

A Flavour of Yorkshire

		
Chocolate Making	Herbs and Edible Flowers	Yorkshire Vineyard
		
Cider Press	Gin Tour	Ice cream Tasting

Wednesday 21st September to Saturday 24th September 2022 - 3 Night/4 Day Tour

I am delighted to bring you my first food and drink tour of Yorkshire where we get to explore and indulge in Yorkshire produce from my home county larder.

Our itinerary covers a wide range of fare, visiting the producers and touring the beautiful Yorkshire countryside. We will travel on a VIP coach with tables so that we can indulge in the produce as we travel with pairings and tastings! We are also working in conjunction with the hotel who will prepare our evening dinner with fare based on our daily visits, ensuring that we get an all round gastronomic experience!

For some of our outings we are following in the footsteps of TV personalities and cooks 'The Hairy Bikers' with private visits to see the 'beekeeper' and the speciality herbs and edible flowers in Sandhutton.

We celebrate the season with a visit to an apple orchard and see how cider is made and taste it just to make sure!

There are 600,000 sheep in the Yorkshire Dales and 20,000 people, 30 times more sheep than people and we rejoice this fact with a visit to the iconic Masham Sheep Fair.

6 million Kit Kats are produced in Yorkshire every day so our nod to Yorkshire's chocolate heritage comes in the form of a chocolate making class in Leyburn hailed 'the gateway to the Dales'.

We explore the historic fishing industry in Whitby with a visit to meet the fishermen and fishmongers who provide us with fresh fish on a daily basis.

We raise our glasses and take up the drinks baton exploring Yorkshire beer, gin and wine - yes really we have vineyards - 16 commercial vineyards to be exact, 45 gin distilleries and 390 breweries!! We're not visiting all of them - not this year anyway!!

We even dive into dairy products with clotted cream (cream or jam first?!) and organic yoghurt.

The Cistercian monks brought cheese-making knowhow from France to Yorkshire in the 12th century and we have been making cheese ever since - we're not visiting the monks but we are visiting the goats and tasting the goats cheese on the North Yorkshire Moors!

It's also essential that we have time for tea - Yorkshire tea of course! We will need something to accompany the tea so we will be tasting and testing a variety of Yorkshire fare from our craft bakeries including a visit to Bothams in Whitby which has been baking for us since 1865.

Yorkshire is home to well known iconic brands and small artisan producers and on this tour we intend to cover what we can and hear the stories behind the producers, and where we haven't time to visit we will certainly have time and space to taste as we travel around in our very own Yorkshire Pantry! Those of you who joined me on my virtual tours of Yorkshire visited my pantry every week, now it's going mobile!

Accommodation

We will be staying at Solberge Hall Hotel just 4 miles outside Northallerton (address - Newby Wiske, South Otterington, Northallerton DL7 9ES). We will be on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis.

Travel

You will make your own way to and from the hotel. If you are coming by train Northallerton Railway station is on the North East mainline, and the hotel is a five minute taxi ride away and there are usually taxis at the station, or Linda's taxi if I am available! We will then have coach transport for our days out with, of course, your very own Yorkshire Blue Badge Tour guide and our foodie ambassador to prepare and serve the fare on board the coach!

Highlights

- Yorkshire gin, wine, beer and cider visits and tastings
- Follow the Hairy Biker trail for herbs and honey
- Chocolate master class
- Visit the iconic Masham Sheep Fair
- Tea and cake with Bothams (think a coastal Bettys)
- A great catch with Whitby fishmongers - crab dressing and tasting
- Down on the farm to meet the cows producing clotted cream and yoghurt and the goats providing us with cheese
- Tastings and pairings as we travel in our VIP coach with the services of our food ambassador
- Scenic touring and commentary from your Yorkshire Blue Badge tour guide as we travel around the breathtaking Yorkshire countryside

Itinerary

Day 1 - Wednesday 21st

Welcome to 'A Flavour of Yorkshire' and the first day of our eating and drinking adventure!

11.30 am We meet at the hotel and depart on the coach for our first visit following in the footsteps of the Hairy Bikers to see, smell and taste herbs and edible flowers and get an idea of the botanicals which are used in our gin tasting later.

1.15 pm We reboard the coach for our first on-board tasting indulging in a selection of herb infused food and drinks.

1.45 pm We arrive at our first drinks tour to enjoy gin - what else could we start with - of course it had to be gin to begin! A welcome gin and tonic followed by a tour and blind tasting of 5 different samples.

4 pm We depart for the hotel and continue the gin tasting on board the coach.

