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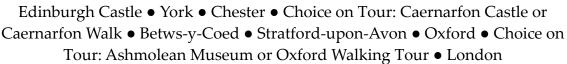
British Landscapes

featuring England, Scotland and Wales

October 2025

Pricing and dates TBA

Highlights...



10 Days • 12 Meals: 8 Breakfasts • 4 Dinners



COLLETTE EXPERIENCES

- ★ Behold the Crown Jewels of Scotland on a guided tour of Edinburgh Castle.
- ★ Discover the medieval Snickelways of York.
- ★ Explore William Shakespeare's childhood home in Stratford-upon-Avon.

MUST-SEE INCLUSIONS

- ★ See the quintessential sights of London with a local guide.
- ★ Explore the ruins of an ancient fort during a guided visit to Hadrian's Wall.
 - ★ Stand in awe before the iconic spires of Oxford.

CULINARY INCLUSIONS

- ★ Enjoy London's culinary renaissance at a dinner highlighting contemporary British cuisine.
- ★ Taste the best of Scottish fare in a traditional local restaurant.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Feel the vibrant energy of England, hear the unique sounds of Scotland, and see the rolling countryside of Wales on a trip that combines dramatic history and an array of fascinating landscapes.

Day 2: Edinburgh, Scotland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Edinburgh, the historic capital of Scotland, where rocky hills tower in the distance and the shadows of history can be seen around every corner. Discover Scotland's capital and see how medieval crossroads blend seamlessly with a vibrant modern energy. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. *Today dinner will be included*.

Day 3: Edinburgh

Today visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. Your panoramic and walking tour of old and new Edinburgh combines Georgian architecture, writers and monuments, alleyways and hidden passages, and a thoroughly modern museum. Enjoy time to explore the city as you wish this afternoon and evening. Perhaps you will choose to join an optional night of Scottish food, song and dance. *Today breakfast will be included*.

Day 4: Edinburgh - Borders Region - York, England

Say goodbye to the rolling hills of Scotland while travelling south through the Borders Region, stopping at Jedburgh, a historic royal burgh dating back to the 17th century. Visit the archeological site of Vindolanda, an Ancient Roman fortress built along Hadrian's Wall in the 2nd century to protect Roman Britain from the tribes of Scotland. Arrive in the medieval city of York, surrounded by historical city walls. This evening you may wish to

join an optional tour to a Yorkshire vineyard and sample a selection of English wines over dinner. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 5: York - Chester

Enjoy a leisurely morning to explore York at your own pace. Meander the labyrinth of quaint, narrow streets known as "snickelways" or maybe visit the city's famous Minster. End the day in Chester, your home for the next two nights, where ancient walls enclose charming Tudor and Victorian houses. Discover the charms of the city with your local guide. Tonight, meet a local with many tales about life in Chester past and present. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included*.

Day 6: Chester - Caernarfon, Wales - Betws-y-Coed - Chester, England

Today, visit a royal town in Wales, where **it's your choice!** Visit Caernarfon Castle to discover the history behind one of Edward I's most imposing castles **-OR-** take a leisurely stroll around the town with your Tour Manager, seeking out local shops, cafes, and markets. Then take a scenic drive through the best of the Welsh landscape over the mountain pass to the quaint and picturesque village of Betws-y-Coed. This magical landscape holds a distinctly alpine feel and breathtaking natural beauty. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 7: Chester - Stratford-upon-Avon

Step back in time on a journey through the English countryside to Stratford-upon-Avon – the Bard's birthplace. After touring the childhood home of William Shakespeare, take time to explore this historic market town on your own. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for dinner. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 8: Stratford-upon-Avon - Oxford - London

Bid farewell to Stratford and travel to the charming university city of Oxford. Upon arrival, **it's your choice!** Visit the Ashmolean Museum, opened in 1682 as Britain's first public museum, with collections ranging from Egyptian mummies to contemporary art **-OR-** join an expert local guide for a walking tour, including one of the colleges used as a filming location for *Harry Potter*. Enjoy lunch on your own before continuing on to London, England's storied capital city. *Today breakfast will be included*.

Day 9: London

Take in the sites of London on a tour of the city's quintessential sights. Begin with a walking tour of Westminster, where you see Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey.

Continue to Buckingham Palace, the official residence of His Majesty The King, and make your way to Trafalgar Square, one of London's most vibrant spaces in the heart of the city. This afternoon is yours to discover more of London independently and make memories to treasure. This evening, join your fellow travelers to toast the end of your journey through Britain's scenic and storied landscapes. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included*.

Day 10: London - Tour Ends

Your journey through Britain comes to a close today. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Experience St! ______ Chester

The friendly and lively city of Chester is waiting to welcome you. Stunning Tudor and Victorian homes, a charming waterfront promenade along the River Dee, two-tiered shopping galleries dating back to the Middle Ages, all enclosed by ancient walls with steadfast towers that were built during Roman rule. This is Chester. Founded in 79 AD as a Roman fort, Chester's Roman roots can be felt across the city, from the largest Roman amphitheater in Britain to Roman Gardens featuring a number of artifacts, columns, and ruins from this time. Chester is home to the Eastgate Clock — the second most photographed clock in the country after Big Ben – and the oldest horse racecourse in the world. Explore the charm and quintessential landmarks of beautiful Chester – this is a small city with a lot of history (and a lot of heart).

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE						
Day 1	Overnight Flight					
Days 2, 3	Apex Grassmarket, Edinburgh					
Day 4	Holiday Inn York City Centre, York					
Days 5, 6	Grosvenor Pulford Hotel and Spa, Chester					
Day 7	Hotel Indigo, Stratford-upon-Avon					
Days 8, 9	Mercure London Bridge, London					
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.						

Collette's Flagship: Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

Please Note:

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require

mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Air passengers will arrive into Edinburgh Airport and depart from London airports.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at prescheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Due to tour scheduling, arrival flights should arrive prior to 4:00 p.m.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Days of features are interchangeable.

Guests arriving in Edinburgh on certain dates in August will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show.

Please note that this is a preliminary itinerary. Some trip details may change with your departure date. A finalized itinerary will be available to you when it is released.

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A non-refundable deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr. Sr>.

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