

ENGLAND PERFORMANCE TOUR

Hop across the pond and visit West End playhouses, Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, and the Royal College of Music. Your trip could also include clinics, a performance exchange, and a tour of Stratford-upon-Avon, birthplace of "The Bard."

Why Brightspark?

Safety And Security

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Day 1: Board your flight to England.

Day 2: London

- Meet 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

- Participate in an **exchange concert or clinic** with a local school performance group.
- 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.
- Walk across the **London Bridge** and 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 4: London

- Embark upon a magical, whimsical journey through London on a **Harry Potter walking tour**, featuring iconic sites from the blockbuster films.
- Visit **St. Paul's Cathedral**, a 17th century church that serves as the seat of the Bishop of London.
- 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."
- Theatre groups can participate in an **acting workshop** led by professional performers at the **Globe Theatre**. Band and orchestra groups can head to the **Royal College of Music** for a clinic with a world-renowned professional artist.
- Savor British delicacies at a traditional English pub.

Day 5: London

- Head to **Buckingham Palace**, official residence of the Queen of England. You may even see the famous changing of the guards!
- Walk through **St. James Park** to **Westminster Abbey**, a major institution of British history and burial place of Isaac Newton, Charles Darwin, and many kings and queens of the Empire.
- Take a walking tour of **Whitehall**, **Downing Street**, and **Trafalgar Square**.
- Music or choir groups can take part in an afternoon **recital** at nearby **St. Martin-in-the-Fields Church**.
- Spend an evening on the **West End** and take in a world-class theatre performance.

Day 6: Stratford-upon-Avon & Oxford

- 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 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.
- Board your private motor coach and return to London.

Day 7: Depart to the airport for your flight home.

