









#### **UNITED KINGDOM**

# BRITANNIC EXPLORER: CORNWALL & WALES (TOUR CODE: 14887)

STARTS AND ENDS
TRAVEL PERIODS
EXPERIENCE
TRAVEL STYLE

in London Victoria Station
25 Jul 25 - 17 Oct 25 & 06 Mar
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Cultural

From Eryri National Park (Snowdonia) to the sparkling sea of south-west England, celebrate the best of Wales and Cornwall on this luxury train journey.

Cultural Rail

# Highlights

- Immerse in South Cornwall's charm, blending nature, culture and unforgettable experiences
- · Visit the creative town of Machynlleth, renowned for its Museum of Modern Art
- · Explore Fowey with bespoke adventures, including hikes, boat tours, and hidden gems
- Private after-hours tour of Hauser & Wirth gallery with a champagne reception
- · Hike Llandrindod Wells valleys, picnic in lavender fields, and enjoy Snowdonia views
- · Savour the essence of British terroir with a five-course lunch on day three as you make your way back to the Cotswolds.

This itinerary offers the perfect opportunity to discover and fall in love with the sandy shores of Cornwall and the picturesque beauty of Wales during six indulgent nights. Begin your journey in Cornwall, visiting iconic spots like Penzance and Lostwithiel. Next, venture into the charming villages, verdant valleys and vibrant greens of Wales, famously known as The Land of the Red Dragon. This is train travel at its finest.



# **INCLUSIONS**

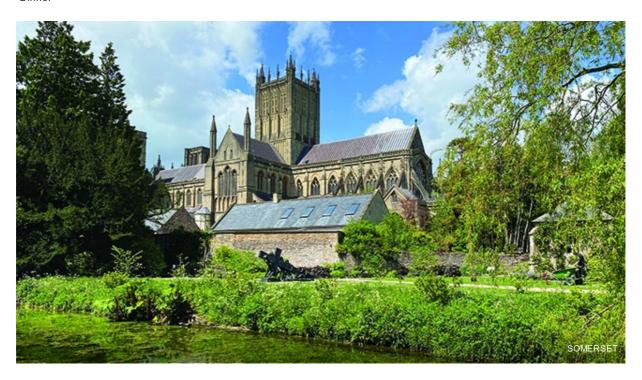
- · A tailor-made itinerary of exciting and varied off-board tours and experiences
- · 6 nights aboard the Britannic Explorer luxury train, with 24-hour steward service
- Daily table d'hôte meals, including breakfasts, brunches, lunches, afternoon teas and dinners, alongside a selection of alcoholic and other beverages
- · Off board the train, enjoy a gala dinner at celebrated Italian restaurant Da Costa, part of the Hauser & Wirth gallery

## **ITINERARY**

#### Depart London Victoria Station

Step aboard the Britannic Explorer at London Victoria, where the promise of an extraordinary journey awaits. Departing in the soft afternoon light, explore the train's elegant carriages, including the sanctuary of your private cabin. As London recedes, England's enchanting western countryside unfurls beyond your window. Settle into the dining carriage and savour Chef Simon Rogan's Cornish Afternoon Tea, crafted with the finest ingredients from Cornwall's larder – a true taste of British tradition, down to the spirited debate of jam or cream first.

Perhaps the Wellness Suite invites you to unwind, or the Bar tempts you with cocktails inspired by native botanicals as the train glides through the North Wessex Downs and Somerset's storied market towns. By twilight, you'll arrive at the West Somerset Railway, a heritage track offering spectacular countryside and coastal vistas. Enjoy a masterfully curated dinner by Chef Rogan, and then, in the Observation Car, savour music and the warmth of newfound friends over small-batch gin. As the evening concludes, retreat to your suite and drift into a peaceful slumber, embraced by the gentle rhythm of this remarkable journey.



