

Hythe & The Cinque Ports

7th to 11th June 2009 - 5 Days

4* Luxury

PRICE: £329.00

SINGLE ROOM: £60.00

The small seaside resort of Hythe is one of the original Cinque Ports, the natural first line of defence against invaders from the mainland of Europe by sea. Today the town has neither a port nor a harbour because of silting along the coast, but a wide promenade overlooks a long stretch of beach and over the English Channel to France. With free time to explore Hythe, enjoy a trip on the Romney Hythe and Dymchurch small gauge railway, as well as excursions exploring the coast of Kent from Hastings to Margate.



YOUR HOTEL

The 4* Hythe Imperial is an elegant Victorian Hotel situated on the edge of the English Channel in the historic Cinque Port of Hythe. The hotel offers 100 en-suite bedrooms with tea/coffee making facilities, direct dial telephone, hair dryer, trouser press or ironing facilities and remote control television. All rooms enjoy a wonderful view, most over the gardens or sea. The Hythe Imperial boasts an AA Rosette Award winning restaurant and offers well equipped leisure facilities including indoor heated swimming pool, gym and a spa. The hotel has a lift to all floors.

PROPOSED ITINERARY:

- Sunday:** Leaving from home this morning we make our way south to Hythe in Kent, with refreshment stops en-route. We will arrive at the hotel with plenty of time to settle in before dinner this evening.
- Monday:** Today we make the journey along the coast visiting Folkestone and Dover home of the treacherous Goodwin Sands, graveyard of many seamen and ships. Then onwards to Sandwich with it's Elizabethan Guildhall, and Margate, home to the smallest theatre in the country.
- Tuesday:** Today there will be chance to take a ride on the famous Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch Railway. The 'Worlds Smallest Public Railway' covers a distance of 13.5 miles from Hythe to the fisherman's cottages and lighthouses of Dungeness. There will also be free time today to enjoy the resort of Hythe with it's beach, and hopefully views of France on a clear day.
- Wednesday:** Another journey along the coast today visiting the remaining two of the Cinque Ports - New Romney and Hastings. We will visit Dymchurch, then New Romney, unofficial capital of Romney Marsh. We will then continue on to Hastings, the setting of numerous television dramas including Foyles War. There will be free time in the afternoon to look around Hastings and then back to the hotel for dinner.
- Thursday:** Sadly today we must leave the Hythe Imperial and start our journey home. With suitable comfort breaks en-route we should arrive home in the evening.