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Itinerary

Day 1 London (Greenwich), England

Embark your ship and settle into your stateroom. Greenwich, a borough of London, is home to the Royal Observatory. From here, the world's longitude is measured from the prime meridian, and Greenwich Mean Time sets the global time standard. At the port, the clipper ship Cutty Sark, one of Greenwich's renowned historic landmarks, is preserved as a fascinating museum. Upriver, London is home to Buckingham Palace, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. In addition, this major economic and cultural hub boasts a long tradition of arts and architectural innovation—from Shakespeare's Globe Theater to West End musicals.

Day 2 London (Greenwich), England

Greenwich is home to several iconic maritime institutions. Royal Naval College is a major symbol of Britain's seafaring heritage and the architectural centerpiece of Greenwich. It opened as a hospital for sailors in 1712 and served as the Royal Navy's educational institution from 1873 to 1998. Today, its hallowed halls whisper of the days when Britannia ruled the waves. The National Maritime Museum is the world's largest, chronicling England's seafaring endeavors in its compelling collection of art, maps and countless memorabilia, including the first marine chronometer.

Day 3 Dover, England

Most famously known for its dramatic white-chalk towering cliffs, Dover is the nearest city to France across the English Channel. Its strategic location as a doorway into England has earned it the moniker "Key to England." As the port was under constant threat because of its location, the massive Dover Castle overlooking the channel grew over the centuries to become the nation's largest edifice and remains so today. Dover also served as a bastion and command center during World War II.

Day 4 Portland, England

The Isle of Portland is linked to the British mainland by an 18-mile barrier beach on the southern coast of Dorset. This tiny island boasts an impressive past. Vikings first landed in England here in 789 AD. It is also home to one of the world's largest manmade harbors, which hosted the Royal Navy until 1995. Portland stone, quarried on the island, was used to build London's St. Paul's Cathedral, Buckingham Palace and other architectural marvels. And it lies on England's Jurassic Coast, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its unique coastal geology shaped over millennia.

Day 5 Fowey, England

Situated in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty at the mouth of the River Fowey, this quiet British harbor town dates back to the 7th century and maintains authentic charm. Narrow streets lined with medieval buildings wind past alleyways offering glimpses of the river beyond. Pastel-colored Victorian houses mingle with riverside pubs and cafés amid boutique shops selling handmade gifts. Famous for its tradition of Cornish Cream Tea and being one of the sunniest spots in the UK, Fowey is a hidden gem, and has been an inspiration to local artists for over 100 years.

Day 6 Cork (Cobh), Ireland

The town of Cobh is the gateway to Cork, Ireland's second-largest city. Norse Vikings arrived in Cork around 915 AD and established a port here. During medieval times, a wall was erected around the city, portions of which still remain today. The nearby Blarney Castle, famous for the kissing stone that is said to bestow the "gift of gab," was also built during this time. Today, Cork is a rich and vibrant cultural center where Irish cuisine has reached new creative heights and a breathtaking array of architecture, from neoclassical to Georgian, graces the cityscape.

Day 7 Limerick (Foynes), Ireland

On the Emerald Isle's stunning west coast, the vibrant town of Foynes sits along an estuary of the picturesque River Shannon. Rich with maritime and aviation history, the world's first transatlantic flights operated from here and between 1939 and 1945, it was the last port of call for seaplanes making transatlantic crossings, which led to it becoming one of the largest civilian airports in Europe during the Second World War. It added the famous whiskey drink, Irish Coffee, to its list of notables too, when it was first served to passengers on a stopover in 1942.

Day 8 Killybegs, Ireland

Killybegs is scenically set at the foot of a harbor full of boats and trawlers. Its most notable place in history is as the final port of call for La Girona, a ship of the Spanish Armada fighting in the war against England, before she was lost off the nearby Antrim coast. Beyond the massive hauls of fish brought in and imported daily, Killybegs is further renowned for the artful Donegal Carpets that were once woven here on the world's largest carpet loom. These magnificent works—created in a Turkish hand-knotted style—were created for notable buildings the world over.

Day 9 Londonderry, Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland's second-largest city has become a riverside hub for creative culture where sculptures and painted murals adorn buildings and squares, an up-and-coming food scene thrives and traditional music fills the streets from cozy pubs. History is ever present here, in ancient buildings and neo-Gothic architecture, award-winning museums and still-celebrated ancient festivals. The only completely walled city in Ireland, its 17th-century stone walls enclosing the historic city center invite exploration of their gates, watchtowers, battlements, and bastions.

Day 10 Lewis & Harris (Stornoway), Scotland

The Isle of Lewis is steeped in history and culture. Ancient standing stone circles and pristine beaches are juxtaposed with the island's quaint town of Stornoway, a unique mix of cafés, inns and boutiques featuring the work of local artisans and craftspeople. Known in Old Norse as Stjórnávr, meaning "steering bay," Stornoway was founded by the Vikings in the early 9th century. In the summer months, you might spy locals cutting the peat; in the winter, the distinctive dry smell of peat fires drifts in the wind; and year-round, fishermen wrangle their catch in the picturesque bay.

Day 11 Tobermory, Scotland

On Scotland's west coast, the Isle of Mull's seaside capital sits on a sheltered bay beneath forested hills, where legend claims a Spanish Armada ship sank in 1588. What stands today is an 18th-century fishing port with a row of brightly colored buildings lining a harbor front dotted with fishing vessels. Here, local shops selling artisan foods and crafts intersperse with art galleries and cafes. Mull is one of the best wildlife watching destinations in the British Isles, making Tobermory a starting point for many expeditions to spot rare birds, mammals, and more.

Day 12 Fort William, Scotland

Surrounded by majestic mountains on the banks of Loch Linnhe, Fort William is the largest town in the Scottish Highlands and the gateway to Britain's highest peak, Ben Nevis. Dotted with castle ruins, distilleries and stunning beaches amid some of Scotland's most spectacular scenery, it is also the birthplace of the ancient Clan Cameron. Donald Cameron of Lochiel, the 19th chief of Clan Cameron played a central role in the Jacobite Uprising of 1745. His statue was erected here in 1905 and stands on the Parade.

Day 13 Glasgow (Greenock), Scotland

Historic Glasgow is a thriving center of arts, architecture and higher education. A university town since the 1451 founding of the University of Glasgow, it lays claim to Scotland's first public museum, the Hunterian. Nearby, the Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum is equally admired by visitors for its spectacular architectural interiors and its internationally significant collections. Glasgow Green, the city's oldest park, boasts the beautiful terra-cotta Doulton Fountain, while the glorious 13th-century Gothic Glasgow Cathedral is the city's crowning medieval gem.

Day 14 Belfast, Northern Ireland

A major port heralded for its shipbuilding heritage, Belfast has undergone a cultural and architectural renaissance unrivaled in the rest of Europe. The influence of Britain is everywhere in this polished capital of Northern Ireland. Some of its most striking buildings exude Victorian flair and cosmopolitan elegance amid its famous Irish charm. Along the Golden Mile, high-end boutiques are reminiscent of those found in Paris, and the opulent Grand Opera House stands as a hub of Belfast culture.

Day 15 Belfast, Northern Ireland

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