

Robin Hood Travel Ltd



2023-2024 WINTER EXCURSIONS

Our 2023/24 winter brochure is packed full of Wintery and Festive short breaks and day excursions, for more details or to book please telephone our office on 01538 306618.

OUR GUARANTEE TO YOU

QUALITY:

- Carefully planned Itineraries
- An excellent standard of Hotels
- Modern Luxury Coaches
- Friendly and professional drivers

VALUE:

- So much is included in the cost of your holiday

PROMISE:

- We have no hidden extra charges
- We do not apply surcharges

MONEY PROTECTED:

- Members of the Confederation of Passenger Transport

DEPARTURE POINTS:

- All holidays depart from our premises at Highway Garage, Macclesfield Road, Rudyard, Nr Leek, ST13 8PS to avoid lengthy pickups.
If following your sat-nav, stay on the A523 Macclesfield Road and look for the large white swan!!
- We please ask that you arrive at Highway Garage no earlier than 30 minutes prior to your departure time.

GIFT VOUCHERS:

- Our gift vouchers make the perfect gift anytime of the year – available to purchase in any denomination. Collect from the office or we are happy to post out to you!

SUITCASES:

- We ask that you only bring a medium sized suitcase that you are able to carry yourself.
- We advise that any medication should be carried in your hand luggage and not in your suitcase.

MOBILITY:

- We are happy to carry folding wheelchairs/ mobility scooters but if you could please advise the office at the time of booking to ensure locker space.

METHODS OF PAYMENT:

- Cash
- Cheque – please make all cheques payable to Robin Hood Travel Ltd
- Debit/Credit Card – at the office and over the telephone
- Bank Transfer - Bank details are on the bottom of invoices

TRAVEL INSURANCE:

- Unfortunately we can no longer provide Travel Insurance.
We recommend The Post Office, Saga, Insure & Go and Towergate Insurance.

SPECIAL REQUESTS:

- These are dealt with seriously and while every effort is made to grant your request, they unfortunately cannot be guaranteed. All requests are made in order of importance.

DIETARY REQUESTS:

- These can normally be provided for, please advise at the time of booking. (We please ask that you do not contact the hotels direct)

GDPR

- Due to the new GDPR Legislation we are no longer permitted to show names/details on our seating plans to other passengers.
- If you do not wish to be on our mailing list please advise our office.

NATIONAL TRUST PROPERTIES

- This year we have included a number of National Trust properties throughout the brochure, we haven't included the cost in to our tours, if you are a member you can use your passes, if not let us know and we can add a reduced group admission entrance fee on to your final invoice.
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OFFICE OPENING HOURS.

Monday – Friday 09:00am – 17:00pm
Closed Weekends and Bank Holidays.

SHORT BREAKS

HAMPSHIRE

Sunday 8th – Thursday 12th October 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Elvetham Hotel, Hook

Showcasing some of the best gardens in England, visiting RHS Wisley and Savill Gardens and allowing time to relax with a cream tea on a Thames River Cruise. The historical Elvetham Hotel country estate dates back to Elizabethan times and enjoyed frequent visits by Queen Elizabeth I, whilst being owned by the Seymour family. The beautiful property is now a 61 bedroom hotel with impressive period features and extensive grounds. The modern bedrooms are split between the main house and the adjacent stable block. (Please note that the main building of the hotel does not have a lift, but there are multiple ground floor rooms in the stable block.)

Attractions Included:

- Henley on Thames
- RHS Wisley
- Savill Gardens and Thames River Cruise with Cream Tea
- Winchester
- High Wycombe

Only £560 per person

£93.50 Single Supplement
Deposit of £112

TORQUAY

Monday 16th – Friday 20th October 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Headland Hotel, Torquay

With heart stopping views of Torbay and the South Devon Coastline or overlooking the picturesque, perfectly manicured garden, the Headland Hotel and Spa is perfect for a seaside break on the English Riviera. It is a few years since we have been to the Headland Hotel, but it is perfect for a relaxing break away by the sea. With a day to explore Torquay at leisure: just a 15 minute stroll to the harbour – a local bus runs every hour (a bus stop is located just a 5 minute walk from the hotel) or the hotel offers a complimentary taxi service.

Attractions Included:

- Bristol en-route
- NT Killerton House and Exeter
- Brixham and Paignton
- Free Time at the hotel
- Return via Gloucester

Only £345 per person

Limited Number of Single Rooms at Nil Supplement
Deposit of £69
(Additional cost for Non National Trust Members
to visit Killerton - £13.30)

HEYTHROP PARK

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Heythrop Park, Oxfordshire

Heythrop Park has been a feature in the Cotswolds since 1710 - then, a look-at-me manor of lofty arches and columns, it is now Grade II listed, still with showmanship but stylishly refurbished. It has everything to elevate a country escape – gold, spa, traditional sports and 440 acres of parkland. This is a new kind of Warner hotel experience, designed just for adults!

(There are no daytime activities, but guests are encouraged to make use of the spa facilities, relax in the lounge areas or take a walk around the grounds.)

Heythrop is a very large hotel and does involve a lot of walking from the bedrooms, to the restaurants, and entertainment venues. The hotel is set on a slope with amenities spread across different floors, there is lift access between floors. A blue badge is required for any mobility scooter used in the hotel and its grounds.

Attractions Included:

- Royal Leamington Spa en-route
- Blenheim Palace
- Bourton on the Water and Moreton in Marsh
- Free Day
- Bicester Village on return

Only £555 per person

Limited Number of Single Rooms at nil supplement
Deposit of £111

TORQUAY AND TINSEL

Monday 6th – Friday 10th November 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Belgrave Sands Hotel, Torquay

Another of our favourite hotels; the very popular 4* Belgrave Sands Hotel and Spa, just a short walk from Torre Abbey Sands Beach. The perfect base for exploring Torquay by foot or make use of your bus passes to explore further afield.

