ICELAND

THE ULTIMATE DRIVING ADVENTURE





THE LAND OF FIRE & ICE

With its rugged volcanically-active terrain, few countries provide a better stage for a driving adventure than the land of fire and ice, showcasing the activity of Mother Nature in all her glory. A final relic from the world's last ice age, its shatteringly beautiful, barren and rugged lunar landscape is truly awe-inspiring.

On this adventure you'll be heading out into the alien hinterlands of Iceland's stark interior, powering across glaciers, through magma fields and skirting towering volcanoes and magnificent waterfalls in Land Rover's Discovery 4, a slick, technological masterpiece with all the modern comforts and capabilities to eat up the snow, ice and sand conditions that you'll encounter on your journey. Your route has been designed by Land Rover's experts, maximising driving experiences and those heart-stopping views out of your windscreen.

Starting in Reykjavík, your journey passes through Pingvellir National Park and the Golden Circle, home to powerful geysers and crashing waterfalls, as well as the black sand beaches of Vik, Iceland's most southerly point.

Enjoy the ride. ⊗

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Visit Iceland's epochal geysers, glaciers and waterfalls of the Golden Circle

Drive in challenging snow and ice conditions with expert guidance from Land Rover Experience Instructors

Enjoy the group camaraderie as you develop your driving skills together

Enjoy navigating and honing your skills on the black volcanic sand beaches

Try your hand at snowmobiling on the Langjökull glacier

Keep an eye on the skies for the ethereal Northern Lights

Stay in luxury boutique accommodation





DRIVING EXPERIENCE KEY

Adventure level: 22222

Types of driving:







Black sand beach

Accommodation Style: Boutique

Vehicle Type:

Land Rover Discovery 4

Manual or automatic: Automatic

No of customer vehicles: 7

Max No of Land Rover Experience Instructors: 5



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DAY 1

Landing at Keflavík's small but perfectly formed international airport, you could be forgiven for thinking that you were landing in a children's playground. Colourful Lego-like structures dot the landscape, resplendent in primary colours like giant building blocks; but this is merely where your journey begins. A member of the A&K team will meet you and transfer you to your hotel, the Hotel Borg. This Art Deco landmark hotel commands a central position, perfect for exploring Iceland's small capital. Enroute to your hotel, there may be the chance to stop at the bubbling thermal baths of the Blue Lagoon, located a short drive from Reykjavík. Make sure you pack your swimsuit - the air outside may be freezing but a dip in the lagoon is akin to a warm bath, and you can draw out the toxins by smothering yourself in natural clay, said to have restorative properties.

DAY 2

Meals: D

This morning you'll become acquainted with your Land Rover, before driving in convoy along Iceland's famous Route 1 towards your first destination. Circling around the island's coastline for 830 miles, Route 1 celebrates its fourth decade of service, and is a national emblem as well as a marvel of engineering. At its northern edge it skims the Arctic Circle, but you'll be driving along its southern route, traversing plunging gorges, remote plains, lava beds and mountain passes.

The terrain continues to change, and next it's time to test your Land Rover on the black sands that border the fishing villages of Thorlakshofn, Eyrarbakki and Stokkseyri.







PREVIOUS PAGE: GROUP PLANNING THE DAYS DRIVE; STOKKUR GEYSER; LAND ROVER

DISCOVERY 4

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HOTEL ION; DRIVING IN
CONVOY; POOL AT
HOTEL ION

FOLLOWING PAGE: BEHIND THE WHEEL; PLANE WRECK AT VIK

Icelandic Commonwealth and the oldest extant parliamentary constitution in the world. Your first stop will take in the rift valley, where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates are gradually - and visibly - moving away from each other, creating a deep fissure that creates beautifully clear diving conditions. The rest of the day will be spent honing your driving abilities in your Land Rover Discovery 4 as you follow in the path of modified Defender vehicles across the rugged Iceland terrain, driving in convoy in their tracks, as you conquer the icy roads. Your hotel - Hotel Ion – is set against a backdrop of majestic mountainous lava, and is in the perfect location for exploring the Golden Circle.