7 pm Dinner at the hotel

Day 2 - Thursday 22nd

Breakfast in the hotel

Today we head to the Yorkshire coast to the wonderful seaside town of Whitby

9.00 am We depart the hotel and head to an organic farm (arriving 9.30 am) donning on white coats to see the production of clotted cream and organic yoghurt - once back on the coach (11 am) of course it will be necessary to indulge in both to sustain us on our journey!

12 noon On arrival in Whitby we explore the heritage of the fishing industry - Natasha from Cod Roe Fishmongers will meet us in the harbour alongside the family fishing boat, Nazanna. Natasha is from a family of fishermen who have been catching fish and shellfish for nearly 40 years. Natasha will introduce us to the history and reality of life in the historic Whitby fishing industry and also provide us with a demonstration on how to dress a crab, and of course ensure we get to taste some!

You will then have free time to explore Whitby and get your fish and chips or a crab sandwich from Natasha.

2.30 pm We meet at Whitby Brewery located in the shadow of Whitby Abbey to enjoy the delights of craft brewing. Currently tours are not available so tasting it is then! We can savour the flavour of the ales named to reflect iconic Whitby with Abbey Blonde, Smugglers Gold, Jet Black, Whitby Whaler and Saltwick Nab!

4.00 pm Depart Whitby Brewery and head to Bothams Bakery - Bothams of Whitby have been baking for us since 1865 so it is essential that we sample their Whitby lemon buns, Yorkshire Brack, Plum Bread and their resolution tea (named after Captain Cook's ship HMS Resolution)

4.15 to 5.15 Tea and tasting with Jo Botham the great grandson of the founder Elizabeth Botham.

5.15 pm We depart Whitby and take the scenic route across the moors heading back to the hotel expecting to arrive around 7.00 pm. As we travel we enjoy more Whitby foodie delights from Bothams plus the original Whitby Fattie from Sandgate Coffee and Delights, which has it's own story!

8.00 pm Dinner in the hotel

Day 3 - Friday 23rd

Breakfast in the hotel

Today we return to the beautiful North Yorkshire Moors. Our morning visit is to meet a gentleman given the thumbs up by the irrepressible cooks on motorbikes who introduced the world to this Yorkshire gem.

9.30 am We depart the hotel and take up the Hairy Biker trail again to see the beekeeper (arriving 10.30) and enjoy the delights of honey making from the Yorkshire heather departing at 11.30.

11.45 Now it's time to visit the farm where goats cheese is made and meet the goats and taste their produce!

12.45 We head to the beautiful market town of Helmsley.

1.15 Arrive in Helmsley where our first stop in Helmsley is to taste the award winning ice cream at Ryeburn of Helmsley. We then have free time to visit the weekly market and foodie shops of Helmsley.

2.45 pm Depart Helmsley and enjoy the foodie delights from the craft bakeries as we journey to our wine tour, stopping at the gorgeous little bakery in Hovingham to pick up a few extra goodies!

3.45 pm We arrive at one of Yorkshire's 16 vineyards! Our commercial vineyards produce in excess of 100,000 bottles of wine each year from 9 wineries. We are just visiting the one on this trip - and will do our best to consume some of the 100,000 bottles produced in the county!

5.45 pm Depart the vineyard with some wine tasting on board on the return journey! Arriving at the hotel around 6.30 pm

8.00 pm Dinner in the hotel

Day 4 - Saturday 24th

Breakfast in the hotel

Today we are heading to the stunning Yorkshire Dales

9.00 am We depart the hotel and head up the dales to enjoy our first visit of the day - an apple orchard and enjoy the product thereof! (arriving around 9.30 am departing 11.30 noon)

11.45 We take a visit to one of North Yorkshire's iconic festivals - Masham Sheep Fair - to experience Yorkshire country life! Sheep showing, sheep races, art exhibitions, Church flower displays and most importantly stalls full of local produce to enjoy and of course you must try those well known beers brewed in Masham - Theakstons and Black Sheep!

2.15 pm We head from Masham to Leyburn enjoying 'the fruits and flavours' of our morning visits, tasting as we travel and finish our day with a masterclass in chocolate making ensuring you have a foodie momento to take home with you!

3.15 to 5.15 Chocolate Master Class

On our journey back to the hotel we might just have to indulge in a little more chocolate!

6.00 pm Arrive back at the hotel to say our fond farewells

Booking

For the tour prices please see the booking form below.

The package price includes all specialist produce/drinks tour costs and tastings, and the food and drinks served on board as we travel.

Please note payment is by cheque or bacs only. All payments are made to Unlimited Voices Travel, my company which operates my group tours.

