

QUALITY ESCORTED HOLIDAYS BY TRAIN



Highlights of Steam

SUMMER - WINTER 2016



SWISS MOUNTAIN STEAM



Switzerland and steam trains - a delightful combination as we take you to the heart of this beautiful country to experience some amazing mountain rail journeys and glorious lake steamer cruises.



Our superb steam and "lake & mountains" scenery tour – this year including our private steam hauled charter train up to Schynige Platte for incredible views of the Eiger, Münch and Jungfrau mountains. Panoramic vistas on the original route of the Glacier Express on the Furka Steam Railway, plus the Brienz – Rothorn Steam Railway. With your Swiss Rail Pass also cruise on the lake paddle steamers. We stay in Wengen with dinner included each evening. Great value – and a fabulous holiday for enthusiasts and partners alike. Visit www.railtrail. co.uk to view our **TOUR FILM** of this acclaimed steam holiday.









DEPARTS

8 DAYS

Wednesday 27th July 2016 Wednesday 10th August 2016 Wednesday 24th August 2016 Wednesday 7th September 2016

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★Your choice of First or Standard Class rail travel to Switzerland and return
- ★Shimmering blue lakes, past alpine meadows, up to heavenly skies, by steam train
- ★Ride the extended Furka Steam Railway – original route of the Glacier Express
- ★The amazing Brienz Rothorn steam mountain railway
- ★Chartered steam train up the spectacular Schynige Platte
- ★Lunch at the Schilthorn summit
 James Bond 007 mountain
- ★Lake Thun cruise & funicular up Harder Kulm
- ★Coffee & cake at the Panorama Restaurant at Harder Kulm
- ★Stay in beautiful car-free alpine spa town of Wengen
- ★Bernese Oberland Pass offering freedom of the region on your free day

Also included in your Tour Fare:

- ★7 nights bed, breakfast & evening meal, 1 lunch, 1 coffee & cake
- ★Standard Class 6 Day Bernese Oberland Pass
- ★Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager
- ★Hotel Porterage





NORTHERN GERMANY & BALTIC COAST STEAM



Enjoy a superbly relaxing summer steam tour as we meander across Northern Germany on a sojourn of discovery to enjoy the very best of the steam railways from town, countryside to seaside!



A great Railtrail steam tour that has much to offer as a summer holiday for enthusiasts and partners alike.

We feature an amazing variety of steam lines, a plethora of differing gauges, locomotives, and rolling stock. It is achieved in a relaxing style enabling everyone to unwind and enjoy themselves on a magnificent holiday.





DEPARTS

Monday 1 August 2016

- ★Visit the 60th anniversary steam festival at Germany's very first heritage railway at Bruchhausen - Vilsen
- ★Steam on the Rasender Roland on Rügen Island
- ★A full day of steam on the Molli with its renowned street running, plus private lineside photo bus
- ★Visit to Hamburg's Miniatur Wunderland (the World's largest model railway)
- ★Private narrow-gauge steam charter at Mühlenstroth
- ★Steam day on the rarely visited 22 kms Jan Harpstedt
- ★Relax on the beautiful beaches of the Baltic coast
- ★Optional sightseeing in historic Bremen



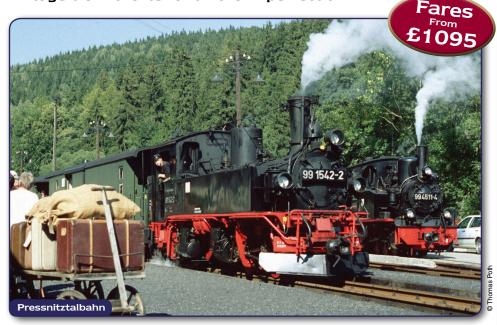




SAXONY STEAM Plus CHEMNITZ 25TH ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL



Superb Saxon narrow gauge plus the 25th Anniversary celebrations at Chemnitz. Top up with a rarely visited railway museum, a great parkeisenbahn, and stir in a vintage tram charter and voila! – perfection.



Summertime in Saxony is a wonderful relaxing time and we are combining those fabulous narrow gauge lines up in the mountains with a major railway festival down in the former heartland of industry at Chemnitz including first time for Railtrail a visit to the excellent parkeisenbahn for steam and a private charter vintage tram.







