

The Mercure Stratford upon Avon Shakespeare Hotel



# WELCOME TO OUR LITERARY LONDON TOUR!

I am thrilled to invite you to an unforgettable journey through the vibrant literary landscape of England. This tour is designed for book lovers and theater enthusiasts alike, offering a unique blend of iconic tourism sites and the rich history of renowned authors. Explore the bustling streets and vibrant villages that inspired literary giants like William Shakespeare, C.S. Lewis, J.R.R. Tolkien, and Arthur Conan Doyle while soaking in the beauty and culture that define London and its surrounding areas.

Your adventure will include visits to world-famous attractions such as the enchanting Warner Bros. Harry Potter Studio Tour, where the magic of the beloved series comes to life. Additionally, we'll venture into the picturesque English countryside,

immersing ourselves in the natural beauty that has inspired countless works of literature. Each stop is thoughtfully curated to deepen your appreciation for both literature and dramatic arts, as well as allowing you to dive deep into English culture and history.

This tour is open to all, with a special opportunity for Florida College students to earn academic credit. Don't miss your chance to walk in the footsteps of literary legends and create lasting memories in one of the world's most captivating areas. We encourage you to register soon, as spots are limited. Join me for this enriching experience in and around London!

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# YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- · Round trip airfare from Tampa
- \$600 government taxes and airline surcharges
- · Accommodations in first class and select hotels based on 2 persons sharing in double rooms with private bath
- · Daily breakfasts
- · Services of a professional English-speaking tour escort
- · Comprehensive sightseeing throughout
- · All admission fees for locations included in the tour program, with the exception of optional theater visits
- Transfers to/from the airport/ hotel by private coach including meeting/assistance and porterage
- · All gratuities for guides, drivers, porters, and servers for included meals

## MAY 5-15, 2025

Tour Cost: \$3,990

(Air/land: \$3,390 + \$600 gov't. taxes/airline surcharges)

(Single room: Add'l \$900 per person)

# ITINERARY:

### **DAY I: ARRIVE** IN LONDON

MONDAY, MAY 5

Begin your journey as you depart from Tampa on an overnight transatlantic flight to magnificent London.

# DAY 2: SALISBURY & STONEHENGE

TUESDAY, MAY 6

Morning arrival in London. Your visit to England begins as you drive through the English countryside to Salisbury with its 404-foot cathedral spire. Continue to Stonehenge, one of the most famous prehistoric monuments in the world.

End the day in Bath after checking in to your comfortable hotel.

# DAY 3: ROMAN BATHS & SHAKESPEARE

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

After breakfast visit the nearby Roman baths. The city of Bath with its spa and natural hot springs has been famous for nearly 2,000 years. Continue to Stratford-upon-Avon to visit Shakespeare's birthplace & school. See the location of the Royal Shakespeare Company, a troupe that has produced many famous actors. Conclude the day in the historic university town of Oxford. (B)

### DAY 4: OXFORD & **BLENHEIM PALACE**

THURSDAY, MAY 8

Enjoy a walking tour of Oxford's 900 year-old university. Its stunning architecture has made it a popular filming location the Harry Potter series and other projects. Visit places associated with The Inklings including C.S. Lewis and Tolkien's burial sites. Visit Lewis' home "The Kilns." Go to magnificent Blenheim Palace, Winston Churchill's birthplace to explore the grounds and enjoy a full afternoon tea before returning to your Oxford hotel. (B)







### **DAY 5: COTSWOLDS** FRIDAY, MAY 9

Spend a delightful day in the Cotswolds, a village district untouched by the Industrial Era. See thatched-roof houses, gardens, rolling fields, and gentle rivers as you explore this rural side of England, which has inspired writers for generations. You will have time in 3 different villages to explore, eat, and shop. Arrive in London and check into your hotel to finish the day. (B)

# DAY 6: LONDON & WESTMINSTER ABBEY

### SATURDAY, MAY 10

Your morning tour of London takes you to Trafalgar Square, the Thames Embankment, past the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben, along Whitehall and to Buckingham Palace. Visit 1,000 year-old Westminster Abbey, the burial place of famous men and women including monarchs, authors & poets. Round off the day with an entertaining and historical tour of the Tower of London. Balance of the evening is free to attend a West End show, relax, or explore the city as you wish. (B)

# DAY 7: BRITISH LIBRARY & MORE

### SUNDAY, MAY 11

After morning worship enjoy a private "Treasures tour" of the British Library. See handwritten works from Mozart, Leonardo da Vinci and Lennon/McCartney, ancient biblical manuscripts, Jane Austin's writing desk, an original Shakespeare folio, and more. Balance of the afternoon and evening is free to enjoy London. (B)

# DAY 8: WINDSOR & HARRY POTTER TOUR

### TUESDAY, MAY 13

Tour Windsor Castle, an active royal residence for King Charles II. Might any of the Royal family be in attendance while you're there? After lunch drive to Warner Brothers Studios for a "Harry Potter" tour featuring original sets, costumes and props from the famous films. Return to London to enjoy the balance of the evening. (B)

# DAY 9: BRITISH MUSEUM & GLOBE THEATRE

### **MONDAY, MAY 12**

Visit the British Museum, home to many world archaeological treasures from ancient Egypt, Israel, Assyria, Babylon, Greece, and Rome. After lunch enjoy a tour of Shakespeare's Globe Theatre. This modern reconstruction still hosts performances of Shakespeare's famous plays. Option to attend a behind-the-scenes theatre workshop. Balance of the evening is free. (B)

# DAY 10: NATIONAL THEATRE & LONDON

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

After breakfast, have a remarkable behind-the-scenes tour of Great Britain's National Theatre. The balance of this final day is free for you to enjoy. Take a Thames River cruise? Stroll the Abbey Road crosswalk? Shop on Oxford Street? Catch one more show? Take a Sherlock Holmes tour? London holds countless options significant to literature, film, history, and the arts! (B)

DAY II: RETURN HOME THURSDAY, MAY 15 This wonderful tour concludes in your return flight to Tampa. Arrive home with memories to enjoy for years to come. (B)

"B" = Breakfast included. Itinerary subject to change.





