

tour planning by DriveAway

complete package from proven tours



DriveAway has been designing and planning car tours for 14 years

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Who are we...

Our pedigree comes from twelve years successfully organising tours for a high-end classic car group. This was sold that company three years ago and now we are turning our interest to modern classic cars.

It has been our privilege for the last twelve years to organise car tours for club members, from a large selection of proven tours which can be adapted to suit your area requirements. We only organise tours in locations we have had extensive previous experience.

Benefits ...

We offer a complete package for your area after selecting your tour from our portfolio we produce a tailored made brochure inviting your members to contact us directly for us to sort the financials having made all bookings with the hotel and any coffee stops. Tours are normally three or four nights, with comprehensive tour book. We manage the hotel rooming list, accommodate any dietary needs of members, and handle any unfortunate cancellations. We have also been invited to give presentations at area meetings or directly to the tour group, which have proven successful. Smart Phone Google Maps option, Produce detailed notes and maps for the tour host. We do not charge any fees or costs.

System...

Choose the tour that interests you, and we will create a preliminary itinerary along with the cost for each participant. We will design a tour brochure for you to share with your members, encouraging them to register directly with us by providing an interim deposit, while keeping you informed throughout the process. We will handle the hotel bookings, arrange coffee breaks, and manage any necessary hotel deposits.

Throughout the planning, we ensure the tour group remains updated and will compile a tour pack that includes a detailed tour guidebook.

While we do not host the tour ourselves, we provide the tour host with thorough briefings, including extensive notes and maps.



Group tour Jersey



Suffolk Villages



Keukenhoff Tulips



Scotland Glen Coe

Tour locations of proven tours...

The following tour examples and not our complete portfolio.

Pentillie Castle and Estate: The ultimate house party location is based on the banks of the River Tamer; the group has exclusive use of the house and gardens to this historic venue. We have been organising groups to Pentille for 12 years and are now considered part of the Pentille family, and on three occasions added a Murder Mystery evening.

The special feature of Pentillie is that guests are genuinely left to use the house as if it is their own. Ideally based for scenic runs across Dartmoor, Eden Project, Lost Gardens of Heligan, North Cornwall Coast Tintagel, Boscastle, Bude, etc.



Pentillie Castle and Estate



Portmerion: This tour based at the iconic Portmeirion Hotel. Nestled between the Dwyryd estuary and the majestic Snowdonia mountains, Portmeirion Village is a private village resort and gardens, set on its own peninsula. We organise a private tour around the village by the estate manager.

Our first run will take you around the mountains of Snowdonia and through the Snowdonia National Park, a coffee stop at Betws-y-Coed. The second run is through more gentle scenery with views, lakes and beaches a coffee stop at Pale Hall near Bala, over the wooden bridge near Barmouth than follow the coast via Harlech Castle. The third run takes back through the Snowdonia Mountains via Beddgelert to Bodnant Gardens NT, with a grand finale of Dwyfor Male Voice Choir.



Portmerion Village



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Suffolk Discovery Tour: This five-day tour takes in a wide variety of Suffolk sites and landscapes. Our "Chocolate Box" Suffolk Village run, includes Long Melford and Lavenham. Routes include visits to Flatford Mill (the site of Constable's 'The Hay Wain'), Sutton Hoo and the coastal towns of Aldeburgh, Thorpeness, Woodbridge and Southwold. The tour can be adapted to a four-day tour. The tour is at the prestigious and historic Hintlesham Hall with a Georgian front exterior. Also, an optional photo Completion on the runs. Private dining.

New Forest Tour: Based at the Rhinefield House Hotel set in woodland on the Ornamental Drive, this five / four-day tour our routes that takes in the beautiful side roads in and around the New Forest through villages, areas of interest and visiting some interesting locations. You have runs on two days interspersed with an unstructured day to explore Beaulieu National Motor Museum and time to explore the area surrounding Beaulieu on your own with Bucklers Hard and Lymington nearby. Private dining. We have our 'Three Counties Run' that includes a coffee stop at Rushmore Golf Club, Tolland Royal, Salisbury, and the 'Test Run' via Mottisfont House with lunch at the famed Mayfly Pub on the test river. Option tour host available.

Northumberland Tour: This seven-day luxury tour of Northumberland, staying at two quality hotels: Matfen Hall near Hexham and Doxford Hall near Alnwick. Delight in a five of runs, including a special route through Killder Forest that briefly takes you across the Scottish border. Highlighting the tour is a private exploration of the stunning Alnwick Gardens, with the scenic six-mile drive at the within Craggside NT. Witness the remnants of ancient Rome at Hadrian's Wall and the remarkable Vindolanda Roman excavations and museum. Private dining. With a coffee break at the enchanting Langley Castle.

High Weald of Kent and Sussex Tour: This corner of Kent and Sussex has more castles, stately homes and gardens concentrated in it than any other area of the UK. This inexpensive five-day tour based around the Kent and Sussex High Weald, the Scotney Castle and the Sissinghurst Castle Gardens. Historic locations as Chartwell (the home of Winston Churchill) and Hever Castle, home of Anne Boleyn. We visit Balfour Winery is one of England's leading wine produces or spend half a day just exploring the historic town of Tunbridge Wells. and nearby Bedgebury Pinetum, run all via scenic Kentish hop villages and Ashdown Forest. This tour is ideal for those interested in history, gardens and leafy lanes and new to group touring.

