





FROM ENGLAND'S HISTORIC CITIES

5 Days / 4 Nights Rail Itinerary



LOSE YOURSELF

Two millennia of history within two hours of London. Start with stories of monarchs and merchants mastering the seas, move on to gloriously ancient sites of royally sanctioned murder and of saints and pilgrimage. Sit beneath a world-famous tree, punt upriver or sink a pint with Lord Nelson, England's greatest naval hero

SURPRISE YOURSELF

With over 800 years of history, tread in the footsteps of many famous faces, including Charles Darwin, James Watson and France Crick, Rosalind Franklin, Sylvia Plath and Professor Stephen Hawking

TOP TIP

Search the App Store or Google Play and download the

England Originals
app before you
travel - bring
your trip to life
with incredible
virtual reality and
interactive features







Time Travellers

Over the course of 5 days, this itinerary invites you to travel back in time and discover where everywhere in Earth is measured from! With time spent in Cambridge, Greenwich, Canterbury and the City of London, this itinerary offers a deep insight into Britain's historical past that helped to shape the future of the world.



Spend a full day exploring the beautiful University town of Cambridge



Explore the heritage, royal and naval history of Greenwich; the home of time



Learn about Canterbury's rich history and culture



Spend time in the City of London, visiting iconic sites & attractions



Why not enjoy a pint at the Eagle Pub where Watson and Crick announced the discovery of DNA

HIGHLIGHTS

CAMBRIDGE

Be inspired by a City of History, Culture and world-changing Discoveries.

Packed full of stunning architecture and nature, Cambridge is a beautiful university town renowned for its impact on history. The tightly packed city centre is perfect for exploring ancient colleges and cobbled streets

THE RIVER CAM

The River Cam and its various bridges offer spectacular views and a perfect spot to admire "the Backs" of the Colleges. There are seven Cambridge University colleges situated along the Backs – all eye-catching, inspiring and wonderful examples of Cambridge architecture.





LONDON - CAMBRIDGE 50 MINS

Take an early train and start your adventure in Cambridge.

Home of one of the most famous university in the world and brilliant minds who has changed the world, Cambridge is the perfect place to start your journey.

Visit the Gonville and Caius College where Professor Stephen Hawking studied for his PhD and where he published his world famous book "A brief History of Time" Isaac Newton was another student of Cambridge University. In 1661 he came to Trinity College to work on his Principia Mathematica in which his famous work on gravity is recorded. Continue your day enjoying the atmosphere of this little town punting on the Cam.



See the Corpus Clock outside of the Taylor Library at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge University



TOP TIP:

Join a shared walking tour to explore the history of Jack The Ripper, the most famous killer from East London; the tour even include a fish and chips dinner

HIGHLIGHTS

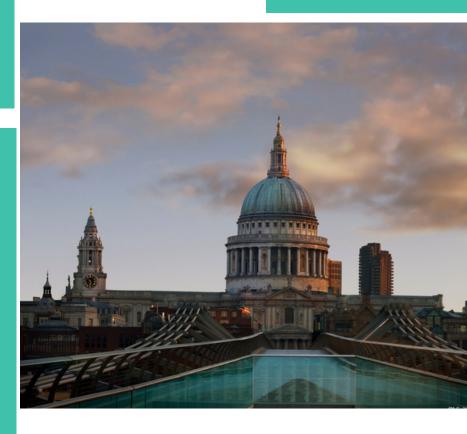
MUSEUM OF LONDON

The Museum of London documents the history of the UK's capital city from prehistoric to modern times and is located in the City of London on the London Wall. This attraction is an absolute must-see on any visitor's trip to the capital, telling the story of this great city and its people from prehistoric times to the present day

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

While at St Paul's, take advantage of a touch-screen multimedia guide or join a guided tour to explore this iconic building. Try out the acoustic quirks of the Whispering Gallery and continue your climb to the Golden Gallery to enjoy breath taking panoramic views across London.





