



# Welcome

**FOCUS ON STEAM**  
WITH RAILTRAIL TOURS

to Railtrail's 'Focus On Steam' autumn update.

Please find enclosed a series of new 2016 steam tours now open for booking either via our website [www.railtrail.co.uk](http://www.railtrail.co.uk) or phone **01538 382323**.

Below are a few more tours that will also be open for booking shortly please see [www.railtrail.co.uk](http://www.railtrail.co.uk) or just give us a call...

Enjoy!



**Dave Felstead**, Managing Director

## WINTER STEAM, RAIL & ALE

**DEPARTS** Thursday January 28th 2016

**5**  
DAYS

- ★ Full day at the renowned Great Central Railway Winter Steam Gala
- ★ Guided tour and tasting Marstons brewery
- ★ Private heritage diesel charter Ruddington GCR (N)
- ★ Dinner & pint at 'Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem
- ★ Private steam passenger and mineral charter at Foxfield Railway
- ★ Tour, pint, and traditional Staffordshire Lobby meal at Titanic brewery
- ★ Based at former Midland Railway Hotel, Derby



## NORTHERN GERMANY & BALTIC COAST STEAM

**DEPARTS** Monday August 1st 2016

**8**  
DAYS

- ★ Private narrow gauge steam charter Mühlenstroth
- ★ Tour Schwerin Railway Museum
- ★ Steam on Rügen Islands' delightful Rasender Roland line
- ★ Admission to Museum of Railways & Technology in Prora
- ★ Tour Putbus loco shed
- ★ Rover ticket of steam on the Molli at Bad Doberan
- ★ Lineside bus on Molli plus tour of loco shed
- ★ Admission to Miniatur Wunderland the world's largest model railway



## SOUTHERN GERMANY BY STEAM

**DEPARTS** Wednesday July 6th 2016

**6**  
DAYS

- ★ Mainline steam excursion with 41 018 or 01 1066 Stuttgart to Füssen
- ★ Lineside bus for parts of mainline excursion e.g. Günzacher Steige incline
- ★ Private steam charter with 99 7203 on the Alb-Bähne, Amstetten - Oppingen
- ★ Steam on the öchslebahn, Warthausen-Ochsenhausen
- ★ Steam on the Sauschwänzlebahn the famous 'pigtail route'
- ★ '37 tunnels' steam journey on the Zollernbahn, Rottweil to Hausach
- ★ Tour based Maritim Hotel, Stuttgart



## SAXON STEAM PLUS CHEMNITZ 25TH ANNIVERSARY STEAM FESTIVAL

**DEPARTS** Thursday August 18th 2016

**6**  
DAYS

- ★ Full day at Chemnitz 25th Anniversary steam festival
- ★ Step back into the 1950's - Large railway yard, traditional double roundhouse of locos, guest locos, footplate rides, photo parade in the day and special admission after dark photo shoot
- ★ Mainline steam excursion from Chemnitz
- ★ Steam on the Saxon Narrow gauge Pressnitzalbahn
- ★ Steam on the Saxon narrow gauge 'mountain railway' the Fichtelbergbahn
- ★ Private steam charter at the rarely visited Schönheide line
- ★ Visit to standard gauge Schwarzenberg Railway Museum (traditional roundhouse loco collection)
- ★ Based at Mercure Hotel, Chemnitz



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**ATOC**  
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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.

**DEPARTS**

**Wednesday 2nd December 2015**

**Fares**  
From  
**£1195**



Class 52 in the snow

© Gerhard Barth

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Stay in the beautiful city of Dresden at this magical time of year
- ★ Superb mainline steam with Pacific Class 01 509 to Prague
- ★ 2nd Mainline steam excursion to beautiful Görlitz in Upper Lusatia
- ★ Fabulous Saxon narrow gauge steam on three famous rural lines: the Zittau, Weisseritztalbahn & Lossnitzdackel
- ★ The final extension of the Weisseritztalbahn to Kipsdorf is due to be re-opened
- ★ Explore the renowned Dresden Christmas Markets
- ★ Dresden Museum of Transport & Altstadt steam depot
- ★ View glorious Saxon countryside & villages off the tourist trail
- ★ An all-rail holiday
- ★ *Independent Travel Fare available: arrange own travel to / from Dresden*

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 locally-made, hand-crafted, quality products. A totally unique and magical festive tour.



Taking on water, Zittau



Weisseritztalbahn



Beautiful Dresden



Loco 351097



Dresden Christmas Market



## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Wednesday 2 December

We depart London St Pancras International 10.57 hrs by Eurostar to Brussels, and then by ICE train via Frankfurt (18.11 hrs), to Erfurt and the InterCity Hotel adjacent to the station, where we have a welcome evening meal. (D)

### DAY 2 Thursday 3 December

After breakfast we travel by regional train to Dresden, arriving 13.30 hrs. We then take an afternoon steam train ride along the Lossnitzgrundbahn - a superb 17kms long, 750mm gauge line with eleven stations between Radebeul and Radeburg and return to enjoy our first night of the Christmas festivities in beautiful Dresden. (B)

### DAY 3 Friday 4 December

We begin with a guided tour of Dresden Transport Museum plus the atmospheric steam loco depot at Dresden Altstadt, followed by a return steam ride on the second of our fantastic Saxony narrow gauge lines, up the picturesque Weisser valley currently some 15 kms to Dippoldiswalde but the new extension to Kipsdorf is due to open in time for our visit.