This is a more challenging feat than it might seem, as the constantly changing ground requires you to adapt your skills, but your expert Land Rover instructors will always be on hand for guidance. Your route will then

turn inland at the town of Þorlákshöfn, and

follow the Sog River. You'll skirt Iceland's

largest lake, Þingvallavatn, before reaching

Thingvellir National Park, a UNESCO-listed

World Heritage Site. Here you'll experience

was formed here, marking the start of the

Iceland's trio of natural attractions, in the form

of the Golden Circle. A central part of Iceland's history since 930AD, Iceland's first parliament

Meals: BLDDRIVING TIME: APPROX 5 HOURS

DAY 3

After a quick de-brief with your Land Rover instructors, it's time to put yesterday's learnings to the test as you drive towards the southern shores of Iceland. The views are sensational, \odot

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and on a clear day the mountains of the Vestmannaeyjar islands are a sight to behold.

Following a hearty lunch at the foot of the Eyjafjallajökull Glacier, continue your driving journey along the southern coast to the dramatic black sand beaches of Vik - one of the wettest places in Iceland and very characteristic of the area. Although greatly contrasting to a white sand tropical beach, they are no less beautiful and driving along the wet sands will give you a chance to put your newly acquired driving skills into practice. You'll visit the remarkable Skógafoss waterfall, positioned on the cliffs of what used to be the coastline. before it receded seaward some three miles away. One of the largest waterfalls in the country, it produces a vast amount of spray resulting in a constant rainbow, or sometimes even two (we would recommend packing an extra raincoat!). This alone is worth the trip. Meals: B L D

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DRIVING TIME: APPROX 6 HOURS

DAY 4

Driving through the snow and icy tracks from Thingvellir National Park to Geysir, you'll feel confident and at home behind the wheel of your Land Rover Discovery. Geysir is a must see and is home to a number of hot geysers, including Stokkur which spouts every few minutes at a height of up to 40 metres. A highlight of the day is Gulfoss, Iceland's most famous waterfall. Plummeting down over 30 metres it falls into a canyon, taking water away from the Langjökull glacier. And the excitement doesn't end here. Leaving the cars at Gulfoss, you'll be whisked away by modified Defender vehicles to the Langjökull glacier, the



second largest glacier in the country, where you'll spend the afternoon snowmobiling. After a day of adventure you'll drive back to Reykjavík and enjoy a well-deserved farewell dinner with your instructors and tour leader. **Meals:** *B L D*

DRIVING TIME: APPROX 4 HOURS

DAY 5

After breakfast at Hotel Borg, you'll have a final chance to explore downtown Reykjavík – the cathedral, restaurants, shops and harbour are all within close walking distance. You'll then be driven from your hotel back to Keflavík airport for your return flight home. You may also choose to visit the Blue Lagoon today if your flight time permits, and you did not have time to do so on your first day. Alternatively, you may wish to extend your trip in order to spend more time exploring this fascinating country. **Meals:** *B* ®



*Driving times and itinerary subject to change based on local weather conditions.



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Are these trips more for people interested in driving off-road or for seeing the destination?

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Is there a service car?

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Do I need to purchase extra insurance to be able to drive?

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We would like to extend our trip by a few days, can we do this?

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How much is the deposit?

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Why do I pay more if I'm a single traveller?

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If I am travelling by myself will I have my own vehicle?

No. As a single traveller you will be either paired in your vehicle with a fellow traveller or with a Land Rover Experience instructor for safety reasons. You will have your own room throughout.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS





Iceland's lure is in its topography: a wild, unrelenting celebration of Mother Nature and all her incredible possibilities, and the Blue Lagoon is one of the country's most iconic natural wonders. If your flight departs later in the day, and you didn't have time on day 1, we can arrange a chauffeured visit to the bubbling thermal baths, located a short drive from Reykjavík. Make sure you pack your swimsuit — the air outside may be freezing but a dip in the lagoon is akin to a warm bath, and you can draw out the toxins of the night before by smothering yourself in natural clay.



REYKJAVÍK CITY BREAK

Taking inspiration from New York, London and Scandinavia, Iceland's capital is cool in both design and temperature. Icelanders work hard but play hard too, and Reykjavík has a vibrant cultural buzz of impressive shopping, lively bars and a music scene that includes the internationally renowned festival, Airwaves. Downtown Reykjavík is small: the Borg is in the district with the best nightlife, while the old town has a Legolike charm and the freshest air in the world. Extend your four-night trip with a few nights to fully explore this quirky and historic city and its many fabulous restaurants and shops.

2016 DATES	PRICE PER PERSON	SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
24TH FEBRUARY – 28TH FEBRUARY	£4,495†	£1,150
2ND MARCH - 6TH MARCH	£4,495†	£1,150
9TH MARCH - 13TH MARCH	£4,495†	£1,150
16TH MARCH - 20TH MARCH	£4,495†	£1,150





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Our most varied driving experience, this adventure takes you across mountains, beaches, desert and canyons, all from behind the wheel of a Land Rover Discovery.