CAMBRIDGE - CITY OF LONDON 50 MINS

Enjoy a full day in London today, as you explore one of the most astonishing and vibrant cities in the world.

The Museum of London is the best way to learn about the history of this turbulent city and how it has changed dramatically during the years.

This afternoon, visit St Paul's Cathedral. With its awe-inspiring interior, this iconic building is a must see while you are in London. Venture down to the crypt and discover the tombs and memorials of some of the nation's greatest heroes such as Admiral Lord Nelson and the Duke of Wellington.

St. Paul's has been the site of many historic state occasions; including Sir Winston Churchill's state funeral and the Royal Wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spence.

TOP TIP:

Go UP at the 02!

Discover a different side of London climbing over the roof of the world's most popular entertainment venue.

HIGHLIGHTS

ROYAL HISTORY

Greenwich has a noble royal history stretching back centuries. Henry VIII and Elizabeth I were born here, in the Tudor palace of Placentia, which stood on the banks of the river Thames where the Old Royal Naval College is today. It was here that Henry VIII held jousting tournaments for his knights and where Ann Boleyn began her fateful journey to the Tower of London and her tragic death!

MERIDIAN LINE

The Meridian Line in Greenwich splits the Eastern and Western hemisphere in two (just like the equator does for the Northern and Southern hemisphere), so if you stand with one foot on either side of the line, you're in two parts of the world at the same time!





GREENWICH



20 M1NS

Put on your favourite walking shoes and enjoy the best of Greenwich with this shared tour.

Take the helm at the ship's wheel and walk beneath the original at the Cutty Sark. This old ship is the only surviving 'tea clipper' (they used it to import tea from China) and it used to be the fastest ship of its era (1869)

To continue, you will visit the Royal Observatory, home of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), the Prime Meridian of the world and London's Planetarium.

This tour also includes entrance at the National Maritime Museum with its epic stories of exploration and endeavour that have shaped our world today and the Old Royal Naval College with its magnificent Painted Hall.



TOP TIP:

For beer lovers try a pint at the at The Foundry Brew Pub where you can actually watch the beers being brewed while you wait

HIGHLIGHTS

CANTERBURY

Less than an hour from London, with its cobbled streets, world-famous Cathedral and hidden gems, Canterbury was once one of medieval Europe's great places of pilgrimage; and is now fondly referred to as the 'Jewel in Kent's Crown'

CANTERBURY TALES

Hear a Knight, a Miller, a Pardoner and the Wife of Bath tell the tales to compete for a meal at the Tabard Inn as they travel the road from London to Canterbury to pay homage to St Thomas Beckett





CANTERBURY



55 MINS

In the morning take the train and travel forward the Historic City of Canterbury. This ancient city will amaze you with its beautiful Cathedral which is the Mother Church of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

Pilgrims and visitors have made their way to Canterbury Cathedral since the Middle Ages and today remains one of the most visited places in the country.

It took a grisly place in history when Archbishop Thomas Becket was murdered inside the Cathedral in 1170 – hence its historic attraction to pilgrims.

See more of this picturesque old city with wonderful views by taking a boat trip along the River Stuar; or walk or cycle along the Great Stour Way.



Overnight Canterbury
Canterbury Cathedral Lodge

DAY5

TOP TIP:

Have lunch in one of the many Indian restaurants on Brick Lane, where you can negotiate the price of your meal.









LONDON

Continue exploring The City of London (also known as the Square Mile), founded by the Romans and heavily changed during the years to become the financial centre of London.

The City offers lots of cultural and fun things to do and to see and many of them are free! Modern buildings in the area include the Gherkin and The Cheesegrater or Sky Garden (London's highest public garden).

Wander around the various markets like Spitalfields, Leadenhall or Brick Lane area; you will be amazed by the variety of shopping options, whether you are into vintage clothes or luxury products.



Brick Lane Street Art: Brick Lane is world famous for its street art, which features artists such as Banksy, D*Face and Ben Eine. Grab your camera and get snap happy!



Overnight London
Or departure flight home