Alternatively, you may wish to relax in Dresden and explore other magnificent attractions such as the stunning rebuilt Frauenkirche, Semper Opera House, Royal Palace, Procession of Princes, Bruehl Terrace, and Zwinger Palace. All these beautiful historic buildings form the magnificent waterfront along the River Elbe, also home to the world's biggest paddle steamer fleet. (B)

### DAY 4 Saturday 5 December

Today we have the first of our mainline steam train journeys, with express passenger Pacific locomotive 01 509 hauling our vintage train travelling through the region known as "Saxon Switzerland" where the

railway clings to the banks of the River Elbe on its scenic route to Prague in the Czech Republic, for a sightseeing visit to this fabulous historic city at this delight time of year. (B)

### DAY 5 Sunday 6 December

Our second mainline steam excursion is currently scheduled to take us from Dresden to the eastern most town in Germany - the beautiful town of Görlitz, with its unadorned streets, cobbled market place, and famous art nouveau store (location for the Ralph Fiennes film 'The Grand Budapest hotel') plus of course a very traditional Christmas market in the most traditional of settings. This excursion is again due to be hauled by Pacific steam locomotive 01 509 however an alternative excursion for those wishing to travel behind a different locomotive is being planned. (B)

### DAY 6 Monday 7 December

Today you may wish to spend the day Christmas shopping in Dresden, or go on our search for "Steam in the Snow" that takes us to the Polish border for one of Saxony's finest narrow gauge routes - from Zittau to the mountain spa resorts of Oybin and Jonsdorf, which is still very much a public service over the ten mile long route, and includes lunch and an engine shed tour at the junction station of Bertsdorf. (B,L)

### DAY 7 Tuesday 8 December

We depart Dresden by train at 08.19 hrs, travelling via Frankfurt (14.00 hrs) and Brussels to arrive London St Pancras International at 19.57 hrs. (B)

(B) = Breakfast included, (D) = Dinner included, (L) = Lunch included

## HOTELS

### InterCity Hotel, Erfurt

Situated adjacent to the station the hotel has a pleasant bar and restaurant serving local and international specialities. Modern en-suite bedrooms include TV, radio, mini-bar and WiFi. internet connection.

### Ibis Hotel, Dresden

A short stroll from the station, located in the heart of the city near to the historic Old Town, the Ibis hotels are inviting and modern, with comfortable bedrooms, air-conditioning, WiFi access, satellite TV and en-suite bathrooms with shower and hair dryer.

All fares based upon sharing a twin-bedded en-suite room; single rooms available for a supplement.

### GUARANTEED FARE – No currency surcharge

If wishing to travel **BY AIR** to join the tour: Please contact us with your variation request so that we may confirm availability and fare variation.

## DRESDEN FESTIVE STEAM

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Erfurt / Dresden, including Standard Eurostar **£1199**

First Class rail travel to / from Erfurt / Dresden, including Standard Premier Eurostar **£1479**

Single Traveller Supplement **£145**

Fare inclusive of:

6 nights' bed & breakfast, 1 evening meal, 1 light lunch  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available  
(subject to selected rail travel option)

All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed  
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

### FARES Independent travel option:

Join Frankfurt Day 1  
leave Frankfurt Day 7 **£1019**

Single Traveller Supplement **£145**

Fare inclusive of:

6 nights' bed & breakfast, 1 evening meal, 1 light lunch  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available  
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# HARZ WINTER STEAM ENTHUSIASTS' FESTIVAL

**FOCUS ON STEAM**  
WITH RAILTRAIL TOURS

**6**  
DAYS

A unique short break to enjoy fantastic winter steam on Germany's amazing Harz Mountains Railway with rare and unusual locomotive haulage and rolling stock, plus lots of photographic run-pasts.

**DEPARTS**

**Wednesday 3 February 2016**

**Fares**  
From  
**£899**



Stunning winter images at Brocken summit

© HSB / Heide Baumgärtner

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ 3 days of special steam photo charters
- ★ Lots of photo run-pasts with extraordinary photo opportunities, in snow (hopefully)
- ★ Travel over ALL the Harz passenger routes
- ★ Experience historic locomotives not in regular service
- ★ Heritage stock, plus mixed passenger/freight trains
- ★ Guided tour of Wernigerode locomotive works
- ★ Stay in beautiful old Wernigerode

### Also included in your Tour Fare:

- ★ Dinner included each evening
- ★ Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager
- ★ NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT – if booked by 31 October 2015

A great mid-winter break where we hope for crisp snow and blue sky to accentuate the locomotives storming their way around the incredible and genuinely beautiful Harz Region of Germany. The climb up to Brocken summit, a former Soviet stronghold, overlooking the Western Plain is an incredible experience and contrasts with the rural, rustic and at times idyllic Selkethal section of the system that meanders its way through the small villages and fields.

Based in the stunning and historic town of the witches – Wernigerode this is an immensely popular tour and early booking is highly recommended – particularly as we are offering no single supplement for those requiring single occupancy of a room for a limited period only.



Private vintage charters

© Tony Streeter

## SENSATIONAL WINTER STEAM

*Take a fabulous extended holiday! COMBINE TOURS and enjoy even more great steam and save £449!*

**Harz Winter Steam**  
*plus*  
**Poland Steam, Snow & World War II**  
(14 days in total – see overleaf)



Meandering on the Selkethal line

© Dave Gibson



Parallel departure Alexisbad

© Dave Gibson



Wonderful Winter Steam

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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Wednesday 3 February

Depart London circa 10.58 hrs by Eurostar to Brussels then via Cologne to Wuppertal where we enjoy a journey aboard the unique Schwebbahn overhead railway before a welcome buffet evening meal at the Inter City hotel. (D)

### DAY 2 Thursday 4 February

After breakfast we continue by train via Hannover and Goslar to Wernigerode arriving mid-afternoon. Here we have an introductory tour of beautiful Wernigerode followed by a guided tour of the HSB works at Wernigerode Westerntor to view the locomotives under repair and the skilled craftsmen at work who keep this wonderful railway operating daily throughout the year. We conclude our day with a super buffet-style evening meal at the HKK Hotel. (B,D)

### DAY 3 Friday 5 February

The first of three fabulous days on the wonderful Harz Mountains Railway with special charter trains using locomotives not usually used on scheduled services including, of course, the historic Mallet locomotives.

Over the three days we will cover the whole of the system, lots of photo run-pasts, using heritage stock both passenger, mixed, and in all probability the freight stock carrying standard gauge waggons.

For many years this has been one of our most popular tours and the final daily timetable is still being finalised with the Friends of the HSB.

