



12-DAY INSPIRATIONAL ITINERARY IN
THE CHILTERNs, THE NEW FOREST AND
THE COTSWOLDS



HUMPHREYS OF HENLEY OUR PROMISE

The Humphreys Promise drives all that we do: “We love the British countryside and always seek to protect, preserve and prolong its precious traditions and way of life”.

Privileged access and introductions

Imaginative and edifying itineraries

Expert knowledge and experience



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If your clients and guests want to experience a wonderfully varied selection of what the British countryside has to offer, then this itinerary is perfect!

We created this 12-day plan for a couple celebrating their golden wedding anniversary, who wanted to make the most of every day and explore the best of:

- The Chilterns
- The New Forest
- The Cotswolds

We really enjoyed getting to know them in the planning process and discovered their love for:

- Castle and palaces
- The British countryside
- History and culture
- Good food
- Motor racing

As you will see throughout the following pages, they certainly made the most of every day and they just loved their time in the beautiful British countryside, doing and seeing the activities and destinations that we had planned for them.

We can re-design the plan to suit your clients' and guests' timelines and passions, please just ask.

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Day 1

River cruise
with
Afternoon
Tea

Day 2

Downton
Abbey at
Highclere
Castle

Day 3

Blenheim
Palace
Private
Tour

Day 4

Horse
Riding &
Visit to
Henley or
Marlow

Day 5

Windsor
Castle and
Carriage
Tour

Day 6

Goodwood
Revival

Day 7

Polo
Experience
Day

Day 8

Driving
Tour of the
New Forest

Day 9

Stonehenge
& Bath

Day 10

Cotswolds
Cycling
Tour

Day 11

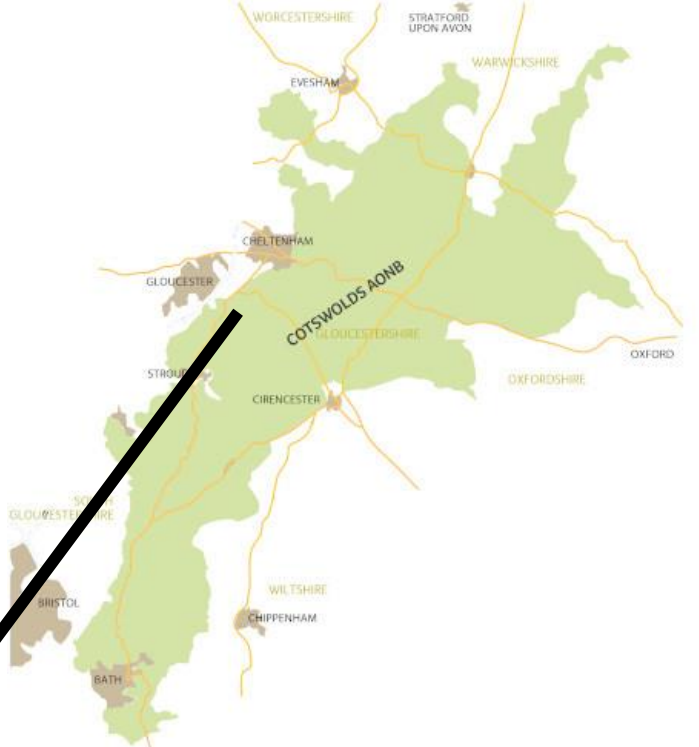
Driving
Tour of
Cotswolds

Day 12

Oxford
Tour &
Punting

Example Itinerary

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5 DAYS IN THE CHILTERNS





RIVER CRUISING ON THE THAMES

Travel along the longest river in the UK, the River Thames, on a luxury river cruise and soak up the tranquil atmosphere of the British countryside.

Cruise along the most beautiful stretches of the river and listen as your skipper shares the history, stories and iconic landmarks with you.

Explore the River Thames with a luxury river cruise from a number of locations across the UK such as Windsor, Oxford, Henley-on-Thames or from another town or city.

Sit back and relax on one of the most beautiful stretches of the River Thames and listen as your skipper shares the history, stories and secrets of the river with you. As you board your stunning river launch, you can step back in time and delight in the traditions of the river.

