



DISCOVERING EAST ANGLIA

HIDDEN TREASURES WITH GAVIN MILLER

JULY 16TH - 24TH 2021

Windmills and waterfowl, tiny stone churches, rambling country mansions, and vast gentle fens that stretch to the sky. East Anglia is an area of England often overlooked by visitors — which means that it remains blissfully free of tourist buses. And it is truly worth discovering.

Our guide, Gavin Miller, has designed this itinerary for DISCOVER EUROPE to showcase the hidden treasures of the region where he grew up. Along the way, we'll explore the cities of Norwich and Cambridge, while focusing on the countryside and the centuries of history that it conceals.

For the duration of our visit, Gavin has chosen a wonderful, four-star country house hotel that is also recognized locally for its excellent restaurant. From our base here, we'll take a variety of day trips to the surrounding area highlights.

We'll also enjoy time in the royal town of Windsor at both ends of the trip. While the object of our stays here is primarily practical, due to the town's proximity to the airport, we find it makes a wonderful place to begin and end a tour of Britain without having to suffer the crowds, the traffic and expense of traveling into central London.

This summer, we invite you to join Gavin Miller and a small group of fellow travelers in *Discovering East Anglia*.



KING'S COLLEGE CHAPEL, CAMBRIDGE



TRANQUIL FLATFORD MILL - CONSTABLE COUNTRY

THE COST OF THIS ITINERARY, PER PERSON, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY IS:

LAND ONLY:	\$3980
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT:	\$ 890

Airfares are available from many U.S. cities. Please call for details.

THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE INCLUDED:

- HOTELS:** 8 nights' accommodation in first-class hotels including all hotel taxes and service charges
- COACHING:** All ground transportation as detailed in the itinerary
- MEALS:** Breakfast daily, 7 dinners
- EXPENSES:** Portage of one large suitcase per person
- ENTRANCES:** Entrance fees to all sites included in the itinerary
- GUIDES:** Discover Europe tour guide throughout

*Please note that travel insurance is not included on this tour.
Insurance information will be mailed on receipt of deposit.*

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FRIDAY, JULY 16TH - Departure from your international gateway city to London.
OVERNIGHT: PLANE

SATURDAY, JULY 17TH - Upon arrival at either of London's airports, you will be met and transported to the hotel in Windsor. After time to unpack and relax, the rest of the day is free to unwind and recover from the overnight flight. In the afternoon your guide will conduct an orientation meeting and lead a short optional tour to points of local interest. This evening we gather for a welcome dinner at our hotel. **(D) OVERNIGHT: WINDSOR**

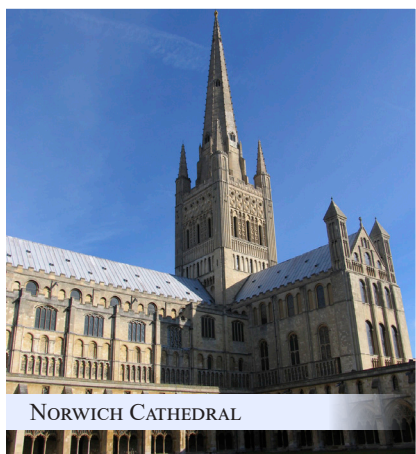
SUNDAY, JULY 18TH - Leaving Windsor behind, we travel to the northeast, into the pristine countryside of East Anglia. Our destination is Dedham Vale, the home of John Constable, one of England's best-loved landscape painters. We will tour the sites of many of his famous paintings, including Flatford Mill – remarkably unchanged since the early 19th century. Then we head north across Suffolk and Norfolk past the cathedral city of Norwich, time permitting we may attend Evensong at the cathedral before continuing to our country house hotel on the north coast at Sheringham. We gather for dinner together this evening. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: SHERINGHAM**

MONDAY, JULY 19TH - A short drive to Cromer, just along the coast, to board the Poppy Line private steam train for a ride through the gently undulating North Norfolk countryside to the charming Georgian town of Holt. There will be time to explore the town's antique shops, book stores, and art galleries and to have lunch before we return to the coast to take a boat trip to Blakeney Point, a National Trust seal and bird sanctuary. We return to our hotel for dinner. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: SHERINGHAM**

TUESDAY, JULY 20TH - This morning we travel to nearby Norwich for a walking tour of this magnificent medieval city: Tombland, Marketplace, Guildhall, and quaint, cobbled streets. There will be time for lunch, perhaps at the Adam & Eve, a pub for cathedral workers in the 13th century, and then the afternoon is free to visit the Castle museum, browse England's largest open air market, or wander the medieval streets with their intriguing little shops. Alternatively, for those who are interested, Gavin will arrange a boat trip on the wetlands of the Norfolk Broads. We'll head back to our hotel this afternoon for dinner. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: SHERINGHAM**

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21ST - A leisurely start to a day spent exploring two great treasures of the National Trust. Our first stop is Blickling Hall, built in the 17th century and one of England's great Jacobean houses. We'll tour the gardens and have time for lunch before the first guided tour of the house in the early afternoon. From here it's a short drive to Felbrigg Hall, renowned for its original 18th-century furniture and painting collection. We return to our hotel for dinner. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: SHERINGHAM**

THURSDAY, JULY 22ND - Today there will be a leisurely excursion to Sandringham, built in 1870 for the Prince and Princess of Wales. Described as "the most comfortable of houses," it is where the Royal Family traditionally spends Christmas. We will visit the museum, tour the state apartments, and wander the gardens before returning to our hotel for a free afternoon and we gather for dinner together in the hotel dining room. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: SHERINGHAM**



NORWICH CATHEDRAL

FRIDAY, JULY 23RD - Leaving Norfolk, we stop in Cambridge for a walking tour of the ancient university: Trinity Great Court, King's College Chapel, and 800 years of architecture and tradition. There will be free time to explore the warren of Cambridge's ancient colleges, museums, and shops, and to have lunch. The truly intrepid may try a hand at punting on the River Cam before we gather again for the short ride back to Windsor. We'll gather for a final farewell dinner at our hotel. **(B, D) OVERNIGHT: WINDSOR**

SATURDAY, JULY 24TH - Morning transfers to the airport for returning flights to the U.S. **(B)**



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