At the end of each day we have our buffet meal at the HKK hotel. (B,D)

### DAY 4 Saturday 6 February

Our second day of magical Harz photographic steam charters concluding with our evening meal at the HKK Hotel. (B,D)

### DAY 5 Sunday 7 February

A final day of superb steam on the Harz concluding with our meal at the HKK hotel followed by a beer or other beverage, courtesy of Railtrail Tours, at the local hostelry that has been the unofficial Railtrail Wernigerode Office for the last decade or more. (B,D)

### DAY 6 Monday 8 February

Today, if returning to London we depart Wernigerode travelling via Hannover to Brussels, and onwards to London St Pancras International arriving circa 19.03 hrs. For those joining the Poland, Steam, Snow & WW2 tour we depart Wernigerode to Berlin Hbf via Magdeburg to meet up with fellow participants on that tour. (B)

(B) = Breakfast included, (D) = Dinner included

## HARZ WINTER STEAM ENTHUSIASTS' FESTIVAL

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	<b>£899</b>
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First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	<b>£1 195</b>
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**NO Single Room Supplement**  
\*If booked by 31 October 2015 – £99 thereafter

Fare inclusive of:  
5 nights bed, breakfast & evening meal  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed  
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

## HOTELS

### Inter City Hotel, Wuppertal

This city centre hotel has a pleasant bar and restaurant serving local and international specialities. Modern en-suite rooms include satellite TV, radio, mini-bar and Wi-Fi.

### Hotel HKK, Wernigerode

This stylish, 4 star hotel is close by the historic Old Town and offers modern, comfortable rooms, featuring flat-screen TV and radio. Enjoy culinary delights in the buffet restaurant and relax in the bar or sauna, steam bath, jacuzzi & infrared cabin.

## Combine Tours: HARZ WINTER STEAM ENTHUSIASTS' FESTIVAL Plus

### POLAND STEAM, SNOW & WORLD WAR II

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Wernigerode / Zbaszynek, including Standard Eurostar	<b>£1945</b>
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First Class rail travel to / from Wernigerode / Zbaszynek, including Standard Premier Eurostar	<b>£2345</b>
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**NO Single Room Supplement**  
\*If booked by 31 October 2015 – £250 thereafter

Fare inclusive of:  
13 nights bed & breakfast, 12 evening meals, 1 late lunch  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
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All fares based upon sharing a twin-bedded en-suite room; single rooms available for a supplement.

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# POLAND STEAM, SNOW & WORLD WAR II

**FOCUS ON STEAM**  
WITH RAILTRAIL TOURS

**10**  
DAYS

A completely new itinerary combining superb mainline and narrow gauge steam with cab rides, run-pasts etc plus visits to World War II venues including POW camp Stalag III – Treat yourself to a Great Escape!

**DEPARTS**

Sunday 7 February 2016

**Fares**  
From  
**£1495**



Rural and rustic steam

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ New Wolsztyn steam destination of Zbaszynek
- ★ Mainline steam to Zagan
- ★ Private steam photo charter at Gniezno
- ★ Visit Stalag Luft III – The Great Escape POW Camp
- ★ Tour the massive German Fortifications and Underground Railway at Kalawa
- ★ Rustic, rural railways in decline
- ★ Mainline steam with optional cab rides & driving!
- ★ Private Wolsztyn depot photo shoot
- ★ Capture a bygone scene before its gone
- ★ Option to combine with 'Harz Winter Steam Enthusiasts Festival'
- ★ **NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT\*** (For early bookings)

We include a number of new Wolsztyn steam routes including trips to Zbaszynek, Zagan, Leszno and three shorter excursions plus narrow gauge steam on the superbly rural and rustic narrow gauge line at Gniezno. And for the first time we include visits to the German fortifications at Kalawa and its underground railway lines plus travelling by steam to Stalag Luft III POW camp.

As you can see from the above Poland is a destination where steam continues to be on the brink, whether narrow or standard gauge. Without the intervention of the 'Jones boys' Trevor and Howard in forming Wolsztyn Experience then it is doubtful it would have lasted this long.

We have concentrated this time a little more on mainline steam as that is under the greatest threat of withdrawal although we simply can't leave Gniezno out of any steam itinerary.

The thought that you can not only board the cab of a scheduled public service train and ride in it, but also have your hand on the regulator - all for just a few pounds supplement - is simply amazing.

## SENSATIONAL WINTER STEAM

*Take a fabulous extended holiday!  
COMBINE TOURS and enjoy even  
more great steam and save £449!*

### Poland Steam, Snow & World War II

*plus*

**Harz Winter Steam**  
(14 days in total – see overleaf)



Kalawa Underground



Raw Steam



Delightful Gniezno



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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Sunday 7 February

We depart London St. Pancras International circ. 14.00 hrs and travel by Eurostar to Brussels and onwards via Cologne to Wuppertal for one night dinner, bed & breakfast at the InterCity Hotel. (D)

### DAY 2 Monday 8 February

We continue by high speed train to Berlin Ostbahnhof, where we are joined by clients who have travelled independently by air and those travelling from Wernigerode in the Harz on the "Combined Tour". Depart Berlin Ost at 13.37 hrs to Zbaszynek, arriving 15.45 hrs. We transfer to the Kaukaska hotel, Wolsztyn and a welcome evening meal at a local restaurant. (B,D)

### DAY 3 Tuesday 9 February

A truly fascinating heritage and explorer day as we take you by coach to view the Miedzyszczec Underground Fortifications and the complex of dark concrete tunnels and corridors, munition chambers, barracks, and secret rooms, which extend for more than 50 km and are buried between 20 and 50 metres below ground. Some of the tunnels are so large that a two track, underground, narrow gauge electric railway, complete with stations, was able to run through the tunnels carrying personnel and munitions. Although we will view just a small part it is thought to be the longest underground defensive complex in the world. This day also includes a late afternoon lunch in the castle at Lagow. (B,L)

