

Devon, Cornwall, & Bristol's CrimeFest

May 16-May 25, 2010



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Come to Britain for a taste of the fictional world of mystery, crime, & thrillers in Cornwall, Devon, & Avon, including attendance at CrimeFest, the international crime fiction convention. Highlights include:

- 3 nights in **Torquay** and 6 nights in **Bristol**
- A visit to sites in Torquay associated with **Agatha Christie**, including her birthplace and Greenway, her recently restored home, accompanied by John Curran, an expert on Christie
- A visit to the **Cornish coast**, setting of several of **Daphne DuMaurier's** novels, and a talk on DuMaurier by a specialist on the writer
- A visit to the historic harbor town of Fowey, DuMaurier's home
- A steam train ride from Paignton to Kingswear
- A visit to **Dartmouth**, and a discussion of **Sherlock Holmes** over coffee
- A **boat cruise** up the river Dart to Totnes
- A drive across Dartmoor, the setting of Sherlock Holmes's Hound of the Baskervilles
- A half-day tour of **Bath**
- Attendance at **Crimefest in Bristol**, with panel sessions, interviews of featured guest authors, book signings, and a Gala dinner
- A half-day **ferry cruise** and guided **walking tour of Bristol**
- A drive into Wales and time in **Hay-on-Wye** to browse second-hand book shops
- Transfers from and to Heathrow Airport

Lodging: The cost of the trip is based on double occupancy in twin-bedded rooms:

- In **Torquay**, we stay at the **Grand Hotel** in sea view rooms (single supplement available for larger sea view rooms for \$178.50—entirely optional)
- In **Bristol**, we stay at the **Marriott Royal Hotel (single supplement: \$306.00)**.

Cost: Approximately \$2,999.00 (\$3,099 after Jan. 1, 2010). Includes all lodging, all breakfasts, 1 pub lunch, 1 cream tea, 5 dinners, Blue Badge tour guide, entrance fees, full pass for CrimeFest activities, and Heathrow Airport transfers. Please note that the program fee is based on double occupancy. Single supplement for Bristol Marriott Hotel: \$306.00.

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