

# BRITAIN

A Great British Adventure | England & Scotland



TRAVELLING *Divas*  
BOUTIQUE TRAVEL FOR WOMEN



# The Cotswolds, The Lake District & Scotland

A Great British Adventure | 11–25 September 2027

Imagine beginning your journey in the elegant city of Bath, where Georgian architecture, literary history and beautiful boutique accommodation create the perfect introduction to Great Britain.

From Jane Austen and Bridgerton charm to wonderful dining and atmospheric streets, Bath sets the scene beautifully for the adventure ahead.

From here, the journey unfolds north through some of Britain's most spectacular landscapes. Rather than simply passing through destinations, you will truly experience them – walking through picturesque villages, exploring historic sites, connecting with locals and immersing yourself in the scenery along the way.

Travelling from the Cotswolds to the Lake District and onwards into Scotland, this itinerary combines active exploration with comfort, culture and thoughtful experiences. Expect beautiful walks, fascinating history, cosy luxury, unforgettable scenery and moments of genuine connection throughout the journey.

Along the way, enjoy a carefully curated blend of heritage, wellness, nature and fabulous food, with experiences designed to nourish both body and soul.

If you love meaningful travel, beautiful landscapes and a touch of understated luxury, this is a truly special British adventure.



## Diva Active

Travelling Divas active adventures are a little different to others. Yes, you will hike and get outside, get in amongst it and be immersed into the spectacular countryside you will be exploring.

But all trips are combined with necessary down time, immersion into local culture, meeting local people, delicious dining and beautiful stays that take your adventurous days to the next level.



## Price Includes

Fully escorted from Bath by your Travelling Divas tour leader (and certified hiking guide)

### Boutique Accommodation

- 3 nights' at The Bird, Bath
- 3 nights' at The Swan Hotel, Bibury
- 3 nights' at Inn on the Square, Keswick
- 2 nights' boutique at The Bonham, Edinburgh
- 3 nights' boutique at Dowans Hotel, Aberlour

### Included Food & Drinks

- Breakfast daily
- 1 Bucks Fizz Brunch at the Pump Room, Bath
- 1 Afternoon Tea with Prosecco at Lingholm Kitchen
- 10 lunches, picnic or café lunches
- 8 two-course dinners
- 1 three-course welcome dinner with wine included
- Additional snacks and fresh fruit throughout journey

Services of a qualified and experienced guide throughout

Additional guide and vehicle support during the hiking portion of the journey

All transfers throughout the journey in a private vehicle driven by your guide

All guided hikes and walks as outlined in the itinerary

Gratuities for hotel and restaurant staff, as well as local guides (but not our lead guide or the coach driver)

24/7 in-country support

### All entrance fees and activities in the itinerary:

- Visit to the Jane Austen Centre
- Private guided walking tour of Bath
- Entry to the Roman Baths
- Visit to Westonbirt Arboretum
- Tour of Chavenage House
- Entry and grounds tour at Sudeley Castle
- Entry and guided tour at Chedworth Roman Villa
- Visit and tour at the Wordsworth Centre
- Grasmere Gingerbread talk and tasting
- Afternoon Tea at Lingholm Kitchen
- Private yoga session at Windermere Jetty Museum
- Cruise on Lake Windermere
- Invisible Cities walking tour in Edinburgh
- Traditional haggis tasting in Edinburgh
- Visit to Lynbreck Croft
- Distillery tour and whisky tasting
- "Off the beaten track" experience and lunch with Ghillie Basan

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**NOT INCLUDED:** Airfares unless stated in the itinerary; items of a personal nature; phone calls; passport and visas (if applicable); entry fees into countries charged at the airport; laundry or tips. Personal transport; excess baggage; security and additional government taxes not covered already; travel insurance. Meals not specifically mentioned in the itinerary; beverages unless specifically described. Optional excursions or activities that may be offered but are not included in the tour price.



# Itinerary

From Bath to Inverness

11-25 September 2027

Twin share AU\$17,495 per person

Single AU\$22,190 per person

## Day 1 – Saturday 11: Hello Bath...

Arrive into the elegant city of Bath, where timeless heritage, refined culture and honey-coloured Georgian architecture create the perfect beginning to our British adventure. Your guide will meet you this afternoon at our gorgeous boutique hotel, tucked away in a peaceful residential pocket just moments from the heart of the city. Settle in, unwind and enjoy a relaxed first evening as we prepare for the fabulous journey ahead.

