### LONDON, OXFORD & STRATFORD

Our student tours of England take you from medieval history to cutting edge skyscrapers. From London's top sights, head to the mystical Stonehenge, the illustrious grounds of Oxford, and Shakespeare's home at Stratford-upon-Avon.

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### Safety And Security

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### LONDON, OXFORD, STRATFORD-UPON-AVON

### Day 1: Board your flight to England.

### Day 2: London

- Meet with your tour leader at Heathrow Airport.
- Board your private motor coach and depart to your hotel. Drop off your bags, hop on "the tube," and head to the heart of the city.
- Meet your local guide and enjoy a half-day walking tour of the British capital. Get a glimpse of London landmarks like the Houses of Parliament, the Big Ben clock tower, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, and Trafalgar Square.
- Take a ride on the **London Eye**, the world's tallest cantilevered observation wheel, rotating 450 feet above the River Thames.

#### Day 3: London

- Visit **St. Paul's Cathedral**, a 17<sup>th</sup> century church that serves as the seat of the Bishop of London.
- Explore the **British Museum**, an institution dedicated to human history, art, and culture.
- No trip to London is complete without visiting Shakespeare's **Globe Theatre**. The historically-reconstructed venue will teach your group about the life and works of "The Bard." You may even get to attend a rehearsal!
- Stop by the Millennium Bridge, a pedestrian walkway that will look familiar to any *Harry Potter* fan!
- Savor British delicacies at a traditional English pub.

#### Day 4: London

- Visit the **Tower of London**, famous home of the **Crown Jewels.** During its history, the fortress served as a royal palace, a prison, an armory, and even a zoo.
- Spend free time in **Borough Market** for lunch. Enjoy the view of **The Shard**, an iconic skyscraper.
- Hop aboard the **Thames Clipper** for a sightseeing cruise don't forget to snap photos as you pass under the **Tower Bridge**.
- Explore the **National Gallery** and view masterpieces by Renoir, van Gogh, and Michelangelo.

### Day 5: Stonehenge & Bath

- $\cdot$  Travel to Windsor Castle, home to the British Royal Family since the 11^{th} century.
- Head to the mystical **Stonehenge**! Dating back to 3100 B.C., the sacred space holds an aura of mystery. Experts believe it took over 30 million hours of labor to build the site's ancient circle.
- Continue to Bath for dinner and stay overnight.

### Day 6: Bath & Oxford

- Journey to ancient times with a trip to the **Roman Baths**. The city's unique thermal springs are still active, and the baths continue to flow with natural hot water.
- Visit No. 1 Royal Crescent to picture what life was like for Bath's fashionable residents. The museum has been preserved to look like it would have in 1776-1796.
- Board your private motor coach and travel to **Oxford**. Meet your local tour guide for a walking tour through the streets of this education and culture capital.
- Enter the historic Oxford University, with stops at the Divinity School and Duke Humfrey's Library. You will most likely cross paths with several students in their anachronistic black gowns.

#### Day 7: Stratford-upon-Avon

- Board your private motor coach and travel to **Stratford-upon-Avon**, the birthplace of William Shakespeare.
- Walk around the charming streets of this historic village. Explore its history and attractions, many related to the famous playwright.
- Retrace Shakespeare's footsteps as you visit the family's five houses in town: the place of his birth and childhood; Mary Arden's farm, where his mother spent her childhood; the house he lived in as an adult; Hall's Croft, his daughter's house; and Anne Hathaway's cottage, his wife's residence.
- Board your private motor coach and return to London.

### Day 8: Depart to the airport for your flight home.





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