



Tour Information



Maritime Hampshire





The tour starts and finishes at the **Jury's Inn, Southampton**

Charlotte Place
Southampton
SO14 0TB
Tel: 02380 371111

Please note that transport to the hotel is not included in the price of the tour.



Transport

Driving directions to the hotel:

Take exit 14 from M3, A33/Southampton and continue onto the A27. At Chilworth Roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto Bassett Av/A33. At the next roundabout take the 1st exit and stay on Bassett Ave/A33. Continue to follow A33 with a slight left onto Dorset Street/A33. Enter Charlotte Place roundabout and you have reached your destination.

If you are travelling by **train**: Southampton central railway station is the closest to the hotel, ½ mile away.



Accommodation

Jury's Inn, Southampton

Located right at the heart of the city overlooking East Park and just a 15-minute walk from the Central Station. The Jury's Inn in Southampton facilities include a bar, restaurant, all day Costa Coffee bar and free wi-fi throughout the hotel. Each of the comfortable bedrooms include en-suite facilities with complimentary toiletries, hair dryer, TV with Freeview, air-conditioning and tea and coffee making facilities.

There is no car-parking on site. There are 3 local car parks, all located within easy walking distance of the hotel.

Additional details can be found via the hotel website:

<https://www.bestwestern.co.uk/hotels/best-western-rose-and-crown-hotel-83792>

Check-in and departure from the hotel

On the day of arrival you will be able to check-in at the hotel from 15.00, and the tour manager will meet you in the evening at the welcome reception.

On the last day, the tour will not finish until approximately 17.00 so you should check with your tour manager, or the hotel reception, where luggage should be stored until your departure.

Extra nights

If you have booked to stay an extra night at the hotel, this is on bed and breakfast basis and check out from the hotel is by 12.00.

Special Requests

If you haven't already done so, please notify Travel Editions of any special requests as soon as possible to allow sufficient time to make the necessary arrangements.

Dining

On the first night of your stay, a three-course dinner with wine is provided. On your second evening, dinner with wine will be served at God's House Tower with a performance from The Sarah Siddons Fan Club. Breakfast on both days of your stay is included in the price but meals other than these stated are not included.



Places Visited

Portchester Castle

The castle's commanding location has made it a major factor in the Solent's defences for hundreds of years. The most impressive and best-preserved of the Roman 'Saxon Shore' forts, Portchester Castle was originally built in the late 3rd century. An exhibition in the keep interprets the history of the castle and Portchester village, and displays finds excavated on site.

<https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/portchester-castle/>

Mary Rose Museum

Located in the historic dockyards, the Mary Rose Museum offers a unique insight into Tudor life and the role of the momentous Mary Rose. When she was raised from the seabed in 1982, the Mary Rose captured the world's imagination and is the only sixteenth century warship on display anywhere in the world. The museum was built around her and reunites her with many of her 19,000 artefacts - from personal belongings such as wooden bowls, leather shoes, musical instruments and nit combs, to ship's objects such as longbows and two tonne guns.

<http://www.maryrose.org>

Portsmouth's Historic Dockyard

HMS Victory: HMS Victory is the Royal Navy's most famous warship. Best known for her role in the Battle of Trafalgar, the Victory currently has a dual role as the Flagship of the First Sea Lord and as a living museum to the Georgian Navy. Highlights of your visit will include access to the Great Cabin, where the Battle of Trafalgar was planned, the spot where Nelson died and the once crowded decks where over 800 men lived, worked and fought. HMS Victory is currently undergoing a period of transformation and this provides a rare opportunity to see HMS Victory undergoing such extreme maintenance. *HMS Warrior*: HMS Warrior, launched in 1860, was the pride of Queen Victoria's fleet. Powered by both steam and sail, she was Britain's first iron-hulled, armoured warship and the largest, fastest and most powerful ship of her day. During your visit you will experience: the world's first iron-hulled, armoured warship powered by steam as well as sail, the only surviving member of Queen Victoria's Black Battle Fleet, the vast decks giving a glimpse of life as a Victorian sailor on board a 19th century warship.

<http://www.historicdockyard.co.uk/>

God's House Tower

The buildings which form modern-day God's House Tower are some of the earliest in Southampton. The name God's House comes from the nearby hospice, built around 1189 as a resting place for travellers and pilgrims en-route to Canterbury. After the devastating French raid on Southampton in 1338, King Edward III, visited the town giving orders to enclose Southampton with walls as a defence against further attack. The walls took 40 years to complete. The Tower itself was constructed during the reign of Henry V around 1415. Strategically positioned to form the south-eastern corner, the Tower was built to house gunpowder, fire cannon and as a lookout point across the Solent. God's House Tower became Southampton's Museum of Archaeology from 1963 until 2011. In 2012 'a space' arts acquired the lease for the building from Southampton City Council and in 2018 GHT's £3.1million restoration project began.

