



**WOMEN OF NEBRASKA**  
Travel Solo Together

# FAIRY TALE ENGLAND!

London & the Cotswolds

with Women of Nebraska!

**April 8-17, 2021**



Dear Women of Nebraska,

A fairytale trip is the perfect description of this amazing tour of these popular and historic sites in Great Britain! London: a city of royalty, palaces, castles, churches, history, culture, museums, art, shopping, and botanical gardens ...what more could we ask for?

London is one of my favorite places to visit! The last time I vacationed in London was with my 4 sisters, and we had the time of our lives! Adventure and surprises were around every corner. We even snapped a picture of the Queen and Prince Philip waving at us as they drove by us on the street outside of Harrods; and happened upon a royal public ceremony at Buckingham Palace for the opening ceremonies of Great Britain Olympics!

This Fairy Tale England tour with Women of the Midwest has so many amazing, and historic sites that are already scheduled into our tour, as you can see in this brochure. But I also love that we have multiple periods of "leisure time" where we can either relax or explore on our own. My experience has found that London is very easy to navigate. The Underground is very user-friendly and convenient to hop on and off at will, as are the double-decker tour buses that saturate the city streets. A ride on the London Eye is a great option during one of these times! It is an enormous Ferris wheel that offers enclosed see-through compartments, that provide an amazing panoramic view of this historic area of London, including the infamous Big Ben, the Parliament and more!

If shopping is more your thing, you won't want to miss Harrods, Oxford Street, or Camden Market with hundreds of shops to choose from. Or perhaps you prefer to just wander through the neighborhoods and see the unique row-houses and find a quaint little English pub where you can relax, or check out the multitudes of amazing museums within the city.

London has something for everyone, no matter your tastes or interests!

Then, we're off to the Cotswolds area for a scenic journey, with picturesque villages and towns scattered throughout the countryside, honey-colored limestone cottages, hills, abbeys, antiquated farms, hot springs, and even the prehistoric Stonehenge!

It is all there just waiting for us to explore and enjoy it!

This is the perfect ladies' trip! Come and join me while we explore the best of Great Britain!

Sincerely yours,

Barb Wallingford, Ambassador



Call Executive Travel's Group Department today at 402-435-8888. Space is limited.



## April 8, 2021 Thursday

Our English fairy tale adventure begins as we take an overnight flight to London. Enjoy in-flight entertainment and meal service as you start your dream vacation.

## April 9, 2021 Friday - London

Upon our early arrival to the London Heathrow airport, we are met by our wonderful tour guide and private motorcoach and taken to a traditional English breakfast to give us the energy needed for the exciting day ahead of us! We start with a walking tour of London. Not just any tour however, as we will follow in the footsteps of the world's best selling author, Agatha Christie, much loved for her detective fiction stories. Although born in Devon, she has many connections with London which our expert guide will show us! In the early afternoon, we will check in to our centrally located hotel, unwind and relax for the remainder of the day.

London is situated on the famous River Thames and boasts an iconic skyline, and a history dating back to the time of the Roman empire. The city is home to world-class and Michelin star restaurants, as well as four World Heritage sites including the Tower of London, Kew Gardens, the Palace of Westminster, and the Royal Observatory in Greenwich. Other places of interest include; Baker Street, Madame Tussauds, The London Eye, West End Theaters, Oxford Street with its premier shopping, London's famous markets, and iconic department stores such as Harrods, Harvey Nichols or Selfridges. Enjoy

numerous museums including the British Museum, Natural History Museum, Tate Modern and the Science Museum. Welcome to London! B

## April 10, 2021 Saturday - Royal London

Followed by a hearty breakfast, you are invited to spend the day in the footsteps of the royal family! We begin with a visit to Kensington Palace. Prince William and Kate Middleton, official known as The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, moved into Kensington Palace following a huge renovation. Next, we will visit the famous Westminster Abbey, where William and Kate as well as many royals, including Henry I, Richard II, and the present Queen were married. Visit the abbey to see the stunning interior and Poets' Corner (Austen, Pope, and Byron all have memorial stones here.) It is also the burial site of Charles Dickens. We stop for lunch and then invite you to get a taste of royal London by shopping at the same places as the Queen, holding London Royal Warrants. Royal Warrants are a mark of recognition for those who have supplied goods or services for at least five years to the Household of HM The Queen, HRH The Duke of Edinburgh or HRH The Prince of Wales. These special warrants are held by a wide range of organizations, from tailors and hat shops to chocolatiers and delicatessens. It is a fun afternoon, guaranteed! We transfer back to the hotel and the remainder of the afternoon and evening at leisure. B | L

