

British Isles Cruise Detailed Itinerary
August 21, 2010 - September 3, 2010

Day 1: August 21, 2010 (Saturday): Direct Flight on Delta Airlines from Atlanta to London, England

Delta Flight # 12 Departs Atlanta at 5:25 PM Arrives at London (Gatwick Airport) at 7:00 AM (Flight hours are 8 hours and 35 minutes)

Day 2: August 22, 2010 (Sunday): Arrive London and Transfer to Crown Princess in Southampton, England

- * 7:00 AM Arrive at Gatwick Airport, London
- * 8:15 AM Transfer by motorcoach to Winchester, England
- * Visit The Great Hall (1222-35 AD), part of the ancient Winchester Castle, and home to King Arthur's Round Table - as they wish to think.
- * Travel on into Winchester for a short overview tour of this beautiful little town.
- * Visit Winchester Cathedral whose present structure dates back to 1097. It is one of the largest cathedrals in England and is the longest cathedral in England. Jane Austen is buried here.
- * Short free time in Winchester for a **coffee/snack on your own** and photos.
- * 12:30 PM Depart for Southampton
- * 1:00 PM Board our ship, the Crown Princess, by Princess Cruise Lines
- * Lunch served on board our ship at one of the casual restaurants
- * Afternoon free to unpack and explore our beautiful ship
- * 5:00 PM Ship sails
- * 6:00 PM Dinner served on our ship in the Boticelli Dining Room

Day 3: August 23, 2010 (Monday): Guernsey Island (St. Peter Port), England - A Channel Island **Port in at 7:00 AM** **Sail at 4:00 PM** **Tenders used today**

- * 7:00 AM Port in to Guernsey Island (St. Peter Port)
- * Breakfast on our ship
- * Today you will choose from the Princess Shore Excursions because it is not possible to get all interests in one private tour. You have copies of the ship's tours to look over and make a decision for your day.
- * Lunch according to your schedule today
- * 4:00 PM Ship sails
- * 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship

Day 4: August 24, 2010 (Tuesday): Cork, Ireland **Port in at 8:00 AM** **Sail at 5:00 PM**

- * Breakfast on our ship
 - * 8:00 AM or as soon as we can get off the ship - Meet our Driver/Guide on the pier
 - * Depart for Blarney
 - * 9:00 AM Visit a Dairy Farm for a chat with the farmer and his wife over tea and scones. This farmer is the Chairman of the local IFA (Irish Farmer's Association) and his wife is a member of the ICA (Irish Countrywomen's Association).
- Area: 70 Hectares - 35 hectares owned, 35 hectares leased
Herd Size: 75 cows Pedigree Herd, Holstein Friesians

Milk Quota: 420,000 litres
Yield Per Cow: 6000 litres per cow

- * 11:45 AM Visit Blarney Castle built nearly six hundred years ago. You may wish to kiss the Blarney Stone, the Legendary Stone of Eloquence, found at the top of the Tower. Kiss it and you'll never again be lost for words. You may also wish to shop at Blarney Woollen Mills for a special souvenir.
- * 12:45 - 1:30 PM **Lunch on your own in Blarney.** There are several convenient places to catch a bite. Our guide will point those out to you.
- * 1:30 PM Depart Blarney
- * 2:15 PM Visit the Cobh Heritage Center where the history of this little town shows its major role in the mass emigration between 1845 and 1851 to the United States and Canada and the transportation of convicts to Australia. You will also see the statue of Annie Moore and her brothers. Annie became the first ever emigrant to be processed in Ellis Island when it officially opened on 1st January 1892. A similar statue of Annie can be found in Ellis Island, New York which represents not only the honor of her being the first emigrant to pass through Ellis Island but also stands as a symbol of the many Irish who have embarked on that very same journey.
- * 3:15 PM Visit a traditional Irish pub in Cork, where you will get to enjoy an authentic Irish coffee and hear local musicians playing traditional Irish music.
- * 4:20 PM Return to our ship
- * 5:00 PM Ship sails
- * 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship

Day 5 August 25, 2010 (Wednesday): Dublin, Ireland Port in at 3:30 AM Sail at 3:30 PM

- * 3:30 AM Port in at Dublin, Ireland
- * Breakfast on our ship
- * Today you will choose from the Crown Princess shore excursion options. There are no high priority sights that we feel we need to take you to see. There are many short visit options from the ship that are very interesting. Therefore, you have choices today. These choices are printed in your Dublin packet.
- * 3:30 PM Ship sails.
- * This afternoon you have a little free time to relax and enjoy our beautiful ship.
- * 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship