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### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- \$500 deposit per person due with registration (\$100 nonrefundable)
- Remaining balance due by Feb. 1, 2025

### PAYMENT METHODS

- Checks should be made out to "Chandler Tours" and mailed to the address on the registration form.
- Contact Luke Chandler at Chandler Tours, Inc. to arrange credit card or other digital payments. (Tour price includes a discount for cash or cash instruments. Due to merchant fees for electronic/digital payments, a 2% to 3% surcharge will be added to those transactions, depending on the digital payment method.)

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Trip cancellation for any reason will result in nonrefundable penalties as follows:

- 100 days before departure: \$100 per person
- 99 to 70 days before departure: \$1,200 per person
- 69 to 35 days from departure: 50% of tour price per person
- Less than 35 days from departure: Full price of tour

Comprehensive travel insurance is recommended to protect your trip investment.

# REQUIRED TRAVEL, DOCUMENTS

A passport valid for at least 6 months after the return date of the trip is required to travel. Travelers with passports expiring less than 6 months after the return date may be barred from entering the destination country. It is the sole responsibility of the passenger to check the passport expiration date.

It is the sole responsibility of each passenger to provide any necessary documentation and meet all entry and exit requirements regarding COVID-19. Be aware that government policies regarding travel during the pandemic could change before trip departure.

### TERMS & CONDITIONS

Chandler Tours, Inc., its agents, and employees are released from any liability for any injury, damage, loss, accident, illness, irregularity or delay that is a result of independent contractors, third-party agents or vendors, Acts of Nature, or Force Majeure which may occur during the trip. Guest shall indemnify and hold harmless Chandler Tours and its agents or employees from all suits, actions, losses, damages, and liability arising out of any goods or services provided during the trip. Baggage is at "owner risk" throughout the trip.

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# Writers, Wizards, & West End" Registration Form (May 5-15, 2025)

Passenger 1:	Passenger 2:
Clearly print your full name as it appears in your passport.	Clearly print your full name as it appears in your passport.
Last Name:	Last Name:
First: Middle:	First: Middle:
☐ Male ☐ Female	Male Female
Accommodation Double (2 persons)  Type Private (\$900 single supplement)	Same address as Traveler 1? If not, complete below:
Address	Address
City State ZIP	City State ZIP
Email	Email
Phone	Phone
Date of Birth	Date of Birth / / / ( month - day - year)
Passport # Country of issue	Passport # Country of issue
Date of issue/ Date expires/	Date of issue
Emergency contact:	Emergency contact:
Phone Email	Phone Email
Payment of the reservation deposit constitutes my acceptan- www.lukechandlertours.com/terms-conditions and contained	
Include clear copy of valid passports (photo page only). If valid pa	ssport not yet in hand, send copy when available.
Enclosed is my check payable to " <u>Chandler Tours</u> " with a	a deposit of <u>\$500</u> per person.
Mail to:  Dr. Matt Johnson 119 N. Glen Arven Ave Temple Terrace, FL 33617	Phone: (813) 230-2089  Email: johnsonm@floridacollege.edu
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Signature of Traveler 1	Signature of Traveler 2
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### **Tour Package Includes:**

- Round trip flights between Tampa and London
- First Class/select hotel accommodations throughout the Land program (with double occupancy)
- Private motor coach transportation with professional drivers
- All airport-hotel transfers by private coach including meeting/assistance
- · Services of a licensed, English-speaking tour escort and English-speaking guides throughout the tour
- Comprehensive sightseeing
- Admission fees for locations included in the tour program
- Daily breakfasts
- Afternoon tea at Blenheim Palace
- Gratuities for guides, drivers, and servers for included meals
- All taxes & fees (est'd \$600)

### **Exclusions:**

- Lunches and dinners during the land program
- Entrance fee to optional Shakespeare's Globe theater workshop.

### Payment:

- Deposit of \$500 per person due with registration. (\$100 nonrefundable)
- Payment for remaining tour balance due by February 1, 2025.
- Checks should be made out to "Chandler Tours" and mailed to the address on the registration form.
- Price includes discount for check or cash payment. Card/digital payments do not include this discount.

### Cancellation Policy: Trip cancellation for any reason will result in nonrefundable penalties as follows:

- More than 100 days before departure: \$100
- 100 to 51 days from departure: \$1,200
- 50 to 31 days from departure: 50% of tour price
- 30 or fewer days from departure: Full price of tour

### **Travel Insurance**

Comprehensive travel insurance is strongly recommended to protect your tour investment. Recommended coverages include Trip Cancellation or Interruption, Baggage Delay/Loss, Medical expenses, and Emergency Evacuation/Repatriation. Some levels of coverage, including for pre-existing medical conditions, may only be available for purchase within a limited time window. Chandler Tours does not recommend a specific insurance provider, so check with your insurer for details and questions on travel insurance policies.

### **Required Travel Documents**

Every traveler must have a passport valid through the full trip dates. It is the sole responsibility of each traveler to check the passport expiration date. Parents/Guardians are responsible for satisfying passport entry requirements for any accompanying minors.

### **Terms and Conditions**

\*Read the full Terms & Conditions at: www.lukechandlertours.com/terms-conditions