We will be delighted to arrange champagne or the drinks of your choice and a picnic for you to enjoy during your cruise, alternatively, you have the option to stop off along your route at one of the riverside restaurants or hotels and we will happily make a reservation for you.



THE REAL DOWNTON ABBEY

All of our guests who have visited Highclere Castle have been thrilled by its magnificence and splendour, and delighted with the feeling of intimacy. Since becoming one of the stars of Downton Abbey, the castle is being enjoyed in its full glory.

We are delighted to be able to offer you a private or public tour where you can experience a guided visit to the beautiful State Rooms, Castle Bedrooms and Egyptian Exhibition. Your expert guide will have extensive knowledge of the building, artwork and furniture with plenty of anecdotes.

After the tour, we can arrange a private lunch in the formal dining room or a fabulous afternoon tea or lunch at a traditional country pub.

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PRIVATE TOUR OF BLENHEIM PALACE

We will create your exclusive tour with the Blenheim team to give you privileged access to usually unseen areas of the Palace with the very best guide. You will get a private tour of the beautiful Palace State Rooms and the Private Apartments, where the Duke of Marlborough and his family live.

This rare treat, is definitely one for the history buffs! Following this, you will be guided through the Churchill Exhibition and learn all about the amazing life of our 'Greatest Briton', before taking lunch.

The Orangery Restaurant is your setting for an exquisite seasonal 3-course lunch, served by your own personal dedicated waiter. You will be able to enjoy the peaceful ambiance of the Orangery as you chat with your family and friends.

After lunch, your guide will lead you around the Formal Gardens to really relax. Don't miss the Pleasure Gardens, because there you will get a chance to experience the wonderful Butterfly House and the Walled Garden.

To round out the day we recommend visiting Woodstock, where Blenheim Palace is located to enjoy a stroll through the market town and dine in one of the welcoming British pubs.



HORSE RIDING IN THE CHILTERN

There is no better way to get up close and personal with the British countryside than on horseback. Our favourite bridleways will take you through the heart of woodland and parkland, open fields and farmland so you feel at one with it all.

There are a number of excellent routes for you to follow around the UK. Whether you would like a leisurely, relaxing ride, challenging terrain, spectacular scenery, or simple ride around an equestrian centre.

Ride through the idyllic countryside and experience the scenery in a way you have never done before. From the woodland, parkland and rural areas in the Chilterns, Cotswolds and the New Forest to the vast open beaches in Cornwall.

Riding off road with an experienced guide will allow you to ride through some of the most beautiful countryside and beaches, ensuring you see the best bits and enjoy your day to the fullest.



AN AFTERNOON IN HENLEY-ON-THAMES OR MARLOW

Without a doubt, Henley-on-Thames and Marlow are two of the loveliest locations along the River Thames and is definitely worth a visit.

Henley-on-Thames is a beautiful market town in Oxfordshire and is home to Henley Royal Regatta. The town is only a short journey from London, and an even short journey from Oxford, making it the perfect destination to visit for a day.

Henley is filled with wonderful independent cafes, restaurants and pubs making it a perfect location for all of you foodies.

Be sure to head over the iconic Henley bridge and go for a walk along the beautiful tow paths on the river.

Marlow is a vibrant Georgian market town and is made up of historic streets and an abundance of boutique shops, restaurants, cafes and bistros, all adding to the town's unique charm.

The town's most famous landmark is the suspension bridge which spans the River Thames and joins the counties of Buckinghamshire and Berkshire.

Chef Tom Kerridge now has 3 food spots in Marlow town centre, Michelin Star restaurant The Hand and Flowers, The Coach and The Butchers Tap. All aiming to create different atmospheres for different tastes but, all being exceptional.



TOUR OF WINDSOR CASTLE

We offer you one of the most memorable ways of experiencing Windsor Castle, a private tour of the State Apartments with an expert guide.

Your tour will take you on a journey through 1,000 years of royal history.