## April 11, 2021 Sunday - London

After breakfast, you will have a morning

at leisure to find your favorite spot in London. Our guide will recommend the best places to see within walking distance of the hotel, or assist you with public transport if you wish to venture out further. Enjoy the markets at Camden Town and Old Spitalfields (a marketplace for more than 350 years), or simply shop till you drop! In the afternoon, we will treat you to a luxurious Afternoon Tea Cruise. Spend a lazy afternoon floating along the River Thames as you listen to the history of afternoon tea, which was started in the 1840s by Anna Russell, the 7th Duchess of Bedford, as the etiquette of "taking" afternoon tea. A quintessentially British experience, you will be served a lavish spread of dainty finger sandwiches, scrumptious cakes, and delicate pastries. Enjoy the spectacular views of famous sights and landmarks while sipping on tea or Champagne and be lulled into calmness by a talented pianist. Tonight we meet to enjoy a show at London's famous West End. B | T

## April 12, 2021 Monday - Heading to the Cotswolds

After a rich breakfast, we depart our hotel. Before leaving London, we will visit the stunning Kew Botanical Gardens, one of the largest botanical gardens in the world. We take time to stop and smell the roses (and the oranges, the water lilies, and the chocolate trees ...). Next, discover the famous Windsor Castle. It is the largest and oldest occupied fortress in the world, a most impressive vision of the battlements and towers used for state occasions as well as the Queen's weekend retreat. We continue to Oxford to enjoy a walking tour



of the city of spires and stones, history and higher education, youthful jubilation and lively nightlife. Oxford has one foot in the ancient world and the other firmly in the modern. Rolling hills, thatched houses, honey-colored stone buildings ...welcome to the Cotswolds area! We arrive at our picturesque hotel in time for dinner. B | D

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### **April 13, 2021** **Tuesday - Cotswolds**

We begin our day exploring the Cotswolds, an area home to some of the most unspoiled, historic and famous towns and villages in England. Such quintessential English charm is found nowhere else in the world. Our first visit today is to a local distillery, producing some of the Cotswolds most famous gins. Next, a stop in the historic village of Broadway. A beautiful High Street is lined with horse chestnut trees and quaint shops. Soak in the atmosphere of this lovely place over a leisurely lunch. Tonight you will join a very unique dining experience. The table is set in a special pudding club and the entertainment starts with a glass of Bucks Fizz and a jovial introduction by The Pudding Master. The rest is a secret ...this is one of the many highlights during our tour. B | D

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### **April 14, 2021** **Wednesday - Cotswolds**

Time to sleep-in this morning and enjoy a lazy, laidback breakfast before we head out to visit yet another stunning Cotswolds landmark: the Abbey House Gardens. With 1,300 years of history, the first King of England buried somewhere in the garden, two saints thrown down the well, and now

one of the greatest gardens in the world. The spirit of beauty shines through and could be the best garden-visit you ever make! A 12th century Abbey Church in the center of Medieval Malmesbury and straddling the River Avon has brought praise from around the world. Continue to the small, but incredible picturesque village of Lacock, where you will have time for a leisurely lunch. The village boasts fascinating history and is frequently used as a filming location (Pride and Prejudice, Harry Potter, Cranford). Last stop today is Bibury, described as one of the most beautiful villages in England. It's time to bring out your camera! Dinner is served at our hotel tonight. B | D

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### **April 15, 2021** **Thursday - Cotswolds**

After breakfast, it is time to discover more secrets of the world of Downton Abbey. Cogges Manor Farm is our first stop and you will be bowled over by its beauty. Our tour will focus on the history of the house and the filming of Downton Abbey, (Cogges was the location for Yew Tree Farm). We will enjoy traditional English tea and scones in this beautiful setting. The ancient market town of Bampton is up next. Used for filming the outdoor scenes in Downton Abbey, we will see the old Grammar School Building which houses Bampton Community Archive, with an impressive collection of old photographs of Bampton and its people and served as the "Downton Hospital". St. Mary's Church, whose spire provides one of the landmarks of the upper Thames Valley, also featured prominently. To continue with the Downton Abbey theme, we will visit the village of Swinbrook. The lovely old pub, The Swan

