



**Traveling Aggies**

A PROGRAM OF  
The Association of Former Students®



# JOURNEY THROUGH BRITAIN

ENGLAND, SCOTLAND & WALES

September 17-30, 2018

**14 days for \$5,596 total price from Houston**  
(\$5,095 air & land inclusive plus \$501 airline taxes and fees)



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Odysseys Unlimited,  
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**An Exclusive Small Group Tour for  
Aggies & Friends of Texas A&M University**

## Howdy, Ags!

Join the Traveling Aggies on an exclusive 14-day small group journey through captivating Great Britain. Together you will enjoy the many charms of England, Scotland and Wales.

You begin in Edinburgh, touring the 18<sup>th</sup>-century “New Town,” the medieval “Old Town,” and the Royal Mile. Next, you travel to the beautiful Lake District, visiting Dove Cottage and Hill Top and enjoying a boat ride on Lake Windermere. From here, you travel to Wales’ unspoiled Snowdonia National Park and England’s Stratford-upon-Avon, where you visit Shakespeare’s birthplace and Anne Hathaway’s cottage. In Bath, you tour the historic Roman Baths then proceed to enigmatic Stonehenge and Windsor Castle. Your tour ends in wondrous London, where you see celebrated landmarks such as the Tower of London, Big Ben and Buckingham Palace.

With room for only 24 guests on this exclusive Traveling Aggies departure, we expect this tour to fill quickly. Book today to secure your spot!

Gig ‘em,

*Jennifer Bohac*

Jennifer Bohac ’87, Ph.D.

Director of Travel – Outreach and Engagement

### TRAVELING AGGIES RESERVATION FORM: JOURNEY THROUGH BRITAIN

Enclosed is my/our deposit of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$500 per person) for \_\_\_\_ person(s) on **Journey through Britain** departing **September 17, 2018**. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. **Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, with completed reservation form, to: The Association of Former Students, 505 George Bush Drive, College Station, Texas 77840-2918. Or you may call the Traveling Aggies at 979-845-7514 or toll-free at 800-633-7514, or fax your reservation form to 979-845-9263. You may also call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765, or fax your reservation to 617-454-9199.**

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Please book my/our air from \_\_\_\_\_ I/We request a Business Class upgrade

I will share a room with \_\_\_\_\_ I request a single room (limited availability)

**Post-Tour “London – On Your Own” Extension:** Please sign me/us up

**Please Note:** The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for **Journey through Britain, September 17-30, 2018**, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure and is payable by check or credit card.

Tour membership limited to 24 Traveling Aggies and friends

# JOURNEY THROUGH BRITAIN

## England, Scotland & Wales

**14 days for \$5,596 total price from Houston**  
(**\$5,095 air & land inclusive plus \$501 airline taxes and fees**)

**O**n this wide-ranging tour we travel from city to country and back again: from gracious Edinburgh to England's legendary Lake District, from spectacular Snowdonia to the rural Cotswolds and Roman Bath, ending in cosmopolitan London. As we see history and legend come to life on our journey, we also enjoy the region's timeless hospitality.



### Day 1: Depart U.S. for Edinburgh, Scotland

**Day 2: Arrive Edinburgh** We arrive in the Scottish capital and transfer to our hotel. As guests' arrival times may vary greatly, we have no group activities planned during the day; though our tour director will lead an orientation walking tour of the neighborhood surrounding our hotel late this morning. Later we meet for a briefing about the journey ahead; tonight we gather for a welcome dinner. *D*

**Day 3: Edinburgh** Our morning tour of this stately city built on seven hills includes the 18<sup>th</sup>-century "New Town" and the medieval "Old Town," where we visit Edinburgh Castle, symbolic heart of Scotland. This afternoon is at leisure to discover Edinburgh as we wish; museums, galleries, and shops abound. Dinner tonight is on our own, and Edinburgh boasts a robust culinary scene. *B*

**Day 4: Edinburgh** This morning we encounter the Royal Mile, the historic boulevard connecting Edinburgh Castle with the Palace of Holyrood House. We tour Holyrood, as it is called, and see where British royalty schemed and slept as we tour the State Apartments. After lunch at a local restaurant, the remainder of the day is free for independent exploration and dinner on our own. *B,L*

**Day 5: Edinburgh/Lake District** Today we're bound for the beautiful – and beloved – Lake District of northwest England, a national park and diverse landscape of lakes, rivers, ancient woodlands, and small towns and villages. On arrival we stop at Dove Cottage, where English Romantic poet William Wordsworth penned some of his most memorable lines. Late afternoon we reach our hotel on the shores of Lake Windermere. *B,L,D*

**Day 6: Lake District** Today's explorations begin with a cruise on Windermere, England's largest lake at 10½ miles long. After lunch on our own in charming Ambleside, we visit Hill Top, the 17<sup>th</sup>-century

Avg. High (°F)	Sep	Oct
Edinburgh	61	54
Llandudno (Wales)	62	56
London	67	59

## Small Group Tour Highlights

Edinburgh touring, including Edinburgh Castle, Holyrood House, and Royal Mile • England's pastoral Lake District • Boat ride on Lake Windermere • Wales' Bodnant Garden and unspoiled Snowdonia National Park • Shakespeare's birthplace at Stratford-upon-Avon • Bath touring: Roman Baths, Assembly Room, Circus, Bath Abbey • Stonehenge visit • Free time in Windsor • Cosmopolitan London

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Edinburgh		
2-4	Edinburgh, Scotland	Apex Waterloo Place Hotel	Sup. First Class
5-6	Lake District, England	Low Wood Bay Resort Hotel	First Class
7-8	Llandudno, Wales	The Empire Hotel	First Class
9-11	Bath, England	The Abbey Hotel	First Class
12-13	London	Amba Hotel Charing Cross	Sup. First Class
14	Depart London for U.S.		

*Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.*

Cover photo: We travel through England's Cotswolds, with its gentle rolling hills and traditional villages.



*The Stewart Monument on Calton Hill overlooks Edinburgh.*

farmhouse and garden that author Beatrix Potter purchased with the proceeds from her *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*. Late afternoon we return to our hotel and dine there tonight. *B,D*

**Day 7: Lake District/North Wales** We travel through splendid Lake District scenery today en route to Wales, with its rugged natural beauty and distinct culture. Our first stop is at lovely Bodnant Garden, the historic 80-acre National Trust property with a lovely hillside setting and ever-changing displays, from manicured lawns to flower-filled terraces. After our visit, we continue on to the seaside town of Llandudno, dubbed “Queen of the Welsh Resorts,” and our home for the next two nights. We dine tonight in our hotel. *B,D*

**Day 8: North Wales/Snowdonia National Park** Wales is a land of fierce natural beauty, as we see for ourselves on this morning’s visit to Snowdonia National Park. Named for Snowdon, at 3,560 feet the tallest mountain in England and Wales, the park comprises some 840 square miles of unspoiled wooded valleys, mountains, moorlands, lakes, and rivers, which we see during a scenic train ride through the park. Then we head to 13<sup>th</sup>-century Caernarfon Castle, a medieval fortress whose brute appearance symbolized English domination over the Welsh. Mid-afternoon we return to our coastal retreat, with time at leisure before dinner together tonight. *B,L,D*

**Day 9: North Wales/Stratford-upon-Avon/Bath** Returning to England today, we visit Stratford-upon-Avon, where our touring includes a visit to Shakespeare’s Birthplace, a restored 16<sup>th</sup>-century half-timbered house where the Bard is believed to have been born in 1564. We also tour Anne Hathaway’s Cottage & Gardens, the thatched farmhouse of Shakespeare’s

bride that still contains some original furnishings. Then we have time in this 800-year-old market town for lunch on our own and to explore independently before we continue on to Bath. We reach our hotel late this afternoon and dine there tonight. *B,D*

**Day 10: Bath** We set out on a morning tour of this storied and graceful city where the ancient Romans first “took the waters” at England’s only hot springs. Today the historic Roman Baths count among the city’s most popular sites, along with Bath Abbey, the 18<sup>th</sup>-century Assembly Room, The Circus, and the Royal Crescent, all of which we see on our tour. The afternoon is free to explore as we wish. *B*

## Post-Tour Extension

September 30-October 2, 2018

### LONDON – ON YOUR OWN

3 days/2 nights  
for \$465 total price

Single Supplement: \$295

*Theater, art, shopping, restaurants – London has it all, in abundance. Enjoy this world capital in your own style, at your own pace.*

### Your Tour Price Includes

- 2 nights’ accommodations at Amba Hotel Charing Cross (Superior First Class)
- 2 meals: 2 breakfasts
- Transfer to the airport

“ONE TOUCH OF NATURE  
MAKES THE WHOLE WORLD KIN.”

– WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

**Day 11: Bath/The Cotswolds** Today we encounter the postcard-perfect Cotswolds, England’s south central region of gently rolling hills dotted with villages of honey-colored limestone, market towns, and unspoiled countryside, looking much as it did 300 years ago. We return to Bath and our hotel mid-afternoon, with the remainder of the day and this evening at leisure. *B,L*

**Day 12: Bath/London** We leave our pastoral days behind as we travel today to London, stopping en route to see Stonehenge, the 4,500-year-old Neolithic monument that remains something of a mystery today. That the prehistoric circle of stones is a masterpiece of engineering and building is undisputed; exactly why it was created is less certain. Next we visit Windsor, site



We visit Snowdonia on Day 8.

of British royalty’s Windsor Castle, where we have free time to explore on our own before we continue on to London, arriving late this afternoon. *B*

**Day 13: London**  
A panoramic city tour this morning passes such celebrated London landmarks as the infamous Tower of London, grand Parliament and Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey, and Hyde Park. Our afternoon is at leisure to explore this wondrous city as we wish – London offers an embarrassment of riches from which to choose. Tonight we celebrate our journey through Britain at a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *B,D*

**Day 14: Depart for U.S.** We transfer this morning to Heathrow Airport for our flights home. *B*

## Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 12 nights’ accommodations in Superior First Class and First Class hotels
- 23 meals: 12 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 7 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers



We see iconic Big Ben on Day 13.

## Tour Departs: September 17, 2018

Prices include int’l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

Newark	\$5,196
Boston, Philadelphia	\$5,396
Atlanta, Baltimore, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Washington, DC	\$5,496
Charlotte, Dallas, Denver, Houston, Miami, Minneapolis, Orlando, Tampa	\$5,596
Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle	\$5,696
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$4,495

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$501, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,195. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: \$3,995 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

**For more information and reservations, please call The Traveling Aggies at 979-845-7514, or toll-free at**

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**Or call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 888-370-6765**

**Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–7:00 PM, Eastern Time**

## GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

### Not Included in Tour Price

Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odyssey Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

### Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes

If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odyssey Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: **cancel 95 days or more before departure: \$200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund.** If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.**

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### Responsibility

The liability of The Association of Former Students, as sponsor, and Odyssey Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The Association of Former Students and Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

### Health and Medical Issues

We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and **you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own.** We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, The Association of Former Students and Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

### Air Transportation – Important Information

Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.** Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. **Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes, if you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odyssey Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.**

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