With a visit from Santa, live entertainment, Christmas dinner and a Festive programme at the hotel, you're sure to return feeling festive. During your stay a local coach company operates a tour to a Christmas Variety show on one evening, why not book a seat whilst at the hotel.

Attractions included:

- Taunton
- Plymouth
- Exeter and Exeter Brewery tour with light lunch
- Free Day

Only £406 per person

£60 Single Room Supplement
Deposit of £82

FESTIVE SIDMOUTH

Tuesday 14th – Saturday 18th November 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at Royal York and Faulkner Hotel, Sidmouth

One of our most popular hotels 'The Royal York and Faulkner' situated on the sea front in the lovely town of Sidmouth, Devon, with a festive programme taking place at the hotel, you're sure to return ready for Christmas.

Just a stone's throw from the beach and the picturesque town centre, this seafront hotel is the perfect choice for a relaxing break in the unspoilt seaside resort of Sidmouth. During your stay you may choose to visit the unique little shops in the town or take a stroll along the Esplanade. If you are feeling energetic, take a walk to the top of Salcombe or Peak Hills to get a fantastic view of the bay and the town.

Attractions Included:

- Gloucester Quays
- Scenic drive to Tavistock
- Exeter
- Free Day

Only £370 per person

Limited Number of Single Rooms at Nil Supplement
Deposit of £74

YORK

Tuesday 14th – Friday 17th November 2023

3 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Queens Hotel, York

A warm welcome awaits you at The Queens Hotel, situated on the banks of the River Ouse, in the heart of the city of York. Perfect for a three night stay, to explore at your own pace. Step out of the hotel in to a world of history and explore the meant dimensions York has to offer – from medieval times to modern day. Very few cities in England are able to boast such an exciting mix of cultures, whether you choose to stroll through the alleyways of York, take in a gallery or Museum, visit the bustling shopping streets or just relax in one of the many wine bars or restaurants.

A city where chocolate, Romans and gruesome ghost stories collide offering an eclectic mix of culture and history.

Nearby attractions to help plan your stay:

- York Mansion House
- Jorvik Viking Centre
- National Railway Museum

Only £300 per person

£71 Single Supplement
Deposit of £60

LONDON BREAK

Saturday 18th – Sunday 19th November 2023

1 x Night: Bed and Breakfast
at The Copthorne Tara Hotel, Kensington



Enjoy an overnight break in our Capital City, with plenty of time for sightseeing, taking in a show or purchasing your Christmas presents. The Copthorne Tara Hotel in Kensington, ideally located for the underground, catching a bus or walking. Why not make your way round to The Hyde Park Winter Wonderland – which is due to open on 18th November. Making our usual early morning departure from Highway Garage, we will journey direct to the hotel, aiming to arrive mid-morning. Arrangements will be made for the concierge to store luggage until you check in at leisure after 3pm. Sunday will be a free day to continue exploring before departing London at 16:00pm.

The nearest underground station is High Street Kensington.

Only £170 per person

£73 Single Supplement
Deposit of £34

HOLLY AND IVY BOURNEMOUTH

Monday 20th – Friday 24th November 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Marsham Court Hotel, Bournemouth

One of our popular destinations...Bournemouth: A lovely seaside resort on the South Coast, renowned for its seven miles of sandy beaches and beautiful town centre gardens. The Marsham Court Hotel is situated on the East Cliff, just a few minutes' walk from the pier, beach and traffic free shopping area. Enjoy lots of festive fun during your stay with a full Holly and Ivy programme – if you've been good maybe even a visit from Santa!!

Attractions included:

- Winchester en-route
- Salisbury
- Athelhampton with a light lunch
- Free Day

Only £390 per person

Limited Number of Single Rooms at Nil Supplement
Double for Sole use rooms and Sea View Upgrades available at £40 per room supplement on request
Deposit of £78

FESTIVE ST AGNES

Saturday 25th – Wednesday 29th November 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Rosemundy House Hotel, St Agnes.



The lovely Rosemundy House Hotel in the village of St Agnes has always been a favourite of ours and it's easy to see why. Home produced cuisine is served each evening in the restaurant, a choice of two lounges and a cosy bar to relax in.

Attractions included:

- Gloucester Quays
- Newquay and Healeys Cyder Farm Christmas Fayre (and light lunch)
- Truro and Falmouth
- Free Day

Only £360 per person

Limited Number of Single Rooms at Nil Supplement
Deposit of £72

TOM JONES TRIBUTE

Sunday 26th – Monday 27th November 2023

1 x Night: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Mercure Haydock Hotel

The 4* Mercure Haydock Hotel, set in a traditional Georgian mansion-style building, built around a central courtyard and surrounded by its own beautifully landscaped grounds.

Unwind in the lounge or conservatory bar, or do a few laps of the indoor swimming pool, before getting ready and enjoying your three course meal. Following dinner sit back (or dance) to one of the country's top tributes. The Sir Tom Jones tribute will be performing his famous hits before the resident DJ will keep you dancing until it's time for bed.

Making our way to Haydock via Liverpool and home again via Manchester – allowing plenty of time to browse the Christmas Markets, head to a Museum or just sit in a bar watching the world go by.

Attractions Included:

- Liverpool
- Tom Jones Tribute night and resident DJ
- Manchester

Only £155 per person

£20 Single Supplement
Deposit of £31

WHITBY WINTER WONDERLAND

Monday 27th November – Friday 1st December 2023

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Raven Hall Hotel, Ravenscar

The Raven Hall Hotel can be found mid-way between Whitby and Scarborough, dramatically situated 600 feet above sea level and overlooking Robin Hoods Bay. The head chef prides himself on using locally sourced produce wherever possible, served in the panoramic restaurant – which as the name suggests has amazing views. A Christmas itinerary has been planned at the hotel, with a Carol Service and visit from Father Christmas on "Christmas Day" and entertainment throughout the week.