Morocco is a kaleidoscope of colour, culture and adventure. Discover a raw and varied landscape, of undulating desert dunes of saffron yellow, soaring mountains capped with glittering snow and vibrant cities humming with an effervescent energy. Morocco is blessed with a unique culture resulting from indelible Arabic, African and European influences; multifaceted, multi-coloured and multicultural, it's at once unpretentious and indulgent, but most importantly, intensely welcoming.

On this self-drive adventure you'll cross the barren flats between Marrakech and Essaouira, travelling the ancient route caravans once used along the romantic spice trails, driving in the shadow of the imposing Atlas Mountains. Powering across beaches, forest and desert dunes, you'll travel into the Atlas range, navigating your Land Rover Discovery along historic byways and off-road tracks, before returning to the heady souks of Marrakech.

This is an exhilarating and exotic adventure through Morocco's colourful land.

Enjoy the ride. ⊗

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Thrilling off-road driving from behind the wheel of a Land Rover Discovery

Driving in varied terrain, such as the Agafay Desert and the Atlas Mountains

Explore chaotic and exciting Marrakech, visiting Diemaa el-Fnaa and the souks

Stay in some of Morocco's finest accommodation

Enjoy the group camaraderie as you build your off-road driving skills together

Revel in the stunning scenery and warm hospitality of vibrant Moroccan culture

Experience A&K's acclaimed mobile tented camp in the heart of the Agafay Desert



DRIVING EXPERIENCE KEY

Adventure level: 99999

Types of driving:





Dirt 8 gravel tracks



Sand & beaches



Rocky crawl

Accommodation Style:

Boutique hotels & luxury tented camp

Vehicle Type:

Land Rover Discovery 4

Manual or automatic: Automatic

No of customer vehicles: 7

Max No of Land Rover Experience Instructors: 4



DAY 1

On arrival at Marrakech Menara Airport, you'll be fast-tracked through customs and chauffeured into the city to your luxury hotel, the magnificent Tigmiza Suites & Pavilions. Your fellow guests will join you for a welcome dinner before your driving adventure begins in the morning. **Meals:** D

DAY 2

After a brief familiarisation with your vehicle, you're off – nipping through the narrow switchback streets of Marrakech's captivating medina, bursting through the city limits into the affluent suburbs and out in to the barren flats outside the city. Today you'll be getting to know your Land Rover Discovery and its seemingly never ending limits, crossing the desert landscape between Marrakech and the coastal town of Essaouira, passing through villages and navigating rocky tracks. Your route will be watched over by the arresting north face of the Atlas Mountains, and you'll be driving in its looming shadow for most of the way.

As you edge closer to the Atlantic the landscape changes dramatically as the rocky desert gives way to beach and your first challenge awaits, testing your newfound driving skills that you have been honing on this morning's drive. This challenge is crossing the Oued Ksob River in order to reach the coastal town of Essaouria. The high water levels often make this crossing seem nigh on impossible and it often takes a few attempts - along with patience and the expert guidance of your Land Rover instructors – before making it to the other side. Your reward is lunch at the famous Essaouira institution, Chalet de la Plage, famed





for its freshly-caught grilled fish, sea urchin and oysters.

Essaouira is steeped in history and later this afternoon we've arranged for a private A&K guide to accompany you on a walking tour of this charming and historic Portuguese city. Its islands were inhabited as early as the 7th century BC and pottery found here proves the presence of both Carthaginians and Phoenicians. Your hotel for the night is the Sofitel Essaouira Mogador Golf and Spa resort, which is perfectly placed for soaking up the scenery with its ocean views. Meals: B L D **DRIVING TIME: APPROX 6 HRS**

DAY 3

Today you'll be taking on three different terrains: beach, sand dunes and rock, challenging yourself as well as the capabilities of your Discovery. You'll first make your way, in convoy, out of Essaouria and hopefully across the soft and humid sandy beaches, tide depending. The tide changes rapidly so you and your instructor will have to choose the best route south.