### DAY 4 Wednesday 10 February

We transfer by private coach to Nowy Tonysl then InterCity train to Gniezno for our private steam photo charter with 0-8-0 Px48 featuring many run-pasts, including two street scene shots in Gniezno, with unlimited footplate rides for clients when travelling between photo shoots. (B,D)

### DAY 5 Thursday 11 February

Standard gauge mainline steam at Wolsztyn, with two round trips between Wolsztyn and Zbaszynek where you can choose to either ride the train or lineside on this non-

scheduled service. The locomotives for the next four days will be chosen from a pool of the PT47-65 (if a runner) or the OL49-69 or the OL49-59. (B,D)

### DAY 6 Friday 12 February

More mainline steam at Wolsztyn, with two round trips between Wolsztyn and its new destination of Leszno to enjoy semi-fast mainline steam at its best. Optional footplate rides – two or three stations for £25, or alternatively a hands-on driving opportunity with tuition for around 15 miles for £60. These payments are to be made in sterling directly to the Wolsztyn team on arrival; all monies go to their project.

Anticipated locomotives on view at Leszno are Ty3-2, Ty2-1086, 0149-60, 0149-89, 0149-23, the original 0149-69 (the current 69 is in Wolsztyn and was 99) and, in a dismantled state, 0149-111. (B,D)

### DAY 7 Saturday 13 February

Recreating history as we take our steam hauled train to Zagan and the former POW Stalag Luft III camp for a guided tour of the camp where the bravery of the prisoners was famously recreated in the 'Great Escape' film. (B,D)

### DAY 8 Sunday 14 February

A penultimate day in Poland relaxing with steam for fun as we take a number of short steam excursions from Wolsztyn to Stefanowo, Rakoniewce and Nowowies Mochy, followed by a farewell evening meal. (B,D)

### DAY 9 Monday 15 February

Bidding farewell to Wolsztyn we travel by private bus to view the stored locomotives at the Powodowo Factory: Ty45-379, Ty2-406, Ty2-1279, Ty42-148 and Tkt48-147 before continuing to Zbaszynek to board the early afternoon train to Berlin and onwards to Wuppertal and a final night at the Inter City hotel. (B,D)

### Day 10 Tuesday 16 February

If you wish, take the opportunity of a ride on the unique Schwebebahn 'dingle-dangle' railway before we depart Wuppertal by ICE train and travel via Cologne to Brussels, then to London St. Pancras International arriving circ. 16.03 hrs. (B)

(B) = Breakfast included, (D) = Dinner included, (L) = Lunch included

## POLAND STEAM, SNOW & WORLD WAR II

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Zbaszynek, including Standard Eurostar **£1495**

First Class rail travel to / from Zbaszynek, including Standard Premier Eurostar **£1895**

**NO Single Room Supplement**  
\*If booked by 31 October 2015 – £175 thereafter

8 nights bed & breakfast & evening meal  
1 night Bed & Breakfast and late lunch  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
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First Class rail travel to Wernigerode / from Zbaszynek, including Standard Premier Eurostar **£2345**

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Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
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# BAIE DE SOMME STEAM GALA & MUCH, MUCH, MORE

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WITH RAILTRAIL TOURS

**6**  
DAYS

The fabulous Baie de Somme steam gala plus 4 narrow gauge private steam charters, a potential mainline steam run, historic WW1 battlefield tour, optional free-time in Paris, and the idyllic riverside café culture of Amiens.

**DEPARTS**

Tuesday 12 April 2016

**Fares**  
From  
**£799**



Parallel departure, Baie de la Somme railway

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ 2 days at the superb Baie de la Somme steam gala
- ★ Private steam charter, Froissy-Cappy-Dompierre 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
- ★ Based at historic Amiens on the banks of the River Somme
- ★ Delightful Baie De Somme coastal resorts
- ★ Optional sightseeing day in Paris.
- ★ Possible Mainline Steam Amiens-Noyelles

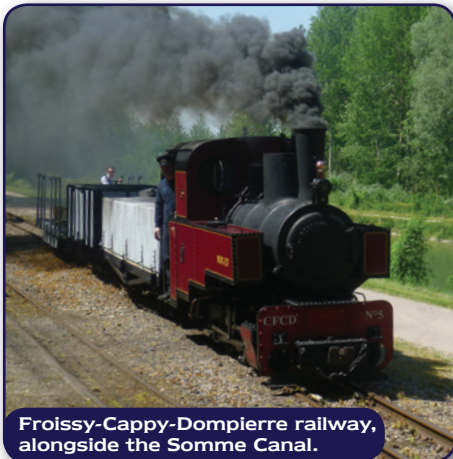
A wonderful tour based around the superb Baie de Somme Steam Festival celebrations. Which will delight enthusiasts and partners alike, who appreciate the novelty of the railways and the gentle pace of the tour allowing ample opportunity to 'opt out' of the programme to spend free-time enjoying the café 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.



Steam at Chanteraines



Valmondois



Froissy-Cappy-Dompierre railway, alongside the Somme Canal.



Baie de la Somme



Relaxing Amiens



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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Tuesday 12 April 2016

We depart London St. Pancras International circa 12.57 hrs by Eurostar to France and by local train service to Amiens where we stay for four nights at the Hotel Campanile, adjacent to the station with numerous bars and restaurants nearby and along the banks of the River Somme.

Each evening is free for you to explore and to dine at leisure at a restaurant of your choice, or to join your Tour Manager at our choice of typical French restaurants (not included in tour fare).

### DAY 2 Wednesday 13 April 2016

Travelling by train to Paris and then by local train to Valmondois for a metre gauge steam charter over the MTVS line (Musée des Tramways à Vapeur et Chemins de Fer Secondaires), run-bys included and a visit to their depot containing steam locos, early diesel railcar and coaching stock from various lines in France. There is time for lunch at a bar by the station before travelling by local train to Gennevilliers for another exclusive steam charter over part of the 60cm Chanteraines line. A visit to their depot and workshop is included. Later take the tram and RER service into Paris for our return rail journey to Amiens. If you wish to spend the day in Paris you might like to maximise your time by travelling on the hop on hop off tourist buses. (B)

### DAY 3 Thursday 14 April 2016

Today we travel by private coach to the 2ft gauge Froissy-Cappy-Dompierre railway, a former First World War line running alongside the Somme Canal. We have our own private steam photo charter over the whole line before taking lunch. This popular tourist line has an excellent railway museum and features roadside and canal-side running, a switchback and a tunnel.