Attractions included:

- Castle Howard
- Goathland and Whitby
- Free Day
- Scarborough
- York – while the Christmas Market is on

Only £370 per person

Limited Number of Single Rooms at Nil Supplement
Sea View Rooms available on request at £40 supplement
Deposit of £74

BRUGGE

Monday 27th – Thursday 30th November 2023

3 x Nights: Bed and Breakfast
at The Dukes' Hotel Academie, Brugge.

With gorgeous gothic architecture, cobbled streets, canals crisscrossing the city, Brugge has it all! Especially at Christmas time. The medieval city of Brugge has the perfect fairy-tale setting for a Christmas village – buildings covered in sparkling lights, gingerbread-style houses and the aroma of fresh waffles and spices. The Dukes' Academie is located in a picturesque and quiet area near the Lake of Love, the Beguinage and local brewery 'Halve Maan', the railway station, Market square and shopping area are within walking distance, finish your evenings off in the intimate hotel bar with its own terrace.

At time of printing the Christmas Markets are due to start on 25th November 2023

Due to the location of the hotel, the coach is unable to drop off/pickup directly outside the hotel – we therefore recommend you only take luggage that you are able to manage yourself (approx. 25 metres)

Lunchtime Eurotunnel - Folkestone to Calais.

Attractions Included:

- Free time to explore at leisure.

Only £360 per person

£137 Single Supplement
Deposit of £72
(£69 Supplement per room for a Twin room with walk in shower)

THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR



Thursford Christmas Spectacular has attracted over 5.4 million visitors to date and is the largest Christmas show in the country. In 2023 they are celebrating their 46th anniversary!!

Set in the magical surroundings of mechanical organs and fairground carousels, with a cast of 130 professional singers, dancers and musicians. The three hour performance delivers an extravaganza of non-stop singing, dancing, music, humour and variety.



Saturday 11th - Monday 13th November 2023

2 x Nights: Bed and Breakfast at the Maids Head Hotel, Norwich.

Day 1 – Via Ely.

Day 2 – Free morning in the hotel or in Norwich (make the most of the breakfast buffet or maybe purchase a snack) before boarding the coach to Thursford for the matinee performance of the show, arriving back at the hotel late afternoon.

Day 3 – Free morning in Norwich, departing at 14:30pm. This visit to Thursford is now based on a Bed and Breakfast board – allowing you to make the most of the many restaurants in Norwich, or book a table in the hotel.

Only £340 per person
£85 Single Supplement
Deposit of £68

Saturday 18th – Sunday 19th November 2023

1 x Night: Late Lunch, Bed and breakfast at The Holiday Inn Norwich City Centre.

Day 1 – Via Boundary Mill, Grantham before enjoying lunch at the hotel and heading to Thursford for the evening Performance of the show.

Day 2 - Free morning in Norwich, departing at 14:00pm.

Only £205 per person
£30 Single Supplement
Deposit of £41



Friday 8th – Sunday 10th December 2023

2 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast at Le Strange Arms Hotel, Old Hunstanton.

Day 1 – Via Stamford on Market Day.

Day 2 – Morning excursion to Kings Lynn before enjoying a late lunch at the hotel before boarding the coach and heading to Thursford for the matinee performance of the show.

Day 3 – Returning via Springfields Outlet, Spalding.

Only £330 per person
£25 Single Supplement
Deposit of £66

EDINBURGH CHRISTMAS MARKETS

Friday 8th – Sunday 10th December 2023

2 x Nights: Bed and Breakfast

at Courtyard by Marriott Hotel, Edinburgh

Courtyard by Marriott® Edinburgh, located at the heart of the Scottish capital, combining heritage and style with innovative design and locally inspired furnishings. The prime location is just a short walk from Edinburgh City Centre.

Perfect for shopping, sightseeing or the truly magical Christmas Markets. Set beneath the great Castle, alongside elegant Princes Street, the Scottish capital sparkles with Christmas cheer, its markets full of seasonal merchandise and delicious treats.

Attractions Included:

- Free time

Only £230 per person

£84 Single Supplement

Deposit of £46

NEW YEAR IN PITLOCHRY

Saturday 30th December 2023 – Wednesday 3rd

January 2024

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast

at The Fishers Hotel, Pitlochry

The imposing Highland setting, the blazing log fires, delightfully relaxing surroundings, and many years of experience on hand and of course the special atmosphere for the big night – how can you resist the thought of Hogmanay at The Fishers Hotel. The Fishers Hotel is located right in the centre of the beautiful Victorian town of Pitlochry, Perthshire. The front door opens straight on to the Atholl Road (home to the New Year's Day Street Party) and the back door opens up to the train station, but the biggest surprise is the award-winning gardens that surround the hotel. With a sparkling drinks reception, 4 course gala dinner and a drink you're sure to bring the New Year in in style.... On New Year's Day, enjoy a late breakfast and relax in the hotel before wrapping up warm and heading out of the hotels front door for the annual Street Party!

Attractions Included:

- Moffat en-route
- Scenic drive to Queens View Point
- Free Day (Pitlochry Street Party)
- Perth
- Greta Green on return

Only £660 per person

£80 Single Supplement

Deposit of £132

DAY EXCURSIONS

WINDSOR AND WINDSOR CASTLE

Saturday 26th August 2023

Windsor Castle is the oldest and largest occupied castle in the World. Founded by William the conqueror in the 11th Century, it has been home to over 40 monarchs. The castle includes state apartments used by the Royal Family – marvel at the mythical paintings, be delighted by a dolls house, treat yourself to something to eat in the café or pay your respects to Queen Elizabeth II in her final resting place of St Georges Chapel. (Please note that on Saturdays, entrance in to St Georges Chapel may be limited from 13:30pm) With time to wander around Windsor before and after your visit to Windsor Castle, why not book a restaurant, take a ride on a river boat or make the most of the great shopping.

