



Kent - Garden of England

3rd May 2022 - 5 Days from £575pp*

The County's heritage comes alive as we explore ancient cathedrals, historic castles and beautiful gardens on our scenic tour of Kent.

Exclusively Regent

- ◇ Fully escorted by a Regent Tour Manager (subject to minimum numbers)
- ◇ Half Board stay at Mercure Maidstone Great Dane Hotel, Hollingbourne
- ◇ Guided tour of Canterbury with free time to explore
- ◇ Entry to Knebworth House & Gardens
- ◇ Royal Dockyard themed tour at Chatham Historic Dockyard
- ◇ Explore Leeds Castle, described as "the loveliest castle in the world"
- ◇ Visit National Trust Sissinghurst Castle Garden
- ◇ Hever Castle, Anne Boleyn's childhood home
- ◇ Executive coach travel from Alsager

Mercure Maidstone Great Danes Hotel - Hollingbourne

Set amongst 26 acres of beautifully landscaped private gardens and an ideal base to explore the surrounding area.

Bedrooms: En-suites, TV and tea and coffee facilities.

Facilities: There is a bar to relax in and restaurant.

Tour Itinerary

Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Heading South towards Kent we stop en-route at Knebworth House and Gardens, dating back to the Tudor times, with over 500 years of British history. Enjoy a walk around the beautiful gardens with colourful borders and fine trees. Perhaps visit the tasty Garden Tea Rooms! We then make our way to Mercure Maidstone Great Dane Hotel our home for the next 4 nights. (D)

Wednesday 4th May 2022

This morning we visit Leeds Castle, a Norman Castle with a wealth of history, once a palace used by Henry VIII and his first wife Catherine of Aragon. The afternoon takes us to National Trust Sissinghurst Castle Garden set in 460 acres of beauty. With a diverse history, a prison in the 1700's to being home to the women's land army during World War II. Discover panoramic views from the top of the Tower towards the working farm and vast gardens. (B,D)

Thursday 5th May 2022

After breakfast we head to the cathedral city of Canterbury. Our morning begins with a guided walking tour around Canterbury to see the city's highlights. The rest of the day at leisure to explore this wonderful medieval centre steeped in history with cobbled streets and timber-framed buildings. Why not head to the Cathedral one of the oldest and most visited places of worship in England. (D)

Friday 6th May 2022

We visit Chatham Historic Dockyard this morning for a Royal Dockyard themed tour. Where interesting historical insights abound, you will see traditional rope making and a vast array of galleries showcasing the history of craftsmanship. We later head to Faversham, this historic market town has over 400 listed buildings and a range of independent shops and galleries. It's home to Britain's Oldest Brewer "Shepherd Neame", which has been brewing since 1698. (B,D)

Saturday 7th May 2022

This morning we say goodbye to our hotel and head to Hever Castle, childhood home of Anne Boleyn. Over 700 years of history await, with extensive grounds and beautiful gardens. Following a wonderful day, we begin our return journey home to Cheshire. (B)

Mobility

Regent must be notified of all health, mobility and dietary requirements at the time of booking. Your coach driver and tour manager are unable to offer help of a personal nature and unable to assist in pushing or handling scooters or wheelchairs. This tour requires an aspect of walking. Regent Travel must be informed if health and/or mobility declines over the booking period. For specific mobility requests, please call Regent.

***From £80pp Single Room Supplement**

***£11pp discount for National Trust**

To reserve your place on this tour please ensure that your deposit of £75pp & booking form is handed to the U3A Tours desk by the 31st January 2022. Please make cheques payable to 'Regent Travel'.

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