We conclude our day with a poignant visit to one of the best preserved WW1 battlefield sites at Beaumont-Hamel and a tour of the trenches may leave you aghast at the close proximity of the rival forces. (B,L)

### DAY 4 Friday 15 April 2016

Either today or tomorrow we are hoping to offer mainline steam to the Baie de Somme steam festival from Amiens hauled by Pacific 231K8. If it takes place it will be offered as an option at a supplementary fare. The tour fare includes scheduled rail travel from Amiens to Noyelles.

The steam festival itself, for which we have included a two day rover ticket to allow you to do exactly what you wish, is expected to feature steam from 5 countries including Belgium, Czech Republic (an 0-8-0), Germany and 'King Haakon' from the Kent & East Sussex line. In total about 15 locos in steam of various gauges, steam throughout the whole route to Cayeux-sur-Mer, double headed freight, and lots, lots more. (B)

### DAY 5 Saturday 16 April 2016

After breakfast we travel by local train to Noyelles to enjoy more steam on the beautifully rural and rustic Baie de la Somme railway. In addition to the fabulous steam event itself the railway's coastal resort of St Valery is a delightful destination famed for its local restaurants and the local speciality – moules. (B)

### DAY 6 Sunday 17 April 2016

Our final attraction is a private steam photo charter at the Train Touristique de la Vallée de la Scarpe (TTVS). This excellent 60 cms steam line offers great rural canal side photo opportunities and is a delightful way to conclude our tour before returning to Lille for our Eurostar back to London St Pancras International, arriving circa 18.09 hrs. (B)

(B) = Breakfast included, (D) = Dinner included, (L) = Lunch included

## BAIE DE SOMME STEAM GALA & MUCH, MUCH, MORE

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from France, including Standard Eurostar	£799
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Single Room Supplement	£195
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Fare inclusive of:

5 nights bed & breakfast, 1 Lunch

Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)

All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

All fares based upon sharing a twin-bedded en-suite room; single rooms available for a supplement.

### GUARANTEED FARE – No currency surcharge

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## HOTEL

### Hotel Campanile, Amiens

A good quality, modern, hotel adjacent to the station complete with café, bar and restaurant. Spacious, light rooms have been designed to offer you a relaxed stay: courtesy tray with tea, coffee and biscuits, flat screen TV, direct telephone and Internet connection for your computer. Extensive local produce continental buffet breakfast with freshly baked bread and pastries.

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# BAVARIAN STEAM, RAIL & ALE TRAIL

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WITH RAILTRAIL TOURS

Based in the historic city of Nuremberg, we combine superb steam action with tours of the famous Bavarian and Czech breweries to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the German Brewing Law.

**7**  
DAYS

**DEPARTS**

Wednesday 4 May 2016

**Fares**  
From  
**£1299**



Nuremberg

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Private steam photo charter Ebermannstadt to Behringersmühle.
- ★ Mainline steam excursion to Pilsen
- ★ Tour of Pilsen brewery
- ★ Visit to a steam gala at the Bavarian Railway Museum
- ★ Mainline steam excursion from Nördlingen
- ★ Tour, tasting, and dinner at the Alstadthof brewery
- ★ Mainline steam excursion to Lake Ammersee
- ★ Admission & tour of Augsburg Railway Park
- ★ Admission & tour of German Railway Museum, Neuenmarkt-Wirsberg
- ★ Admission & Tour of German National Railway Museum, Nuremberg
- ★ Tour, tasting and dinner at the Mönchshof brewery
- ★ The beautiful UNESCO World Heritage city of Bamberg
- ★ Experience the Schlenkerla smoked beer at the brewery restaurant



Class 41 steaming through the landscape

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plus

### 3 Countries Steam

(14 days in total – see overleaf)



600mm steam at Neuenmarkt



52 8195 steam in Northern Bavaria



Taste Schlenkerla smoked beers



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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Wednesday 4 May

We depart London St. Pancras International circa 08.55 hrs and travel by Eurostar to Brussels and onwards via Frankfurt arriving Nuremberg circa 20.00 hrs for a welcome evening meal at the Inter City Hotel adjacent to the station. (D)

### DAY 2 Thursday 5 May

The first of our mainline steam excursions takes us to Pilsen hauled by Class 52 8195 where we have a tour of the famous brewery with some free-time before steaming back to Nuremberg. (B)

### DAY 3 Friday 6 May

Travelling by regional train to visit and tour the superb German Museum of Steam Locomotives at Neuenmarkt-Wirsberg before enjoying a tour and tasting of 3 beers at the Mönchshof brewery and dining in their restaurant. (B,D)

### DAY 4 Saturday 7 May

Travelling by train to a special steam day at the Bavarian Railway Museum in Nördlingen where 4 locos are anticipated to be in steam. In the afternoon we have a mainline excursion run with either Class 52 8168 or Class 01 180 or Class 01 1066. Back in Nuremberg we enjoy a tour of the old cellar labyrinth of the Alstadthof brewery including dinner, 3 types of beer and 2 beer schnapps. (B,D)

### DAY 5 Sunday 8 May

Travelling by train to the excellent Augsburg Railway Park, home to steam and heritage diesel & electric locos in both the steam depot and roundhouse. We then take a mainline steam excursion with Class 38 1301 or Class 41 018 to Lake Ammersee and return. (B)

### DAY 6 Monday 9 May

Today we have a private photo steam charter on the standard gauge Fränkische Schweiz line from Ebermannstadt to Behringersmühle with a 3 course lunch and 3 types of beer including the renowned Schlenkeria smoked beer. After some free-time in attractive UNESCO World Heritage Bamberg, we return as outward to Nuremberg. (B,L)

