GO AHEAD TOURS



Highlights of England, Scotland & Ireland

12 days | 14 days with London extension

Embark on a guided tour of England, Scotland, and Ireland, which will take you from cosmopolitan London to the medieval city of Edinburgh. Then, pass through the Lake District and Wales as you travel between Scotland and Ireland. After arriving in the Emerald Isle, grab a pint (or a few) with Dubliners and make your way along the scenic Ring of Kerry and Cliffs of Moher, taking in stunning sea views as you go.



Your tour package includes

10 nights in handpicked hotels
10 breakfasts
4 dinners with beer or wine
6 sightseeing tours
Expert Tour Director & local guides
Private deluxe motor coach
1 train ride
1 ferry transfer

Included highlights

Trafalgar Square
Big Ben
Buckingham Palace
Edinburgh Castle
Local pub culture
St. Patrick's Cathedral
Ring of Kerry
Rock of Cashel
Blarney Castle
Cliffs of Moher

Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 1.5 hours daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with few hills or stairs.

Group size

15–38

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day
Board your overnight flight to London today.

London → 2 nights

Day 2: Arrival in London
Included meals: welcome dinner
Welcome to England! Meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

Day 3: Sightseeing tour of London
Included meals: breakfast
View the regal landmarks of England's vibrant and cosmopolitan capital on a guided sightseeing tour.

- Pass the grand Trafalgar Square and Baroque-style St. Paul's Cathedral, perched atop Ludgate Hill
- See Westminster Abbey, the setting for royal coronations, weddings, and funerals
- View icons like Big Ben, the London Eye, Tower Bridge, and the Tower of London
- Stop by Buckingham Palace, where you may catch the Changing of the Guard

Enjoy a free afternoon in London or add an excursion.
+ Windsor Castle

Edinburgh → 2 nights

Day 4: Train ride to Edinburgh
Included meals: breakfast, dinner
Journey by train through the English countryside and past the lochs and hills of Scotland. Later, arrive in the Edinburgh and sit down for an included dinner.
Please note: Porterage is not included for the train transfers. Travelers must be comfortable lifting and carrying all luggage over steps, onto platforms, and into luggage storage.

Day 5: Sightseeing tour of Edinburgh
Included meals: breakfast
Get to know Edinburgh in all its medieval beauty on a tour led by a local expert.

- View the elegant Georgian-style New Town and the Royal Mile, two UNESCO World Heritage sites
- Pass the Sir Walter Scott monument, the largest monument to a writer in the world
- Enter Edinburgh Castle to view the Scottish crown jewels and Stone of Scone

Spend a free afternoon in Edinburgh or add an excursion.
+ Abbotsford House & Melrose Abbey

Liverpool → 1 night

Day 6: Transfer to Liverpool
Included meals: breakfast
Travel through the emerald green landscapes of Northern England, stopping along the way to enjoy a break in one of the Lake District's charming towns.
Then, continue on to Liverpool, England and enjoy a free evening in the city or add an excursion.
+ The Beatles: History & Story Museum

Dublin → 2 nights

Day 7: Ferry to Dublin
Included meals: breakfast
Travel through northern Wales and stop in the village of Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrn-drobwllllantysiliogogogoch, which is the longest-named place in Europe. Then, continue on to Holyhead and board a ferry across the Irish Sea to Dublin.

Day 8: Sightseeing tour of Dublin
Included meals: breakfast
Take a comprehensive tour of Ireland's capital city with a local expert leading the way.

- Stop in Phoenix Park, site of the presidential residence, and pass by the Guinness Brewery
- Step inside the soaring St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ireland's largest church
- Pass St Stephen's Green and admire the Georgian architecture of Merrion Square as you go
- See Trinity College and walk past Grafton Street to the Molly Malone statue, ending in the Temple Bar district

Enjoy a free evening in Dublin or add an excursion.
+ Traditional Irish Dinner & Show

County Kerry → 2 nights

Day 9: County Kerry via Blarney
Included meals: breakfast, dinner
Continue your journey through the Emerald Isle today.

- Make a photo stop at the famed Rock of Cashel
- Enter Blarney Castle to kiss the legendary Blarney Stone

Continue on to County Kerry and sit down for an included dinner this evening.

Day 10: Sightseeing tour of the Ring of Kerry
Included meals: breakfast
Set out on the Ring of Kerry, a 112-mile coastal route that covers some of Ireland's most spectacular scenery.

- Pass the pristine Lakes of Killarney in Killarney National Park and gaze across Dingle Bay
- Enjoy unsurpassable views of mountains, beaches, and the Atlantic Ocean
- Explore the picturesque villages that line the Ring of Kerry including the village of Sneem, "The Knot in the Ring"

Dublin → 1 night

Day 11: Dublin via the Cliffs of Moher
Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner
This morning, travel north to walk along the mesmerizing coastline of the Cliffs of Moher. Continue on to Dublin this afternoon and celebrate your trip during a farewell dinner.

Flight Home

Day 12: Departure
Included meals: breakfast (excluding early

morning departures)
Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

+ London extension

Arrive early and start your journey with extra time in the bustling English capital. Mind the gap, get in the queue, ask for bangers with your mash—see the city your way, and count on your Tour Director for expert tips.

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Day 3: Free day in London
Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in London or add an excursion.
+ Stonehenge & Salisbury

Day 4: Free day in London
Included meals: breakfast, welcome dinner
Meet up with the rest of your tour group today and get to know everyone during tonight's welcome dinner (day 2 of the regular itinerary).

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save $10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: **goaheadtours.com/BES | 1-800-597-0350**

Day 3: Windsor Castle
$125 (5 hours, departs in the afternoon)
Led by a Blue Badge Guide, you'll travel to Windsor for a guided tour of the world's largest and longest-inhabited castle. Founded by William the Conqueror in 1070, Windsor has been the British Royal Family's preferred retreat for the past 900 years. Step inside the State Apartments and St. George's Chapel, where knighting ceremonies of the Most Noble Order of the Garter take place. View the exhibit of royal treasures within the castle. You'll then have time to stroll through the town of Windsor and have a look at Eton College, a prestigious prep school attended by Princes William and Harry. Please note: When the Windsor Castle excursion falls on a Wednesday, entrance will be replaced by an excursion to Hampton Court. For any departures where the Windsor Castle excursion falls on a Tuesday, the excursion will be moved to another day on tour or cancelled. Additionally, St. George's Chapel is closed to the public on Sundays. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

Day 5: Abbotsford House & Melrose Abbey
$109/$119* (5 hours, departs in the afternoon with lunch)
Travel through the Scottish Borders region to Abbotsford, where you'll enjoy an included lunch. Continue on to Abbotsford House, the 19th-century estate of Sir Walter Scott. The poet designed his home in the Romantic style to imitate the elaborate baronial estates of British aristocrats. Today, it serves as a museum for Scottish memorabilia and artifacts that Walter Scott collected throughout his lifetime. Later, visit the ruins of Melrose Abbey, one of the most impressive of the four Borders abbeys. Please note: Some areas of the abbey are closed off due to masonry and damage repairs.

Day 6: The Beatles: History & Story Museum
$105/$115* (4 hours, departs in the afternoon)
Curious about how the Fab Four came to be? This excursion is your opportunity to discover the humble beginnings of the band that achieved global stardom. View special exhibitions, memorabilia, and photographs at the immersive Beatles Story Museum. Then, join a local expert for a guided tour of Liverpool, with special visits to Beatles-specific landmarks such as Penny Lane and Strawberry Fields.

Day 8: Traditional Irish Dinner & Show
$109/$119* (5 hours, departs in the evening with dinner)
Enjoy this special evening of Irish food, music, and live entertainment. Dinner will be served first, giving you a taste of the country's traditional dishes. You'll then be treated to a live show of Irish music and dance. Join in the fun as you enjoy a merry and memorable night. Please note: The specific venue and day of the week for this excursion may change due to availability. This excursion is seasonal and runs from April through October.

Extension excursion options

Day 3: Stonehenge & Salisbury
$149 (7 hours, departs in the morning)
After a scenic drive through gently rolling countryside, arrive at Stonehenge, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of England's most recognizable icons. Get an informative overview of the its history at the visitor's center before exploring the monument. Then, head to the nearby town of Salisbury to peruse its famed Charter Market and visit Salisbury Cathedral, home to one of the four surviving original copies of the Magna Carta. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.com/terms