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LAND ROVER DISCOVERY: HARBOUR, ESSAOUIRA; MOROCCAN POTTERY

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LAND ROVER DISCOVERY DRIVING THROUGH SAND DUNES: LAND ROVER DISCOVERY WITH ATLAS MOUNTAINS IN BACKGROUND: TIGMIZA SUITES & PAVILIONS. MARRAKECH

If the tide is right, you'll be taking your Discovery on to the beach, but either way you'll enjoy a challenging sand drive up in the dunes. At times you'll find yourself balancing on two wheels as you surf along them kicking up the sand in your wake. The Race 2 Recovery teams train in these very dunes in preparation for the Dakar Rallly, and successfully conquering this terrain is key to how well they'll do in the big race. You'll all then cruise along the Atlantic coast before turning inland. As you leave the blue and white hued coastal villages behind, you'll pass through the semi-desert Souss valley. Thickly carpeted in thousands upon thousands of argan trees, the forest is designated as a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, inhabited by hundreds of goats who feast on the nuts and climb high into the trees.

You'll then contour along the foothills of the north face of the Atlas Mountains to discover a very different landscape, which mainly consists of large boulders and rocks which will require the best use of your new skills. You'll pass through traditional Berber villages from a bygone era and experience a mix of onroad and off-road terrain with awe-inspiring views of Mount Toubkal, the highest peak in Morocco at 4,167 metres. Finish this epic day with perhaps your toughest challenge yet – driving through a narrow rocky canyon to reach your luxury tented camp. This requires technical driving and you'll need to engage your Discovery in rock crawl in order to traverse it, again often balancing on two wheels. The difficulty of this pass means it can take a couple of hours to tackle, but you'll be in the capable hands of Land Rover instructors **(S)**

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who will guide you down. You'll be rewarded with a Moroccan feast as you arrive in A&K's luxury tented camp, your home for the night under a blanket of stars. **Meals:** *B L D* **DRIVING TIME:** APPROX 6 HRS

DAY 4

Leaving the desert landscape behind, your route brings you on a short drive back to Marrakech along compacted dirt terrain and gravel tracks via the Plateau du Kik, an area of awe-inspiring natural beauty where you can pause for lunch in a Berber village, trying traditional tagine-cooked dishes. The plateau has often been featured in the Paris to Dakar Rally and is the final stage of the Morocco Rally.

Next: Marrakech. A frantic circus of activity in the desert, prepare to lose your inhibitions and sense of direction and embrace the loud, colourful city and its hurried population. Try to walk ten paces in any direction and you'll come up against towering piles of spices, trundling donkey carts, piles of vibrant leather pouffes or stalls selling fragrant slow-cooked dishes to make your mouth water. In the centre of it all, Djemaa el-Fnaa is a brilliant culture shock and an immersion in all that is unfamiliar. Our Moroccan office has years of experience in guiding guests around the city. This is no normal, run-of-the-mill guided tour. We'll take you to the best bazaars, introduce you to the finest local craftsmen and show you where to sit for the best view of Djemaa el-Fnaa's incredible evening transformation, as the snake charmers make way for steaming street food outlets. Meals: B L D **DRIVING TIME:** APPROX 3 HRS





DAY 5

After four days of thrilling action, it's time to leave the cacophony of Marrakech behind. This is the end of your driving adventure, but we would recommend extending your stay in Marrakech for a few days to fully appreciate the city and all its splendours. Ma'assalama, Morocco. **Meals**: *B* ©





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Do I need to purchase extra insurance to be able to drive?

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What type of driver's license will I need?

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What is the minimum driving age for guests? The minimum driving age is 21 years.

Are the cars manual or automatic?
All cars are automatic.

What happens if a trip does not reach its minimum numbers? Will it be cancelled?

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Will I have my own vehicle if travelling alone?

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2016 DATES	PRICE PER PERSON	SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
20TH OCTOBER - 24TH OCTOBER	£4,995†	£1,150
26TH OCTOBER - 30TH OCTOBER	£4,995†	£1,150







OFF ROAD... IN CATALONIA

A country of cultural and culinary delights, diverse landscapes and pleasant weather, Spain is the perfect location for a self-drive adventure teamed with culture and history.

On this off-road journey, you'll navigate the diverse terrain of the Les Comes Estate, renowned amongst off-road driving enthusiasts for its challenging passes, a couple of which have been used in the qualifying stages of the Camel Trophy and G4 Challenge. The backdrop never disappoints, with the imposing yet stunning Montserrat Mountains being the stage for your driving adventure. Along the way you'll get a taste for the region with wine tasting, build

your team building skills as you help each other tackle the rocky passes and soak up the history of the area with a stay in a medieval castle.

As with all Land Rover Adventure Travel journeys, you'll be accompanied at every step of the way by Land Rover Instructors and an Abercrombie & Kent tour manager. Furthermore, A&K's informative local guides will add their insight whilst in Barcelona if you choose to extend your stay here, gleamed from years of guiding experience.