### DAY 7 Tuesday 10 May

There is time for us to visit the DB Museum in Nuremberg before departing for London or Freiburg if joining the 3 Countries Steam tour. If returning to London we depart Nuremberg circa 12.00 hrs arriving back in London St Pancras International at circa 20.00 hrs. (B)

(B) = Breakfast included, (D) = Dinner included, (L) = Lunch included



89 6024 at Neuenmarkt-Wirsberg

## Combine Tours: 3 COUNTRIES STEAM Plus BAVARIAN STEAM RAIL & ALE TRAIL

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	£2644
First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	£3145
Single Room Supplement	£345

Fare inclusive of:  
13 nights bed & breakfast, 4 evening meals, 1 lunch  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed  
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

All fares based upon sharing a twin-bedded en-suite room; single rooms available for a supplement.

### GUARANTEED FARE – No currency surcharge

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## BAVARIAN STEAM, RAIL & ALE TRAIL

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	£1299
First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	£1620
Single Room Supplement	£120

6 nights' bed, breakfast hotel accommodation  
3 dinners & 1 Lunch  
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# 3 COUNTRIES STEAM - GERMANY, FRANCE & SWITZERLAND

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Enjoy an amazing variety of mainline & narrow gauge steam through fabulous lakes & mountains scenery! A wonderful steam nostalgia tour, plus new venues not previously visited by Railtrail.

**8**  
DAYS

**DEPARTS**

Tuesday 10 May 2016

**Fares**  
From  
**£1595**



Rural Germany

Mainline express steam to leisurely rural narrow gauge, with a stunning mixture of spectacular scenery from deep in the Black Forest to the Blonay-Chamby line overlooking the vast waters of Lake Geneva. A tour of great steam railway journeys in three countries, each unique in rich heritage, sensational scenery and steam loco power.

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Spectacular steam in even more spectacular scenery
- ★ Mainline Black Forest steam tour to Lakes Titisee and surrounding area
- ★ Steam on the twists and turns of the Sauschwänzlebahn, plus private lineside bus for great photo opportunities
- ★ Mainline steam to Neuchâtel with Class 52 221
- ★ Tour of loco shed at St Sulpice
- ★ Steam on the 13 Kms standard gauge Kandertalbahn
- ★ Steam on the 12 Kms Standard gauge Chemin de Fer du Rhin
- ★ Vintage tram charter in Freiburg
- ★ Private steam charter in the beautiful Alsace region of France on the Train Doller
- ★ Switzerland's Blonay-Chamby lines' steam & heritage railway festival.
- ★ Visit the fascinating French "Cité du Train" railway museum at Mulhouse
- ★ Stay in the beautiful Black Forest city of Freiburg
- ★ Option to combine with Bavarian Steam, Rail & Ale Trail tour



Lake Geneva

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Blonay-Chamby

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Freiburg

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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Tuesday 10 May

We depart London St Pancras International by Eurostar to Paris, and then by high speed train via Mannheim to Freiburg, where we have a welcome evening meal at the Inter City hotel. (D)

### DAY 2 Wednesday 11 May

A leisurely day as we tour Freiburg aboard our privately chartered vintage tram followed by a free afternoon with time to enjoy the town and its funicular railway. Each evening is free for you to explore and to dine at leisure at a restaurant of your choice, or to join your Tour Manager at our choice of typical local restaurants (not included in tour fare). (B)

### DAY 3 Thursday 12 May

Crossing the border by scheduled train into France where we have a private steam photo charter on the 14 kms long Train Touristique Thur Doller Alsace, before visiting the French National Railway Museum at Mulhouse. (B)

### DAY 4 Friday 13 May

A day of steam on the magnificent spirals, twists and turns of the Sauschwänzlebahn, combining riding this stunning steam line with also using our private bus to hop-on and hop-off for great landscape photography. The line is situated on the edge of the Black Forest and is commonly known as "the pigtail" due to its tortuous route. (B)

### DAY 5 Saturday 14 May

Travelling by train to Fleurier in Switzerland for a scenic mainline steam journey hauled by Class 52 221 along the route Fleurier-Travers-St Sulpice (visit of Loco shed) – Fleurier – Travers – Neuchâtel a picturesque resort on the shores of Lake Neuchâtel surrounded by the Jura Hills where we enjoy a sightseeing break before returning by scheduled train to Freiburg. (B)

### DAY 6 Sunday 15 May

A day of 'Railtrail Firsts' as we commence with a first time visit to the 13 kms standard gauge Kandertalbahn for a steam hauled run along the whole length of the line. We follow this with another 'First' as we visit and ride the 12 kms long standard gauge Chemin de Fer du Rhin again with steam haulage along the whole line. (B)

### DAY 7 Monday 16 May

We are currently awaiting confirmation of a mainline steam excursion to Vevey in Switzerland if this is not confirmed travel will be by scheduled rail service. At Vevey we have a fabulous scenic steam journey along the Blonay-Chamby route overlooking Lake Geneva, plus admission to the Chaulin Museum Steam Festival. As Vevey is on the shores of Lake Geneva there is the option of local sightseeing. We return to Germany by either steam or scheduled service trains. (B)

### DAY 8 Tuesday 17 May

We return by high speed trains from Freiburg via Brussels to London St Pancras International. (B)

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Sauschwanzlebahn

### 3 COUNTRIES STEAM

#### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	<b>£1595</b>
First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	<b>£1925</b>
Single Room Supplement	<b>£225</b>

7 nights' bed & breakfast, 1 evening meal.  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed  
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

### Combine Tours: 3 COUNTRIES STEAM Plus

#### BAVARIAN STEAM RAIL & ALE TRAIL

#### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	<b>£2644</b>
First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	<b>£3145</b>
Single Room Supplement	<b>£345</b>

Fare inclusive of:  
13 nights bed & breakfast, 4 evening meals, 1 lunch  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed  
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

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# GERMAN SUMMER STEAM EXPLORER

**FOCUS ON STEAM**  
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**6**  
DAYS

Re-visiting some super lines we have not been to for a while: Rübeland, Stassfurt, and Mansfelder Bergwerkbahn plus a new destination – Nettetalbahn and a mainline steam run with a loco we haven't used before.