Inn, nestles on the banks of the River Windrush, and is where Lady Sybil and chauffeur Tom Branson stayed on their way to telope at Gretna Green. We will be back in time for dinner at our hotel. B | D

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### **April 16, 2021** **Friday - Bath, Stonehenge**

On our last day in the Cotswolds, you are invited to some of the most important historical sites in the area. We drive to the city of Bath known for its natural hot springs and 18th-century Georgian architecture. Honey-colored Bath stone has been used extensively in the town's architecture including Bath Abbey, noted for its fan-vaulting, tower, and large stained-glass windows. A visit to the Roman Bath is included. Walk on ancient pavements as the Romans did 2,000 years ago and enjoy a farewell lunch in the Pump Room, one of the city's most elegant places to enjoy stylish, modern-British cuisine. Stonehenge is next and perhaps the world's most famous prehistoric monument consisting of a circle of standing stone slabs with a history spanning 4,500 years. Return to our hotel for a good, last night's rest. B | L

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### **April 17, 2021** **Saturday - Return Home**

All too soon, your journey has come to an end. Transfer to Heathrow airport in plenty of time to check in for our flight and clear security. You may do some last-minute shopping at the duty-free stores before boarding and flying west across the Atlantic Ocean back to the United States. B

*Itinerary is subject to change.*

B = Breakfast L = Lunch T = Tea  
D = Dinner



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**Package Price:**

Per person in shared double room: \$2,995  
 Per person in single room: \$3,595

We offer "Pair-and-Share" service.

Ask us to assist with finding your roommate!

A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per person is required upon signing up. Deposit can be paid by cash, check or credit card. Balance is due on January 14, 2021, and is non-refundable. Balance can be paid by cash or check. Credit card payment(s) (any payment applied to the tour after the deposit) will access a 3.5% fee.

**Travel Insurance:**

We recommend travel insurance to help protect you and your trip investment against the unexpected. For your convenience, we offer a plan provided by Travelex Insurance Services, priced from \$188 per person (covers land up to \$3,000 per person.) For full pricing grid and highlights, please review the enclosed brochure or ask us.

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**Air:**

Group airfare becomes available by end of October 2020. Estimate \$1,300 per person, economy class, including taxes and fees.

**Tour Activity = LEVEL 2:**

Involves a considerable amount of activity such as substantial walking, stairs, longer periods of standing (at museums and in churches) and some steep areas within the towns and sites visited. This tour is not recommended for guests with walking difficulties

*This tour will be materialized with a minimum of 18 and a maximum of 22 travelers. Should the number of travelers fall below 18, all funds paid to Executive Travel will be refunded 90 days prior to departure.*

The price quoted is based on a USD/GBP exchange rate of 1.25 (1 USD = 0.81 GBP). We reserve the right to adjust the price at final payment, if the exchange rate increases.

**Included:**

- 8 nights accommodation (4-star hotels)
- 8 x full breakfast
- 2 lunches (day 2 and 8)
- 4 dinners (day 4, 5, 6 & 7)
- 1 Afternoon Tea (day 3)
- Tea and scones (day 5)
- All transportation as per tour program with private deluxe motorcoach
- Porterage at hotels (1 suitcase per person)
- Professional tour guide during all days in England
- Entrance fee to all mentioned sites
- Women of Nebraska Ambassador from day 1 through day 10
- All local taxes as per October 8, 2019

**Accommodations - 4-star:**

- The Tower Hotel, London, or similar.
- Manor House, Moreton-in-Marsh, Cotswolds, or similar. **NOTE: Most hotels in the Cotswolds do not provide air conditioning. A fan is available in every room.**

*Final accommodations will be confirmed 90 days prior to departure.*

**Excluded:**

- Airfare and additional baggage fees (carry-on and first checked bag up to 50 lbs, free)
- Travel insurance
- Professional fees, \$75 per person due at time of registration
- Gratuities (estimate a total of \$8 per day for driver and guide)
- Personal expenses
- Meals other than mentioned in the tour program
- Entrance fees to monuments and/or museums other than mentioned
- Anything not mentioned in the inclusions



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