Enjoy the ride. ⊘

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Discover the stunning scenery of the Montserrat Mountains

Thrilling off-road driving on the spectacular Les Comes estate

Navigate challenging terrain used in the qualifying stages of the legendary Camel Trophy and G4 Challenge

Vineyard tour and wine tasting at your hotel, Can Bonastre Wine Resort

Reach the Benedictine monastery of Santa Maria de Montserrat by sky train

Enjoy the group camaraderie as you build your off-road driving skills together

Extend your trip and explore vibrant Barcelona



DRIVING EXPERIENCE KEY

Adventure level:

Types of driving:



On-road





Rock crawl



Accommodation Style: Boutique

Vehicle Type:

Land Rover Discovery

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DAY 1

On arrival into Barcelona, you'll be met by an A&K representative and whisked off to Can Bonastre Wine Resort, an idyllic country retreat near the picturesque village of Masquefa, just a 35 minute drive from Barcelona. After familiarising yourself with your Land Rover, you will have the chance (time permitting) to go on a tour of your hotel's very own vineyard, topped off with a wine tasting before sitting down for a welcome dinner with your fellow guests and tour manager. Can Bonastre Wine Resort is set on a 247-acre estate, surrounded by vineyards, rolling hills and forest. Originally a farmhouse built in the 16th century, it has been beautifully renovated into a 5-star boutique hotel, and you will have the 12 rooms to yourselves.

Meals: D

DAY 2

Following an initial briefing with your Land Rover instructors, it's time for the adventure to begin. Winding through the scenic passes of the Montserrat Mountains and down towards the Bages Plains, you'll stay on the road for the time being in order to get acclimatized to both your car and the winding roads, breathing in the stunning scenery as you go. You'll soon be ready however to up the ante, and after filling up on a hearty lunch put both your Land Rover and your newfound driving skills to the test and go off-road.

Located in the shadows of Montserrat, Les Comes estate is home to over 60km of





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DRIVING IN CONVOY THROUGH LES COMES **ESTATE: CASA BONASTRE** WINE RESORT

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DRIVING THROUGH THE MONTSFRRAT MOUNTAINS OFF-ROAD ON LES COMES ESTATE: MONASTERY OF MONTSERRAT: PARADOR DE CARDONA

FOLLOWING PAGE: DRIVING OFF-ROAD AT LES COMES ESTATE

challenging off-road tracks and a variety of terrains with breathtaking scenery, making it an off-road driver's paradise and the obvious choice for a Land Rover Experience Centre. Prepare for some thrilling off-road driving. Setting off in convoy, teamwork is required here as co-drivers and drivers work together to navigate some of Les Comes most challenging terrain, one being Les Fontetes gully. This one kilometre stretch has previously has been used in the qualifying stages for the Camel Trophy and G4 Challenge. A low gear rock crawl is the only way down and can take even the most experienced drivers up to an hour to navigate! Next you'll tackle the slab rock climb, by which time you'll be fully at home in your Land Rover.

Tonight you will travel back in time and stay at Parador de Cardona, a renovated medieval castle steeped in history. Built high atop a salt mine, the hotel occupies a commanding position with spectacular views over the charming town of Cardona. **Meals:** *B L D* **DRIVING TIME: APPROX 5-6 HOURS**

DAY 3

Armed with a plethora of new driving skills, gear up for an exhilarating day of both on and off-road driving, all the while soaking up the stunning scenery of Montserrat, an impressive multi-peaked mountain range composed of pink rock, which was designated Spain's first National Park. Put yesterday's learnings to the test as you navigate your way out of Cardona, taking in dirt tracks and rocky passes as you 🛇

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go. From here the hills become more rolling as you follow the roads in search of lunch and your next pit stop, Ca l'Andorra, a quaint restaurant serving up a traditional asado (Barbeque). In the afternoon you'll head for the Monastery of Montserrat, an 18th-century monastery so imposing that it will be in view for most of the day. Although your trusty Land Rovers are capable of climbing the final stretch, reaching the monastery by the sky train provides the most incredible views.

Barcelona is calling. This afternoon's drive takes you from the quiet hills of Vila-Sana to the hustle and bustle of Barcelona, one of Europe's most vibrant cities. There may be time to explore before gathering for a farewell dinner at El Palace Hotel.