Windsor Castle Entrance at 11:30am

Departing Highway Garage at 07:00

Departing Windsor Coach Park at 17:00

Only £50 per person

STRATFORD UPON AVON AND

“WATERSIDE UPMARKET”

Sunday 27th August 2023

Stratford-upon-Avon: a market town with more than 800 years of history, containing not only many buildings that survive today and would have been familiar to Shakespeare, but also a thriving community offering a wide variety of shopping and sightseeing.

Stratford-upon-Avon's premier Sunday market, known as the Upmarket. Offering top quality products, gift ideas, treats & sweets, handcrafted items, designer jewellery, all types of artwork, wooden toys, clothing, delicious street food and occasional street entertainers and characters to delight the children.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:30

Departing Stratford at 16:00

Only £23 per person

CHATSWORTH COUNTRY FAIR

Saturday 2nd September 2023

One of England's most spectacular annual outdoor events, held in the Chatsworth Park in the heart of the Peak District: there's nothing quite like the annual fair at Chatsworth. Featuring spectacular grand ring displays in the air and on land, demos from celebrity chefs plus entertainment, there's fun for all the family at the fair. Please note that tickets for the Country Fair do not include entry to Chatsworth House and Garden.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:00

Departing Chatsworth at 16:00

Only £41 per person

RHS GARDEN BRIDGEWATER

Thursday 7th September 2023

RHS Garden Bridgewater, is the fifth RHS garden and one of the largest gardening projects undertaken in Europe in recent years. The transformation of this 154-acre green space will enrich the lives of local communities and their environment for the future.

Departing Highway Garage at 09:00

Departing Bridgewater at 14:00

Only £28 per person

LIVERPOOL

Saturday 9th September 2023

With its unique attractions, exciting events, world class sport offerings, unrivalled musical heritage and famously warm welcomes, Liverpool is the ideal destination. Dropping at Albert Docks you are in the ideal position to explore by foot, or jump on an open top bus.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:30

Departing Liverpool 17:00

Only £20 per person

EMMERDALE VILLAGE TOUR

Saturday 23rd September 2023

Board the coach for the journey to The Emmerdale Village Tour.

Embark on a 90 minute, fully guided, outside walking tour where you'll explore the village and see the exterior sets of The Woolpack, Café Mainstreet, David's shop and many more – with plenty of time to take photos.

The Emmerdale Village Tour is now cashless.

We then transfer to one of the most vibrant Cities in the UK: Leeds. Stroll around the incredible Trinity shopping centre, visit the Victoria Quarter or dine at one of the many fabulous restaurants.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:30

(Transfer from Emmerdale Village to Leeds at 13:00)

Departing Leeds at 16:30

Only £55 per person

MALVERN AUTUMN SHOW

Sunday 24th September 2023

Returning for another year of Home grown family fun at The Three Counties Showground, be inspired by Autumn, a celebration of the seasonal food and gardening, quality plants for sale, vintage village and nostalgia at The Malvern Autumn Show.

Departing Highway Garage at 07:30

Departing Malvern at 17:00

Only £42 per person

BLACKPOOL AND THE ILLUMINATIONS

Sunday 22nd October 2023

The Blackpool Illuminations have become an iconic part of British Culture. Arriving in Blackpool late morning spend the day riding donkeys, eating candy floss or standing on the glass floor of the Blackpool Tower, before boarding the coach for the return journey home through the famous Illuminations. (Under 5 FOC / Under 16 £12)

Departing Highway Garage at 09:30

Starting back through the Illuminations approx. 17:00

Only £23 per person

BARTON GRANGE GARDEN CENTRE

Tuesday 24th October 2023

Visit this award winning Garden Centre packed full of plants, equipment, garden furniture, Riverside Café and Farm Shop. By October all of the Christmas decorations and gift ideas should be on display and for sale.

Departing Highway Garage at 09:00

Departing Barton Grange at 15:00

Only £22 per person

TRAFFORD CENTRE: LEGOLAND

OR SEALIFE CENTRE

Wednesday 1st November 2023

If you enjoy shopping, the Trafford Centre has everything you could think of under one roof... designer brands, high street bargains and even a great big Primark!! Once you're shopped out, head to one of the many café's, restaurants or bars.

If shopping's not really your thing, why not grab a child or grandchild and treat them to a day out at Sea life Centre Manchester or Legoland Discovery Centre. (only a short walk from the main shops/restaurants)

Entrances not included – you would need to purchase your own tickets

Departing Highway Garage at 09:00

Departing Trafford Centre at 17:00

Only £18 per person

BURY MARKET AND OLYMPUS FISH

AND CHIPS

Saturday 4th November 2023

Another chance to visit the "famous" Bury Market and pick up a bargain – this time closer to Christmas to purchase any gifts for the festive period.

The day is finished at our favourite Fish and Chip Restaurant "Olympus Fish and Chips in Bolton", where a 2 course Fish and Chip lunch is served.

Departing Highway Garage at 09:00

Departing Olympus at 16:00

Only £36 per person

CREATIVE CRAFTS, SIMPLY CHRISTMAS AND CAKE INTERNATIONAL

Sunday 5th November 2023

ICHF Events are delighted to welcome you to Birmingham's NEC this November. One ticket will get you access to FOUR amazing shows. The Creative Craft Show stocks crafting supplies from over 100 independent and international brands, enjoy dozens of workshops and watch demonstrations from the biggest names in the craft world. Simply Christmas showcases bespoke, unique and handmade products that you'll be excited to wrap ready for the big day.

Cake International - the biggest, best and original cake decorating & sugar craft show featuring the world's biggest cake competition - entries are that impressive you won't even know it's cake!

Bake International - the brand new baking events with an incredible line up of celebrity bakers.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:30

Departing The NEC at 16:00

Only £33 per person

CHRISTMAS AT CHATSWORTH

Tuesday 7th November 2023 or Sunday 19th November 2023

Explore the Christmas Market to get your Christmas Shopping off to an early start. Whoever you're looking to buy for you will gain plenty of ideas throughout the decorated stalls selling traditional handmade crafts, gifts, jewellery, decorations and wooden toys. Whilst there make sure you stop off for a glass of mulled wine and mince pie, before entering the house: transformed with the annual Christmas display to get everyone in the spirit. This year's theme is 'Palace of Advent'. As dusk falls why not head in to the 105 acre gardens and make your way around the Light trail.