**Stay:** The Bird, Bath

**Meals:** Dinner

## Day 2 – Sunday 12: Jane Austen, Bridgerton & Bath Elegance...

This morning, step into the golden world of Regency Bath with a local expert guide. Wander past the graceful curves of the Royal Crescent and the iconic Pulteney Bridge as we uncover the enchanting filming locations that brought Bridgerton to life. In the afternoon, we immerse ourselves in the world of Bath's most celebrated resident, Jane Austen. At the Jane Austen Centre, discover the romance, wit and social intrigue that inspired some of literature's most beloved novels.

Tonight, we gather for a beautiful welcome dinner – the perfect opportunity to toast the beginning of this unforgettable English escape.

**Stay:** The Bird, Bath

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

## Day 3 – Monday 13: Roman Baths & Regency Indulgence...

Enjoy a lighter breakfast this morning as we prepare for one of Bath's most iconic experiences. We begin with a celebratory Bucks Fizz Brunch at the magnificent Pump Room, where Regency society once gathered to "take the waters" in grand style. Afterwards, we step back nearly 2,000 years into the remarkable Roman Baths. Explore the Sacred Spring, ancient temple ruins and the famous Great Bath, where steaming mineral waters still shimmer beneath soaring stone architecture. The afternoon is yours to enjoy Bath at your own pace. Browse elegant boutiques, sip tea in charming cafés or simply wander the city's beautiful, cobbled streets before we venture into the Cotswolds tomorrow.

**Stay:** The Bird, Bath

**Meals:** Breakfast, Brunch

## Day 4 – Tuesday 14: Into the Enchanting Cotswolds...

Today we farewell Bath and journey into the rolling countryside of the Cotswolds, travelling along its famed limestone spine through some of England's most picturesque landscapes. Our first stop is the breathtaking Westonbirt Arboretum, a spectacular botanical sanctuary home to thousands of extraordinary trees from around the



- Private guided walking tour of Bath, including Bridgerton filming locations and the world of Jane Austen
- Visit the magnificent Roman Baths and historic Pump Rooms
- Scenic walking and hiking through the picturesque Cotswolds
- Guided visit to the magnificent Sudeley Castle
- Explore the fascinating Chedworth Roman Villa
- Quintessential British Afternoon Tea overlooking the gardens that inspired Beatrix Potter
- Private yoga session at Windermere Jetty Museum in the Lake District
- Guided walks and breathtaking scenery throughout the Lake District
- Private guided walking tour uncovering the hidden corners of Edinburgh
- Traditional Scottish haggis tasting experience
- Whisky tasting experiences in Scotland
- Visit a modern-day Scottish croft and meet inspiring local women living in the Highlands
- A special experience with renowned food writer Gillie Basan, complete with a beautiful Scottish lunch
- Gorgeous boutique accommodation throughout the journey
- Fabulous food and unforgettable local experiences
- And so much more...

world. Following lunch, we step into centuries of English history at Chavenage House, a magnificent Elizabethan manor rich in atmosphere and heritage. Fans of British drama may even recognise it from productions including Poldark. By evening, we arrive in the postcard-perfect village of Bibury, where our charming country hotel awaits. Transfer Time: Approximately 1 hour 45 minutes

**Stay:** The Swan, Bibury

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 5 – Wednesday 15: Hiking Through Storybook Villages...

In the morning, after breakfast we'll transfer to Stow-on-the-Wold and enjoy a classic Cotswolds hike along the Monarch's Way, linking the charming villages of Stow-on-the-Wold, the Slaughters (much nicer than its name suggests!) and Bourton-on-the-Water (known as the 'Venice of the Cotswolds'). We'll enjoy a packed lunch supplied by a local deli before taking some time to walk around this idyllic village and its prized, beautiful river along with its 5 stone bridges that date back to 1654.

Early afternoon we will transfer to Sudeley Castle to take a guided tour of the beautiful gardens and grounds whilst learning about its royal connections spanning a thousand years. If you're a fan of the Tudor period, you will love this!

A short transfer 30-minute transfer takes us back to our hotel for the evening.

**Stay:** The Swan, Bibury

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

**Walk Details:** 6 km / 4 miles | 12 m / 38 ft elevation gain | Approx: 2 hrs



### Day 6 – Thursday 16: Roman Villas & The Prettiest Street in England...

A short transfer takes us to Chedworth, home to one of the grandest Roman villas of its time. Here, we'll discover extraordinarily preserved mosaics, all set within a beautiful, hidden valley. This afternoon, we head into the historic market town of Cirencester. You'll have some free time here to explore the 'Capital of the Cotswolds' at your own pace – perhaps visiting the Corinium Museum to see more Roman treasures, browsing the local boutiques, or relaxing in a café near the parish church. Later, we return to Bibury, where we'll gather for dinner together to celebrate our last night in the Cotswolds.

