



Celebrating 70 years of Queen Elizabeth's reign

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Tour

May 26 - June 5, 2022



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Queen Elizabeth II's coronation was on February 6, 1952 at Westminster Abbey. She has served the British people and the Commonwealth for 70 years and a special four-day Jubilee weekend will be celebrated in her honor. This will be the first time a British monarch has celebrated a platinum jubilee, which is an amazing achievement!

We have created a royal-themed tour of palaces and castles, plus the celebrations in London, so that you can join the festivities. Please bear in mind that London will be very crowded during this weekend.

IF = In flight meals, B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, AT = Afternoon Tea, D = Dinner

Day 1: Thursday, May 26: Depart

We will depart from the USA today. Group flights (minimum of 10) or individual flights can be arranged. Pre-tour arrangements can also be made through Reformation Tours. **(IF)**

Day 2: Friday, May 27: Arrive in London, Windsor

On arrival in London Heathrow, we will be met by a private driver to take us to Windsor where our tour director will be there to welcome us. The rest of the day is at leisure. Our Welcome Dinner will be in the hotel this evening, where we can get to know the rest of the group. **(IF/D)**

Day 3: Saturday, May 28: Windsor, Oxford

After a leisurely breakfast, we will have a guided tour of Windsor Castle, the Queen's favorite weekend retreat. Our tour will include the magnificent State Rooms, St. George's Chapel and the newly restored St. George's Hall. We will continue on to Oxford and visit Christ Church College, one of the largest in England's oldest university. We will dine in our centrally located hotel. **(B/D)**



Day 4: Sunday, May 29: Blenheim, Portsmouth

This morning we will visit Blenheim Palace, home to the 12th Duke and Duchess of Marlborough and birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill. The palace is a stunning example of 18th century Baroque architecture, with gardens designed by the famous gardener known as Capability Brown. In the afternoon we will travel down to the South coast and tour Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, where you'll

see the historic Tudor Mary Rose ship and the National Museum of the Royal Navy. We will spend two night in Portsmouth and we will dine in our hotel this evening. **(B/D)**



Day 5: Monday, May 30: Isle of Wight, Portsmouth

We will take a day-trip today to the Isle of Wight to visit Osbourne House and Grounds. This was Queen Victoria's favorite country estate, which remains virtually unchanged since she died here over 100 years ago. Queen Victoria and Prince Albert bought the original Osbourne House in 1845 and did extensive renovations including the Indian Durbar Room. The Queen regularly entertained heads of state in the opulent state rooms, then relaxed in the family rooms with Prince Albert and their nine children. The family also enjoyed the private beach and Swiss Cottage, which features an exhibition about the royal children. We will dine in a restaurant on the Isle of Wight before returning to our hotel in Portsmouth. **(B/D)**



Day 6: Tuesday, May 31: Brighton, Hever Castle

The Royal Pavilion in Brighton is the former seaside residence of King George IV and was also used by William IV and Queen Victoria. Originally a farmhouse, it was transformed by architect Henry Holland into a neo-classical villa in 1787. It's lavishly decorated in Chinese style with an Indian-themed interior. After our tour of the Royal Pavilion, we'll have a group lunch, then visit Hever Castle. This was the childhood home of Anne Boleyn, the tragic queen of King Henry VIII. The 13th century castle features a double moat and 125 acres of spectacular gardens. We will dine in our countryside manor house hotel. **(B/L/D)**



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Day 7: Wednesday, June 1: Leeds Castle, London

Kent's 12th century Leeds Castle has been called "the loveliest castle in the world". It's listed in the Domesday Book and has been a Norman stronghold, and a royal palace. King Edward I and his wife Queen Eleanor of Castile made it their royal residence in 1278 and it's been home to six medieval queens earning it the title, "Castle of Queens, Queen of Castles". King Henry VIII renovated it for his wife Catherine of Aragon. In the afternoon we will visit Chartwell, which was home to Sir Winston Churchill and his family for over forty years. We will dine in our hotel, the Millennium Bailey's hotel in Kensington, London. **(B/D)**



Day 8: Thursday, June 2: Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Today is the first day of the 4-day weekend marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The itinerary of the rest of the tour is flexible to allow us to attend special events in London. The Queen's birthday parade, known as Trooping the Colour, will include over 1,400 parading soldiers, 200 horses, and 400 musicians. The event will close with a flyby from the Royal Air Force. In the afternoon we will have a tour of the Tower of London, which is officially called Her Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress of the Tower of London. It was founded at the end of 1066 as part of the Norman Conquest and the White Tower was built by William the Conqueror. We will see the Crown Jewels and hear about some of the Tower's most famous residents. A special Commonwealth garden is planned for the moat. After a group lunch, we will tour Kensington Palace. Queen Victoria was born here and it's been

used as a royal residence since 1760. Many of the Royal Family have their offices and private apartments in the palace complex. The evening is at leisure. **(B/L)**



Day 9: Friday, June 3: Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

One of the most stunning royal palaces is Hampton Court. The original Tudor palace was begun by Cardinal Wolsey, but was taken over by King Henry VIII who lived here with each of his wives. On the tour we'll meet a King Henry VIII reenactor and his retinue as they entertain visitors. Prepare to be drawn in! We will also have time to explore the Tudor kitchen, the Maze and the extensive gardens. Sir Christopher Wren designed the baroque Fountain Court for William III and his wife Mary, leaving the Tudor palace intact. Queen Victoria opened the palace to the public in 1838 and it was extremely popular, especially as it was one of few attractions open on Sundays. After a group lunch, we will tour Kensington Palace. Queen Victoria was born here and it's been used as a royal residence since 1760. Many of the Royal Family have their offices and private apartments in the palace complex. **(B/L)**



Day 10: Saturday, June 4: Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Full day of leisure to enjoy the celebrations in London. We will have a transport card to use on the Underground or buses. The tour director will be available to lead tours. **(B)**

Day 11: Sunday, June 5: Return

A group transfer will be arranged to Heathrow Airport. Alternative transfers can be arranged. **(B)**

RQP22 Tour Price: \$3,499* per person, land only

**Price based on double occupancy with a minimum of 25 participants*

Terms and Conditions

Your Tour Includes:

- Land transportation via deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- Accommodations (double-occupancy) in superior 3-star and moderate 4-star hotels
- Meals as indicated in itinerary
- Professional tour director throughout the tour
- Local step-on guides for city tours and major attractions
- Admission to all activities indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers as a group
- All taxes and tips

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Round-trip air transportation (air assistance available)
- Meals and beverages not identified in itinerary
- Single supplement (\$900)
- Items of a personal nature, such as passports and visas (*Passport must be valid for six months beyond return date*)
- Passenger trip cancellation insurance (details sent with reservation form)

Payment Schedule:

- Initial deposit of \$350 will secure your place on the tour. All payments should be sent to Reformation Tours, 64 Fiesta Circle, St. Louis, MO 63146
- Final payments will be due no later than March 12, 2022
- Reservations will be accepted after March 12, 2022 subject to availability
- Early registration is encouraged. *Please note: all credit card payments will incur a 3.5% surcharge.*

Cancellation Policy:

The following penalties apply plus any non-recoverable expenses such as hotel deposits, flight deposits and attraction costs that had been made by the time of cancellation. From time of deposit to until 2/15/2022: \$100. From 2/16/22 - 5/10/22: \$350. From 5/11/22: No refund. Cancellation charges also apply to additional accommodation reserved prior to and after the tour. Travel insurance is highly recommended.

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