

Day 1: We travel to Eastbourne for a 6-night stay with comfort stops en route.

Day 2: A day to explore Eastbourne, with its award-winning seafront, famous Carpet Gardens, Napoleonic fortress, harbour, boat trips, 1930's bandstand, Victorian Pier and relax in one of the beach huts or deckchairs. Visit the nearby, iconic and natural beauty spot at Beachy Head, the UK's highest chalk sea cliff. Day 3: Today we visit the seaside resort of Hastings, from Britain's steepest funicular, to the meandering alleyways of the Old Town; Hastings is a great place to explore. We return to our hotel in the afternoon in time for our evening meal. **Day 4:** This morning we embark on a steam train journey from **Sheffield Park to East Grinstead on the Bluebell Railway,** the UK's first preserved standard gauge passenger railway. The afternoon will be spent in Brighton itself, where we have free time at leisure to enjoy the narrow "Lanes", home to a multitude of independent shops, galleries and restaurants. **Day 5:** After breakfast we visit the Cinque Port town of **Rye,** with enchanting cobbled streets and beautifully preserved buildings from medieval, Tudor and Georgian times. This afternoon we travel to the historic town of **Battle**, home to an Abbey and where the famous battle took place in 1066.

Day 6: We visit the classic British seaside town of **Worthing** which is both rich with history and up to date with its modern shopping centre. We head back to Eastbourne where you can spend the afternoon at leisure.

Day 7: After breakfast, we begin our journey home, making comfort stops en route.

Inclusions

Day in Eastbourne • Visit to Hastings
Journey on the Bluebell Railway
Visit Brighton • Visit Rye
Visit Battle • Visit to Worthing

Your Hotel

Haddon Hall Hotel, Eastbourne Just a 1-minute walk from Eastbourne seafront and the Bandstand, Haddon Hall Hotel offers well-appointed rooms and an elegant restaurant offering traditional English and European dishes. This East Sussex hotel is around 5 minutes' walk from Eastbourne Pier and provides free Wi-Fi in the lounge and regular evening entertainment in the hotel ballroom.

Basis: Dinner, Bed & Breakfast
Single room supp: Nil (limited availability)