

Harrogate and the Yorkshire Dales
Friday 1st-Sunday 3rd October

Harrogate, known as, England's Floral Town is famous for its spas, parks and gardens. The Royal Pump Room Museum is an interesting visit where you can partake of the healing aqua then relax in Betty's with a cup of tea and a naughty but nice cream cake. A short drive finds us in the outstanding Yorkshire Dales, a living landscape of natural beauty and spectacular scenery.

Holiday Inn Harrogate 4*



Ideally situated in the town centre very modern and stylish in appearance. All the bedrooms are en-suite and feature TV, telephone with tea and coffee making facilities. There are lounges to relax in, bars for that pre-dinner drink and restaurants for fine dining. A mini gym is available for guests to use at the hotel or for those wanting more the Academy Health and Fitness Club with full leisure facilities is nearby and free for hotel guests.

Friday 1st October – Day one:

We depart Nottingham area this morning and travel to the beautiful town of Knaresborough famous for its breathtaking views of the Nidd Gorge. The town is made up of numerous ancient walkways, cobbled alleys interspersed with



restaurants, traditional pubs and olde worlde tea rooms for refreshments. It is also home to Mother Shipton's Caves, Mother Shipton is England's most famous prophetess. She lived in the town over 500 years ago during the reigns of Henry VIII and Elizabeth I and as she grew older her prophetic visions became know and feared throughout England.

Early afternoon we continue to Harrogate and check into our hotel leaving the remainder of the day free time to discover the delights of this elegant spa town before dinner.



Saturday 2nd October – Day two:



Today after breakfast we see the Yorkshire dales in all their spectacular glory, travelling through Wensleydale and Swaledale you can admire the stunning scenery of rolling hills, old world cottages dotted around the valleys with quaint stone walls. This morning we visit the upper falls at Aysgarth where the river Ure tumbles over broad limestone steps to create this stunning view. The falls themselves featured in the Kevin Costner movie 'Robin Hood and The Prince of Thieves'. We continue to Hawes and visit the Wensleydale



Creamery where you can taste the cheese. This afternoon we take you on a sensational ride up Butter Tubs pass, returning via Reeth and Leyburn to the hotel.

Sunday 3rd October – Day Three:

Sadly we leave Harrogate this morning but with have another scenic day in store following the calendar girl's story. The countryside featured in the film is among the most beautiful to be found in Britain. The landscape ranges from picturesque villages by tranquil streams to the most rugged and bleak of fells. In the film all the girls live in the fictional village of Knapeley which is actually the pretty village of Kettlewell. This is 10 miles from Cracoe where the girls do live in real life. All the locations exsept Settle are within Wharfedale which is rich in history and natural beauty. We visit Kettlewell and Grassington this morning and arrive in Skipton for lunch. This afternoon enjoy a leisurely cruise on the Leeds and Liverpool canal, operated by Pennine Boat Trips, refreshments are available onboard. We leave Skipton and travel home to the Nottingham area arriving in the evening.

Tour includes: All executive coach travel with hostess service, 2 nights dinner, bed and breakfast at the Holiday Inn, Harrogate Centre, visiting Knaresborough, Wensleydale, Swaledale, Aysgarth Falls, Butter Tubs Pass, Skipton, Kettlewell, Grassington and Pennine Boat Trip.

Tour Costs from: £ 169.50

Single room supplement: £ 30.00

Deposit: £ 60 per person