Hike Isle of Man/Cotswolds/ Yorkshire Dales of England
June 23 - July 7, 2012

Overview
Traveling to the United Kingdom is a fairly standard vacation, but with UWSP Adventure Tours this trip leads participants beyond the walls of London, Manchester, or Liverpool into a vast and beautiful hiking adventure to the Isle of Man, the Cotswolds and Yorkshire Dales. You will cover a lot of ground through hiking, by rail, and other modes of transport. Enjoy the rustic splendor of the small towns and Celtic cultural remains on the Isle of Man, a large and beautiful island in the northern Irish Sea. You’ll explore ancient burial sites, old castles, breathtaking coast lines, remnants of maritime trading cultures, 2,000 ft. Snaefel Mt. by rail (with the view of six kingdoms) and much more. After travel by air back to England, the enchanting village of Chipping Campden in the Cotswolds will offer a wide variety of hiking. Chipping Campden’s main street has been called “the most beautiful village street in England. Scenic countryside hikes of the Cotswold Way and Heart of England are close to town. Then it’s on to the Yorkshire Dales National Park which has intricate lands that were enlarged & shaped by glaciers; the dales stretch throughout the lands and build upon large valleys and geographic formations. Yorkshire Dales has many hiking trail options with circular routes and point-to-point with bus return service. Enjoy a festive 4th of July picnic, hike south through villages and countryside, and bus to Manchester for the return home.

Trip Itinerary
June 23 - Fly to Manchester, England

June 24 - Isle of Man
Transfer via air from Manchester to the Isle of Man. Arrive in Douglas on the Isle of Man and check into the hotel. Enjoy first dinner and meet with the group to socialize and talk about the trip.

June 25 - Steam Train & Hiking the Coastal Path
Take the Steam Railway to Port St. Mary and hike the spectacular costal path to the crofter’s village of Cregneash and on to Port Erin. Return to Douglas via the steam train.

June 26 - Laxey Woolen Mill, Water Wheel, & Snaefell Mt. Railway
Take the Manx Electric train to Laxey. Tour the Laxey Woolen Mill and visit the Great Laxey Water Wheel. Take the Snaefell Mountain Railway to the top of Snaefell Mountain. Return to Douglas via Electric Train or hike coastal path.
June 27 - Peel Castle, House of Manannan, and Kipper Factory
Hike and/or bus to seaside village of Peel and visit Peel Castle on St. Patrick’s Isle, House of Manannan and the kipper factory.

June 28 - Electric Train to Ramsey & hike Douglas.
Electric Train to Ramsey, tour village, and hike on coastal path back to Douglas.

June 29 - Hiking, Castle Rushen, & Manx Museum

June 30 - Kettlewell
Return flight to Manchester and then travel by coach to Chipping Campden in the Cotswolds. Have lunch, check in at the Lygon Arms hotel, and explore the area. Dinner, socialize, & meeting.

July 1 - Hidcote Manor Gardens
Hike these beautiful gardens, enjoy lunch there, and hike back to hotel.

July 2 - Explore Three Lovely Villages
Bus from Chipping Campden to Upper & Lower Slaughter and then hike to Broadway.

July 3 - Explore the Yorkshire Dales
Hiking Kettlewell - check into Racehorses Hotel and take a valley into Kettlewell to explore the small town. Group dinner.

July 4 - Explore the Yorkshire Dales
Hiking Kettlewell area. Enjoy a celebratory dinner & group 4th of July picnic.

July 5 - Explore the Yorkshire Dales
Take local bus to Skipton, venture through Skipton Castle, and tour the town of Skipton. Bus back to Kettlewell.

July 6 - Grassington   Hike to Grassington, tour village, and group dinner.

July 7 - Fly Home   Bus to Manchester and fly home.

COST - $3,995 (estimated with current airfare) - Price includes round trip airfare, transfers, accommodations all breakfasts, dinner for each first night at hotels, bus pass in the Isle of Man, and 4th of July picnic. Contact Adventure Tours for any questions or registration for this European adventure

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