby Guinness Storehouse, Ireland's top international visitor attraction. Learn about the brewing process that creates this beloved beverage and discover the technique needed to pour the perfect pint! Classic Guinness ads and memorabilia create a nostalgic ambiance as you indulge in a complimentary pint and learn about a different yet key part of Ireland's history. Please Note: This option will not be offered on St. Patrick's Day or Easter Sunday. Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult and may not participate in the tasting at the Guinness Storehouse. Duration: Approximately 3.5 hours. Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.
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AVAILABLE PREPAID OPTIONS

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