- Entry to the house is included - timed entry at 13:00pm -

Departing Highway Garage at 09:30

Departing Chatsworth at 17:30

Only £54 per person

(Under 4-16 £39)

BOUNDARY MILL

Sunday 12th November 2023

Visit one of the largest UK Mills stores at the Festive time of year: The Colne Store has big brands in fashion and homeware - with up to 70% off RRP. Relax before shopping in the café, enjoy a quick bite in Banister's Restaurant, lunch in Bumbellini's Italian or maybe wander to Banny's Fish and Chip Restaurant.

Departing Highway Garage at 09:00

Departing Boundary Mill at 16:00

Only £20 per person

LLANDUDNO CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday 18th November 2023

With a wonderful Christmas atmosphere, Llandudno really will get you in to the Christmas spirit: for one weekend in November they hold a family fun event with food, drink, gifts, a funfair, entertainment and so much more.

Or wrap up warm and head for a wander across the beach or pier and enjoy the fresh sea air.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:00

Departing Llandudno at 16:00

Only £24 per person

CHRISTMAS AT BELVOIR CASTLE

Saturday 25th November 2023

Celebrate Christmas in the very finest of styles this year. The historic gem that is Belvoir Castle, the state rooms will be filled with exquisite and sumptuous decorations themed around The 12 days of Christmas, including Guard room, Ballroom, state dining room and King's Rooms, all styled by the award-winning interior designer, Charlotte Lloyd-Webber. The Aviary Tearooms will be open on a first come first served basis and Fuel Tank at The Engine Yard will be open (you can book a spot on their webpage or call 01476 247059)

The morning will be spent in Stamford: with a unique blend of history, niche shopping and stunning Georgian architecture - you will be easily tempted by the thriving high street full of coffee shops, restaurants and a vast range of retailers.

Departing Highway Garage at 07:30

Departing Belvoir Castle at 16:30

Only £43 per person

YORK CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Sunday 26th November 2023

Enjoy the Christmas cheer in one of the UK's most festive cities: as York's restaurants, shops and attractions are beautifully decorated and provide a wonderful winter experience. 2023 marks the 31st anniversary of 'St Nicholas Fair', which has been a staple in York's streets during the festive period since 1992.

The famous alpine chalets line Parliament Street and Sampson's square creating a festive wonderland, with an array of local traders and artisan products.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:00

Departing York at 17:00

Only £26 per person

BAKEWELL AND BIGGIN HALL FOR LUNCH

Wednesday 29th November 2023

Join the coach at Highway Garage and enjoy the scenic drive to Bakewell. Make your way across Love Lock Bridge and wander through to the popular town centre. Enjoy a relaxing coffee in one of the many coffee shops, sample one of the famous Bakewell Tarts or pick up a Christmas gift or two. We then climb back on board the coach for the short journey to Biggin Hall, where a 3 course Christmas Lunch will be waiting for us.

Departing Highway Garage at 10:00

Departing Biggin Hall at 16:30

Only £58 per person

CHRISTMAS AT ARLEY HALL

Friday 1st December 2023

See The Hall and chapel creatively decorated with fresh flowers and foliage from the Arley gardens by local florists and horticultural colleges. Enjoy listening to the Rock Choir in the Hall as you stroll from room to room, picking up floral design ideas that you can recreate in your own home. With Christmas Trees decorated by local primary schools and delicious festive food in the café you're sure to have a lovely festive day out. Garden entry is also included.

Later we head to High Legh Garden Centre, with your inspiration from the morning pick up the items you need to turn your home in to a floral extravaganza, or head to the café for a late lunch.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:45

(Departing Arley Hall at 13:30 for the transfer to High Legh)

Departing High Legh Garden Centre at 16:30

Only £32 per person

GLOUCESTER AND CHRISTMAS AT THE QUAYS

Saturday 2nd December 2023

Throughout November and December the Christmas Orchard Street Market will be taking place at Gloucester Quays, join in the festivities with the historic docks providing a beautiful backdrop to your Christmas shopping. With more than 70 stalls offering a selection of crafts, gifts and artisan food products from local traders. Plus from mid-November there will even be an open-air ice rink!

After sampling all the nibbles at the markets why not make the short walk in to Gloucester. With the Cathedral, Gloucester Museum or Beatrix Potter's 'House of the Tailor of Gloucester', plenty of shops, restaurants or coffee shops you won't be bored.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:00

Departing Gloucester Quays at 16:00

Only £24 per person

CHESTER CHRISTMAS MARKETS OR CHESHIRE OAKS

Sunday 3rd December 2023

Founded as a Roman Fortress in the first century AD, Chester is known for its extensive walls made of local red stone. Spend the day Christmas Shopping, walking the walls or enjoying a boat trip on the river. The Christmas Markets are due to be on in Chester while we are there.

If you prefer to shop, shop, shop, the coach will be dropping at Cheshire Oaks – well known for its discounted designer stores and food outlets.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:00

Departing Cheshire Oaks 16:45 -

Departing Chester at 17:00

Only £20 per person

SKIPTON AND THE STIRK HOUSE

Wednesday 6th December 2023

Sit back and relax during the scenic journey to the gateway to The Yorkshire Dales: Skipton. Enjoy the morning in this charming market town, with its 900 year old castle and cobbled high street. Skipton is endlessly rich both in history and outstanding natural beauty. When your bags are full – the coach will make the short transfer to one of our favourite hotels: The Stirk House Hotel. (Previously used on the 2020 Get Together). Where a 3 course lunch will be waiting for us – relax and enjoy your meal in their cosy surroundings with a bottle of wine or maybe even a mulled wine.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:00

Departing The Stirk House at 16:30

Only £58 per person

STRATFORD UPON AVON CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 9th December 2023

The Stratford upon Avon Victorian Christmas Market is a themed event with stall holders dressed in Victorian costumes. There will be entertainment throughout the town; a stage in Henley Street will host a programme of performances. A traditional funfair, which will include a carousel situated at the bottom of Wood Street and on the Rother Street market area.