Normandy Battelfields WW2 Normandy Tour: This tour five-day tour is based at the historic and luxury five-star Château d'Audrieu 18th Chateau south of Bayeux. Professional guide on the Battelfields day. private talk and tour at Pegasus Bridge, D-Day Museum (Mulberry Harbour), Arromanches, Pointe du Hoc, Omaha Beach, Bayeux and Tapestry. We also have two runs, one to scenic Honfleur via the Falaise Pocket Battle, and the second to the Cherbourg Peninsula Run and WW2 Utah Museum. The highlight of the this tour the experience of staying at the Château d'Audrieu.

Teesdale and Bemish Tour: This five-day based at Headlam Hall is drivers dream with runs to Teesdale, top of the Yorkshire Dales and infamous Tan Hill Inn, a visit to the Bowes Museum at Burnard Castle. With a further run to the Bemish Museum open-air museum where the past comes to life, tells the story of the people in the 1820s, 1900s and 1940s. Private dining.

Keukenhoff BulbFields Holland Tour: This five-day tour is based at the prestigious Duin & Kruidberg Country Estate. Keukenhof is the most beautiful spring garden in the world! More than 7 million tulips, daffodils and hyacinths. Then we have the Windmill and Waterways Run takes in as much of the area as we can do in a day, through lovely villages like De Rijp, and Edam, then back via the Zaanse Schans Museum a showcase of windmills waterways etc. Options to Amsterdam. Private dining. This tour can be extended by two more days in Brugge.

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Peak District Tour: This five-day tour based at Dovedale, three runs one to Chatsworth House and Gardens, with a coffee stop on route, plus a run Peak District area of Groyt Vally, Tissington, Buxton. Eyam Museum, the plague village, a run to the Heage Windmill and private tour, built in 1797 and restored in 2002 is the only working six-sailed stone tower windmill in England. Private dining. But the highlight is A concert the likes you never seen before a private performance of 'Pipes in the Peaks', not just a Compton organ, a piece of magic with 'added extras', plus the classic cars. Option tour host.

Channel Islands- Jersey Tour: This five-day tour based at the delightful Greenhills Hotel we have used many times and includes private dining in the Beaumont Room. We have two runs with coffee stops and a free day. We've tried to squeeze into our Jersey tour as much as we can because of this it means that for some of your runs you will be travelling the Island's main roads, but you will still get the chance to see as many sights as possible and places that we can fit in. The four-hour ferry goes from Poole, but this tour is often used to then go onto St. Malo and France.

Scottish Highlands – Lock Lomond Tour: Having invested in a property on the banks of Loch Lomond 25 years ago, we are in a very good position to know the area very well. We are based at the Cameron House Hotel which is a five-star hotel, located on the shores of Loch Lomond. This five-day tour has three well proven runs all different character and scenery. The first Trossachs Run, Lake Katrine, Callander via the Dukes Pass. The second run is our Ten Loch Run via the famed 'Rest and Be Thankful' through the Argyle Forest to Lock Fyne with a coffee stop at Creggans Inn, optional stop at Inverary Castle. The third run takes you to the magnificent Glencoe with a stop at the Clachaig Inn, following the full length of Lock Lomond.

Isle of Wight Tour: This four- or three-day tour is base at four-star Lakeside Park Hotel with lakeside views, We have two runs, one to west and one to the east of the island. The route will show you the different contrasting areas off the IoW and you will have time to explore those that are of interest to you. With coffee stops and a visit to Osborne House.

Loire Valley Chateau Tour - France: This five-day tour based at the historic Château d'Artigny with two runs, one to the famous Chateau de Chenonceau with a private tour, optional Caves Duhard tour and wine tasting-lunch, the second run to Villandry Gardens via a coffee stop at the Chateau de Pray. Private dining in the luxurious Salon Royal dining room. Château d'Artigny has its own swimming pool and spa.

Battlefields WW1 Tour: This four-day tour is based at the delightful Hostellerie Kemmelberg which is south of Ypres in Belgium. The option to gather at the gather at the Menin Gate for the Last Post Ceremony in Ypres. Private coach tour of the local battlefield's guild by a local historian. Then a run of other local historic locations plus free time to explore, with an optional Brugge Run.

East Sussex Tour: This five-day tour to this little-known area that is rich in history, i.e. Great Dixter Gardens, Batemans NT, historic places, Sussex Vineyards. Three runs a scenic drive to Rye, Dungeness Lighthouse, Romney Marshes, Appledore, then to the attractive market town of Tenterden, then run to Beachy Head, Birling Gap, Eastbourne and more. Sheffield Park Gardens, Bluebell Railway options, mid-East Sussex Run, Ashdown Forrest. Based at the PowderMills Hotel with private dining.

Iceland – New Zealand Tours: We have produced successful bespoke tours for these scenic locations, with extensive hotel contacts.

Day Runs: We have a range of day runs in the South Downs, Surrey Hills, New Forest. can be adapted for lunch to meet a budget a coffee stop and usually a breakfast. day Runs are ideal those new to group touring.

Goggle Maps: All runs have the option of a Goggle Maps smart phone link.

New Tours: We are we are currently designing tours in the Silverstone area and Northern Brittany France.

Photos of some our tour locations...



Normandy Battlefields



Irish Sky Road Connemara



Suffolk Villages



Northern Brittany-Locquirec



Château d'Artigny-Loire Valley



Peak District



Glen Coe-Scottish Highlands



Keukenhoff BulbFields Holland



Pentillie Castle, Cornwall-exclusive use.



Teesdale-Beamish Yorkshire



High Weald Kent-Sussex-Hever



Northumberland-Hadrians Wall



New Forest



Channel Islands- Jersey



Iceland

sample itineraries available.

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De Rijp – Dutch Tour

