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Britannic Explorer: The Lake District

3 Nights • Luxury Experience

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Overview

This luxury train journey seamlessly blends history and adventure, from invigorating outdoor pursuits to the elegance of grand country estates. The experience culminates in Oxfordshire with a black-tie gala at Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons – a celebration of timeless refinement and Michelin star dining. For those drawn to literary landscapes, this region has long inspired Shakespeare, Beatrix Potter and Wordsworth, moved by its beauty and depth.

Your Itinerary



DAY 1

LAKE DISTRICT

Prepare to traverse the glorious English countryside and immerse yourself in the breathtaking landscapes of the Lake District as you step aboard the Britannic Explorer at London Victoria Station. Settle into your exquisite private quarters, where the elegant ambience reflects the illustrious landscape through which the train passes. Life on board is an indulgent affair, beginning with a sumptuous Cumbrian Afternoon Tea, curated by Chef Simon Rogan, with his own Cumbrian heritage reflected in the menu. Perhaps you'll feast on a slice of Kendal mint cake, or some sumptuous Grasmere gingerbread. As the afternoon unfolds, unwind with a restorative treatment in our Wellness Suite, or perhaps enjoy a cocktail or two from the Bar. Our route to the Lake District takes you through the heart of England, winding through the picturesque landscapes of Cambridgeshire, Lincolnshire, and South Yorkshire.

As night descends, take your seat for an exquisite dinner, once again crafted by Michelin-starred chef Simon Rogan, a true pioneer of the farm-to-fork movement. Anticipate culinary masterpieces that celebrate local, seasonal ingredients and innovative flavours, elevating your dining experience to new heights. After dinner, join us in the Observation Car, where you can dance the night away to music while sipping a small-batch gin and tonic, surrounded by cherished new friends. Finally, retreat to your tranquil suite for a restful night's sleep.

DAY 2

LAKE DISTRICT

Awaken to the scenic views of the Forest of Bowland and the enchanting Yorkshire Dales National Park rushing past your window. As you travel along Cumbria's southern coast, let your gaze drift to the stunning panorama of the Irish Sea shimmering in the distance. By early afternoon, we'll arrive in Workington – your gateway to the Lake District. Here, we take a chauffeured journey to the Lingholm Estate, a Grade II listed Victorian mansion where the beloved Beatrix Potter once spent her idyllic summers. Within this exclusive sanctuary, with private quarters open solely to guests of the Britannic Explorer, choose your adventure: immerse yourself in guided open-water swimming, meet the delightful local alpacas, or embark on a scenic hike around the breathtaking nearby fells. For those wishing to explore a little further afield, our onboard concierge is ready to curate your ideal outing.

Reboard the train, now awaiting you at Penrith, just as dinner is being prepared. Tonight's meal is yet another celebration of seasonal British fine dining, followed by lively onboard entertainment with your fellow bon vivants. As the evening draws to a close, the train will rest overnight on the scenic Settle & Carlisle line, nestled in the charming rural market town of Appleby.



DAY 3

LAKE DISTRICT

Awaken to an elegant morning as a leisurely brunch awaits you in the dining car, alongside a freshly crafted Bellini. Savour this gentle time, perhaps with a spirited game of cards among newfound friends as we glide over the iconic Ribbleshead Viaduct on the famed Settle & Carlisle line. Today's journey winds gracefully through the breathtaking landscapes of the Peak District, drawing us toward Oxfordshire and the timeless splendour of Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons. Awaiting us here is an exquisite black-tie gala dinner in the exclusive Le Belle Époque dining room, with views over the 15th-century manor – a night of refined Provençal-inspired indulgence in a setting crafted for celebration.

Return to the train afterward to spend your final night aboard, as we settle amidst the Cotswolds' patchwork tapestry, resting overnight just beyond the lights of London.



LAKE DISTRICT

Breakfast is served as the train departs for the journey back to London. After a scenic journey, gliding through Oxfordshire and the Chilterns, bid adieu to your countryside getaway as we arrive at London Victoria for an early morning arrival.



Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Oct 30, 2026	Suite - Double	£15,400	£7,700
	Suite - Twin	£15,400	£7,700
	Grand Suite	£38,800	£19,400
Nov 20, 2026	Suite - Double	£15,400	£7,700
	Suite - Twin	£15,400	£7,700
	Grand Suite	£35,800	£17,900
Apr 23, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600
May 7, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600
May 28, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600
Jun 25, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600
Jul 2, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,900	£7,450
	Suite - Twin	£14,900	£7,450

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Jul 30, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,900	£7,450
	Suite - Twin	£14,900	£7,450
	Grand Suite	£34,900	£17,450
Aug 13, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,900	£7,450
	Suite - Twin	£14,900	£7,450
	Grand Suite	£34,900	£17,450
Aug 27, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,900	£7,450
	Suite - Twin	£14,900	£7,450
	Grand Suite	£34,900	£17,450
Sep 24, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,900	£7,450
	Suite - Twin	£14,900	£7,450
	Grand Suite	£34,900	£17,450
Oct 8, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600
Oct 22, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600
Nov 5, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600
Nov 12, 2027	Suite - Double	£14,200	£7,100
	Suite - Twin	£14,200	£7,100
	Grand Suite	£33,200	£16,600

Rates shown in British Pound GBP (GBP). Approximate USD equivalents available upon request.





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Terms & Conditions

Booking Conditions

Deposit: 25% of the total fare confirms your booking. **Balance:** due 120 days before departure; bookings made within 120 days of departure are payable in full at booking.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be made in writing and take effect when acknowledged. Charges apply as a percentage of the total fare for the person(s) cancelling:

- 120 days or more before departure: 25%
- 119–90 days before departure: 50%
- 89–30 days before departure: 70%
- 29 days or less before departure, or no-show: 100%

Date changes follow the same charge schedule as cancellations. A booking may be transferred to another guest up to 14 days before departure (an amendment fee plus any supplier costs apply); name changes require at least 7 days' written notice. No refunds are made for unused services or no-shows.

Important

Comprehensive travel insurance covering cancellation is strongly recommended. Schedule per Belmond's Trains & Cruises booking conditions (world excluding EEA/UK, last updated 11 February 2026). Palace Tours' terms and conditions also apply.

Frequently Asked Questions

What do I wear onboard Britannic Explorer?

For daytime excursions, consider appropriate footwear and seasonal layers. For relaxing moments on board, we recommend casual, comfortable clothing. For dinners, smart casual is appropriate and for the final night gala dinner, formal black-tie attire is encouraged.

Can you help arrange transportation before or after my journey?

On the final night of your luxury train journey, our crew can reserve taxis/limousines for onward transfers, for example to the airport from London Victoria Station. For more details, please speak to the Train Manager. In advance of travel, our Reservations team can pre-book transfers from your place of stay to the station for departure. Kindly note that guests staying in a Grand Suite can enjoy complimentary transportation before and after their journey.

Are children allowed onboard?

Children are welcome to join us aboard Britannic Explorer. Infants under the age of two at the time of departure travel free. Parents must provide their own food and a bassinet for sleeping. Given the space constraints of the onboard accommodation, we always recommend booking a Grand Suite for the comfort of those travelling with an infant. The atmosphere aboard Britannic Explorer is geared towards our adult guests. Therefore, it is at the Train Manager's discretion that children may accompany their parents in the bar and restaurant cars. Please contact our reservations team to discuss full details and train journey suitability.

Ready to Book Your Journey?

Contact Palace Tours for personalized rates and departure dates

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