DEPARTS

6 DAYS

Thursday 18 August 2016

- ★The unique Chemnitz 25th Anniversary Steam Festival
- ★Steam on the mainline from Chemnitz
- ★After dark steam photo shoot at Chemnitz depot
- ★Private steam photo charter at Schönheide
- ★Articulated 8-wheeled Saxon-Meyer locomotives
- ★Steam along the rural idyll of the Pressnitztalbahn at Jöhstadt
- ★Mountain steam on the Fichtebergbahn at Cranzahl
- ★Rarely visited standard gauge steam roundhouse at Schwarzenberg
- ★Steam on the Chemnitz Parkeisenbahn
- ★Tour of Erfurt with vintage tram charter





MEININGEN STEAM FESTIVAL & MORE



A superb value tour featuring: steam to Meiningen Works Festival with Pacific 03 2155 and steam on four different gauges including private photo charters, and a private tram charter!



A wonderful late summer break of great German steam in a variety of gauges! Amazing steam-hauled railway journeys, great photo opportunities and the best Railway Works steam show in Europe!









Tuesday 30 August 2016

- ★Superb mainline steam with Pacific 03 2155 Halle - Meiningen
- ★Visit the world's greatest steam locomotive works festival
- ★Footplate rides, locos being serviced, turntable in use, etc, etc
- ★Private steam charter Muskau Forest Railway
- ★Private steam charter Cottbus Parkeisenbahn
- ★Private vintage tram charter on Halle tram network
- ★Full day steam Zittau Oybin / Jonsdorf
- ★Guided tour Bertsdorf Locomotive shed
- ★Visit to Stassfurt Steam Railway depot
- ★Guided tour DB museum Halle







NORTHERN FRANCE NARROW GAUGE & STEAM



A fabulous steam gala plus 4 narrow gauge private steam charters, historic WW1 battlefield tour, optional free-time in Paris, and the idyllic riverside café culture of Amiens.



Thursday 22 September 2016



Another variation on this popular tour that delights enthusiasts and partners alike, who appreciate the novelty of the railways and the gentle pace of the tour allowing ample opportunity to 'opt out' of the programme to spend free-time enjoying the café culture, local drink

and cuisine in the idyllic seaside resort of St Valéry or a full day in Paris. In the evenings take time to visit Amiens' beautiful cathedral and local drink and cuisine in restaurants idyllically set on the banks of the Somme.





- ★Froissy-Cappy-Dompierre Steam Gala
- ★Full day of steam at the superb Baie de la Somme line
- *Private steam charter on the metre gauge MTVS at Valmondois
- ★Private steam charter at Train Touristique de la Vallée de la Scarpe (TTVS)
- ★Private steam charter over the 60cm Chanteraines line
- ★Tour of the WW1 trenches at Beaumont Hamel
- ★Visit Thiepval Memorial to the Missing
- ★Based at historic Amiens on the banks of the River Somme
- ★Delightful Baie De Somme coastal resorts
- ★Optional sightseeing day in Paris.









RHEINGOLD STEAM & MORE



Re-live the diamond age of railway touring with nostalgia and luxury aboard the famous steam hauled Rheingold Express, plus a plethora of private steam charters, steam railways & vintage trams on a tour packed with rail discoveries.



No-one does Germany like Railtrail and this tour features an amazing variety of steam lines, a plethora of differing gauges, locomotives, and rolling stock. It is achieved in a relaxing style enabling everyone to unwind and enjoy a diamond rail tour packed with new rail discoveries.









DEPARTS

6 DAYS

Thursday 29 September 2016

- ★First class seating on the world famous Rheingold-Express hauled by a vintage steam locomotive
- ★By steam through the stunningly picturesque Rhine Valley to Rüdesheim
- ★Bergische Strassenbahn vintage tram charter in Wuppertal
- ★Standard gauge private steam photo charter on the Wiehltalbahn
- Superbly atmospheric Dieringhausen steam depot roundhouse, turntable, water cranes etc.
- ★Steam & heritage diesel on the Vulkan Express - the Brohltalbahn
- ★Tour of DB museum at Koblenz
- ★The magnificent Bochum-Dalhausen loco collection at the former DB depot
- *Assmannshausen chair lift





GOLDEN HARZ ENTHUSIAST STEAM FESTIVAL



With the Harz Mountains bathed in golden autumn hues we ride our photographic steam charter trains using historic locomotives, carriages and wagons, on this annual tour based in beautiful Wernigerode.



Join us once again on an immensely enjoyable Heritage Steam visit to the Harz Mountains Railway at this glorious time of year, organised in conjunction with ourselves and the Friends of HSB.