You discover how William the Conqueror's wooden castle was rebuilt by Edward III as a stone fortress with magnificent apartments, how Charles II set out to rival the Versailles of his cousin Louis XIV, while George IV filled the rooms with outstanding works of art and gave the Castle its famous skyline.

Your guide will meet you and will bring the Castle alive as they share the stories and the history of the Queen's favourite residence.

We will be delighted to reserve a table for lunch or afternoon tea in one of the lovely restaurants in the town, if you would like to enjoy lunch in Windsor.

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CARRIAGE RIDE THROUGH WINDSOR GREAT PARK

Windsor Great Park is one of the most stunning areas of parkland with ancient oak forests and wide-open deer parks, under the distant gaze of the beautiful English castle.

Enjoy spectacular views of Windsor Castle, The Long Walk, and The Copper Horse and learn more about Her Majesty The Queen's childhood home at Windsor. Stunning views and fascinating insights into the Great Park provide an experience that you will talk about for years to come.

Each beautiful horse and carriage ride is tailored to your interests in the Park and Windsor history, and is suitable for all ages. Children as young as three will be kept engaged and those under three tend to fall asleep to the rhythm of the carriage.

You can choose from a magical 6 mile journey down the Royal Procession, following in the footsteps of our royal family, most recently during the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle.

Or choose to travel a little further and spend two hours immersing yourself in the estate and park life, both past and present.



3 DAYS IN THE NEW FOREST



GOODWOOD REVIVAL

Today, Goodwood is home to the annual Goodwood Revival, the world's most popular historic race meeting, as well as a host of other motor sport activities which take place throughout the year, including track days and car launches.

Goodwood Revival is an annual three day festival held in September consisting of the types of cars and motorcycles that would have competed on the original circuits between 1948 and 1966.

Goodwood Revival is the only major sporting event in the world to take place entirely in period theme. It is an unabashed celebration of flat-out, wheel-to-wheel racing, celebrating the romance and glamour of motorsport as it used to be.

The event celebrates and recreates the glamour of motor racing as it used to be and sees the return of the halcyon days of Goodwood.





YOUR POLO MASTERCLASS

If you would love to learn and play one of the most thrilling sports, enjoyed by royalty and the aristocracy throughout the ages, then a polo masterclass is just for you.

We are delighted to offer you the opportunity to learn the skills and tactics of one of the most exciting sports at the premier home of polo, the Guards Polo Club.

You will be following in the footsteps of the finest players in the sport on the high goal polo pitches, where you can soak up the atmosphere and master the skills.

Your half day will include stick management practice on a wooden horse and live action on a polo pony. You will also be introduced to the history of Guards Polo Club and enjoy refreshments on site.

Alternatively, we can offer you a lesson of equal quality at the Berkshire Polo Club, where you will learn the same exciting skills and tactics on high goal polo pitches. The only difference is that you will be learning at one of the top 5 polo clubs, as opposed to the premier club.

Having demonstrated your skills in the morning, you are invited to watch the professionals mastering their sport at one of the polo tournaments through the season.

If your dates coincide, you are able to enjoy a fabulous afternoon treading the divots at Guards Polo Club, following a delicious lunch.



DRIVING TOUR OF THE NEW FOREST

As you walk out of the doors of your hotel, luxury rental or home, you will be greeted by a luxurious classic car of your choosing. Your chauffeur will create a customisable route personalised to your interests and needs.

We will ensure that you make the most of the scenic routes and explore the picturesque New Forest.

Here you will be able to stop off for nibbles and some soft drink refreshments and walk around before you continue your beautiful ride through the beautiful Hampshire Countryside.

Once back on the road, you can stop off at the Beaulieu Motor Museum for a private guided tour where you will be guided through the Chief Engineers Tour.

After your driving tour of the New Forest, we suggest stopping off at an independent restaurant, pub or café for some lunch before heading back to your hotel, home or luxury rental.

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4 DAYS IN THE COTSWOLDS





YOUR VISIT TO STONEHENGE

An iconic symbol of Britain, a walk around the Stone Circle is the centrepiece of any visit to the Stonehenge and Avebury World Heritage Site.