#### 2 Cornwall

Mornings aboard the Britannic Explorer are yours to savour. Start the day at your own pace – a tranquil first-light experience on the platform, a luxurious lie-in followed by brunch in the dining car, or a revitalising visit to the serene Wellness Suite. As the train glides along Devon's stunning southern coast, you'll journey along the famed Riviera Line, where sweeping ocean vistas unfold past charming towns like Teignmouth. Skirting the rugged beauty of Dartmoor en-route to Plymouth, the train then enters Cornwall – Kernow in the local tongue. The journey towards Penzance is equally captivating, with the luminous Cornish seas glistening as you pass through St Austell and Truro.

By early afternoon, you'll arrive in southern Cornwall, where a wealth of unforgettable experiences awaits. Disembark at St Erth to explore the artistic haven of St Ives, with bespoke recommendations from the concierge's curated black book, or continue to Penzance for a guided tour of the Tremenheere Sculpture Gardens, culminating in a private Cornish wine tasting overlooking St Michael's Mount. In the evening, rejoining the train for tonight's dinner on board celebrates Britain's seasonal bounty, followed by an evening of curated entertainment – a perfect close to a day immersed in the enchanting landscapes and culture of Britain's southern coast.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



### § 3 Fowey & Bruton

After a delightful breakfast, immerse yourself in the timeless allure of Cornwall's Lostwithiel area, where thoughtfully curated excursions reveal the region's historic charm. Explore the picturesque seaside town of Fowey, where the Guest Experience team can craft a bespoke adventure tailored to your desires. Choose from a coastal hike along the famed "Hall Walk," a private boat tour along the shore, or other excursions into the local area that invite you to discover its hidden gems.

As evening descends, re-board the train for a picturesque journey to Somerset, arriving in the enchanting town of Bruton. Here, an after-hours private tour of the esteemed Hauser & Wirth gallery awaits, complete with a champagne reception in the gallery's idyllic gardens. The day culminates in a private gala dinner at Da Costa, Hauser & Wirth's celebrated Italian restaurant – a true celebration of fine dining. As the evening draws to a close, the train rests peacefully on the serene East Somerset Railway, promising a night of undisturbed tranquillity.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# §4 London Victoria Station journey to Wales

Enjoy breakfast as the train departs from the serene East Somerset Railway, with your heart full of fond memories of the stunning Southwest. Upon arrival at London Victoria, you'll have some free time while more passengers board. Take the opportunity to disembark, stretch your legs, and explore the local area – perhaps enjoying a 15-minute stroll to The Cadogan for lunch or a glass of English sparkling wine on their terrace.

In the afternoon, depart London once again, beginning your journey to Wales with a thoughtfully crafted afternoon tea, featuring delightful Welsh teacakes and traditional bara brith fruit cake. As you savor these treats, the golden hour casts a warm glow over the patchwork landscape of the Cotswolds, transforming the countryside into a breathtaking scene of rich colors. As evening approaches, you may choose to unwind in the wellness suite, sample a selection of gins at the bar, or enjoy a friendly board game with new companions. After a beautifully crafted dinner by Chef Rogan, retreat to your suite, where you can drift off to sleep, gently rocked by the soothing rhythm of this extraordinary journey.

Breakfast, Dinner



#### § 5 Wales' scenic vistas

As the sun rises, illuminating the breathtaking Pembrokeshire coastline, embrace the promise of a day filled with exploration amidst Wales's scenic vistas and verdant valleys. After a leisurely breakfast, disembark at Llandrindod Wells, where a guided hike through the tranquil valleys of the remote Welsh heartland awaits. Along the way, indulge in a quintessentially British picnic amidst fragrant lavender fields, complete with a beautifully curated hamper that celebrates the best of local produce. For those desiring a more relaxed pace, the attentive Guest Experience team is on hand to recommend a selection of thoughtfully crafted activities tailored to your preferences.

After your invigorating excursion, rejoin the train and continue your journey along the enchanting Heart of Wales Line, which gracefully winds through the rural uplands of Carmarthenshire and Powys. As you travel northward into Eryri National Park (Snowdonia), prepare to be mesmerised by the dramatic transformation of landscapes, where lush valleys rise to meet soaring peaks and cascading waterfalls. This evening's dining experience promises another celebration of seasonal British fine dining, perfectly paired with an enchanting entertainment lineup. The overnight stabling point for the evening is the charming town of Porthmadog, nestled within the majestic embrace of Snowdonia National Park.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# §6 Machynlleth & Moreton-in-Marsh

Spend a leisurely morning aboard the train, indulging in a wellness ritual or enjoying a blissful lie-in, followed by a sumptuous brunch. With a freshly made mimosa in hand, take in the passing scenery from the expansive windows of the Observation Car.