Day 6 August 26, 2010 (Thursday): Liverpool, England
Port in at 4:30 AM Sail at 9:00 PM

- * 4:30 AM Port in to Liverpool
- * Breakfast on our ship
- * 8:30 AM Meet our guide on the pier
- * Travel to the beautiful medieval town of Chester whose life began in the first century A.D. as a Roman settlement.
- * 9:30 AM Arrive in Chester where we will have an overview tour of the highlights: the city's historic towers; the half-timbered galleried shops; the Eastgate Clock which is the most photographed timepiece in the United Kingdom after Big Ben; and finally the 13th century Cathedral with its magnificent wooden choir stalls and the place where Handel in 1742, gave his first public performance of "The Messiah."
- * 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM Free time to enjoy Chester on your own and get a **bite of lunch on your own at one their old pubs.** That is an experience in itself.
- * 12:30 PM Travel back to Liverpool where upon arrival we will have a quick overview of the

main sights which include places you have always heard about during the “Beatle Years” - Penny Lane, Strawberry Field, down Matthew Street to the site of the Cavern Club where the Beatles performed over 300 times from February 1961 to August 1963.

* 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Visit to the “Beatles Story.” This multimedia exhibit offers a lot of fun as well as information about how the four young lads from Liverpool were propelled to the dizzy heights of fame and fortune becoming the greatest band of all time. Using individual audio head sets, you will take a personal journey through the lives of the Beatles. We will walk along the cobbled streets of Hamburg and Matthew Street and soak up the atmosphere in the stunning recreation of the Cavern Club. Sir Paul McCartney, Cynthia Lennon, Sir George Martin, Brian Epstein and Sir Peter Blake guides guests through this living history experience.

* As you exit out of the exhibit, you may wish to enjoy a beverage and snack at Starbuck’s Café, shop at the Fab4 souvenir shop or shop around the Albert Pier area until you wish to walk back on your own a very short distance to Pier Head where our ship is docked or where you may enjoy visiting the Fab 4D experience which is included with your “Beatles Story” ticket. This is located at Pier Head. Based in a state-of-the-art theatre, this amazing concert performance will take audiences on a groovy trip through the music of the Beatles, where the audience meets all manner of characters as the magic of 4D brings the Beatles’ music to life. A fab4 souvenir shop is located at this point, also.

* Walk on board our ship as you wish.

* 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship

* 9:00 PM Ship sails

Day 6 August 27, 2010 (Friday):

Port in at 11:00 AM

Belfast, Northern Ireland

Sail at 9:00 PM

* Breakfast on our ship

* 11:00 AM Port in and meet our driver/guide on the pier

* 11:00 - 12:30 PM Travel via Ballymena and Ballymoney to the spectacular Antrim coast

* 12:30 - 1:15 PM Visit Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge which spans an eight foot deep chasm connecting Rock Island to the mainland. It is used as a seasonal working bridge for fishermen, but tourists may cross it and enjoy the absolutely stunning views from the island. In fact, the scenery all around the area of the bridge is something you will always remember.

* 1:15 to 1:45 PM Travel to Giant’s Causeway

* 1:45 - 3:25 PM Visit the Giant’s Causeway, the subject of many legends and where an estimated 37,000 basalt columns extend from cliffs down into the sea. This is the jewel in the crown of the fabulous coast of Antrim. A site of World Heritage, it is ranked alongside Mt. Everest and the Giant Redwoods of California. Volcanic activity helped for this wonder of the world some 60 million years ago. You will be amazed!!

* 3:25 - 3:45 PM Travel to Dunluce Castle

* 3:45 - 4:25 PM Visit Dunluce Castle dating from the 13th century, this eerie ruins perched vulnerably on a steep crag was once the main fortress of the McDonnells, chiefs of Antrim.

* 4:25 - 4:45 PM Travel to Bushmills Inn for dinner

* 4:45 - 6:30 PM **Dinner included in Bushmills Inn** located in the village of the world’s oldest distillery. Bushmills Inn was originally a Coaching Inn and Mill House dating back to 1608. It was a haven for saddle-sore visitors on their way to the Giant’s Causeway. It was here they would stop to sample the whiskey that made this charming village internationally famous.

