

MOUNTAIN GOAT & PARK TOURS & TRAVEL

Panoramic Tours & Services

around the

English Lake District

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Established in 1972, operating a single bus service over Kirkstone Pass, Mountain Goat (incorporating Park Tours & Travel) today operate a whole range of holidays, tours and services. Offering a variety of full-day and half-day guided mini-coach tours this is the ideal way to explore the spectacular scenery of the Lake District. Tours operate daily throughout the year and include lake cruises, steam train journeys and cultural, historic and literary attractions. With frequent stops for photographs and short walks, an informative commentary and complimentary hotel pick-up service, guests can sit back and relax and enjoy some of the most stunning scenery in the UK.

Mountain Goat also operate the Windermere Cross Lakes Shuttle linking Bowness to Hilltop, Hawkshead, Grizedale and Coniston.

Mountain Goat can also provide private transportation from chauffeur services, airport transfers, extended tours throughout the UK and a wide range of group services including guided walks and bespoke personalised tours.

Ten Lakes Spectacular to Ullswater, Buttermere, Borrowdale and Beyond (Full Day) (Tour Ref: A)

- Troutbeck Village and Valley
- Kirkstone Pass - Lakeland's highest mountain pass
- Ullswater - lake cruise
- Castlerigg Stone Circle - 4,000 year old stone circle
- Ashness Bridge and Surprise View
- Keswick - stopover in town centre for lunch
- Borrowdale
- Honister Mountain Pass
- Buttermere Valley and Crummock Water
- Newland Pass
- Moss Force Waterfall
- Thirlmere
- Grasmere

Often described as the "most beautiful corner of England" this full day tour offers a wonderful introduction to the magnificent scenery of the English Lake District. Ten lakes, three mountain passes, an extended cruise from mountains to moorland on Ullswater - "Queen of the English Lakes", a beautiful waterfall, Castlerigg Stone Circle, the ancient township of Keswick for lunch and a stop over in the delightful village of Grasmere make this the most comprehensive, popular and satisfying tour in the Lake District. Visiting central, north, north-west and northeast parts of Cumbria this is the ideal way to appreciate why this area has inspired poets and artists alike and for generations has drawn visitors from all over the world. Throughout the tour there are frequent stops for photographs and short walks.

From time to time the Ullswater lake cruise may be substituted for a cruise on Derwentwater for operational reasons.

Operates: Every Day
Tour A Prices: Adult - £33.50 Senior Citizen - £32.00 Child - £23.50 (Under 16 yrs.)
Including: Lake Cruise
Times: Commence: 09.45 Return: 17.30 (Approx.)

Beatrix Potter's Lakeland Tour (Full Day) (Tour Ref: B)

- Beatrix Potter's Hilltop Farm - home of Peter Rabbit
- Jeremy Fisher's Esthwaite Water
- Jemimah Puddleduck's village of Near Sawrey
- Squirrel Nutkin's Derwentwater
- Stunningly beautiful Tarn Hows and Monk Coniston Estate
- Yewdale, Yew Tree Farm, Loughrigg Tarn and Grasmere
- Locations featured in the "Miss Potter" movie starring Renée Zellweger
- Coniston Water - lake cruise
- Hawkshead Village
- Ullswater - "Queen of the English Lakes"
- Castlerigg Stone Circle - the enigmatic ancient stone circle
- Stopover in Grasmere Village for lunch

A visit to Hilltop farm is a highlight of this tour but lovers of Beatrix Potter know that her world extended throughout the Lake District, from Sawrey, Hawkshead, Yewdale and Tarn Hows in South Lakeland to Newlands and Derwentwater in the north and to the head of the Troutbeck Valley in the east. This most comprehensive Lake District tour not only visits places associated with Beatrix Potter, her delightful characters, her farms and locations featured in the "Miss Potter" movie but also includes a lake cruise on Coniston Water and some of the most beautiful lakes and spectacular mountain scenery the area has to offer. With frequent stops throughout the day for photographs and short walks, this tour is the ideal way to enjoy the landscape that Beatrix Potter so loved and sought to preserve.

Hilltop is closed every Friday and on Thursdays during April, May, September and October, however the gardens and the shop are open at no charge.

Operates: Everyday
Tour B Prices: Adult - £33.50 Senior Citizen - £32.00 Child - £23.50 (Under 16 yrs.)
Including: Lake Cruise, but not including entrance charges
Times: Commence: 09.45 Return: 17.30 (Approx.)

High Mountain Passes Spectacular (Full Day)

The "High Adventure" (Tour Ref: C)

- Hardknott and Wrynose Mountain Passes - the steepest and most exhilarating in England
- Ravenglass & Eskdale Steam Railway
- 14th Century Muncaster Castle - fabulous gardens
- The internationally renowned World Owl Trust
- Central and Western Lakes including Wastwater - England's deepest lake
- Coniston Water - associated with John Ruskin, Arthur Ransome and Donald Campbell
- Hardknott Roman Fort - with magnificent views to Scafell and central mountain peaks

Nothing in Britain surpasses the grandeur of Lakeland's central mountains. Our route is that fashioned by Emperor Hadrian's Roman legions in the first century AD. Over the Wrynose and Hardknott passes, the steepest in England, pausing to view the extensive remains of Hardknott Roman Fort, before descending to lovely Eskdale. Following lunch we embark on the famous steam railway journey through Eskdale and onward to Wasdale and Wastwater (England's deepest and most dramatic lake). Our next destination is the splendid 14th century castle of Muncaster, a treasure chest of fine period furniture, tapestries, silverware, paintings, portraits and porcelain. In its internationally acclaimed gardens you will find magnificent examples of azaleas, camelias and rhododendrons and also have the opportunity to visit the World Owl Trust. The beautiful scenery of the Coniston Fells and Coniston Water bring to an end this classic of all Lake District tours.

