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TREASURES OF THE NORTH EAST



Monday 27th - Friday 31st August 2012

£299 per person

*Price incl: 4 night's Dinner, Bed & Breakfast Accommodation at the 3 star Blackwell Grange Hotel, Darlington, Durham with a private guided tour of Durham Cathedral, tour of Catherine Cookson's Birth Trail, a journey on the North Yorkshire Moors Railway, visits to Chesterfield, Whitby and the National Memorial Arboretum.
Not Incl: Single room supplement £60*

MONDAY – We depart Bretonside at 7am and make our way north. After a coffee stop, we travel on to Chesterfield. Their traditional open air market has been going since at least 1165, and the town was granted a Market Charter in 1204. We continue our journey to our hotel arriving late afternoon.

TUESDAY – Today's excursion takes us to Durham, where we have secured a private tour around the Cathedral, the greatest Norman building in England, perhaps even in Europe. It is cherished not only for its architecture but also for its incomparable setting. For this reason it was inscribed together with the Castle as one of Britain's first World Heritage Sites. The rest of the day is free to explore Durham.

WEDNESDAY – Today we are joined by a guide, to explore the Catherine Cookson Birth trail, where we see the areas associated with the life of Britain's most popular author.

THURSDAY – We travel to the ancient and beautiful sea port of Whitby this morning. Time to explore the town, maybe visit the ancient abbey, or the Endeavour, a replica of Captain Cook's ship used to discover Australia. This afternoon we step back in time, and board the North Yorkshire Moors railway to Grosmont, a 1952 British rail station, home to the engine sheds and a traditional tea room.

FRIDAY – After breakfast, we begin our journey home. We will visit the National Memorial Arboretum Created in 1997, the National Memorial Arboretum is a special place that remembers those who have served, and continue to serve, our nation in many different ways. With some 50,000 trees already planted, and 200 dedicated memorials established on the site, the Arboretum is a living tribute that will forever acknowledge the personal sacrifices made by the armed and civil services of this country. We leave here at 3pm and complete our journey arriving in Plymouth approx 8pm.