Meals: B L D

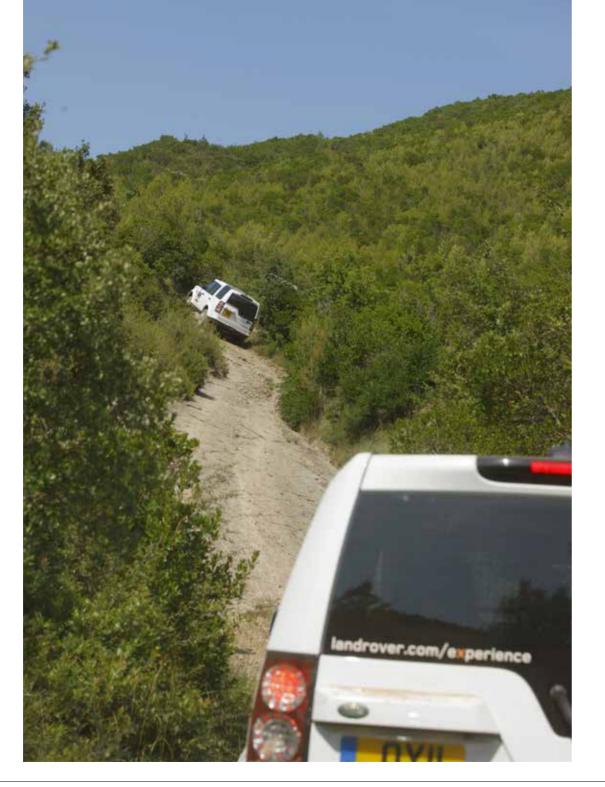
DRIVING TIME: APPROX 5-6 HOURS

DAY 4

The adventure comes to an end, and after breakfast you'll be driven to the airport for your return flight home. Alternatively, you may wish to extend your stay in Barcelona.

Meals: $B \otimes$







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BARCELONA

Extend your stay in Barcelona, this vibrant city combines everything you could want on a Mediterranean break: lots of sights, a curving sweep of glamorous sandy beach and an array of chic restaurants and stylish bars that stay open until the small hours. We like the gritty cobbled streets of El Born, with its little tapas joints and cocktail bars which shake a mean caipirinha. In direct contrast is Eixample, a large district in the centre of the city with beautiful architecture, including imposing Plaça Catalunya and the Passeig de Gràcia with its unusual boutiques and designer shops. Gaudí influences from all corners, with spooky Casa Battló peering over the city centre to quirky, colourful Parc Güell, with its curving rainbow of mosaic tiles.

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OFF ROAD: CASTLES & THE COTSWOLDS

Welcome to a totally unparalleled experience. This unique programme, blending exhilarating adventure with the finest accommodation and insider secrets is the result of a union of two globally renowned, universally respected British brands: Abercrombie & Kent and Land Rover. Our combined expertise has created a remarkable journey across our home turf.

It's your opportunity to drive a state of the art Land Rover Discovery through glorious countryside in the heart of Britain, a swelling symphony of verdant fields, rolling hills and lush forest, punctuated with historic stone villages, magnificent stately homes and dramatic castles. And this won't be any ordinary drive: far from it. You'll spend time with qualified Land Rover Experience instructors, safely developing and honing your skills on specially designed courses used to prepare explorers for major expeditions, before visiting the production line where the vehicles are made.

Enjoy the ride. ⊗

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Explore the stunning British countryside in comfort from behind the wheel of a Land Rover

Thrilling off-road driving in the beautiful surroundings of Eastnor Castle

Visit magnificent stately homes and palaces

Enjoy the group camaraderie as you build your off-road driving skills together

Unique behind the scenes access at Land Rover's state of the art manufacturing facilities

Private tour of the Royal Shakespeare Company theatre in Stratford-Upon-Avon

Extend your trip with a VIP sporting event or spend more time exploring London





DRIVING EXPERIENCE KEY

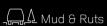
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Rock Crawl



Accommodation Style: Period properties and private homes

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Land Rover Discovery 4

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DAY 1

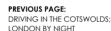
Your first day is spent in London where you're chauffeured to your central hotel, The Milestone. You couldn't find a more quintessentially British residence. In the heart of the Royal Borough, just a stone's throw from Kensington Palace and Hyde Park, exploring the capital couldn't be easier. Perhaps soar in the London Eye or stroll around the Tate Modern, before dinner among the rich mahogany panelling and Victorian leaded windows of the Milestone's acclaimed restaurant. Meals: D

DAY 2

Day two and you'll be transferred beyond the bustling city limits to make your acquaintance with your Land Rover. Soon you'll be ready to get behind the wheel to begin your journey northwest. Your first stop is a real architectural showstopper: Blenheim Palace. In Oxfordshire, Blenheim Palace is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the birthplace of Winston Churchill. Its 2,000 acre sprawling estate is one stunning masterpiece after another, from the Formal Gardens to the Lancelot 'Capability' Brown landscaped parkland. Soak up the fascinating history and architecture on a private guided tour followed by a quintessentially British afternoon tea.

