

Wiltshire Tour

Monday 6th - Thursday 9th August 2012

Monday Departing Bradford at 8.00 we travel south, with a stop en route, to **Stratford-upon-Avon** where you can explore the historic town and its many connections to Shakespeare. From here we travel to our hotel.

Tuesday We travel to the city of **Salisbury**, with its many attractions. The famous attractions includes the cathedral with its spire at 404 feet is Britain's tallest spire, the finest preserved Magna Carta, and the oldest working clock in Europe (1386). We travel to **Wilton House**, ancestral home of the Earl and Countess of Pembroke since 1544. The house stands on the site of a 9th century nunnery, and the 21 acres of gardens include a Palladian Bridge and water features along 300 metres of riverbank.

Wednesday We visit the historic market town of **Devizes** in the heart of Wiltshire. The town suffered during the Civil War, but prospered during the Georgian period when many of its finest buildings were built. With nearly 500 listed buildings Devizes has probably the highest such concentration in England. From here we travel to **Bowood House and Gardens**. The house is a fine example of 18th century architecture, and the property boasts contributions from some of the most famous names of the period including Robert & James Adam, Capability Brown and Sir Charles Barry. The grounds include Brown's great lake which is almost a mile long, and Hamilton's Cascade a 30 foot fall of white water.

Thursday We travel into **Swindon** for a short visit to the **McArthur Glenn Shopping Village** located in the site of the former engineering works of the Great Western Railway, where as well as the shops, there is museum. The route home takes us through the **Cotswolds**, where there will be a stop in picturesque **Stow on the Wold**. Arrive in Bradford mid evening.



The Hotel

The Brook Madison Hotel is a popular 3 star hotel located just outside the city centre on the outskirts of Swindon. It has a restaurant and bar and all rooms include en-suite bathrooms, hairdryer, tea and coffee making facilities, TV with satellite channels and iron and ironing board.



This 4 day Tour Includes

- ☞ Time to explore Stratford on Avon, Salisbury, Devizes & Stow on the Wold
- ☞ Visits to Wilton House & Bowood House
- ☞ 4 nights dinner, bed & full breakfast

Prices

Per person in twin/double	£215.00
Per person in single	£260.00
Insurance	£21.85

Depart code B

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