



WINDSOR CASTLE

# *Downton Abbey - London & York*

JULY 7 - 15, 2024

Calling all Downton Abbey Fans! If you ever wanted to see the actual sites used in the hit show, this is the tour for you! Visit Highclere Castle, better known as *Downton Abbey*, from the television series of the same name. As a privately-owned residence, the castle opens its doors to the public only a few days each year. As our friend in the UK told us, "Tickets are rarer than gold flakes!"

We will also visit other BBC filming locations like Thirsk, featured in *All Creatures Great and Small*, and Castle Howard, recognized from *Brideshead Revisited*, along with UK staples such as Windsor Castle, which is still one of the primary homes of HM King Charles and Newby Hall, one of England's most splendid Queen Anne houses.

Plus, enjoy the best of London such as the Albert and Victoria Museum of Art, Westminster Abbey and the Churchill War Rooms.

You even have a free day to explore London on your own!



NEWBY HALL

## **TOUR INCLUDES:**

- AIRFARE:** Round Trip airfare from St. Louis to London (Airfare to other cities available - call for info)
- HOTELS:** 7 nights' accommodation in a first-class hotel, including all hotel taxes and service charges
- COACHING:** All ground transportation listed
- TRAIN:** First-class train tickets between London-York
- MEALS:** Breakfast daily, 1 lunch, 1 tea, 4 dinners
- GUIDES:** Tour guides throughout the tour
- BAGGAGE:** Portage of one large suitcase per person
- VISITS:** Entrance to all sites included in the itinerary

**\$7,896 PP, DOUBLE OCC**  
**\$9,020 PP, SINGLE OCC**

**SAVE WHEN BOOKING BY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER!**

**\$7,659 PP, DOUBLE OCC BY CHECK**  
**\$8,749 PP, SINGLE OCC BY CHECK**

Travel Insurance available at additional cost. Information will be mailed to each registration on receipt of deposit.



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**SUNDAY, JULY 7** - For those leaving from St. Louis, meet Dea and Declan at the airport for our flight to London. Get some sleep on the plane and awaken in the UK! **OVERNIGHT: PLANE**

**MONDAY, JULY 8** - Upon arrival at London's Heathrow Airport, we meet our local guides and any guests not coming from St. Louis and take a short drive to nearby Richmond. Here you'll visit Kew Gardens and have lunch before making our way to our central London hotel. There will be time to unpack and relax before we gather this evening for a reception and welcome dinner at the hotel.

**(L, D) OVERNIGHT: LONDON**

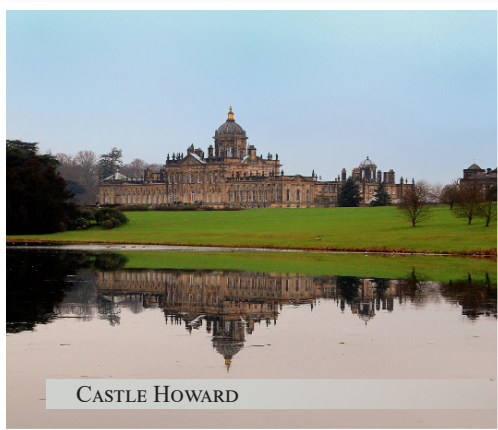
**TUESDAY, JULY 9** - The day begins with a sightseeing tour of London designed to give newcomers an overview of this great city and acquaint returning travelers with its many charms. We'll view many of London's major monuments, from the Albert Memorial to St. Paul's Cathedral

to Trafalgar Square, touring the city from Chelsea to Bloomsbury. The rest of the afternoon and evening are free for you to make your own plans. For those interested, an afternoon visit to the Victoria & Albert Museum or an evening theatre performance can be arranged. **(B) OVERNIGHT: LONDON**



LONDON TOWER BRIDGE

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 10** - This morning, we travel by train north into the picturesque region of Yorkshire. Upon arrival in York, we will be met by our coach bus which will take us on a brief tour of York before bring us to Thirsk—recognizable from the BBC television series, *All Creatures Great and Small*. We'll tour the town where they were vets and visit the wonderful World of the James Herriot Museum. After free time for lunch, we return to our hotel in York where we will check in, having time to unpack and relax before we reconvene for dinner at the hotel. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: YORK**



CASTLE HOWARD

**THURSDAY, JULY 11** - West through the heart of the Yorkshire Dales, our first stop will be Newby Hall, one of England's most splendid Queen Anne houses, where we'll enjoy a private tour. We continue this afternoon to Fountains Abbey, Britain's largest and most beautiful monastic ruin, set in the valley of the River Skell. We return to York where your evening is free to explore the city, its sights, and restaurants. **(B) OVERNIGHT: YORK**

**FRIDAY, JULY 12** - This morning, take the short trip to Castle Howard, immediately recognizable from the BBC television series, *Brideshead Revisited*. This 18th century Vanbrugh masterpiece and its fine collection of Old Masters will enthrall.

Returning to York, we will take part in the English tradition of afternoon tea at Bettys Café Tea Room. Upon returning to our hotel this afternoon, the rest of the evening will be free.

**(B, T) OVERNIGHT: YORK**

**SATURDAY, JULY 13** - This morning, we board the train for our first-class travel back to London. Upon arrival, we will be met by our coach bus and travel the short distance to Windsor. This afternoon, we visit what is possibly the stateliest home of all—Windsor Castle. The Castle has been a royal residence since its founding by William the Conqueror shortly after the Norman invasion in 1066 and is still one of the primary homes of HM King Charles. We'll tour the State Apartments and St. George's Chapel. A short drive brings us to our hotel, where we'll have time to unpack and relax before dinner. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: WINDSOR**

**SUNDAY, JULY 14** - After breakfast this morning, we drive to Highclere Castle, better known as *Downton Abbey*, from the television series of the same name. After a tour of the house, there will be time to explore the gardens. This afternoon, we'll return to our hotel for free time and some last-minute shopping, before we gather for our farewell dinner at the hotel. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: WINDSOR**

**MONDAY, JULY 15** - Morning transports to nearby Heathrow airport for flight home. Thank you for traveling with us! **(B)**



HIGHCLERE CASTLE