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EDINBURGH CHRISTMAS MARKET 2023

Thursday 23 - Sunday 26 November 2023



Edinburgh is described by King Charles III as one of the World's most beautiful cities and was recently voted one of the top ten cities in the World by Expedia. This magical weekend tour traces the historic route from London along the East Coast Main Line to Edinburgh to enjoy a weekend soaking up the festive atmosphere in this magnificent city.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- The outward and return journeys via the East Coast Main Line, crossing the Border Bridge at Tweedmouth
- The option to enjoy an additional lunchtime steam train trip over the Forth Bridge and around Fife and Alloa
- The world-renowned Edinburgh Christmas market which has become an iconic feature over the years
- Time in Edinburgh to take in the sights



Passengers will have three nights in one of Europe's most vibrant cities, where you can soak up the festive atmosphere, enjoy a 360-degree view of stunning architecture, beautiful gardens and of course, high above the city, Edinburgh Castle itself. On Saturday 25th November, there will be an optional steam-hauled lunchtime trip across The Forth Bridge, along the Fife Coast with its stunning scenery before heading inland up the Firth of the Forth and along the rarely used line to Alloa before making our way back via Sterling. This magnificent tour will take approx. 5 hours.

PRICES FROM: Pullman Style Dining £799pp, First Class £399pp, Premium Standard £349pp

Optional Lunchtime Steam Hauled Excursion across the Forth Bridge/Firth of the Forth/Alloa.

PRICES FROM: Pullman Style Dining £259pp, First Class £159pp, Premium Standard £109pp

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DAY 1 – London to Edinburgh via the East Coast Mainline

We are planning to depart diesel hauled by vintage Deltic from London Kings Cross heading up the East Coast mainline to York where we stop to change to our steam locomotive which will take us onwards to Scotland. Continuing our journey northwards with distant views of the Yorkshire Moors and the Pennines, followed by Durham



Cathedral and Gormley's famous sculpture, the Angel of the North.

As we approach Berwick, the Royal Border Bridge comes into view as it curves high above the river. From here the line runs for miles along the cliff tops before descending to the Scottish Lowlands to arrive at Waverley Station.

DAY 2 - In Edinburgh

The first of two days to enjoy the many delights that Edinburgh has to offer from its picturesque Christmas market laden with gifts for all to its stunning City centre including its iconic medieval castle, Scotland's crown jewels and St Mary's Close.

DAY 3 - Another chance to explore Scotland's Capital City at

leisure, which holds two UNESCO designations and the option to join a 5 hour lunchtime steam hauled excursion over the Forth Bridge, around Fife and Alloa.

DAY 4 – Edinburgh to via the East Coast Mainline

On the return journey, we depart in morning steam hauled leaving Edinburgh and the Scottish Lowlands behind we head south running along the cliff tops. As we approach Berwick the Royal Border Bridge comes into view curving high above the river Tweed before stopping at York where we pick up our vintage Deltic locomotive. arriving back into London Kings Cross in the evening.

ON BOARD ACCOMMODATION

Passengers have the choice of three classes of travel. In **Pullman Style Dining**, passengers are seated in vintage carriages with wood panelling, large comfortable seats, and curtains at the windows. You will be welcomed on board with a glass of Bellini followed by a delicious breakfast and later in the day a sumptuous evening meal with wine and canapes. **First Class** passengers are seated in elegant 1950's carriages with armchair style seating, wood panelling and large picture windows. A glass of Buck's Fizz awaits followed by a selection of sweet and savoury treats. Passengers who travel in **Premium Standard** will be seated around tables for four in our newly refurbished carriages with our distinctive carmine and cream livery. Passengers will be served complimentary tea and coffee and may also purchase food and beverages from the on-board team.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Passengers will have three nights in one of Europe's most vibrant cities. You can choose to book hotels with Steam Dreams or independently. All passengers who decide to book hotel accommodation with Steam Dreams will enjoy the added extra of a dedicated representative at the hotel. Hotel accommodation is booked on a bed and breakfast basis for all passengers. Pullman Style Dining passengers will stay at The Waldorf Astoria or The Scotsman, two of Edinburgh's finest 5 star hotels. First Class passengers will stay at the historic 4 star Hilton Carlton Hotel just a two-minute walk from Edinburgh Waverley station, or at the Radisson Blu Hotel on the Royal Mile. Premium Standard passengers will stay at the Premier Inn, Leith Waterfront.



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