BOOKABLE PRODUCT

The Legend of Robin Hood and Sherwood Forest

Legendary tales for a modern-day adventure

Get double the adventure on this two-day tour, which combines the Robin Hood Town Tour and further exploration of the legend with expert guides, Cultural Heritage Tours. Take in the modern culture and impressive history of Nottingham on day one before you are guided through the landscapes of the Sherwood Forest area, including a visit to Robin's legendary hideaway, on day two.

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Two-day example itinerary

Robin Hood Town Tour

DAY ONE

MORNING – DEPART FROM LONDON

By train:
Leave from London St Pancras International Station: 08.34am
Arrive at Nottingham Station: 10.16am

By road:
Leave London from Victoria Coach Station: 08.00am
Arrive in Nottingham at Maid Marian Way coach drop-off: approximately 10.40am

11am – ROBIN HOOD TOWN TOUR

Join the charismatic Ezekial Bone as he presents an award-winning tour in the guise of Robin Hood. With unrivalled knowledge and gripping storytelling, this two-hour tour takes in the modern and historical sites of this dynamic city. Hear the tale of Robin Hood come to life and learn about numerous significant events in British history that took place in Nottingham.

The two-hour tour ends under the impressive cliff on which Nottingham Castle sits, where the Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem pub has stood for an incredible 800 years. Carved into the rock face, this is reputedly England's oldest pub and features cosy corners and numerous bar lounges. Stay to enjoy a traditional pub lunch if desired, take in the many curious antiques and historical artefacts in the pub, or book onto a short tour of the caves and beer cellars below.

Distance: 1.3 miles | 2.1 km
Accessibility: The tour includes a visit to an underground cave which is only accessible via steep, medieval stone steps. If this is a problem for guests, the tour can be adapted to avoid this point of interest.

AFTERNOON – FREE TIME IN NOTTINGHAM

Stay to enjoy a traditional pub lunch in the Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem pub if desired, take in the many curious antiques and historical artefacts in the pub, or book onto a short tour of the caves and beer cellars below.

The rest of the day can be spent exploring the city and taking in some of the key points of interest mentioned on the tour.

Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem pub

USEFUL INFORMATION

- Group tour based on a minimum of 25 people. Smaller groups by negotiation
- Pick-up and drop-off points at destination
- can be flexible, by arrangement
- Day two tour transport options (where required) is by vintage London bus or luxury coach
- Meals not included
- Regular direct trains between London and Nottingham are operated byEast Midlands Trains
- Journey time by road is estimated on travelling from London Victoria Coach Station

Cultural Heritage Tours at Sherwood Forest

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DAY TWO

9:30am – MEET YOUR GUIDES

Your guides at Cultural Heritage Tours will meet you at the Nottingham Playhouse. Throughout the day these expert guides will use their extensive knowledge to paint a picture of the Robin Hood legend as they take you to Sherwood Forest and other pivotal historic sites throughout Nottinghamshire.

PRICES AND HOW TO BOOK

Tour only, no transport:
£60 per person: 25 – 35 people
£50 per person: 36 – 44 people
£40 per person: 45+

Tour with vintage London bus transport on day two:
£85 per person: 25 – 35 people
£75 per person: 36 – 44 people
£65 per person: 45+

Tour with luxury coach transport on day two:
£95 person: 25 – 35 people
£85 per person: 36 – 44 people
£75 per person: 45+

Commission rates payable by negotiation.

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TOUR DATES

Tours operate throughout the year and are available to book Monday through Sunday by arrangement.

Tour arrangements can be flexible by negotiation. E.G. One day Robin Hood Town Tour only, one day Legends of Sherwood Forest tour only, or one day itinerary with condensed tours.

10:30am – PAPPLEWICK PUMPING STATION

After a pit-stop at Papplewick Pumping Station, home to the finest example of a working Victorian water pumping station in Britain, the tour moves on to Rufford Abbey. This former 12 century Cistercian Monastery and country house features shops, gardens, a lake and a children's play area, along with beautiful ruins to explore.

A light lunch can be had in one of Rufford's various cafés and tea rooms, or in Sherwood Forest, which will be the next stop.

1pm – RUFFORD ABBEY

Discover more about Robin Hood's legend and the conservation of this world-famous forest in the new state-of-the-art visitor centre. A short walk can be taken through the ancient woodland to see the 800-year-old Major Oak, a reputed hide-out for Robin and the Merry Men and one of England's most treasured trees.

2:30pm – KING JOHN'S PALACE

The next stop is the archaeological site of King John's Palace to see the remains of a former medieval royal residence and the royal heart of Sherwood Forest. Learn how the history of this site has been rediscovered through ongoing archaeological digs, along with its importance within the Robin Hood legend.

4pm – NEWSTEAD ABBEY

The final stop for the day is Newstead Abbey, which was once home to the notorious 19th century poet Lord Byron. Roam picturesque gardens dotted with wild peacocks and take in the majestic ruins of this beautiful estate. Entry to the Abbey is not included, but arrangements can easily be made if you decide to explore further.

You will be dropped off in the city centre* at the end of the day and be free to enjoy a leisurely evening of Nottingham's great dining, nightlife and culture if you are staying over.

**Alternative drop-off point can be arranged.*

Newstead Abbey

COACH PARKING

There are several drop-off and pick-up points in Nottingham city centre and several car parks with coach space available, which should be pre-booked.

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