**DEPARTS**

Thursday 16 June 2016

**Fares**  
From  
**£1189**



Storming up the Rübeland

© Helmut Werner

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Rare opportunity of riding with steam up the famous Rübeland Railway
- ★ Private steam charter on the 750 mm Mansfelder Bergwerkbahn
- ★ Mainline steam excursion with Class 44 1486
- ★ Private standard gauge steam photo charter
- ★ Visit to Stassfurt steam shed
- ★ Guided tour of Magdeburg Railway Museum
- ★ Journey on the Schwebebahn overhead railway
- ★ Option to extend onto great value break in the Harz

**Also included in your Tour Fare:**

- ★ Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

Come and relax in rural Germany in the warmth of summer and enjoy great steam action at a variety of lines varying from mainline steam excursion through to gently meandering rural countryside on a 750mm heritage railway. Then throw in a rare steam thrash up one of the steepest standard gauge inclines (only operating on two dates in 2016), a steam charter on a new line for Railtrail – the standard gauge Nettetalbahn and a couple of railway museums, and suddenly this is one not to miss – particularly when it can be combined with an even more relaxing break in beautiful Wernigerode riding and lineside photographing steam on the wonderful Harz Mountains Railway.

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*plus*

**Harz Mountains Summer Steam Explorer**

(10 days in total – see overleaf)



Steam Charter, Mansfelder Bergwerkbahn

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'The Beast' 95 027



Steam at work, Mansfelder Bergwerkbahn

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Wuppertal Schwebebahn



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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Thursday 16 June

Depart London circa 10.58 hrs by Eurostar to Brussels then via Cologne and Hanover to Magdeburg where we have a welcome buffet evening meal at the Inter City hotel. (D)

### DAY 2 Friday 17 June

Travelling by train to enjoy a private steam photo charter with run-pasts and photo stops on the Mansfelder Bergwerkbahn which is Germany's oldest narrow gauge railway which opened in 1880. This 750 mm railway is 11 Kms long and operates through pleasant rural scenery and has always been popular on previous visits. We will also be having a guided tour of the MaLoWa railway shed before enjoying a goulash soup lunch courtesy of Railtrail Tours.

Our afternoon visit takes us to Stassfurt for a tour of the traditional standard gauge mainline shed which currently hosts 5 locomotives including Class 44 1486 which we anticipate will be being prepped ready for its mainline run tomorrow. We have arranged for a barbecue meal with the volunteers of the railway at the depot. The evening is free at leisure in Magdeburg. (B,L,D)

### DAY 3 Saturday 18 June

Travelling by regional train to Stassfurt where we board our mainline steam excursion hauled by Class 44 1486 this full day tour with ample time for sightseeing is currently classed as a 'Mystery Excursion' as we are still negotiating the destination. Upon return to Magdeburg the evening is again free at leisure. (B)

### DAY 4 Sunday 19 June

We commence with a visit to the railway museum in Magdeburg which is home to just two steam locomotives. We then have a fabulous steam experience thrashing our way up the steeply inclined line in the Harz mountains known as the Rübeland with the brute of a 2-10-2 loco Class 95 027 accompanied by a cacophony of sound. The railway is only open on two dates in 2016 so this is a day not to be missed. (B)

### DAY 5 Monday 20 June

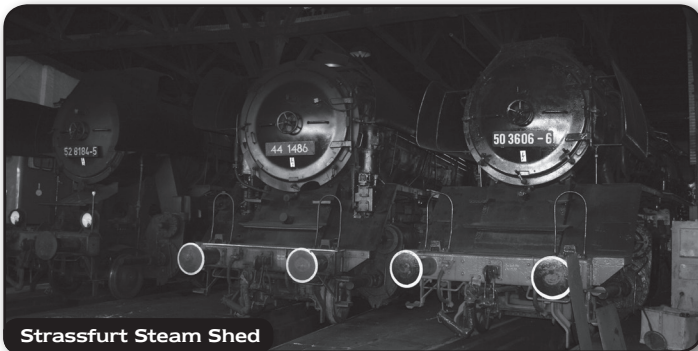
A final day of superb steam as we take you for a private steam charter along a line we have not previously visited – The Nettetalbahn is on the edge of the Harz region and our private charter is scheduled to be hauled by a 1911 built T3 0-6-0 tank engine and will feature a number of photo run pasts between Bornum to Derneburg and return. We have also included a light lunch before taking the charter train back to Derneburg, this time hauled by an industrial diesel locomotive.

At Derneburg we bid farewell to those who are combining the tour with the Harz Summer Steam. Meanwhile we continue by train via Hanover to Wuppertal where we have a farewell evening meal and accommodation at the Inter City hotel. (B,L,D)

### DAY 6 Tuesday 21 June

After a morning ride on the unique Schwebebahn overhead railway we board our train and return to London St Pancras International via Cologne and Brussels. (B)

(B) = Breakfast included, (D) = Dinner included, (L) = Lunch included



Strassfurt Steam Shed

## GERMAN SUMMER STEAM EXPLORER

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	<b>£1189</b>
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First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	<b>£1489</b>
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Single Room Supplement	<b>£95</b>
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5 nights' bed & breakfast, 2 evening meals, 2 light lunches, 1 barbecue.  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed  
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

### Combine Tours:

## HARZ MOUNTAINS SUMMER STEAM EXPLORER Plus GERMAN SUMMER STEAM EXPLORER

### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	<b>£1888</b>
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First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	<b>£2288</b>
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Single Room Supplement	<b>£196</b>
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Fare inclusive of:  
9 nights bed & breakfast, 7 evening meals, 3 lunches  
Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed  
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

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# HARZ MOUNTAINS SUMMER STEAM EXPLORER & MORE

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WITH RAILTRAIL TOURS

**7**  
DAYS

Experience a summer idyll riding, photographing & line-siding in the stunning Harz including a brand new steam line. Plus Wuppertal's tramway museum, vintage tram charter and the amazing Schwebebahn.