With a history spanning 4,500 years Stonehenge has many different meanings to people today. It is a wonder of the world, a spiritual place and a source of inspiration.

The Stone Circle is a masterpiece of engineering, and building it would have taken huge effort from hundreds of well organised people using only simple tools and technologies.

Wander around the Neolithic houses outside the visitor centre and step inside to imagine how people lived 4,500 years ago. Chat to your private guide and discover how the houses were built using authentic materials and techniques, based on the evidence of dwellings found nearby.

We can arrange for sunrise or sunset tours of Stonehenge as well as private access inside the Stone Circle during your visit, giving you a unique opportunity to experience up close this world famous monument. The visit must take place outside of normal general admission opening hours and is available for a maximum of 30 guests.



A DAY IN BATH

Begin your day in Bath a private walking tour through the golden, Georgian cobbled streets of Bath, led by a local guide who has grown up and lived in Bath - offering you insider knowledge of the beautiful city. Your guide will take you to some of the most impressive architectural sights in the world, such as The Royal Crescent, The Circus and Pulteney Bridge. Your guide will also take you to a viewpoint over the city to take in the splendour of the World Heritage Site.

Stop off for a bite at Framptons, a charming independent café, bar and kitchen located in the converted billiards room of the Empire Grand Building on Grand Parade, just by Pulteney Bridge.

After lunch, enjoy a wonderful private tour of the Holburne Museum. Set in a beautiful Grade I listed building, The Holburne Museum is Bath's first public art gallery. It is home to fine and decorative arts built around the collection of Sir William Holburne.

To finalise your fabulous day in Bath, take a private tour and tasting session at a gin distillery. On your tour you will be in amongst the stills and getting to know what makes the gins truly original. You will get an insight into how the business is run, how the gin is made and how to taste the gin like a gin pro.

Finish off your session with gin tasting and a chance to buy the wonderful selection of gins you have tried and watched being distilled.



CYCLING TOUR IN THE COTSWOLDS COUNTRYSIDE

Experience the very best of the quintessential villages and hamlets on two wheels. Your guide will be on hand to share his knowledge and experience with you so you feel at one with the beautiful countryside in locations such as the Chilterns, Cotswolds, Hampshire and Dorset.

Whether you are an experienced cyclist or just wish to see the beautiful English Countryside on a relaxed ride, this is the perfect opportunity to explore the great outdoors.

Gliding along quiet roads and country lanes riding through quintessential villages couldn't be easier! Especially with electric bikes (also known as E-bikes) also being available.

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CLASSIC CAR TOUR OF THE COTSWOLDS

Picture yourself driving through the glorious English countryside in a beautiful classic vintage car with the wind in your hair.

You will follow a route designed to give you an overview of beautiful British locations such as the Cotswolds, Chiltern Hills, Hampshire and Dorset. The route is fully customisable to your personal interests and includes a pit stop at a local pub, restaurant or café.

Your route may consist of visiting picturesque towns where you can stop to enjoy the beautiful location while enjoying a delicious coffee and pastry before setting back off on your journey.

Depending on your route, you can loiter at leisure in your favourite small villages or iconic landmarks during your journey.



RIVER CRUISE & PUNTING IN OXFORD

Finalise your trip spend a relaxing day in Oxford. Start of your day punting along the Thames past the Botanic Gardens and the Oxford University Colleges.

We also recommend cruising in a luxury boat along the stretch of the river that is called the Isis. You take in a fascinating stretch of River as you cruise down the university regatta course towards quaint Iffley village.

You'll pass ancient Folly Bridge, Christchurch College and Meadows and the university rowing houses. As you sit back, relax and take in the most-inspiring sights of Oxford town and the surrounding countryside, treat yourself to a delicious picnic with homemade sandwiches, quiches and traditional English scones with cream and jam.

End the day with a leisurely walking tour of Oxford where you will be guided around the city centre viewing the university colleges, the university parks. You will also have the opportunity to stop off at an independent café, restaurant or bar for a bite to eat and a drink.





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