DEPARTS

Wednesday 19 October 2016

- ★A unique three days of steam charters with mixed stock and heritage locos.
- ★More steam than ever before on this superb value tour.
- ★Unusual rolling stock like special transporter waggons carrying standard gauge waggons
- ★Travel over the whole of the Harz System with heritage locomotives
- ★Double headed steam
- ★A classic heritage day from Wernigerode to Hasselfelde including the Stiege loop
- ★Steam & heritage stock up the Harzgerode branch
- ★Storm to Brocken summit with heritage coaching stock
- ★We recreate the parallel departure from Alexisbad, which is no longer possible on public days
- ★Special train charter on the Selkethal with some overtaking en route and photo run-pasts.
- ★Enjoy your stay in the beautiful historic town of Wernigerode
- ★Great value tour fare, including HALF BOARD hotel accommodation







BAVARIAN FESTIVE STEAM



A superb festive tour featuring scenic mainline steam excursions, vintage tram charters, and magical Christmas markets in famous German towns and cities. An ideal tour if you have previously enjoyed our Dresden Festive Steam tour.



A new tour for the festive season featuring a wonderful combination of steam trains, historic vintage tram rides through beautiful towns and cities, Christmas decorations, rarely visited and very traditional German Christmas markets full of locally produced souvenirs plus a taste of the famous Schlenkerla smoked beer. A truly wonderful tour to please enthusiasts and partners alike. This tour can be combined with the Dresden Festive Steam tour by enjoying an extra day in the beautiful, historic, city of Erfurt for sightseeing or enjoying the public tram system.



7 DAYS

Wednesday 30 November 2016

- ★Stay in the beautiful old walled city of Nuremberg at this festive time
- ★Steam between Ebermannstadt and Behringersmühle in 'Franconian Switzerland'
- ★Vintage tram charter in Nuremberg
- ★Superb mainline steam excursion to Regensburg with Class 52 8195
- ★Scenic mainline steam excursion Seenland Express (Lakeland Express to Gunzenhausen)
- ★Guided tour DB-Museum Nuremberg
- Lunch at Schlenkerla Brewery restaurant with smoked beer tasting
- ★Guided tour Nördlingen Steam Railway Depot
- **★**Vintage tram charter Augsburg
- ★Guided walking tour of historic Bamberg
- ★Guided tour Augsburg Railway Park
- ★Traditional Christmas Markets in Nuremberg, Bamberg, Regensburg & Augsburg







DRESDEN FESTIVE STEAM



A stunning winter wonderland tour to the beautiful city of Dresden, combining great steam trains, scenic journeys, enchanting countryside and magical festive markets in wonderful traditional towns.



This tour will delight the enthusiast of steam trains with its featured locos and variety of lines, and is a must for partners who enjoy the nostalgia of steam and the opportunity to visit some of the finest rural scenery and towns in Saxony and beyond - crowned with traditional carved wood decorations and Christmas stalls that feature locallymade, hand-crafted, quality products. A totally unique and magical festive tour.









DEPARTS

Wednesday 7 December 2016

- ★Stay in the beautiful city of Dresden at this magical time
- ★Superb mainline steam with Class 35 1019 to Prague
- ★Fabulous Saxon narrow gauge steam on four famous rural lines: the Zittau, Weisseritztalbahn, Döllnitztalbahn & Lössnitzdackel
- ★The final extension of the Weisseritztalbahn to Kipsdorf is due to be re-opened
- ★Explore the renowned Dresden Christmas Markets
- ★Dresden Museum of Transport & Alstadt steam depot
- ★View glorious Saxon countryside & villages off the tourist trail
- ★An all-rail holiday

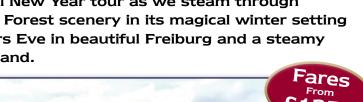




BLACK FOREST NEW YEAR STEAM & MORE



Enjoy a special New Year tour as we steam through glorious Black Forest scenery in its magical winter setting with New Years Eve in beautiful Freiburg and a steamy sojourn in Holland.

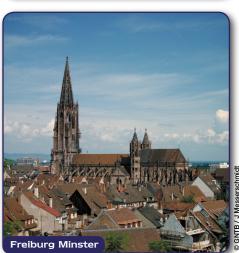






Lake Titisee Steam









Wednesday 28 December 2016

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- **★**Steam through the heart of the Black Forest on the Zollernbahn steam line
- ★Enjoy a second day of Black Forest steam on the Three Lakes Line, climbing from Titisee lake-side to almost 1000m
- ★Introductory tour of historic Freiburg aboard a private charter vintage tram
- ★Celebrate New Year's Eve in attractive Freiburg
- **★**Optional tour to French National Railway Museum, Mulhouse or freetime in Freiburg
- ★Visit Aachen with its stunning cathedral
- ★Explore the 'Millions Line' by
- ★Enjoy free time in pretty Maastricht

Also included in your Tour Fare:

- ★Dinner every day, including New Year's Eve
- ★Eurostar and rail travel to and from Germany, and all local rail
- ★Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager





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