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A Luxury escape in North East England



Durham



Morning: Explore The Auckland Project

A unique collection of attractions, galleries, historic parkland and gardens, all centred around the Auckland Palace where you can follow in the footsteps of the Prince Bishops of Durham, once some of the most powerful men in Britain, or enjoy the faith museum exploring 6,000 years of British history through the lens of faith. Alternatively immerse yourself in the Spanish Golden Age at the Spanish Gallery or ride the rails of history with Weardale Railway, whilst enjoying passing by stunning scenery.



Afternoon: Arrive at Beamish

The Living Museum of the North, the world famous open air museum that creates and tells the story of life in the North East, from the 1820s to the 1950s. All set in 350 beautiful acres and which has provided the location and perfect backdrop for the filming of Downton Abbey.



Evening: The stunning heritage city of Durham

Enjoy an evening exploring the stunning heritage city of Durham before checking into your hotel for the night, Hotel Indigo Durham. This gorgeous boutique hotel is located in the centre of the city just a few minutes walk from Durham Cathedral and Castle.



Newcastle



Morning: Newcastle Tour

Join a guided city tour with Newcastle Tour Company and discover Newcastle's history and hidden gems, including Grey's Monument, Quayside, Tyne Bridge, Gateshead Millennium Bridge and Newcastle Castle.



Afternoon: Victoria Tunnel

Continue exploring Newcastle's past with a tour down the Victoria Tunnel, once used as an air raid Shelter in World War II as well as the region's coal mining history. The tunnel gives you the unique opportunity to also walk under Hadrian's Wall.

Evening: Blackfriars, Stephenson Quarter

Famed for its vibrant nightlife and fantastic restaurants there's only one thing to do on a stay in Newcastle and that's get out into the city and experience the Geordie welcome. Head to Blackfriars, the oldest dining hall in the UK, for a night of delicious food in medieval surroundings. When the night comes to an end rest your head in the stunning Crowne Plaza Hotel - Stephenson Quarter. Only a short walk from the city centre this Spa Hotel offers everything you need for a special stay in the city.



Northumberland



Morning: Hadrian's Wall, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

With so much to explore in Northumberland you'll need a hearty breakfast in your hotel before you leave. This morning head to Hadrian's Wall, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here you can explore the Roman military base at Vindolanda or the Roman fort at Housesteads.



Afternoon: Coast and castles

Next stop the beautiful Northumberland Coast and a visit to Bamburgh Castle, one of Britain's most iconic landmarks. Standing 150 feet above the Northumberland coastline, with a history as epic and enduring as its vista. From here head inland to Alnwick for a visit to Alnwick Castle, the largest inhabited castle in England and the home of the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland and The Alnwick Garden, a 14-acre walled garden offers a unique blend of adventure and enchantment. Visitors can ascend the world's largest treehouse, which also serves as a fine dining restaurant, wander through the Taihaku Cherry Blossom, discover the intriguing Poison Garden, or marvel at the majestic Grand Cascade.

Evening: The Tempus

Tonight's accommodation will see you spending the night in the grandeur of The Tempus, *named one of the top 100 hotels in 2024 by The Times newspaper*. Nestled within a 700-acre privately owned, Northumberland countryside estate, you will find The Tempus, offering 40 bedrooms and suites, a bar and restaurant and the award-winning Charlton Hall an 18th century mansion house with rooms and on the wider estate.





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