Why not make your visit special and see the historic Shakespearean attractions and extensive range of independent shops, boutiques, and well known High Street names that the town has to offer, or take a break in one of the welcoming cafés, pubs and restaurants.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:30

Departing Stratford at 16:00

Only £23 per person

THE MAKING OF HARRY POTTER

Sunday 10th December 2023

HOGWARTS IN THE SNOW!

Discover the film making magic at The Warner Bros Studios in Leavesden. Go behind the scenes and step in to the iconic sets; the Great Hall and Diagon Alley. Wander through the forbidden forest to Arogog's Lair, hop in to a train carriage on Platform 9 ¾ and end in Ollivanders wand shop; home to more than 17000 individually labelled wand boxes.

Departing Highway Garage at 09:00

Departing The Studios at 17:30

Only £76.50 per person

(Age 5-15 £65 / Under 5's FOC)

NATIONAL ARBORETUM CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND LICHFIELD

Tuesday 12th December 2023

Board the coach at Robin Hood for a leisurely drive to Lichfield, why not enjoy a relaxed cup of coffee or a little retail therapy before transferring to The National Memorial Arboretum for a delicious 3 course meal and entertainment against the stunning backdrop of the Arboretum. With a welcome drink, three course Christmas lunch, festive entertainment from Antonio Soggi Jive and Swing Band you will be sure to leave full of Christmas cheer.

Departing Highway Garage at 08:00

Departing Arboretum at 16:00

Only £53 per person

THE LONDON INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW

Saturday 16th December 2023

The London International Horse Show at The London ExCel is the only UK show to host all three FEI World Cup Qualifiers in Dressage, Show Jumping and Driving. The early start means (traffic depending) we will arrive at The ExCel early enough to browse the 200 retailers stands, selling a range of goods from all things equestrian to fashion, jewellery, wines etc – purchase some Christmas treats for yourself or others. Treat yourself to lunch before taking to your seats for the FEI Driving World cup, Shetland Pony Grand National and so much more.

Departing Highway Garage at 06:00

Departing Excel London at 17:30

Only £125 per person

BLISTS HILL VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS

Saturday 16th December 2023

The Streets and exhibits of Blists Hill Victorian Town will be decorated for the festive season and brought to life by the Victorians busily preparing for the big day! Soak up the festive atmosphere as you listen to the carol singers and brass bands, pick up a tasty treat from one of the shops and walk through the streets filled with falling snow. Browse unique gifts in the festive emporium, enjoy a pantomime in the Big Top and why not see Father Christmas in his Grotto (Father Christmas is extra and bookable online on the Blists Hill website)

Departing Highway Garage at 09:00

Departing Blists Hill at 16:00

Only £35 per person

(Reductions for children)

CAROLS AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL

FULLY BOOKED – WAITING LIST AVAILABLE

Sunday 17th December 2023

Join us for the spectacular surroundings of the Royal Albert Hall for what is set to be London's finest sing-along carol concert of the season. The Carol concerts have become one of our festive favourites over the years – get your singing voices ready to join in and enjoy your favourite traditional carols and modern festive arrangements. For 2023 we have secured seats in the stalls, so we are right in the middle of the Festive atmosphere!

Departing Highway Garage early morning, allowing time for a short 15 minute motorway comfort stop before arriving late morning. We recommend booking in somewhere for lunch may be lunch in one of the Royal Albert Halls restaurants or wander down to Kensington High Street and take your pick of pubs, coffee shops and restaurants.

The doors open at 2pm for the 3pm performance.

Departing Highway Garage at 07:30

Departing The Royal Albert Hall at 18:00

Only £95 per person

BLACKPOOL AND THE ILLUMINATIONS

Wednesday 27th December 2023

The Blackpool Illuminations have become an iconic part of British Culture. Arriving in Blackpool late morning spend the day riding Donkeys, eating candy floss or standing on the glass floor of the Blackpool Tower, before boarding the coach for the return journey home through the famous illuminations.

Departing Highway Garage at 09:30

Illuminations switch on approx. 17:00

Starting back through the illuminations approx. 16:30

Only £23 per person

(Under 5 FOC / Under 16 £11)

DRIVE AND DINES

Join us for our monthly day out with an included Lunch for £43 per trip.

All mystery Drive and Dine Tours depart Highway Garage at 10:00am and arrive back approx. 17:30pm

Wednesday 20th September 2023 | Wednesday 11th October 2023

Wednesday 22nd November 2023 | Wednesday 13th December 2023

****Please note the December Drive and Dine will depart at 09:30am****

2024 EXCURSIONS

ROBIN HOOD TRAVEL LTD ANNUAL GET TOGETHER

Sunday 11th - Monday 12th February 2024

****Your 2024 invitation will be posted
out later in the year****

SIDMOUTH

Sunday 25th – Thursday 29th February 2024

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Royal York and Faulkner Hotel, Sidmouth.

Another visit to one of our favourite hotels "The Royal York and Faulkner" is situated on the sea front in the lovely town of Sidmouth, Devon – perfect for blowing the cobwebs away!!

Sidmouth is so relaxing and unspoilt, the promenade opposite the hotel is all flat walking and at the end of the promenade are the lovely Connaught Gardens which are well worth a visit.

Attractions Included:

- Bristol
- Dorchester
- Torquay and Lunch at The Belgrave Sands Hotel
- Free Day

Awaiting costs



SPRING IN TO TORQUAY

Monday 4th – Friday 8th March 2024

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Belgrave Sands Hotel, Torquay

One of our favourite hotels is the 4* luxury Belgrave Sands Hotel and Spa, just a short walk from Torre Abbey Sands Beach.

