



Woolen Wales

with ROWAN TREE TRAVEL

April 22 - May 1, 2022

Wales is a gem of a destination, especially for fiber enthusiasts. We'll be there during the region's preeminent fiber festival, Wonderwool Wales, which showcases a variety of fiber materials, methods and makers. Join us as we explore this wool event plus travel through sheep-dotted hills, wild moorland, rugged coastline, glimpse hidden waterfalls and enjoy stellar hospitality.

Tour Price (not including airfare)

\$2850 for a triple-shared room | \$3000 for a double-shared room | \$3500 for a single-private room

Included in Tour Price

- Accommodations in Wales;
- An average of two meals per day. (Breakfast is provided each morning; prepare to purchase either dinner or lunch based on the day's scheduled activities);
- All Rowan Tree organized workshops;
- Airport transfers, ferries and private mini-coach.

Not Included in Tour Price

Airfare · Soda and alcoholic drinks · Personal items · Gratuities · Yarn!

To Register

A Registration Form and \$500 deposit are required to join the trip. Once you submit your online registration (which arrives in our system with a time stamp) we will tentatively hold a spot for you. Next, we will email an invoice to you for the \$500 deposit, payable online with a credit or debit card, which you will need to pay within 24hrs. Once payment is received your spot is secure.

Note about Accommodations

Small hotels in Europe often do not have elevators. If you require a ground floor room due to luggage and/or a mobility issue, please note it on your registration. We will do our best to accommodate you. Participants should be capable of maneuvering their own luggage on cobbled streets and for walking distances as great as one mile. Suitcases should be 26" or less in height to fit in the mini-coach.

Click [HERE](#) to fill out your registration form.



Woolen Wales *Snippet* Itinerary

Friday, April 22 | Welcome to Wales! Arrive Cardiff Airport, UK. It's a relaxed first day for us as we arrive in Wales. We'll visit Llancaiach Fawr Manor and then enjoy a mellow evening at our home for the next five days, Tynrhyd Retreat.

Saturday, April 23 | Recovered from our travels, we're off to spend a full day at the highly regarded festival of Welsh wool & natural fibers, Wonderwool Wales!

Sunday, April 24 | Your choice of a second day at Wonderwool Wales or participating in a town & country tour of Mid Wales.

Monday, April 25 | Morning 1 of our hands-on workshops. Choose from offerings with some of Wales' most notable fiber artisans: intarsia with Sasha Kagan, wet felting with Chrissie Menzies, or tapestry weaving with Liz Beasley. In the afternoon, we'll stretch our legs with a walk to Devil's Bridge, a steam train ride to Aberystwyth and a wander along the seashore promenade to find a cozy spot for dinner.

Tuesday, April 26 | Morning 2 of our hands-on workshops. Following lunch, we're heading off to visit Garthenor Organic, a powerhouse in the UK's fiber movement. Starting with their own flock of rare breed sheep, Garthenor helped create the standards for organic wool production and now provides wool products traceable from flock to finished wearables. An optional afternoon Welsh cookery class means you might be making dinner for our merry group of travelers!

Sunday, May 1 | Head over to Cardiff Airport for our flights back home, with a heart full of memories.

Wednesday, April 27 | No visit to Wales would be complete without some time on its coast. We'll have a morning beach visit before heading on to the National Wool Museum of Wales. Later, we'll arrive at our hotel, located within the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. The afternoon might see you involved in a spinning workshop, participating in a trail walk, or enjoying some personal time to knit, read, draw, or do as you like.

Thursday, April 28 | The day starts with the first group completing their spinning workshop while the second group explores Pembrokeshire. And in the evening... a ceilidh (party with local music and dancing).

Friday, April 29 | Switcheroo! Group two completes their spinning workshop while group one explores the area in the morning. By the afternoon, we'll be off to visit Maorbier Castle, Neath Valley Wools and enjoy a waterfall walk in the Neath Valley.

Saturday, April 30 | A full day of discovery in the Vale of Glamorgan. We'll spend time at Dyffryn Gardens, visit Ammonite Yarns and go fossil hunting on the beach. For dinner: a pub crawl through the village of Llantwit Major!

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Important Details to *keep in mind*

This trip needs at least **12** participants in order to proceed. Deposits will be refunded in the event that the tour does not operate due to lack of participants.

Travel Insurance

Rowan Tree Travel has purchased a Group Protection Plan on behalf of tour participants, providing medical insurance and limited "Trip Interruption" coverage once you have departed and are on the trip. Additional trip insurance to cover "Trip Cancellation" is available from our provider at a group rate. We will provide you with a website link at which you can review your additional trip insurance options. Note: The Group Protection Plan only applies to US citizens traveling from the US. If this stipulation does not apply to you, we can assist you in finding alternative options. Please enquire for details.

Arranging Your Flights

Once our tour is guaranteed with the minimum number of travelers we will notify all registrants so you can begin making travel arrangements. You may purchase your flight reservations on your own or work with our booking agent, Vivienne at Crystal Travel. She can assist in identifying the best itinerary for your needs, coordinating with other participants, and with ticket purchase, seat selection and upgrades. Contact her at (617) 327-2700 or vivienne@crystal-travel.com.

Our tours include transportation to and from the airport for group arrivals/departures. In order to meet us for those airport transfers, we will give everyone an arrival and departure window to facilitate all of our travelers arriving and departing in close proximity. Flight itineraries outside the provided arrival and departure windows will likely result in extra transportation costs and possibly missing scheduled tour activities, for this reason we greatly appreciate your cooperation in booking reservations that accommodate our arrival and departure specifications. These time windows will be provide to travelers once the trip is guaranteed.

Please note the following:

Rowan Tree Travel reserves the right to alter any part of this itinerary in order to address weather conditions, unforeseen circumstance or to improve the participant experience.

Our trips are categorized as active, moderately active, or relaxed. We would describe this trip as **moderately active**. Participants should be capable of walking distances as great as 1 mile, though this amount of walking will rarely be required.

Have questions? Please contact us at [**info@rowantreetravel.com**](mailto:info@rowantreetravel.com)

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