

# Anglican Heritage

London • Canterbury • Salisbury • Glastonbury • Bath • Oxford • Cambridge • York

9 days



St. Paul's Cathedral, London

## Included Highlights:

- Take in the excitement of London, stopping to revel at sites such as the Southwark Cathedral and St. Paul's Cathedral
- Explore the legendary cobblestoned streets of Canterbury and take time to see Rochester Cathedral, England's second oldest cathedral .
- Tour the renowned Winchester and its Cathedral, the longest medieval church in England
- Take in the glorious Salisbury Cathedral, with its elegant spire standing as the tallest in England
- Journey through Oxford, the "City of Dreaming Spires," and explore the renowned King's College Chapel
- The influence of the monarchy on the Catholic Church and the modernization to Anglicanism
- Fully Escorted
- Meals as mentioned in itinerary

## YOUR DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

**DAY 1 – NEWYORK** – Depart from your international airport on your overnight flight to England. Dinner and breakfast will be served aboard.

**DAY 2 – LONDON** – Upon your arrival at London, you are met, assisted and transferred to your private luxury motor coach. The day begins with a panoramic orientation tour of the city of London. Take in the beauty of London's distinguished cathedrals, including Southwark Cathedral and St. Paul's Cathedral. Stop by Lambeth Palace, the home of the Archbishop of Canterbury and home to the largest collection of records of the church in its library. Continue to London's distinguished sites such as Buckingham Palace, Old Bailey, the Central Criminal Court of England and Wales, and the historically renowned Tower of London and Tower Bridge. Finish the day with a warm welcome dinner at your hotel. (D)

**DAY 3 – LONDON** – Today is a day to be spent at your leisure with several different opportunities for you to pursue in London. Explore the Tower of London, stop by Westminster Abbey, view the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace, visit the British museum, take in a West End show or enjoy music at St. Martin-in-the-Field church. Tonight you will have dinner on your own. (B)

**DAY 4 – CANTERBURY** – After breakfast we stop by Rochester Cathedral for a brief visit. Rochester Cathedral, or the Cathedral

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Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary, is England's second oldest cathedral. We finally reach Canterbury, the most important ancient city in all of England. In 560 it became the center of English pilgrimage, and Kingdom of King Ethelbert and his Queen Berta, who was a Christian. Here we will take a walking tour of the cobblestoned city, stopping by quaint shops and the Canterbury Cathedral, built in 1070 by Archbishop Lanfranc. Dinner and overnight at your hotel. (B,D)



Canterbury Cathedral

**DAY 5 – SALISBURY** – After breakfast we travel to Winchester, which was the capital of England for almost 250 years. Here we stop by Winchester Cathedral, the longest medieval church in Europe. Winchester was Evangelized by St. Birinus in AD 634, and 40 years later became an archbishop. Many great English saints such as St. Swithun, St. Ethelwold, and St. Dunstan (Abp. Of Canterbury) are associated with Winchester. Our final stop for the day is Salisbury. Here we will tour the great cathedral and tower with the elegant spire, standing as the tallest in England, rising above the water meadows. We finish the day stopping by the prehistoric site of Stonehenge. Dinner and overnight in Wiltshire. (B,D)

**DAY 6 – GLASTONBURY, BATH, OXFORD** – Breakfast at our hotel. We then travel to the town of Glastonbury to see the ruins of its Abbey. Legend connecting St. Joseph of Arimathea to the Holy Grail and the burial of King Arthur and Queen Guinevere gave Glastonbury Abbey its great importance. Next we visit Bath, which began as a Roman Spa more than 2000 years ago. We stop for a visit to the Roman Baths and tour Bath Abbey, the last of the great pre-Reformation churches, renowned for its size. Dinner and overnight in Wiltshire. (B,D)



**DAY 7 – OXFORD/CAMBRIDGE** – After breakfast we visit the “City of Dreaming Spires,” ten centuries old Oxford University. Oxford is home to Christ Church, the cathedral church of the diocese of Oxford and smallest cathedral in England. The jewel in the crown is a visit to the 15th century King’s College Chapel, one of the most perfect buildings in the world and the site of the annual Festival of Lessons and Carols. We end today’s journey with a visit to the cathedral in Ely. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Cambridgeshire/Norfolk. (B,D)

**DAY 8 – YORK** – After breakfast we drive to Lincoln to tour its magnificent cathedral. The cathedral has been said to be “the most precious piece of architecture in the British Isles.” We also will tour Lincoln castle, one of the eight castles founded by William the Conqueror. Next we drive through the countryside to York, the second city of the Realm. This walled city was first a Roman provincial capital called “Eboracum” in AD 71. The Archbishop of York holds the title “Primate of England” is the second only to the Archbishop of Canterbury. We tour the massive York Minster, the pride of this city and the largest medieval cathedral in England. We finish our tour with a farewell dinner and overnight in York. (B,D)

**DAY 9 – NEWYORK, NY** – An early breakfast at the York hotel, we bid farewell to this green and pleasant land, having been enriched by the historical sights of this England and even more so by the enduring legacy of the Anglican Church. Transfer to the airport for the flight home. Arrival the same day. (B)



Changing of the Guard

\* (B,L,D) = Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner