Wellington
The Iron Duke
Travel

The tour starts and finishes at the Hilton Cobham

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

Transport

Driving directions to the hotel:
The Hotel is located off the M25 at Junction 10. Take the A3 towards London for about half a mile, then turn off at the A245 signposted to Byfleet/Walton/Weybridge. At the first traffic lights turn left into Seven Hills Road South, and the Hotel is located at the bottom of this road.

If you are travelling by train:

Nearest train stations to The Hilton Cobham:

Stoke d’Abernon Station 2.9 miles – approximately 7 minutes
Weybridge Station 3.2 miles – approximately 8 minutes
West Byfleet Station 4 miles – approximately 9 minutes
Woking Station 6.6 miles - approximately 17 minutes

To pre book your taxi from the station to the hotel please call: 01932 867171
Hilton, Cobham

Hilton Cobham is within easy reach of central London which is just a 30-minute train ride away, set in 27 acres of peaceful grounds and woodland. The hotel has a restaurant, a lounge bar serving Costa coffee and free parking. The hotel also offers leisure facilities including indoor swimming pool with a sauna and steam room, and an outdoor tennis court.

Guests can enjoy The Escape Spa which offers an indulgent menu of therapies including massage, exfoliation, body wraps and facials, as well as popular signature treatments. Wi-Fi is available in all rooms for an additional charge.


Check-in and departure from the hotel

You can check-in at the hotel from 15.00. The tour will start in the evening when Michael Escolme, the Tour Manager, will meet you in the St Georges Suite at 18:30 for the welcome reception, along with our expert guide Julian Humphrys.

Extra nights

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

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 private three course dinner with wine is provided. On your second evening, dinner will be served at the hotel restaurant. Breakfast on both days of your stay is included in the price but meals other than these stated are not included.
Stratfield Saye
Given to the first Duke of Wellington by a grateful nation after the Battle of Waterloo in 1817. A classic English country house, the core of which dates from 1630 with Dutch-style gables. Filled with memorabilia of the Great Duke and his adversary, Napoleon, an exhibition includes the 1st Duke's 18-ton funeral carriage.
http://wellingtonestates.co.uk/

The King's Royal Hussars
The Royal Hussars (Prince of Wales's Own) (an amalgamation of the 10th Royal Hussars (Prince of Wales's Own) and 11th Hussars (Prince Albert's Own)) and 14th/20th King's Hussars (an amalgamation of the 14th King's Hussars and the 20th Hussars).
The regiment was based at York Barracks in Münster at the time of amalgamation from where it deployed units to Northern Ireland on Operation Banner in June 1994 and to Bosnia and Herzegovina in January 1996: it spent its time as part of 2nd Canadian Multi National Brigade and was awarded the Canadian Forces' Unit Commendation - the first time that this had been awarded to a foreign unit.
The regiment deployed units to Bosnia and Herzegovina again in June 1997 and to both Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo in autumn 1999.[4] The regiment returned to Alwal Barracks at Tidworth Camp in March 2000 from where it deployed units to Northern Ireland in October 2002; it also deployed units to Iraq on Operation Telic 1 in June 2003, Operation Telic 6 in May 2005 and Operation Telic 10 in June 2007. The regiment also deployed on Operation Herrick 7 in September 2007 and Operation Herrick 16 in April 2012.
http://www.1420h.org.uk/

The Royal Hampshire Regiment Museum
The Hampshire Regiment was a line infantry regiment of the British Army, created as part of the Childers Reforms in 1881 by the amalgamation of the 37th (North Hampshire) Regiment of Foot and the 67th (South Hampshire) Regiment of Foot. The regiment existed continuously for 111 years and served in the Second Boer War, World War I and World War II. In 1946, due to distinguished service in World War II, the regiment was retitled as the Royal Hampshire Regiment.
On 9 September 1992, after over 111 years of service, the Royal Hampshire Regiment was amalgamated with the Queen's Royal Regiment to form a new large regiment, the Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment (Queen's and Royal Hampshires), which continues the traditions of the Royal Hampshires.
http://www.royalhampshireregiment.org/

The Royal Jackets (Rifles) Museum
Opened in 1989, the Royal Jackets Museum is one of the best regimental museums in the Country. It is also one of Winchester’s five military museums. Visited by thousands every year, the Museum records, visually, graphically and entertainingly, the history of The Royal Green Jackets and their predecessors who were three of the finest and most famous regiments in the British Army. In the same building, but separate to the Museum, is The Rifles Collection allowing visitors to follow the story of Rifle Regiment into the present day.
http://rgjmuseum.co.uk/
The Gurkha Museum
The Gurkha Museum was first established at Queen Elizabeth Barracks in Church Crookham, Hampshire and was officially opened by the late Field Marshal, the Lord Harding of Petherton, on 21 June 1974. From the beginning it was clear that the Museum, housed in a wooden barrack block, would need larger and more permanent premises. The closure of the Rifle Depot at Peninsula Barracks, Winchester offered this opportunity.
In April 1989 the Museum at Church Crookham was closed and the transfer of the artefacts to Winchester began. Field Marshal, the Lord Bramall of Bushfield officially opened the relocated Museum on 16 July 1990.
https://thegurkhamuseum.co.uk/

Wellington Arch
Wellington Arch, also known as Constitution Arch or the Green Park Arch. Built nearby between 1826 and 1830 to a design by Decimus Burton, it was moved to its present position in 1882–83. It once supported an equestrian statue of the 1st Duke of Wellington; the original intention of having it topped with sculpture of a "quadriga" or ancient four-horse chariot was not realised until 1912.
www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/wellington-arch

Apsley House
Apsley House is the product of two very different styles of building and decoration. The original house was designed and furnished in the neoclassical style by Robert Adam between 1771 and 1778. Much of this was swept away when Apsley was remodelled on a grand scale for the Duke of Wellington from 1819. The house as it appears today is largely a product of Wellington’s refurbishments.
http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/apsley-house/

National Army Museum
The National Army Museum is the British Army's central museum. It is located in the Chelsea district of central London, adjacent to the Royal Hospital Chelsea, the home of the "Chelsea Pensioners".
First conceived in the late 1950s, this museum owes its existence to the persistent hard work of Field Marshal Sir Gerald Templer, who did most of the fundraising for it. It was established by Royal Charter in 1960, with the intention of collecting, preserving, and exhibiting objects and records relating to the Regular and Auxiliary forces of the British Army and of the Commonwealth, and to encourage research into their history and traditions. It was initially established in 1960 in temporary accommodation at the former No.1 Riding School at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst.
https://www.nam.ac.uk/
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**

“The Scum of the earth: Wellington’s army”

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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:
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 or
020 7987 5910 or
07831 133079 or
PLEASE USE THESE NUMBERS ONLY IN THE EVENT OF A GENUINE EMERGENCY.