

KPBS British Landscapes
Information & FAQs

Transportation to Airport:

- The hometown pick-up is intended for travelers who prefer to be dropped off by friends/family at one of the two designated locations, instead of parking at the airport.
- **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR PARKED IN THE AMTRAK PARKING LOTS.**
- Two pick-up locations are offered for your convenience:
 - **3:15pm pick up at Oceanside Amtrak Station (OSD), 235 South Tremont St.,** Oceanside Transit Center, Oceanside, CA 92054
 - **4:15pm pick up at San Diego Amtrak Station (SAN), 1050 Kettner Blvd.,** San Diego, CA 92101

Flight:

- Your individual flight information is in your individual travel packet.
- There are 45 of you on the same departing flight out of San Diego.
- With a group booking like ours, you won't be allowed/won't need to check-in online.
- You will check in on your own at the British Airways ticket counter and meet the group at the airline gate.
- You can check your bags at the British Airways ticket window.
- If you are British Airways Executive Club member (frequent flyer) and you want to add your FF#, you can **send me an email** this week with your FF# and I will forward the information to Collette.
- Our seats on the flight are reserved in a block and will be assigned at airport check-in. This means that as you check-in at the ticket window, you'll select your seat within our block.
- The airline doesn't indicate the in-flight meal beforehand; you'll be able to choose your meal option when you board.

Arrival to London:

- Your Collette **tour guide's name is Geoffrey Harrison.**
- Once you arrive to the London airport, a transportation representative will meet the group and take you to the hotel (your transportation information is in your individual travel packet).
- Your tour guide, Geoffrey Harrison, will meet you at the hotel.
- The **Welcome Dinner** is the first night on **Wednesday, 8/13** and will be in the hotel restaurant at 5:30/6:00p.m.
- Joining you at the Welcome Dinner will be **NPR London Correspondent Ari Shapiro** and **Producer Rich Preston.**

Excursions:

- The ***Afternoon at Windsor Castle*** excursion is on Friday, 8/15, from 2pm - 7pm (duration is 5 hours)
- The **theatre performance in London** is on Saturday, 8/16 - a matinee performance likely to be ***Spamalot*** (tentative time is 4:00/4:30pm)
- The ***Shakespearean Evening*** excursion is on Thursday, 8/21, from 6pm - 8:30pm (duration is 2.5 hours)
- **Still interested in signing up for an excursion?** Sign up with tour guide Geoffrey Harrison when you meet him in London.

BBC Tour:

- The **BBC tour** is scheduled on Saturday, 8/16 in the morning - 10:00/11:00am - *we're still confirming the group size, so time is tentative* (duration is 90 minutes).
- As this is a full leisure day, **you'll need to make your own way to the BBC Broadcasting House.**
 - Please arrive ten minutes before the start of your tour to allow for security checks.
 - The BBC Broadcasting House is located at Portland Place, London W1A 1AA.
 - Please use the side entrance on Portland Place.
 - Portland Place is just north of Oxford Circus in central London, and can be reached by travelling north from Oxford Circus on Regent Street.
 - The nearest tube stations are Oxford Circus on the Central, Bakerloo and Victoria Lines and Regent's Park on the Bakerloo Line.
 - Bus – routes C2, 88 and 453 stop nearby.
 - All tours start promptly from the Media Café off Main Reception, we cannot guarantee late entry.

Miscellaneous:

- For those who purchased travel insurance, there is a page in your individual travel packet with the insurance name and information and a web link to view and print.
- The restaurants available for the Diner's Choice option will be reviewed with you by the tour guide when you get to London.