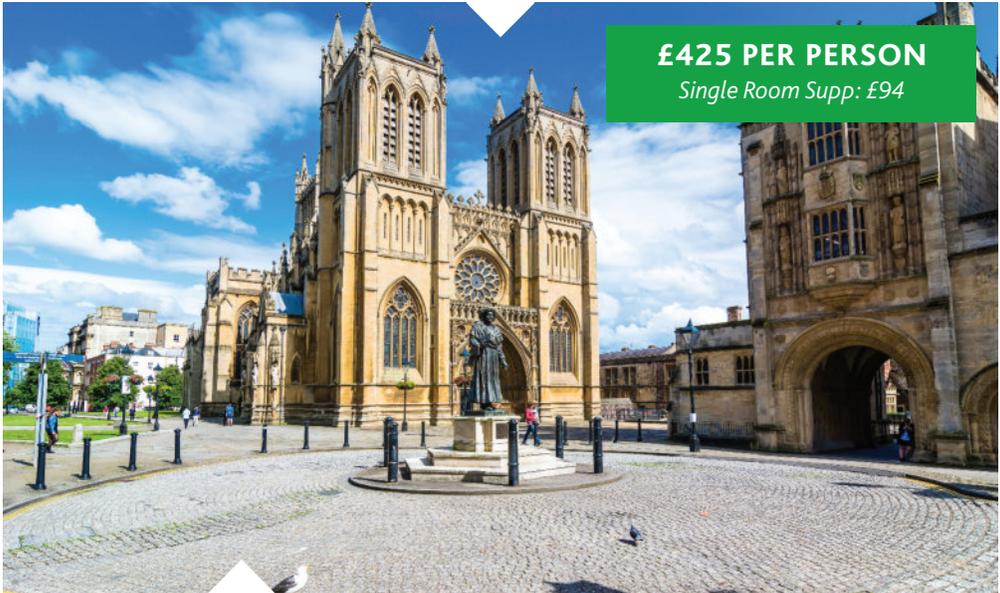


# Easter in Bristol

19th to 22nd April

*Join us for a fascinating Easter break based in the lovely city of Bristol. We visit the Slimbridge Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust, the SS Great Britain and the new Being Brunel exhibition and have a guided tour of Bristol. "There have been more US astronauts than BA Concorde pilots"... Find out more with a guided tour at the newly opened Aerospace Bristol, including seeing inside Concorde Alpha Foxtrot.*



**£425 PER PERSON**

Single Room Supp: £94

## What's Included

- ✓ 3 nights Dinner, Bed & Breakfast
- ✓ All rooms are en-suite with TV, telephone, WiFi, hairdryer & hospitality tray
- ✓ Time to explore Bristol & Bath
- ✓ Entry to WWT Slimbridge
- ✓ Entry to Aerospace Bristol including Concorde Alpha Foxtrot
- ✓ Guided tour of Bristol
- ✓ Entry to SS Great Britain & Being Brunel

## ★★★★ MERCURE HOLLAND HOUSE HOTEL & SPA

### Bristol

This modern hotel has a spa, indoor pool and gym.

### Good Friday 19 April

Departing Oxted 9.00am we make our way to the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust at Slimbridge, where we shall have time to see the world's largest collection of ducks, geese, swans and flamingos in this reserve of international importance. Slimbridge is the vision of naturalist and artist Sir Peter Scott and holds international significance as the headquarters of the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust (WWT).



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For a 360° panoramic view of the site take the stairs or the lift up to the top of the Sloane Observation Tower, buy some grain and experience the magic of hand feeding the ducks and geese; see all six species of flamingos and relax as you amble through the 100 acres of grounds, including 16 hides and a stunning tropical house. Mid afternoon we continue on to our Bristol hotel.

### Saturday 20 April

After a leisurely breakfast, we travel to Aerospace Bristol which tells the amazing story of Bristol's world-class aerospace industry and gives you the chance to step aboard a British icon: Concorde Alpha Foxtrot. Designed, built and tested in Bristol, she was the final Concorde to be built and the last to fly. An expert guide will join us, stopping off at pivotal moments and giving a deeper insight into key exhibits, extraordinary aviation achievements and the lives of the remarkable

people involved. Following our guided tour, we shall be free to continue to explore this recently opened museum before, early afternoon, returning to Bristol, where the rest of the day will be at leisure to explore.

### Easter Sunday 21 April

This morning we are joined by a local guide for a two hour guided coach tour including the historic harbour and fashionable area of Clifton with its famous suspension bridge. In the afternoon we visit the ship that changed the world: Brunel's SS Great Britain. Head beneath the glass sea, walk through the history of the SS Great Britain and step onto the ship itself. We shall also see the exciting new museum and visitor experience, Being Brunel, where the great man is brought vividly to life.

### Easter Monday 22 April

Departing after a leisurely breakfast, we make our way to the historic city of Bath, where we shall be at leisure to explore. You may wish to see the historic, shop-lined Pulteney Bridge spanning the River Avon, admire the wonderful architecture of Bath Abbey, visit the Roman Baths one of the finest historic sites in Northern Europe, stop off for a bun at Sally Lunn's historic eating house or visit some of the city's independent shops. Early afternoon we head for home, arriving back in Oxted early evening.