Please refer to the terms and conditions on the Unlimited Voices Travel website or request a copy directly from us.

Please tick this box to give your consent to us using your data to keep you informed of Yorkshire news, events and tours. Please see our privacy statement on the Unlimited Voices Travel website.

Please note once we have sufficient numbers we will confirm your application to you.

Please make sure we have confirmed your place before you book your transport.

In order to secure our hotel accommodation, which as you know is at a premium in the UK at the moment, the initial deadline is Wednesday 3rd March 2022 when we must make our first hotel bookings. After this date bookings will still be taken but we cannot guarantee bedroom availability and prices. Please therefore respond as quickly as you can, please don't wait until March if you know you can join us!

Please note there are only 3 twin rooms available, so for these please act EXTRA quickly!

Day Guests

For those of you who live locally and would like to join us as 'day trippers' please complete the section below and let us know where you live so we can arrange some suitable pick up points to get you on the coach. Please note the prices quoted for the day trips do not include any specialist produce/drinks tour entrance fees as applicable - please let us know which days you want to join us and we will calculate the extras. Obviously the coach pick-up points will need to be en-route - sadly we won't be able to provide a full taxi service to your door!

For All

Please return your application forms as soon as possible to:- A Flavour of Yorkshire, 92 Thirsk Road, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, DL6 1PL.

Wherever possible we will send all correspondence by e-mail, please supply us with an up to date e-mail address. If however you prefer to receive things by post, please send us 2 self addressed, C5 stamped envelopes.

A Flavour of Yorkshire - Booking Form

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Lead Name	
Address	
Post Code	
Home Phone No.	Mobile No
Email address	

Please note that all correspondence relating to the payment for this trip will be forwarded to the lead name only as our system does not enable us to duplicate it. **PLEASE THEREFORE MAKE SURE YOU PASS IT ON TO EVERYONE ON YOUR FORM.** With regard to other information relating to the trip if you wish us to send it to everyone on your form please include their email address below.

Individual names of all participants including lead name	Age/DOB	**E-mail address

Room Requirements - Please circle - **Single** **Double** **Twin**

The Full Tour - as per the itinerary above including dinner	Price Per Person
Single - Price per person	£780
Double/Twin - Price per person	£640
Day Trippers	
NB - this section does not apply to those people on the full tour	
Please note entrance fees/specialist produce tour fees for day trippers are in addition to these prices	
Wednesday	£15
Thursday	£30
Friday	£30
Saturday	£30

Special Requirements (i.e. Mobility) and dietary requirements - PLEASE INFORM US OF ALL FOOD ALLERGIES AND INTOLERANCES. ALSO NOTE YOU MUST BE OF A LEGAL AGE FOR DRINKING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TOUR.

Please note an administration fee of £25 will be applied to all changes after the initial booking and to any late payments.

Deposit & Balance Due

Deposit upon Application - £125 per person, Balance due Wednesday 20th July 2022.

Please note payment is by cheque or bacs only. Please make cheques payable to **Unlimited Voices Travel Ltd** or make a direct payment into our bank account, see details below. **Please note that once the trip is confirmed all monies are strictly non-refundable.**

By applying and paying a deposit you agree to:-

- 1. Our terms and conditions which are available on our website. If you are unable to obtain access to these please request a copy directly from us.**
- 2. You confirm that you are of a legal age for drinking and will act responsibly when consuming alcohol on this tour.**

3. You will wear appropriate clothing and shoes for our visits some of which will involve uneven ground outdoors which may be wet and slippery.
4. Ensure we have all dietary requirements/food allergies, intolerances etc in advance of the tour.

Please make sure you have valid travel insurance to cover this trip. Unlimited Voices Travel can take no responsibility for changes in the economic climate that might affect the services of the suppliers. Once the trip is confirmed all monies are strictly non-refundable and the full balance is due whether you or your party travels or not.

Please note that our system only allows us to generate receipts to the lead person. Please therefore help us by sending in just one payment each time an instalment is due, eg if you are sharing a twin room please just send in one deposit payment to cover both people, and the same for the final balance.

Please return as soon as possible to: A Flavour of Yorkshire, 92 Thirsk Road, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, DL6 1PL.

A Flavour of Yorkshire - Bacs Payments

Bank Transfer Details

Account Name: Unlimited Voices Travel Ltd Sorting Code: No 20 61 46 Account No: 23999343

Please Quote Ref: **A Flavour of Yorkshire**

And send email to teresa@unlimitedvoices.uk to confirm payment has been made.

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