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THE TALL SHIPS RACE
HARTLEPOOL QUAY 9th – 10th August 2010

Hartlepool's biggest ever celebration, the town will be the host port for the prestigious occasion of the Tall Ships Race. Hartlepool will buzz with excitement as over 100 magnificent tall ships arrive.



Best Western Middlesbrough Hotel 3*

Located in the outskirts of Middlesbrough. All bedrooms are en-suite and feature a TV, telephone and hospitality tray with tea, coffee and biscuits. There is also a restaurant and bar

Monday 9th August – Day one:

We depart Nottingham area this morning and travel to Hartlepool Quay where over 100 tall ships will be berthed; the whole event will be an amazing, colourful spectacle. We include a visit to Hartlepool's Maritime Experience with its historic quayside where you can explore HMS Trincomalee, Europe's oldest warship afloat and the Museum of Hartlepool which tells a fascinating story. There will be many places for refreshments throughout the day. We return to our hotel and check into our rooms with time to relax before dinner.



Tuesday 10th August – Day two:

We depart our hotel after breakfast and keeping with the nautical theme we visit the nearby Captain Cooks Birthplace Museum in Stewart Park. Discover why James Cook is the world's most famous navigator and explorer. Later we travel to Great Ayton one of Cleveland's prettiest villages for a short stop. We visit the school of which James attended when he was a boy; it is now the Captain Cook School room Museum. The cottage where the Cook family lived was shipped to Australia in 1934 and now an Obelisk replaces it. We continue to the quaint old town of Whitby with its narrow cobbled streets lined with shops clustered around the busy harbour, overlooked by the ruined Abbey. Captain Cook, who sailed in the Whitby built, "Endeavour," in 1768 for Tahiti via Cape Horn, lived in the town as a young man. Visit his house in



Grape Lane which is a fascinating museum, why not take an opportunity for a boat trip out to sea or an open top bus tour of this delightful town, and then enjoy the selection of famous fish and chip shops, the choice is yours.

Tour includes: All executive coach travel with hostess service, 1 night dinner, bed and breakfast at the Best Western Middlesbrough, visiting Hartlepool, Great Ayton, Captain Cooks Birthplace Museum and Whitby. Admissions to Hartlepool's Maritime Experience and the Captain Cook Schoolroom Museum.

Tour Costs from: £ 125.00 per person
Single room supplement: £ 10.00
Deposit: £ 60 per person