**Stay:** The Swan, Bibury

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 7 – Friday 17: Goodbye Cotswolds, hello Glorious Lake District...

Today we journey north into the spectacular Lake District National Park, with ever-changing scenery unfolding along the way. We pause at Trentham Estate to stretch our legs and enjoy lunch before continuing onwards to Keswick, our beautiful Lake District base.

Once settled into our hotel, there is the option to enjoy a gentle hike to nearby Latrigg, where gorgeous panoramic views across Borrowdale provide the perfect introduction to this breathtaking region.

**Stay:** The Inn on the Square, Keswick

**Meals:** Breakfast, Dinner

**Walk:** 2 km / 2 miles | 87 m / 285 ft elevation gain |

**Approx:** 1 hr 15 mins

### Day 8 – Saturday 18: Mr McGregor's Garden...

Today we immerse ourselves in the literary charm and natural beauty of the Lake District. After breakfast, we travel to the picturesque village of Grasmere, where we visit the former home of celebrated poet William Wordsworth before wandering the village's charming laneways and boutiques.

Of course, no visit to Grasmere would be complete without a stop at the famous Grasmere Gingerbread Shop, where we'll learn the delicious history behind this beloved local treat and enjoy a tasting.

Depending on the final arrangement of the itinerary, we will either enjoy a beautiful Afternoon Tea overlooking the gardens said to have inspired Beatrix Potter's Mr McGregor's Garden, or venture out on a spectacular Lake District hike featuring waterfalls, mountain tarns and breathtaking scenery.

Either way, today promises to be filled with quintessential Lake District magic.

**Stay:** The Inn on the Square, Keswick

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Walk:** 8 km / 5 miles | 261 m / 855 ft elevation gain |  
**Approx:** 3 hrs

### Day 9 – Sunday 19: Yoga, Lakes & Lakeland Beauty...

This morning we'll drive down the spine of the Lake District along the winding country roads to Windermere for a private session with a local Vinyasa Yoga instructor at the fascinating waterfront location of Windermere Jetty Museum. You'll enjoy an hour of practising a popular and



dynamic style of yoga that emphasises fluid movement and breath synchronisation. Afterwards, enjoy a refreshment in the Jetty Museums Cafe before boarding a launch (boat) that will take you north on Lake Windermere to the Waterhead Jetty. You'll have some free time to explore the bustling town of Ambleside in the heart of the Lake District before grabbing lunch and heading out for a stunning walk around Rydal Water. This 6 mile route takes in a variety of terrains while providing some excellent views across the lake, before bringing you back round into Ambleside.

**Stay:** The Inn on the Square, Keswick

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

**Walk:** 10km / 6 miles | 342 m / 1,122 ft elevation gain | Approx: 3 hrs



## Day 10 – Monday 20: Crossing borders – to Scotland we go...

Today we transfer north to Edinburgh (about 3.5 hours). However, before we leave the Lake District we'll make a stop at Aira Force on the shores of Ullswater. Quiet glades give way to dramatic waterfalls, we'll visit a thundering waterfall that drops 65 feet past ferns and rocks. Made even more picturesque by the small stone bridge at the bottom. There are so many woodland trails to discover in this landscape of contrasts. Afterwards, we'll head north to Edinburgh, a journey of around 3 hours through the winding Scottish countryside.

Once we have arrived, we'll settle into our hotel in a beautiful part of the New Town district. Choose to dine in at this beautiful hotel or walk to the Old Town (only 10 minutes away) and explore what's on offer!

**Stay:** The Bonham, Edinburgh

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

## Day 11 – Tuesday 21: Exploring Edinburgh, the Scottish Capital...

After breakfast, it's time to explore!

A day exploring Edinburgh, including the famous Old Town district which has UNESCO World Heritage Site status. Enjoy a morning with a fascinating local guide, who will show you the city through their own personal insight, past, present and future. You'll finish with a tasting of the national dish of Scotland, the Haggis.

Take the afternoon to continue your exploration on your own as Edinburgh has too much to offer. The history is incredible and Edinburgh Castle is just the tip of the



iceberg. Museums are free here and of course for those who love modern royal history, Britannia, the retired favourite yacht of Queen Elizabeth II is moored here!

Enjoy making your own memories!

**Stay:** The Bonham, Edinburgh

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch

### Day 12 – Wednesday 22: Heading for the Highlands...

This morning we transfer north to Cairngorms National Park in the Scottish Highlands (3 hours). After lunch, we visit a small croft run by two remarkable ladies dedicated to small-scale farming in tune with nature.