* 6:30 - 8:00 PM Return to Belfast via Ballymoney and Ballymena

* 9:00 PM Ship sails

Day 7 August 28, 2010 (Saturday):

Port in to Greenock at 8:00 AM

Glasgow, Scotland

Sail at 2:00 AM

- * Breakfast on our ship
- * 8:00 AM Get off ship and meet our guide, Gordon Ross, on the pier
- * 8:10 AM Depart for our tour
- * Travel to Loch Lomond, Scotland's largest lake.
- * Travel to Dumbarton for photos of the unusually beautiful Dumbarton Castle where Wallace the hero of Scotland was taken prisoner. It is located on the basaltic rock plug of Dumbarton Rock. Dumbarton is also the location where Mary Queen of Scots left for France when she was a young child of 6 years old.
- * 9:30 AM Travel on to the charming and beautiful little village of Luss with its mellow colored-stone little cottages, located on the shores of glorious Loch Lomond. A short visit will be made here for photos and a walk around the town to see the church and to hear about stories of the area .
- * Travel on to Aberfoyle in the heart of Rob Roy Macgregor country. We will have a short entertaining sheepdog show where you can observe the skills of a working sheepdog.
- * Travel on to Callander, a lovely town located at the confluence of two rivers in an area of outstanding beauty, known as the Trossachs. Callander is also the gateway to the Highlands.
- * 12:00 - 1:30 PM Free time and **lunch on your own in Callander**. There are also a number of little woollen shops here in town.
- * 1:30 PM Depart Callander and travel toward Stirling
- * 2:00 PM Arrive at Doune for a photo stop of its impressive 14C castle.
- * 3:00 - 4:30 PM Travel on in to Stirling to see the Wallace Monument and then up to the castle for a visit. Stirling Castle is magnificently perched atop a 250 foot crag. The present castle dates from the 15th and 16th centuries where it was the principal residence for Scotland's monarchs. Mary Queen of Scots was crowned at this castle.
- * 4:30 PM Depart for our ship in Greenock
- * 6:00 PM Arrive at our ship
- * 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship or you might choose the buffet this evening if we are late.
- * 2:00 AM Ship sails

Day 8 August 29, 2010 (Sunday): At Sea - We sail over the top of Scotland

Today is a free day to relax and enjoy all the marvelous activities on our beautiful ship. It is also a good day to catch up on your sleep with a little nap or two. Have fun! Our next two days are full and fun ones.

**Day 9 August 30, 2010 (Monday): Inverness/Loch Ness, Scotland
Port in to Invergordon at 7:00 AM Sail at 6:00 PM**

- * 7:00 AM Port in to Invergordon
- * Breakfast on our ship
- * 8:45 AM Meet our guide on the pier
- * 9:00 AM Depart Invergordon by motorcoach for Foulis Castle
- * 9:30 - 11:00 AM Visit Foulis Castle , which has been the seat of the Chieftains of Clan Munro for over 700 years. The present castle dates from the 18th century, and your visit takes in the reception rooms with their clan memorabilia and pictures, a display of old clan tartans, and a visit to the early Victorian kitchen, complete with its original fixtures. Enjoy the personal guided tour by Hector Munro, the 33rd hereditary clan chief and his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Munro. Hector plans to tell you all about clans, how they originated and how they operate. We shall have **coffee/tea and shortbread in the castle dining room**. Note - The Chief is a renowned grower of malt barley, one of the two essential ingredients in Scotland's famed malt whiskys.

- * 11:15 AM Depart Foulis Castle and head for Inverness
- * 12:00 - 12:15 PM Arrive in Inverness
- * 12:15 - 2:30 PM Enjoy Inverness, a lovely Highland town located at the end of Loch Ness. It has long been known as the capital of the Highlands. We will have a quick overview-orientation of Inveness and then you have free time to explore, shop and have lunch on our own.
- * **Lunch on your own in Inverness**
- * 2:30 PM Depart Inverness and travel to Loch Ness, home of the famous Loch Ness Monster, Nessie. You will notice that Loch Ness is very, very dark. This is due to the peat.
- * 3:00 PM Arrive at Loch Ness Monster Exhibition Center in Drumnadrochit. where various photos of Nessie are displayed along with pieces of evidence - you judge for yourself if Nessie is alive and doing well. You can also get some good photos of Loch Ness from this Center.
- * 4:00 PM Depart the Exhibition Center and travel back to our port at Invergordon.
- * 5:15 PM Arrive at our port and board our Crown Princess
- * 6:00 PM Ship sails
- * 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship

Day 10 August 31, 2010 (Tuesday):