<http://godshousetower.org.uk/>

Sea City Museum

Based at the heart of Southampton, Sea City Museum tells the story of the people of the city, their fascinating lives and historic connections with Titanic and the sea.

<https://seacitymuseum.co.uk/>

Tudor House

Once of Southampton's most important historic buildings, Tudor House reveals over 800 years of history in one fascinating location at the heart of the Old Town. The timber-framed building facing St Michael's Square was built in the late 15th Century, with King John's Palace, an adjacent Norman house accessible from Tudor House Garden, dating back a further 300 years. Tudor House gives a unique and atmospheric insight into the lives and times of both its residents through the years, and of Southampton itself.

<https://tudorhouseandgarden.com/>

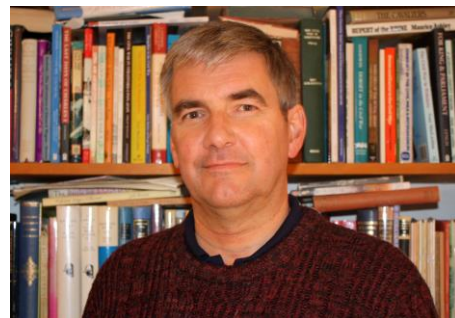
St Michael's Church

St. Michael the Archangel Church is the oldest building still in use in the city of Southampton, England, having been founded in 1070, and is the only church still active of the five originally in the medieval walled town. The church is a Grade I Listed building. The spire was first built in the fifteenth century and rebuilt in 1732 and then heightened by nine feet in the 1870s at the request of Trinity House as an aid to ships coming up Southampton Water. The City of Southampton suffered terribly in the bombing of 1940. St Michael's escaped but suffered some damage, especially to its windows from a bomb which fell nearby. The damage to the great East window enabled the installation of the current window, which commemorates the five churches which existed in the mediaeval period in the Old Town (of which only St Michael's survives).

<https://www.stmichaels1070.org.uk/welcometostmichaelschurch.htm>

Your Guide

Julian Humphrys will be your guide/lecturer throughout the tour. After reading history at the University of Cambridge, Julian has had a long and impressive career relating to the themes and issues explored throughout this trip. He is the Development Officer at the Battlefields Trust, an experienced battlefields guide, an author of a number of books on English battles and a regular contributor to BBC History Magazine. Julian's input aims to enhance and develop your understanding of this fascinating subject and exciting period of history.



1st night – A Talk by Julian Humphrys


'Hampshire and the Defence of the Realm'

Practical Information






Tour manager – Your tour manager will be on hand throughout the tour to ensure that everything operates according to plan. If you have any problems or questions please see him or her immediately – it is often possible to resolve complaints or problems very quickly on the spot, and do everything to help you enjoy your holiday.

Tipping – To keep our tours affordable, we do not increase the tour price by adding in tips. However, in the tourism industry, there is a certain level of expectation that when receiving a good service, one does award with a tip. Tour Managers, Representatives, Guides and Drivers appreciate a tip at the end of their involvement with the tour, but this is entirely at your discretion. We believe in allowing you to tip according to your level of satisfaction with their services, but for your guidance about £2-3 per person per day for the tour manager is the norm. We would like to reiterate that tipping is an entirely optional payment and this information is given purely to answer any questions you may have about it.

Walking Content – This tour has been graded a 4 out of 5 for walking difficulty.

Walking difficulty: 

Please see the key below for an explanation of the footprint symbols:

Very little walking involved	
Relaxed easy pace, mainly walking from coach to site	
Some walking between sites, good, flat walking surfaces	
Walking between sites, lots of standing for viewings	
On your feet all day, uneven terrain (cobblestones etc)	

Insurance

Although this is a UK holiday please note that, should you cancel your holiday, the amount paid is non-refundable. For this reason you may wish to take out insurance just in case an unforeseen event caused you to have to cancel the tour. As well as covering cancellations, your travel insurance will also cover your baggage and personal belongings in case they are lost or stolen.

Emergencies

Should an emergency arise, please call our offices on:

020 7251 0045

Outside office hours (Mon-Fri 0900-1700), telephone our emergency staff on:

07841 023807

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