Afterwards, we'll continue to the attractive village of Aberlour and check into our hotel. There should be time for a short walk in the village, perhaps along the banks of the River Spey, or up to a waterfall that is close to the hotel, before dinner.

**Stay:** Dowans Hotel, Aberlour

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 13 – Thursday 23: Hiking & a Whiskey tasting...

Today offers two wonderful ways to experience the beauty of the Highlands.

For those seeking a gentler experience, we travel to Findhorn for a scenic coastal walk along part of the Moray Coastal Trail, where dramatic sea views and fresh Highland air create a truly memorable experience.

Alternatively, more adventurous hikers may choose to

tackle Ben Rinnes, a rewarding and more challenging Highland hike with spectacular panoramic views.

**Stay:** Dowans Hotel, Aberlour

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 14 – Friday 24: A Toast to Scotland...

Our final full day together is truly special as we visit renowned chef and writer Ghillie Basan, who has spent much of her life living off-grid in the Highlands.

Begin with a peaceful nature walk through the surrounding landscape, pausing to enjoy either a warming dram of whisky or a hot drink amongst the hills.

Later, gather around the table to learn about Ghillie's philosophy towards food, life and Scottish hospitality before enjoying a beautiful long lunch banquet complete with wine as we toast this unforgettable British adventure together.

**Stay:** Dowans Hotel, Aberlour

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 15 – Saturday 25: Farewell Highlands...

Sadly all good things must come to an end.

A 90-minute transfer takes us to the capital of the Highlands, Inverness. We'll have a little bit of time to wander around the high street before we say our farewells as the trip comes to a close around lunchtime.

Included is a group transfer to the railway station then Inverness Airport depending on your choice of departure transport.

**Meals:** Breakfast

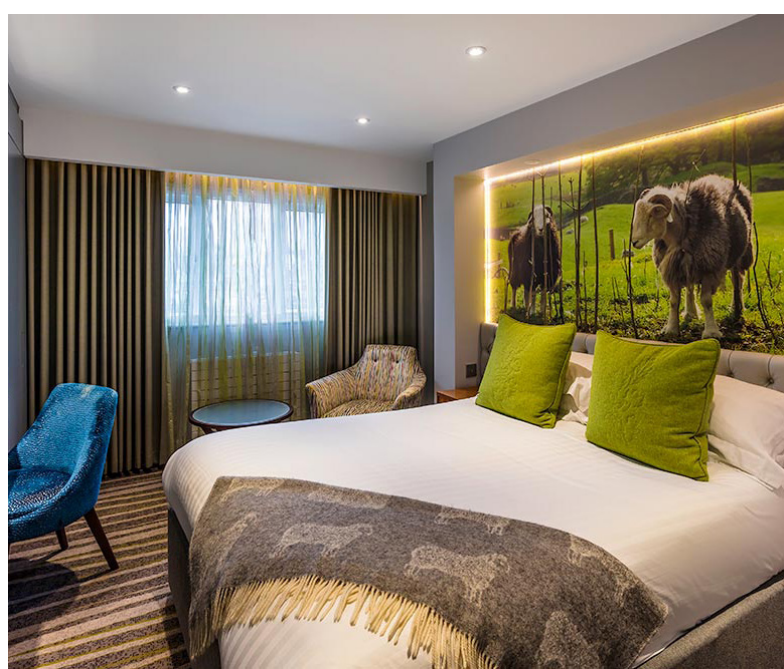


## Accommodation



### Bath | The Bird

The Bird is wonderfully vivacious and vibrant. Just a few minutes' mosey from the buzzing epicentre of Bath, discover bedrooms that are a daring fusion of colour and comfort or dine at our snazzy neighbourhood restaurant. All this, and a whole lot more awaits you at The Bird. Not just a base but a lovely place to enjoy some down-time after a day out. Hunker down in our bodacious bedrooms, with cracking Bath views. The Terrace and Bar is a tranquil haven bathed in sunshine providing a luxurious oasis in the heart of Bath. Unwind with a glass of something chilled and delicious small plates, savour a cup of coffee, or indulge in a stylish dinner under the stars.



### The Lake District | The Inn on the Square

The Inn on the Square features modern Scandinavian design mixed with a love for all things Cumbrian – our family-owned Keswick hotel simply oozes comfortable indulgence (with optional adventures on the side). The handy central Keswick location means that everything is just outside your door – from shops to bars and restaurants to typical Keswick sweet shops. Derwentwater lake is only a 10 minute wander through the town if you feel like having a paddle, taking a boat ride or simply enjoying the views. With 34 modern bedrooms, a chic lounge bar and our Brossen Steakhouse – the Inn on the Square is perfect for romantic weekenders, fresh-air seeking walkers or people who simply love the Lake District.



