

Liverpool: Suggested Itineraries for Social Programmes

Within 2 hours



Liverpool City Centre tour: Enjoy an open top tour in Liverpool and take the hop-on/hop-off bus which takes in 12 stops allowing visitors to experience sights like Mathew Street, the home of the Cavern Club and the spectacular architecture of William Brown Street in the cultural quarter. Personally organised tours can also be arranged with a qualified Blue Badge Guide.

Tate Liverpool: Tate Liverpool presents displays and international exhibitions of modern and contemporary art in beautiful light filled galleries. It is the home of the National Collection of Modern Art in the north and a wide range of events are also on offer to accompany exhibitions. Free entry (except for special exhibitions).

Yellow Duckmarine: Explore Liverpool's maritime tradition on board the Duck, an authentic World War II landing vehicle. The hour long trip begins on the road, taking in the historic waterfront area, continues around the famous city sights and ends with the dramatic "Splashdown" in the Salthouse Dock.

Magical Mystery Tours: The Magical Mystery Tour is a must for anyone of any age who enjoys music - and it's the perfect way to discover the city of The Beatles. See the places associated with John, Paul, George and Ringo as they grew up, met and formed the band that would take the pop world by storm.

Tailor-made tours with a certified tour guide: with a variety of themed tours available, your group can enjoy a bespoke tour to focus on a particular aspect of Liverpool's diverse culture such as The Beatles, football, city architecture, faith buildings, Liverpool slavery history, "Ale Trail" through Victorian Liverpool, murder mysteries, etc. and are also available in other European languages.

Half Day Ideas

Mersey Ferries Tour: A River Explorer Cruise on the famous Mersey Ferries is an unforgettable day out. The River Mersey has an incredibly rich and varied history and the ferry service itself is more than 850 years old. Our River Explorer Cruise takes you on a ferry that not only crosses the Mersey, but also explores many of its most interesting facets, which are all described in a fascinating commentary.

Our 2 Cathedrals: Liverpool Cathedral is the largest cathedral in the UK, and the 5th largest in the world. Setting foot inside this world-class visitor attraction, you truly enter a great space. Liverpool's Roman Catholic Metropolitan Cathedral is within walking distance on the other end of Hope Street. Opened in 1967, its modern design, works of art and multi-coloured windows will enchant any visitor. The majestic barrel vaults of fine brickwork and granite pillars in the original Lutyens Crypt offer a sharp contrast in architectural styles.

Beatles Story: This award-winning Beatles Story museum is an atmospheric journey into the life, times, culture and music of the Beatles. See how four young lads from Liverpool were propelled to the dizzy heights of worldwide fame and fortune to become the greatest band of all time. Next, head over to Beatles Story Pier Head for the amazing Fab4D experience, a 4 dimensional journey through the music of the Beatles. A visit to the stunning special exhibition space and the award winning Fab4Store is a must.

The Anfield Experience: The stadium tour takes you behind the scenes to visit the dressing rooms, down the tunnel to the sound of the crowd, to touch the famous "This Is Anfield" sign, sit in the team dug-out and escorts you onto the world famous terrace, The Kop. Basic tour and museum prices start from £14 per person; Anfield Experience packages include a luxurious 3 course lunch in one of our executive boxes with an LFC Legend, a limited edition gift, and a fun Q&A session with your Liverpool Legend.

Speke Hall: One of the most famous Tudor houses in the UK, Speke Hall's gardens and estate are a hidden oasis on the edge of Liverpool. Originally built in 1530, its Great Hall and priest's hole date from Tudor times while the Oak Parlour and smaller rooms show the Victorian desire for privacy and comfort. The gardens and woodland walks offer magnificent views of the Mersey basin and North Wales hills.



Full Day Ideas



Mersey Ferries Liverpool-Manchester Ship Canal Cruise: This fascinating and memorable cruise with a lively commentary reveals insight into the facts, history and dramas of this major waterway and how its construction shaped Manchester and the North West of England. The 6 hour cruise departs from Pier Head, Liverpool and includes a stopover in Salford Quays for you to visit The Lowry, Imperial War Museum and Lowry Outlet Mall before the bus collects you to return to Liverpool.



Day trip to Southport: Southport is the perfect daytrip destination, with beautiful beaches, superb attractions, great shopping, a mouth-watering array of restaurants and lots more. - shop along elegant boulevard of Lord Street, the high street stores of Chapel Street or take in the covered shopping Centre. Add to this some of the most scenic parks and gardens to appreciate why Southport is England's Classic Resort.



Day trip to Knowsley: Knowsley Hall is unrivalled as the ultimate events venue for the North West. The estate boasts a safari park, luxury spa with various treatment rooms, golf course, Aerial Extreme rope course, 4x4 experience, and of course the Hall itself with a ballroom, state dining room, many drawing rooms, lounges and exquisite bedrooms as well as gardens, terraces and picturesque lakes.



Day trip around South Liverpool: Visit some of the most beautiful architectural gems in the leafy suburbs of South Liverpool. Sites include Sefton Park Palm House, an octagonal, 3 tiered, Grade II* listed Victorian glasshouse displaying plants from around the world; Sudley House, built in the early 19th century with its magnificent treasure trove of art, forming the only merchant art collection in the UK still in its original setting; and Speke Hall, one of the finest Tudor-era manor houses surviving.

More Full Day suggestions outside the City Region

Liverpool is the ideal city from which to explore the North West of England, and, indeed, the rest of Britain.

Chester has the most complete walled city in Britain and at over 2,000 years old, is the historic gem of Northwest England. Elegant and exciting, this ancient city offers some seriously sophisticated retail therapy in the unique two-tiered shopping galleries. Treat yourself to a first class gourmet experience in one of the Michelin starred restaurants. Lose yourself in history and venture out into glorious gardens set against the captivating backdrop of Cheshire's gently rolling countryside. *Why not take in a 1 hour tour with a Roman Soldier?*

The Lake District's greatest asset is its natural environment and at 885 square miles, it is England's largest National Park. An area of stunning natural beauty, it is just on the doorstep and makes for great days out from Liverpool. Enjoy the Lakeland views that have inspired many poets, writers and painters. From the vibrant, cosmopolitan city of **Carlisle** and the historical appeal of **Kendal** to the cobbled streets of **Ulverston** and the market town charm of **Penrith**. Each has a story to tell.



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