You'll then travel west to discover the beating heart of England, the Cotswolds, boasting some of the most classically beautiful English countryside in which to experience the Land Rover's smooth handling and power. Finish





THIS PAGE:

BLENHEIM PALACE; OFF-ROAD DRIVING AT EASTNOR CASTLE LAND ROVER EXPERIENCE INSTRUCTOR

the day at Eastnor Castle, your home for the next two nights. The hugely impressive Baronial gem with a lush 5,000-acre estate swaddled by the Malvern Hills has long been the spectacular stage for the development and testing of Land Rover vehicles. **Meals:** *B L D* **DRIVING TIME: APPROX. 6 HOURS**

DAY 3

Today, get set for one of the most memorable experiences you can have behind the wheel. This is a full day driving off-road on the Eastnor Castle Estate, driving through some of the toughest off-road routes that are normally reserved for secretive product testing. Accompanied by expert Land Rover Experience instructors, you'll learn new skills in a location that is steeped in Land Rover's history, tackling deep mud, steep hills, ravines, silt pits and thick forest, along with specially designed obstacles (our favourites are Gearbox Hill and SAS Quarry). We call it off the brochure, a true 'wow' experience that the qualified instructors ensure is also perfectly safe. You'll have a picnic lunch on the estate, before retiring to the castle's stately dining room for supper. **Meals:** *B L D* **DRIVING TIME: APPROX. 5 HOURS**

DAY 4

Leaving Eastnor Castle you'll drive through the scenic countryside - perhaps stopping for coffee in the picturesque town of Broadway towards a true British classic: Stratford-upon-Avon, home of William Shakespeare. Your private tour of the recently redeveloped Royal Shakespeare Company theatre is followed by dinner and, of course, the best seats in the ③

FOLLOWING PAGE: AERIAL VIEW OF EASTNOR CASTLE AND ESTATE: LAND ROVER FACTORY, SOLIHULL

OFF ROAD: CASTLES & THE COTSWOLDS

house for one of the Bard's classic plays. As bedtime stories go, this one is a cracker. Your home for the night is The Arden, a boutique hotel just steps from the theatre. **Meals:** *B L D*

DAY 5

Leaving the stage behind, you'll drive to Solihull; close to Britain's car city of Birmingham. It's no ordinary visit, and we've arranged for an 'access all areas' private viewing of the production line. It's a reminder of how special your vehicle is. The millionth Discovery rolled off the line a couple of years ago and promptly drove 11,000 miles to Beijing to celebrate. This is no ordinary vehicle. A highlight of the day has to be the famous Jungle Track in the heart of the facility. The tough course is no mean feat and will push your newfound knowledge and skills to the limit as you traverse muddy rutted tracks and deep water, navigating along the jungle tracks and challenging obstacles as you go. The course has been in action since 1948, and to many Land Rover enthusiasts completing it is seen as a rite of passage.

You'll then make your way back to the outskirts of London, where it's time to bid farewell to your Land Rover. From here, you'll be chauffeured back into London for your return flight home. Alternatively, may wish to extend your trip in order to spend more time exploring the cosmopolitan city of London. **Meals:** *B L*

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OPTIONAL EXTRAS





London is world-famous for its numerous sights and experiences, and the cosmopolitan capital never fails to disappoint. Experience the lively bars and gourmet restaurants, the markets, museums and stunning architecture that can be found around almost every corner. We can help secure tickets for the latest West End show, reserve a table at the most in-demand restaurant, and gain access to the most sought after events in the capital, whether that be a sporting event or sell-out exhibition.



BURGHLEY HORSE TRIALS

Three-day eventing is the perfect package of equestrian disciplines, testing the limits of horse and rider over three days. The harmony of dressage, the thrill of cross country and the precision of show jumping make a thrilling spectacle of horsemanship. Burghley Horse Trials plays out over the rolling parkland of Burghley House, coupling the chance to see some of the world's most accomplished equestrians within the surroundings of one of Britain's most stunning country estates. You will have hospitality tickets for the weekend.