Torquay is a stylish resort with a continental atmosphere, it is home to many places of interest, beauty spots and sandy beaches.

Attractions included:

- Gloucester en-route
- Exeter
- Newton Abbott and Dawlish
- Free Day

Only £360 per person

£80 Single Supplement
Deposit of £72

MOTHERING SUNDAY IN WINDSOR

Saturday 9th – Sunday 10th March 2024

1 x Night: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Castle Hotel, Windsor

Lovers of The Crown can wrap themselves in royalty as Windsor is about as regal as it gets. Windsor Castle, an official residence for 40 monarchs, pulls out all the royal stops.

Take a tour of the most famous public school in Britain – Eton, explore England's shortest street and sample numerous restaurants and atmospheric pubs, tour its royal themed brewery or hop on a river boat for a scenic tour – catching a glimpse of Britain's only swans to get their own census.

Steeped in history, with regal connections and sightseeing opportunities on its doorstep, The Castle Hotel Windsor is the perfect place to explore all that the Royal Borough has to offer. Situated amongst some of the most historic examples of architecture in the UK, the hotel dates back to the 1600's and sits opposite the magnificent Windsor Guildhall, with Windsor Castle and St George's Chapel both within walking distance.

Take the stress out of booking and let us arrange tickets for Windsor Castle on the Saturday.

Attractions Included:

- Windsor
- Optional entrance to Windsor Castle (on Sat 9th March)

Only £210 per person

£77.50 Single Supplement
Deposit of £42
(Additional cost for
Windsor Castle Entrance £TBC)

THRIPLow DAFFODIL WEEKEND

SPRING FLOWERS

Friday 15th – Sunday 17th March 2024

2 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Delta by Marriott, Peterborough

For two days in March the small Cambridgeshire village of Thriplow hosts the annual Daffodil Weekend, run entirely by volunteers and visited by up to 14,000 people. The village is transformed in to a sea of yellow daffodils – walk the traffic-free lanes and connecting footpaths taking in the beautiful gardens, craft barns, stalls, demonstrations and food and drink aplenty. Staying at The Delta by Marriott Peterborough Hotel – you will be greeted with a seamless hotel, comfort and superb service. Located on 11 acres of gorgeously landscaped grounds.

Attractions Included:

- Stamford
- Thriplow Daffodils
- Cambridge

Only £285 per person

£70 Single Supplement

Deposit of £57

ST AGNES AT EASTER

Wednesday 27th March – Monday 1st April 2024

5 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Rosemundy House Hotel, St Agnes

The lovely family run Rosemundy House Hotel in the village of St Agnes, has always been a favourite of ours, and it's easy to see why.... Home produced cuisine is served each evening in the restaurant, and a choice of two lounges or a cosy bar to relax in.

We have included a number of attractions during your stay, but if you do not wish to join the coach, why not stay at the hotel and make use of their leisure facilities or perhaps catch the local service bus from outside the hotel in to the nearest village – just don't forget your bus pass.

We have a day excursion planned to The Lost Gardens of Heligan on Easter Sunday – if you prefer not to travel on the Sunday, why not make the short 10 minute walk to St Agnes Parish Church or enjoy a lazy day at the hotel and surrounding area.

Attractions included:

- Lands End and St Ives
- Falmouth
- Free Day
- Lost Gardens of Heligan with lunch voucher

Only £505 per person

Limited Number of Single Rooms at Nil Supplement

Deposit of £101

OXFORD

DREAMING OF SPIRES AND SHOPPING.

Friday 5th – Sunday 7th April 2024

2 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Holiday Inn Oxford.



This beautiful city of dreaming spires has plenty to offer, with historic university buildings, a wide variety of shops, restaurants and old taverns. The city's literary connections include JRR Tolkien, CS Lewis and Oscar Wilde and provided inspiration for some of the sets in the Harry Potter films.

Conveniently located next to the Park and Ride service in Oxford's City Centre, the Holiday Inn Oxford offers modern rooms, a stylish Restaurant and cocktail lounge. Arriving in Oxford late morning, enjoy a full day sightseeing, shopping or dining out, before the coach makes the short transfer to the hotel.

On Saturday make use of the hotel's ideal location and head in to Oxford at leisure: The Park and Ride service operates from 06:00 to late at night – perfect if you prefer to stay in Oxford a bit longer and enjoy a meal out. Maybe even hop on a bus further afield to explore the surrounding areas.

On Sunday board the coach after breakfast for the short transfer to Bicester Village (don't forget your credit cards).

Attractions Included:

- Free time in Oxford
- Bicester Village

Only £245 per person

£90 Single Supplement

Deposit of £49

DUBLIN AND BELFAST

Sunday 14th – Thursday 18th April 2024

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Academy Plaza Hotel, Dublin



After such good feedback from our 2023 tour we decided to return for 2024, we have added an extra day with the chance to visit Belfast.

The vibrant city of Dublin has so much to offer – from must-do museum experiences to river cruises, ancient manuscripts to prison tours – the hardest part is deciding what to do! Of course, a visit wouldn't be complete without sampling Ireland's most famous Guinness Storehouse for a taste of the iconic beer and enjoy a good old Irish Whiskey at Jameson's Distillery.



The Academy Plaza Hotel is located in the heart of Dublin City. Situated close to all of Dublin's top tourist attractions including Temple Bar, the shopping districts of Henry St & Grafton St, the iconic sporting stadium of Croke Park, and the historical landmark of Trinity College.

On the Wednesday why not join the coach for a day excursion to Belfast – with a drop off in Belfast centre and at The Titanic Museum. (Book direct on the Titanic website)

Holyhead to Dublin Sailing.