## The Cotswolds | The Swan, Bibury

Nestled in the heart of the postcard-perfect village of Bibury, The Swan is a beautiful 17th-century former coaching inn brimming with classic Cotswold charm. Set beside the tranquil River Coln and surrounded by honey-coloured stone cottages, this elegant boutique hotel offers the perfect countryside escape, combining timeless English character with contemporary comfort and warm hospitality.

Beautifully styled throughout, The Swan effortlessly blends rustic luxury with cosy sophistication. Expect charming lounges with crackling fireplaces, stylish country-inspired

interiors and peaceful gardens ideal for relaxing after a day exploring the Cotswolds. With Bibury often described as one of the prettiest villages in England, stepping outside the hotel feels like wandering into a storybook.

The Swan is also perfectly positioned for discovering the surrounding countryside, picturesque walking trails and iconic villages of the Cotswolds. Whether enjoying a quiet morning coffee overlooking the river, a glass of wine by the fire or a delicious seasonal meal in the hotel restaurant, this is quintessential English countryside living at its finest.





## Scotland

### Edinburgh | The Bonham

Set in a quiet leafy crescent in the exclusive West End of Edinburgh, only minutes from the main attractions, The Bonham provides guests with luxurious, fully refurbished rooms and suites. Many rooms offer stunning views either over Drumsheugh Gardens or towards the Firth of Forth and the Kingdom of Fife.

Welcoming lounges and a stylish restaurant and bar make the most of the beautiful interiors of the original houses and look over the peaceful gardens.

### The Scottish Highlands | Dowans Hotel, Aberlour

The hotel, built in 1888, offers sixteen individual and bespoke en-suite rooms ranging from cosy and elegant singles to eloquently styled king and super-king size doubles. Every room has tea and coffee making facilities, a flat-screen television, free Wi-Fi and en-suite bathroom stocked with complimentary toiletries. With the Glenfiddich Terrace and manicured lawns looking out over the Spey Valley to the front, and a grand ornamental pond with fountains and stoned pathways set within the shadow of Ben Rinnes to the rear, whichever room you are in, the view is sure to delight.





## Testimonials

The first leg of the tour was everything and more than I expected. The literature festival was so vibrant and the sessions I chose were mostly positive. I loved the variety. One of the advantages of staying at Clark's was the convenience. The variety of experiences was excellent. Long interesting days followed by magnificent dinners in magnificent locations. Truly magical experiences, especially the Ball as the finale of the festival. Donna has been her usual exceptional leader, always giving us updates, funny stories, background knowledge where we may be heading etc etc. She's a very special person and manages to divide her time equally among all guests. A wonderful trip, Andrea, and so pleased I listened to all those people who encouraged me to go. Travelling Divas has given me the joy of travel and part of that joy is travelling with likeminded women and doing it in style.

**Susie, India 2026**

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I have enjoyed each and every one of your trips I have taken.

The local ones ( Hiddenvale and Hobart) and more exotic locations ( India x 3, magical Morocco and divine South Africa) have all delivered on expectations and all show your stamp of picking the eyes out of the most delightful locations to rest our heads, and also extraordinarily well critiqued sites, restaurants and artisan workshops to visit.

I am really looking forward to Sicily in September. Best wishes and many thanks for the joyful travels I have immensely enjoyed.

**Lisa, 2025**

Andrea makes dreams come true ! With wonderful surprises along the way, Portugal was definitely exquisite, guided by our Zoe ever so helpful on many occasions ensuring my dream came true. I've had the most wonderful time, meeting and sharing the trip with amazing Divas.

**Linda, 2025**

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This was my second trip with Travelling Divas and I cannot recommend them enough. They have been seamless, the accommodation is always exceptional as is the food & wine throughout the journey.

However it is the company and the laughs that has stayed with me, not only on this trip but on my previous trip to Estonia & Finland. It was the tonic that was needed after our long travel hiatus, thank you so much for what was truly a Journey of a Lifetime (the Northern Lights twice was an added and unexpected bonus... thanks for organising that for us!)

**Yvonne, Diva Iconic**

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The trip was fabulous, made even better by the group itself. Terrific bunch of women to travel with. We did some really unique and special things which have created amazing memories. Would definitely travel with the Divas again.

**Kathy, India 2026**



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