

Dorset and the Jurassic Coast

Monday 5th to Saturday 10th July 2021 – 5 nights, 6 days

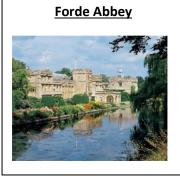
Time to look ahead to summer 2021 and explore another stunning part of the country and get back to our summer tradition of exploring amazing landscapes and singing in special locations on our six day tour. Dorset and the stunning Jurassic coast is our destination. Although our summer singing adventure for 2020 didn't quite happen in July we won't miss out as we get to explore the Scottish Borders in April 2021. We will then venture south in July for our summer adventure together and we have arranged coach transportation there and back to make it as easy as possible.

We have a wonderful itinerary for our visit to the beautiful county of Dorset where over half the county is designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and three-quarters of it's coastline is part of the Jurassic Coast Natural UNESCO World Heritage site.

We are staying at Heights Hotel which is set at the heart of the Heritage Coastline on the summit of the Isle of Portland with stunning panoramic views over Chesil Beach, Lyme Bay and Portland Harbour.

We are singing at Sherborne Abbey, Forde Abbey, Corfe Castle, St Catherine's Chapel, Abbotsbury, Durdle Door, Lulworth Cove, The Cobb at Lyme Regis, The Subtropical Gardens in Abbotsbury, Portland Bill Lighthouse and on the heritage steam train from Corfe Castle to Swanage. We have guided tours of Dorset and Sherborne.









Accommodation and Food

We are staying at the Heights Hotel, Portland DT5 2EN.

Our accommodation is on a half board basis with bed, breakfast and evening meal included.

Travel

To make getting to and from Dorset as easy as possible we have organised a coach to accompany us for our entire tour. We will have two pick up/ drop off locations and arrange for them to be at places suitable to leave cars. We ask that you specify your preferred pick up location on the booking form and we will then pick the two most popular once we know where everyone is coming from and locate suitable car parking.

Music

The programme will be a mixture of music drawn from our existing library together with some new songs.

The rehearsals will take place on the following days from 12.30 to 5.30 pm;-

Saturday 24th April 2021 – St Margaret's Church Parish Centre, Church Lane Horsforth, LS18 5LA

Sunday 16th May 2021 – Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church, Ramilies Ave, Cheadle, SK8 7AL

Sunday 20th June 2021 – Salendine Nook Baptist Church, Moor Hill Road, Salendine Nook, Huddersfield, West Yorkshire, HD3 3SF

Please note that the timings may change for Sunday 16th May, the venue will advise nearer the time.

You will receive your music and CD electronically where possible. Where this is not possible you will receive them at the first rehearsal.

Itinerary

Day 1 – Monday 5th July - Journey to Dorset

We will travel by coach from two pick up points.

3.30 pm - We will meet our blue badge guide at the hotel and take our coach to visit and sing at Portland Bill Lighthouse. Our guide will then take us to the Tout Quarry Sculpture Park and Nature reserve and the King Barrow Quarry Nature Reserve where she will introduce us to the flora and fauna of the area.

Day 2 – Tuesday 6th July - Dorchester and Sherborne

8.45 am — We depart by coach from the hotel to visit Dorchester for a guided tour with our blue badge guide. We will walk around the old part of Dorchester which will cover over 2000 years of history including the fantastically preserved Roman Town House, and most of the key people in Dorchester's history finishing at The Old Courthouse (The Shire Hall) where we will sing. After our recital we have free time for coffee or an early lunch before boarding the coach and heading to Max Gate, the former home of Thomas Hardy, where we will visit and sing. Following this we head to Sherborne Abbey, with it's glorious fan vaulting, for our recital and afterwards we have a guided tour of Sherborne with a blue badge guide showing us around. On our way back to the hotel we will stop and view the famous Cerne Giant!

Sherborne Castle were unable to confirm if we could visit and sing at the time of putting this together. If time and permission is granted we may visit Sherborne Castle. The additional cost of this would then be added if this happens.

Day 3 - Wednesday 7th July - Lyme Regis and Chard

9.30 am - This morning we board our coach and head to Forde Abbey, described as a South West treasure, for our visit, tour and recital. After a morning there we will make our way to Lyme Regis where we have free time to explore and get our fish and chips! We will also sing **on the Cobb.** (The setting of Jane Austen's novel *Persuasion* and also the setting for John Fowles *The French Lieutenant's Woman*, which features this famous scene between Meryl Streep and Jeremy Irons.)

Day 4— Thursday 8th July - Jurassic Coast

9 am – Today we explore the fabulous Jurassic Coast. We depart by coach from the hotel for a full day with our blue badge guide. We drive along Chesil Beach and turn west towards Abbotsbury where we are dropped in the village near the path to St Catherine's Chapel where we will sing. We walk to the chapel where our guide declares the views are amongst the best in the UK! Following this we visit and sing at the Subtropical Gardens with free time for lunch. After lunch we board the coach for our drive to visit and sing at Durdle Door and Lulworth Cove. On our way back to the hotel we travel through Tolpuddle, Athelhampton and Puddletown to Dorchester and Portland via Weymouth.

Day 5 - Friday 9th July - Corfe Castle and Swanage

9 am – We depart the hotel to journey to Corfe Castle (subject to final confirmation). The coach will drop us off before the village and we will walk round and up into the village and to the castle itself where we will visit and sing. After our castle visit there will be free time in the village for lunch. We will then meet at the railway station and board the heritage steam train bound for Swanage. We will sing on board. On arrival in Swanage we have free time to explore before returning to the hotel for around 5 pm.