Attractions included:

- Free time in Dublin
- Day Excursion to Belfast

Only £535 per person

£213 Single Supplement
Deposit of £107

NATIONAL TRUST BREAK

Monday 22nd – Friday 26th April 2024

4 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Heights Isle of Portland Hotel, Dorset.

The Heights Isle of Portland Hotel is set at the heart of the UNESCO World Heritage Coastline on the summit of the Isle of Portland, Dorset. With stunning panoramic views over Chesil Beach, Lyme Bay and Portland Harbour form the bar and bistro. Ensure your National Trust passes are up to date, as we explore 5 of the Southern properties, taking in the beautiful Dorset scenery as we travel between properties.

Attractions included:

- NT Tyntesfield
- NT Montacute House
- NT Mottisfont
- NT Kingston Lacy
- NT Stourhead

Only £480 per person

£35 Single Supplement

Deposit of £96

(Additional cost for all National Trust properties for Non Members £TBC)

GHENT

Friday 26th – Monday 29th April 2024

3 x Nights: Dinner, Bed and Breakfast
at The Holiday Inn Gent – Expo an IHG Hotel

This modern 4* Holiday Inn is in a great location on the outskirts of Ghent, from which to explore the rich past, attractions and architecture of both Ghent and its neighbour: Antwerp.

Just a short coach journey in to Gent or there is a tram stop outside the hotel if you wish to stay in Ghent.

With two full days to explore we have included a full day in Ghent to discover the charming city, stroll through the historic medieval old town with its cobbled streets and cross bridges over its many waterways. Home to renowned museums, exceptional artwork, shops and pavement cafes – there is an included attraction of a circular canal cruise.

The second day will be spent in vibrant Antwerp, explore the medieval centre – why not visit Ruben's House, the Market square or one of the numerous museums, a guided tour of the DIVA diamond museum is included today.

Folkestone to Calais Eurotunnel crossing

Attractions Included:

- Free day in Ghent with a canal cruise.
- Free day in Antwerp with a guided tour of the DIVA diamond museum

Only £465 per person

£90 Single Supplement
Deposit of £93

GIFT VOUCHERS

If you are stuck for Christmas, Birthday or Anniversary gifts for your loved ones, why not get them a Robin Hood Travel Ltd gift voucher. At any denomination they really do make the perfect gift, pop in to the office to purchase your gift voucher or we can post them out to you ready to slip in to your card.

PRIVATE HIRE

As well as operating our tour brochure we also operate a fleet of executive coaches and mini coaches for all private hire work

Contact the office for a quote.

MOT STATION AND GARAGE WORK

At Highway Garage we can also MOT and service your vehicles, we can MOT Test Class IV, V and VII (including Motorhomes). Why not bring your car in for its annual check while you are away on holiday?

HOLIDAY BOOKING CONDITIONS

DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS OF FINAL BALANCES

A deposit of 20% per person will be required for all tours and will be payable on booking. Bookings are not confirmed until a 20% deposit has been received. The final balance on all tours will be due 42 days (6 weeks) before departure. (Continental and flight holidays final balances will be due 57 days (8 weeks) before departure)

AUTHORISATION TO SIGN THE CONTRACT

The person signing the contract does so, on behalf of all members of the group and accepts these booking conditions on their behalf. It is to this person that all correspondence will be sent and, in the event of holiday cancellation or change, the company are not liable if the other members of the party are not informed.

CANCELLATION BY THE COMPANY

The Company will not cancel a tour after the final balance due date unless it is necessary to do so by circumstances beyond our control. If it is found necessary to cancel a tour, alternatives will be offered where possible, with an opportunity to transfer at no charge or a full refund of all money paid will be sent after which all liability on part of the tour company shall cease.

CANCELLATION BY THE PASSENGER

Cancellations must be notified in writing and signed by the person who made the booking. The following scale of cancellation charges apply:

Prior to 42 days before departure date	Deposits only
28 to 42 days before departure date	30%
14 to 27 days before departure date	45%
7 to 13 days before departure date	60%
0 to 6 days before departure date	100%

Brochure Prices

Prices in the brochure include VAT at 20% where possible.

DELAYS

The company cannot accept responsibility for delays or disruption to travel services, or for additional expenses incurred as a result caused by weather conditions, civil commotions, industrial disputes, strikes, lock-outs, floods, sickness epidemic, natural disasters and acts of God. All additional costs are the responsibility of the passenger but can normally be reclaimed under the terms of the insurance policy for the passengers who have paid the appropriate premium.

BAGGAGE

We cannot accept liability, loss, or damage to luggage unless it is established that it has been caused by negligence. If you wish to claim for loss or damage to baggage, see relevant section of your insurance policy. In accordance with "The Package Travel, Package Holidays and Package Tours Regulations 1992" all passengers booking with Robin Hood Travel Ltd are fully protected for the initial deposit and subsequently the balance of all monies paid to us, including repatriation if required, arising from cancellation or curtailment of your travel agreements due to the insolvency of Robin Hood Travel Ltd.

There is no requirement for Financial Protection of day trips, and none is provided. This insurance is only valid for packages booked that DO NOT include flights.

CONSUMER AWARE

Your booking is insured by IPP and its panel of Insurers – The Insurance is only valid for passengers who book and pay directly with/to Robin Hood Travel Ltd. If you booked and/or paid direct to a Travel Agent for a holiday with Robin Hood Travel Ltd please request proof of how the booking is secured.

For further information please go to www.ipplondon.co.uk

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COLLECT YOUR 2024 BROCHURE

**On Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th October 2023
10:00am – 14:00pm at Highway Garage, Rudyard.**

Collect your 2024 Brochure in person: enjoy a coffee with friends old and new and work out which of the office girls you speak to on the phone.

Do not worry if you are unable to attend our Brochure Collection Day, any uncollected brochures will be posted out on Monday 30th October 2023.

Bookings will be taken from 09:00am on Thursday 2nd November 2023. (Office and telephone will open from 9:00am)

- Please note the office will be open on Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st October and 1st November 2023 but we will NOT be taking any bookings -

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