**DEPARTS**

Sunday 19 June 2016

**Fares**  
From  
**£999**



Glorious Harz Steam

© HSB / Dirk Bahnsen

A wonderful summer tour steaming over all three lines of the Harz Mountains Railway: the rural Selkethal and branches, storming the mighty Brocken Mountain, and the opportunity to steam into Nordhausen.

Plus discover a brand new steam line on the edge of the Harz aboard our private steam charter then conclude this super tour with a visit to Wuppertal's excellent tram museum including a private vintage tram charter and of course the much loved Schwebebahn overhead railway.

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Private Steam Charter on new for Railtrail line Bornum-Derneburg
- ★ Private vintage tram ride
- ★ Tour of Wuppertal Tram Museum
- ★ Ride the amazing Schwebebahn overhead railway
- ★ Enjoy the wonderful Harz Steam Railway in summer
- ★ Private lineside photographer's bus to hop on and off as you wish
- ★ Experience the smells and sounds in an open waggon immediately behind the loco
- ★ Trundle with steam along the rural Selkethal
- ★ Storming by steam to Brocken summit
- ★ A private tour of Wernigerode locomotive works
- ★ Based in beautiful old Wernigerode with Half Board
- ★ Option to combine with the German Summer Steam Explorer



Picturesque Wernigerode



Steam to Brocken summit

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**German  
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Wuppertal Vintage trams



Steaming through the idyllic Selkethal valley

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## ITINERARY

### DAY 1 Sunday 19 June

Depart London circa 14.00 hrs by Eurostar to Brussels then by high speed train via Cologne (dep 19.25 hrs) to Wuppertal for a welcome evening meal at the InterCity Hotel and perhaps an after dinner relax in the hotel bar. (D)

### DAY 2 Monday 20 June

Continuing by train via Hannover to Derneburg where we meet the German Summer Steam group and continue by road the short distance to Bornum. Here we have a private steam charter along a line we have not previously visited – The Nettetalbahn is on the edge of the Harz region and our private charter is scheduled to be hauled by a 1911 built T3 0-6-0 tank engine and will feature a number of photo run pasts between Bornum to Derneburg and return. We have also included a light lunch before taking the charter train back to Derneburg, this time hauled by an industrial diesel locomotive. At Derneburg whilst the German Summer Steam group commence their homeward journey we travel by train to Wernigerode via Goslar and our tour base at the HKK Hotel and a welcome evening meal. (B,L,D)

### DAY 3 Tuesday 21 June

A fantastic day rambling by steam around the rural and rustic Selkethal section of the Harz Railway system. The Selkethal transports you back to the days of lightly-used British branch lines, as the train meanders along at a gentle pace through beautiful pastureland and little river valleys, interspersed by traditional German villages.

To enhance your day we have our own private coach 'shadowing' the train so you can hop on and off as you wish; you can choose to ride the train or get ahead to photograph it. In previous years this has been immensely popular.

Our steam route\* is: Quedlinburg – Alexisbad – Gernrode (lunch) – Stiege – Hasselfelde – Stiege - Eisfelder Talmühle.

\*An option to rise early and travel to, then ride, the short Harzgerode branch with steam is available at a supplement, payable locally. (B,L,D)

### DAY 4 Wednesday 22 June

We commence with a private guided tour of the Wernigerode locomotive works. We then storm by steam up the Brocken Mountain, hauled by one of the 2-10-2 tank locos of the Brockenbahn.

We return to the junction station at Drei Annen Hohne where you have 3 options included in your tour fare ...

Take a steam trip (sitting in the open cabrio wagon if you wish) to Eisfelder Talmühle then returning by steam to Wernigerode via Drei Annen Hohne.

Just enjoy a relaxing afternoon at Drei Annen Hohne station watching and photographing the steam departures.

Or from Drei Annen Hohne you can return direct to Wernigerode by steam to enjoy an afternoon sightseeing in one of Germany's most historic and pretty towns.

Back in Wernigerode we have another fine buffet evening meal at our hotel. (B,D)

### DAY 5 Thursday 23 June

Relax all day in Wernigerode if you wish, or at no extra cost have another superb day of steam on the Harz Mountains Railway. With the freedom of the timetable there are lots of options but you may like to join the Tour Manager who will be steaming up to Drei Annen Hohne and onwards beyond Eisfelder Talmühle to the terminus of the Harzquerbahn at Nordhausen then returning back over the Harzquerbahn aboard a modern railcar to Wernigerode thereby travelling over all the HSB routes during the tour. (B,D)

### DAY 6 Friday 24 June

Bidding farewell to beautiful Wernigerode we travel by train back as far as Wuppertal for a guided tour of the excellent tram museum and a vintage tram charter followed by a ride over the whole of the amazing Schwebebahn overhead railway. We conclude our tour with a farewell evening meal at the Inter City hotel. (B,D)

### DAY 7 Saturday 25 June

Travelling by train via Cologne and Brussels then onwards to London St Pancras International arriving late afternoon. (B)

(B) = Breakfast included, (D) = Dinner included, (L) = Lunch included

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### FARES From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Eurostar	<b>£999</b>
First Class rail travel to / from Germany, including Standard Premier Eurostar	<b>£1299</b>
Single Room Supplement	<b>£120</b>

6 nights' bed, breakfast & evening meal plus 2 Light lunches Standard Class rail travel and seat reservations where available (subject to selected rail travel option)  
All transfers, excursions and admissions as detailed Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

All fares based upon sharing a twin-bedded en-suite room; single rooms available for a supplement.

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**Important Note:** Whilst the arrangements for all described steam train travel are in place we do reserve the right to make substitutions should it be deemed necessary for whatever reason. Your acceptance of this is a condition of your booking.

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