Operating: Every Day
Tour C Prices: Adult - £33.50 Senior Citizen - £32.00 Child - £23.50 (Under 16 yrs.)
Including: Morning coffee, steam train journey, entrance to Muncaster Castle grounds and World Owl Trust
Times: Commence: 09.45 Return: 17.30 (Approx.)

9 Lakes Tour to Hilltop & Peter Rabbit Country (Half Day)

(Tour Ref: E)

What better way to explore the southern and central Lake District? This tour allows sufficient time to relax and enjoy 9 lakes and tarns, to stroll at beautiful Tarn Hows, visit the ancient villages of Hawkshead, Grasmere, Sawrey and Elterwater. Spend 40 minutes at Hilltop home of Beatrix Potter and enjoy a cruise on Coniston Water. Photo opportunities are available at all stages of this guided tour including Dove Cottage.

Hilltop is closed every Friday and on Thursdays during April, May, September and October, however the gardens and the shop are open at no charge.

Operates: Everyday

Tour E Prices: Adult - £32.50 Senior Citizens - £22.50 Child - £18.50 (Under 16 yrs.)

Including: Lake Cruise

Times: Commence: 11.00 Return: 15.30 (Approx.)

Beatrix Potter Lakeland www.beatrix-potter-lakeland.com

Beatrix Potter is intimately associated with the Lake District, the area that not only inspired her to write many of her little tales so beloved by generations of children, but also the area she made her home, farmed and sought to preserve. Spectacular mountain scenery, beautiful lakes, cascading waterfalls are all waiting to be discovered. Follow in Beatrix Potter's footsteps by visiting Hilltop, her home and garden, admire her original artwork, learn about her work as an environmentalist and benefactor of the National Trust. Mountain Goat offers two daily guided sightseeing tours dedicated to Beatrix Potter. The tours visit places associated with Beatrix Potter's famous little tales, her farms and properties and also include locations featured in the acclaimed "Miss Potter" movie starring Renée Zellweger. Both tours include a 40 minute stop over at Hilltop, Beatrix Potter's famous farmhouse home in the village of Near Sawrey. The farmhouse contains many of Beatrix Potter's personal possessions and remains much as it was when she owned the property. The traditional cottage garden is easily recognized as that featured in the "Tale of Tom Kitten" and many of her other stories. **SEE TOUR B & E ABOVE**

The Beatrix Potter Experience www.beatrix-potter-lakeland.com

For the complete Beatrix Potter Experience Mountain Goat and Lindeth Howe Country House Hotel offer a complete short-break package. Lindeth Howe Hotel was formerly owned by Beatrix Potter. Purchased in 1913 by Beatrix Potter Lindeth Howe became the home of Mrs Potter, Beatrix's Mother. Today this award winning 36 bedroom hotel offers fine Country House accommodation, set in mature gardens, with fine dining in its popular restaurant serving locally sourced and seasonal produce. In the lounges and bar there are many photos and mementos from Beatrix Potter's time at Lindeth Howe including photographs of Beatrix Potter and her mother, many taken by her brother Rupert, and a letter written by Beatrix Potter whilst staying at Lindeth Howe. The Beatrix Potter Experience is £250 and includes:

- Two nights Dinner/Bed/ Breakfast at Lindeth Howe Country House Hotel
- Transfers from/to Windermere Station and Lindeth Howe Hotel
- Full Day Beatrix Potter's Lakeland Tour by Mountain Goat
- 30 minute lake cruise on Coniston Water
- Admission to the World of Beatrix Potter Attraction
- Souvenir Gift

Mountain Goat Holidays and Short Breaks

Mountain Goat operates holidays and short breaks to the Lake District from 2 to 7 nights. They are available from the end of March to October and are fully inclusive of accommodation, tours and transfers from/to Windermere Station. In addition Mountain Goat operates a range of touring holidays throughout the UK. For more information please contact us for a copy of our current Mountain Goat holiday brochure or visit our web-site for details.

Cross Lakes Experience

Mountain Goat operates "The Cross Lakes Experience" daily throughout the summer from Bowness-on-Windermere. A connecting ferry service allows visitors to cross to the western shore of Windermere to join the mini coach service and travel onwards to visit Hilltop (the home of Beatrix Potter in the hamlet of Near Sawrey), the beautiful village of

Hawkshead with its delightful church, Wordsworth's Grammar School and the Beatrix Potter Gallery. Onward connections are available to Coniston Water where one can enjoy a cruise and to visit Brantwood, John Ruskin's home and to Grizedale Forest for the high-level fun of Go Ape, mountain biking and the new visitor centre. For more information please contact us for a copy of the current timetable or download it from our web-site.

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Pick-up Points: Bowness Pier, Windermere Tourist Information Centre or from your accommodation. Pick-ups are also available in Ambleside, Kendal and Grasmere (subject to demand).

Prices and routes are subject to change without notice and we reserve the right to alter tours in the event of severe inclement weather, traffic congestion or for operational reasons. A minimum of four passengers is required for any tour to operate. We regret our daily tours are unsuitable for infants under 5 years of age. All tours operate subject to full terms and conditions available from our office. Lunch is not included in tour prices.