

# Harrogate & Pennine Yorkshire & The Dales – Brontë Country

17 – 21 September



*The charming spa town of Harrogate, famous for its floral beauty and elegance, is without a doubt one of the most attractive towns in Britain. The town centre is an exciting mix of stylish Victorian buildings and enchanting shops. Enjoy a scenic journey through the Yorkshire Dales National Park, visiting Grassington and the market town of Skipton, known as 'The Gateway to the Dales'. We shall also visit some well-known places such as Haworth, home of the Brontë family and RHS Harlow Carr Gardens. There will also be time to explore Harrogate and perhaps take tea at Betty's Tea Room.*

**MONDAY 17 SEPTEMBER** Departing Oxted at 8.00am we make our way to Harrogate, stopping for refreshments en route and arriving late afternoon at the Cedar Court Hotel.

**TUESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER** This morning we drive to Saltaire, the model village built by Sir Titus Salt, where we shall have a guided walking tour. Following our walk we make the short drive to Haworth where we shall be free to find lunch and maybe visit the Brontë Parsonage Museum (entry not included). Early afternoon we journey on to Skipton, dubbed 'The Gateway to the

Dales', a wonderful historic market town right in the heart of beautiful Pennines scenery where we board a boat for an hour long sightseeing cruise on the Leeds/Liverpool canal with coffee/tea and biscuits. Following our cruise we make our way back to our hotel.

**WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER** After breakfast we journey to RHS Harlow Carr Botanical Gardens, a peaceful garden drawing inspiration from the local scenery where you can enjoy the tranquil surroundings. Early afternoon we continue on to Harrogate where we shall be at leisure to explore the town or spend the

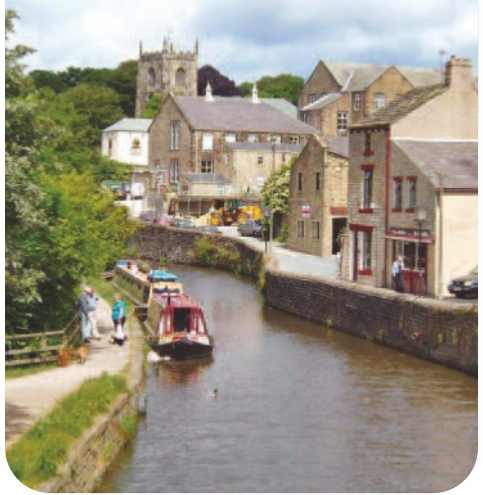
afternoon relaxing in our hotel.

**THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER**

Today we have a full day scenic tour of the Yorkshire Dales National Park, including Grassington, Kettlewell home of the Calendar Girls, Askrigg, where All Creatures Great and Small was filmed and Hawes, where we shall visit the Wensleydale Creamery and have the opportunity to see cheese being made, stroll through the cheese-making museum and find lunch in the restaurant. After lunch we continue on through Horton in Ribblesdale, situated at the heart of the Three Peaks area of the National Park and famous for its viaduct before making our way back to Harrogate.

**FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER**

Leaving the hotel after breakfast we make our way homewards, arriving late afternoon.



## What's included

### **CEDAR COURT HOTEL Harrogate**

Overlooking the famous 200 acre Stray parkland, this historic grade II listed building dates back to 1671 and has been carefully restored to the grandeur of yesteryear. Many of the original features remain, yet the hotel has been tastefully restored with a stylish mix co-ordinating both old and new.

All bedrooms are en suite with TV, telephone & hospitality tray.

4 nights Dinner, Bed & Breakfast.

Time to explore Harrogate & Haworth

Guided walking tour of Saltaire

Sightseeing cruise on the Leeds/Liverpool canal with coffee/tea & biscuits

Full day scenic tour of Yorkshire Dales National Park

Entry to Wensleydale Creamery

Entry to RHS Harlow Carr Gardens

**£405.00 PER PERSON**

*Single Room Supp: £60.00*

*RHS Members less £6.50 but **must** bring card*