Day 6 - Saturday 10th July - Homeward Bound

9 am - We say goodbye to the hotel and board our coach to visit and hopefully sing at one of the following Kingston Lacy, Athelhampton or Montacute House in the morning before setting off home early afternoon. At the time of putting this together we are still waiting to hear from these venues.

Covid 19

The current covid 19 situation has brought widespread uncertainty and disruption to everyone and everything. Travel, tourism and singing have all been hugely affected. Why then are we sending out information about singing holidays? Well, we have used our time during the lockdown period to create some wonderful tours for 2021 to give us something to look forward to and we are sending them out just ahead of the travel world opening up it's doors again so you can get the dates in your diaries early!

As you know our 2020 tours have been rescheduled and we will continue to monitor situations as we go along and the same for 2021. We will follow guidelines and conduct supplier audits as necessary as close to the tours as possible to take on board the prevailing government information at the time.

For up the most up to date information as to covid precautions and preventions we recommend you visit the Public Health England website - https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england

Prices and Booking

The singing fee is £95 payable either with your application or by Monday 22nd February 2021. For the package prices please see the booking form below.

Please complete the booking form below and return it to us by AS SOON AS POSSIBLE so we can secure our accommodation. We are trying to get ahead of the curve for 2021 as many group tours cancelled in 2020 will be taking place in 2021 now, so we want to be certain of availability. We have reduced the deposit as it is confirmed numbers we are interested in for our 2021 tours so we can go ahead and make confirmed bookings. Once we get sufficient numbers, we will keep the bookings open thereafter for as long as we can, but prices cannot be guaranteed.

Please refer to our terms and conditions on our website or request a copy directly from us.

Please ensure you supply us with an up to date e-mail address for yourself so that we can correspond with you through email. Please advise us if you are unable to receive emails and we will post things out to you.

Please tick this box to give your consent to us using your data to keep you informed of news, events, rehearsal details and schedules for UVT. Please see privacy statement on our website.

Please note once we have sufficient numbers we will confirm your application to you.

Please make sure we have confirmed your place before you book your transport.

Please return your application forms as soon as possible to:- Dorset and Jurassic Coast Tour 2021, Unlimited Voices Travel, 92 Thirsk Road, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, DL6 1PL.

<u>Dorset and Jurassic Coast Tour – Booking Form - Monday 5th to Saturday 10th July 2021</u>

Lead Name	
Address	
	Post Code
Home Phone No.	Mobile No
Email address	

Please note that all correspondence relating to the payment for this trip will be forwarded to the lead name only as our system does not enable us to duplicate it. PLEASE THEREFORE MAKE SURE YOU PASS IT ON TO EVERYONE ON YOUR FORM. With regard to other information relating to the trip if you wish us to send it to everyone on your form please include their email address below.

Individual names of all participants including lead name	If singing please indicate voice type including 1 or 2	Age/DOB	**E-mail address

<u>Room Requirements -</u> Please circle - **Single Double Twin**

The Full Package – 5 Nights/6 days – a per the above itinerary	Price Per Person
Single – Price per person	£995
Double/Twin – Price per person	£870

Special Requirements	(i.e. Mobility)	and dietary re	equirements
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Coach Transportation

Please Circle two choices for where you would like to be picked up/dropped off and mark your choices 1st and 2nd and we will then select the most popular

Leeds	Sheffield	Nottingham	Warwick

Please note an administration fee of £10 will be applied to all changes after the initial booking and to any late payments.

Deposit & Balance Due

Deposit on Application - £50 per person, 2nd deposit - £75 due Monday 1st February 2021, Balance due Monday 10th May 2021.

Please pay by bacs (details below) or alternatively send a cheque payable to **Unlimited Voices Travel, noting** on the back of the cheque what the payment is for. Please note that all monies are strictly non-refundable once the trip has been confirmed.

By applying and paying a deposit you agree to our terms and conditions which are available on our website. If you are unable to obtain access to these please request a copy directly from us.

Please make sure you have valid and adequate travel insurance to cover this trip. Once the trip is confirmed all monies are strictly non-refundable and the full balance is due whether you or your party travels or not. Unlimited Voices Travel can take no responsibility for changes in the economic climate that might affect the services of the suppliers.

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Please note that our system only allows us to generate receipts to the lead person. Please therefore help us by sending in just <u>one payment each time an instalment is due</u>, eg if you are sharing a twin room please just send in one deposit payment to cover both people, and the same for the interim payment and final balance. However, with regard to the singing fee we can accept payments individually.

Please note once we have sufficient numbers we will confirm your application to you. Wherever possible we will send all correspondence by e-mail. If however you prefer to receive things by post, please send us 2 self addressed, C5 stamped envelopes.

Dorset and Jurassic Coast Tour 2021 – Bacs Payments

BANK TRANSFER DETAILS – please quote Dorset and Jurassic Coast Tour 2021 and send an email to confirm transfer to teresa@unlimitedvoices.uk Remember to tell us if any of your personal details have changed

Account Name: Unlimited Voices Sorting Code: 20 61 46 Account No: 23999343

REF: Dorset and Jurassic Coast Tour 2021