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SCOTLAND







Scotland. A mighty land bursting with pride, with a stunning wild landscape and a history equally as dramatic. Its rolling green hills, wide open views and undulating coastline creates the perfect foundation for an off-road adventure in a Land Rover Discovery.

It goes without saying that our Scotland adventure takes in the finest sights - from the imposing backdrop of Edinburgh Castle to the heath-carpeted moorlands of its stunning estates. But there's more: grand, quietly graceful hotels in idyllic positions; the freshest Scottish produce served up by the country's best chefs; behind-the-scenes access to iconic sights and cultural institutions; and charismatic local guides who will bring the country's tumultuous history to life. Scotland has riches galore, and we are here to reveal them to you.

This is an exhilarating cross-country adventure.

Enjoy the ride. ⊙

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Drive over open moorland, water crossings and forest tracks at Land Rover Experience Scotland

Go off-road on private estates with spectacular views

Visit a historic whiskey distillery for an exclusive tasting session

Enjoy the group camaraderie as you build your off-road driving skills together

Stay in iconic Scottish hotels, including Gleneagles

Sumptuous private banquet in the stunning Blair Castle





DRIVING EXPERIENCE KEY

Adventure level: 22222

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On-road



Rock crawl



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DAY 1

A member of the A&K team will meet you at Edinburgh Airport and whisk you to the iconic Waldorf Astoria Caledonian, your home for the night, where you will be treated to a sumptuous welcome dinner in the evening. **Meals:** D

DAY 2

This morning you'll meet your team of Land Rover Experience instructors and familiarise yourself with your very own Land Rover Discovery. You'll be chauffeured from Edinburgh to Land Rover Experience Centre Scotland, on the peaceful banks of Butterstone Loch. Here you'll enjoy lunch, followed by a thrilling afternoon of off-road adventure, developing your driving skills on the nursery slopes, obstacles and forest tracks accompanied by your Land Rover Experience Instructor. With your newly acquired skills, you will continue on a picturesque drive through the mountains of a neighbouring private estate, culminating at Edradour Distillery. Renowned as the smallest traditional distillery in the world, Edradour stands alone as the last stronghold of handmade single malt whiskey from a farm distillery still in production today. Here you'll enjoy a whiskey tasting, sampling the classics to the wine finishes and the formidable heavily peated single malt; your instructor will chauffeur you safely back to Fonab Castle, your residence for the evening. Meals: B L D

DRIVING TIME: APPROX. 5 HRS



PREVIOUS PAGE: LAND ROVER DRIVING THROUGH DEEP WATER: STAG WITH SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS IN BACKGROUND

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BLAIR CASTLE: VIEW OVER EDINBURGH; LAND ROVER EXPERIENCE CENTRE. **SCOTLAND**

FOLLOWING PAGE:

LAND ROVER DRIVING DOWN STEEP INCLINE; GLENEAGLES

700-year history, taking you through visits from Mary Queen of Scots to the Civil War, and Bonnie Prince Charlie's own stay in the castle. A tour of the castle will reveal its impressive renovation, from a smuggler-infested island to into a comfortable home, before a sumptuous traditional Scottish banquet housed in a private room within the castle walls. **Meals:** *B L D* DRIVING TIME: APPROX. 6 HRS (>)

DAY 3

Day three dawns with a lavish breakfast feast, and afterwards you'll travel northwards into the Atholl Estate for an exhilarating off-road drive, fording streams and observing the area's

abundance of wildlife. You're on hallowed

ground here; this is Land Rover country, and

you're driving a route that has been used for

vehicle testing and new launches, which will

put you and your vehicle through your paces.

your tailgate. A favourite pastime at shooting

country, tailgating is the perfect way to enjoy the

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up the action with clay pigeon shooting, quad

trekking or fishing (we also highly recommend

Tonight a truly unique experience waits within

the sacred walls of Blair Castle. You'll hear the

enchanting story of the castle's tumultuous

the new spa).

In need of refreshment, you'll pause for a traditional picnic as Land Rover owners do: on

parties and country fairs throughout the

BONNY SCOTLAND

DAY 4

Auchnafree Estate is today's beauty spot, a hidden glen with outstanding panoramic mountain views and a resident population of red deer, grouse, pheasant, Blue Mountain Hare and golden eagle. You'll put your Land Rover – and yourself – through its paces across the 12,000 acres of stunning hill and crag, experiencing the absolute tranquillity of the remote wilderness. With a landscape forged by the onslaught of a bygone ice age, Auchnafree's scenery is as dramatic as it is primeval, with scattered ruins and sacred monuments accompanying your passage.

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DAY 5

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