Your next destination is the vibrant town of Machynlleth, nestled at the southern edge of Eryri National Park (Snowdonia). Renowned for its Museum of Modern Art, Machynlleth is a hub of creativity, sustainability, and exceptional cuisine. The Concierge's curated black book of excursions reflects the town's ethos, offering a range of active pursuits complemented by a glass or two of exquisite natural Welsh wine.

As you journey back on board, the time has come for the grand finale of our Welsh adventure, a celebration of the very best of British terroir. A lavish five-course lunch is served as we glide towards the Cotswolds, traversing the lush greenery of Mid Wales and Montgomeryshire, passing through Welshpool before crossing into Shropshire. The train winds down through the West Midlands to Oxfordshire, arriving at Moreton-in-Marsh, an idyllic market town celebrated for its charming 'chocolate box' cottages. Here, disembark for an exclusive after-party in a quintessential Cotswolds pub, where you can immerse yourself in local culture. Savour an array of English delights, from homemade scotch eggs to delectable sausage rolls, and for those feeling adventurous, the bar awaits as you learn the art of pouring the perfect pint.

After a night filled with laughter, dancing, and sampling a variety of local ales, wines, and handcrafted liqueurs, retreat to your suite for your final restful night on board.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



# § 7 Farewell

Savour a farewell breakfast as the train travels through the picturesque landscapes of Oxfordshire and the enchanting Chilterns. As you reflect on the unforgettable memories from your breathtaking exploration of the United Kingdom, the train gracefully arrives at London Victoria in the soft light of early morning.

Breakfast

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Britannic Explorer



In the comfort of your exclusive private quarters, your mobile sanctuary awaits. This luxury sleeper train, a true reflection of British elegance, is filled with charming touches. From the privacy of your suite, take in the ever-changing shades of the English and Welsh countryside through your window. Inside, the interiors capture the essence of both the landscape and the whimsical spirit of British design – as night falls, your space transforms into a warm and inviting retreat.

#### SUITES - DOUBLE/TWIN

The Double suites are adorned with a green colour scheme, reflecting the lush British landscapes, while the Twin suites feature a blue palette inspired by the country's rugged coastline.

Each Double suite offers a luxurious double bed and an en-suite bathroom. By day, the space features comfortable banquette seating that transforms into a double bed at night.

The Twin suites come with plush twin beds and an en-suite bathroom. During the day, the banquette seating converts into twin beds by night.

Each room is decorated with artwork by English designer Luke Edward Hall.

- Plush double/twin beds
- · En-suite bathroom
- Fold-out table and stool

#### **Room Upgrades**

#### **Grand Suites**

There are three Grand Suites – Elder, Valerian and Juniper – each are uniquely designed to reflect the bright beauty of an English country garden. As the most luxurious accommodation option onboard the train, they come with a range of features including a full-length mirror and marble dining table, offering coveted space as you traverse Great Britain's railways.

- Personal butler service
- Indulgent cabin amenities
- · In-cabin private dining on request
- · One complimentary spa treatment per guest
- Private arrival and departure transfers
- · Plush double bed
- · En-suite bathroom with marble basin and shower cubicle
- · Long-hanging wardrobe and sofa with storage drawers



Prices are dynamic based on travel dates. Please proceed to Book Now or Contact Us for details.

# **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

#### 2025 departure dates:

- 25 July
- 22 & 29 August
- No departures in September
- 17 October
- No departures November December

#### 2026 departure dates:

- 06 March
- No departures in April
- 01 & 29 May
- 26 June
- No departures in July
- 21 August
- No departures in September
- 16 October
- No departures November December

#### Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- · Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.)
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included or mentioned in our holiday package