Edinburgh, Scotland

Port in at 7:00 AM

Sail at 7:00 PM

Tenders Today

- * Breakfast on our ship
- * Take tenders to port
- * 8:45 AM Meet our guide on the pier
- * 9:00 AM Travel by motorcoach from South Queensferry Port to Edinburgh
- * 9:45 AM Arrive to Edinburgh. When you first see the city, you are in awe at the magnificent castle and the town that has literally grown from the volcanic rock base upon which the castle is perched. We will take a drive through elegant New Town and travel on through Old Town up to Arthur's Seat located at Holyrood Park. Holyrood Palace is also located here. It is the official residence to the Queen when she visits Edinburgh.
- * Visit Arthur's Seat for beautiful views overlooking the city and the Firth of Forth.
- * Travel on to Edinburgh Castle, the "Castle of Castles" where you will be awarded with magnificent panoramas in every direction from all locations at the castle. We will divide into three groups at this time so you will be able to hear your guide's explanations as you tour the castle.
- * Following our tour we will have a short coffee break.
- * Staying in our three small groups, we will now tour "The Royal Mile." This walk is down the street that connects Edinburgh Castle to Holyrood Palace. The Royal Mile acquired its name over the ages as Scottish and English kings, queens and royalty in general, have traveled to and fro between the Palace of Holyrood House and Edinburgh Castle - hence the name The Royal Mile.
- * 1:00 PM Free time to explore Edinburgh on your own, get a bite to eat and do a little shopping. Our guides will give us directions and answer any questions you may have.
- * 4:15 PM Return to our ship.
- * 5:00 PM Arrive to our ship
- * 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship
- * 7:00 PM Ship sails

Day 11 September 1, 2010 (Wednesday):

At Sea

Today is your day to do as you please on our beautiful ship. Maybe you are due a visit to the spa for a wonderful massage or maybe this is the time for you to finally sit out on the deck and read

your book. Have fun!

Day 12 September 2, 2010 (Thursday): **Le Havre, France**
Port in at 7:00 AM **Sail at 8:00 PM**

- * Breakfast on our ship
- * 7:00 AM Port in to Le Havre
- * 8:00 AM Meet Matthieu Blin, our guide on the pier
- * Travel to the D-Day Beaches
- * 10:00 AM Visit the American Military Cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach. It covers an area of 170 acres. These lands were offered the United States by France so that 9,387 men and women fallen in Normandy could rest on American soil. 149 of them, of Jewish denomination, were buried under a Star-of-David shaped stela, whereas the cross was adopted for all the others.
- * 11:00 AM Travel to Pointe du Hoc where a coastal battery was constructed at the top of a sheer cliff. The American troops led the seizure of this battery by forging up the 100-foot-high cliff. A fierce battle went on for two days before the position was captured. The final toll was heavy on both sides.
- * 12:00 Noon Depart for Bayeux
- * 1:30 PM Arrive in Bayeux - Totally spared by the allied bombardments in 1944, the historical center is a jewel that has kept its medieval layout. Its narrow streets are bordered with half-timbered facades from the 14th to the 18th centuries, overlooked by the cathedral.
- * Lunch on your own
- * 2:45 PM Visit the Bayeux Tapestry - Listed as a “Memory of the World” by UNESCO, the Bayeux Tapestry is an embroidery, 70 meters long, made in the 11th century. Celebrating the conquest of England by William, Duke of Normandy, this linen canvas was probably embroidered by monks in the south of England after the Battle of Hastings on October 14, 1066. Legendary animals, ships, Vikings, Norman and Saxon calvaries illustrate the exploits of William and his opponent Harold, another pretender to the throne of England.
- * 3:45 - 4:00 PM Board our motorcoach and head toward Le Havre
- * 5:30 PM Arrive at our ship
- * 6:00 PM Dinner on our ship
- * 8:00 PM Ship sails

Day 13 September 3, 2010 (Friday): **Southampton, England** **Port in at 5:00 AM**

- * 5:00 AM Port in to Southampton, England
- * Breakfast on our ship
- * 7:30 AM Disembark our ship
- * 8:00 AM Transfer from Southampton to Heathrow Airport, London
- * 10:30 AM Arrive at Heathrow Airport for check-in
- * 1:20 PM Delta Flight from London to Atlanta

Delta Flight # 09 departs London (Heathrow Airport) at 1:20 PM. Arrive Atlanta at 5:50 PM (Flight time is 9 hours 30 minutes)