



Woodcarvers Tour London 2020

Highlighting the works of Grinling Gibbons

Have you ever seen woodcarvings where you wonder “How can this be carved by human hand”?

Join Mary May, who has been a professional woodcarver for over 25 years, on a tour to London and UK featuring work of the fabulous 17th century English woodcarver, Grinling Gibbons. His deeply ornate carvings often appear to defy gravity.

This small group tour will focus on visiting churches, grand homes, palaces, and museums where his magnificent carvings are displayed. Enjoy the combination of free time to explore and guided tours focusing on learning, discovering and admiring Gibbons’ historic carvings.

Come join the fun and be inspired!

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INCLUDED:

Accommodation:

9 nights at Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton (4 star)

Meals:

Breakfast daily

Highlights:

London Oyster Card - £20 including activation fee

Entrance to the Victoria and Albert Museum

Entrance to All Hallows Church by the Tower

Entrance to St Paul’s Cathedral

Visit St. Mary Abchurch

Tour of the Shakespeare’s Globe

Shakespeare’s Globe Show Gallery tickets

Entrance to Petworth House

Entrance to Ashmolean Museum

Entrance to Trinity College Oxford

Entrance to the Blenheim Palace, Park and Gardens

Entrance to the Hampton Court Palace

Visit St. James Piccadilly Church

Transportation:

High Quality coach for all tours and excursions

Guide:

Private local guide for all tours and excursions

Monday, May 4 2020

Group departs Atlanta

Tuesday, May 5 2020

Upon arrival at London Heathrow airport you will be met by your representative in the arrival hall for the transfer to the hotel. After check in enjoy free time to explore the city.

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton hotel, London

Wednesday, May 6 2020

After breakfast, meet your local guide in the hotel lobby and enjoy a half-day tour of the city. During your tour you will view famous places like the Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square and the Hyde Park. Visit the Victoria and Albert Museum- the world's class museum of art and design where you can see several of Gibbons' works. After returning to the hotel enjoy a free afternoon and dinner on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton Hotel, London

Thursday, May 7 2020

Today, during the half-day tour we visit All Hallows Church by the Tower and St. Mary Abchurch church to admire some of the Gibbons' masterpieces. Visit St Paul's Cathedral with its vast dome, is an iconic feature of the London skyline and known across the world. In the afternoon enjoy a guided tour of the Shakespeare's Globe Theatre and an evening performance performed by the Shakespeare Company.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton Hotel, London

Friday, May 8 2020

After breakfast, meet your local guide in the hotel lobby for a full-day excursion to Sussex. Visit Petworth House, a late 17th Century country house adorned by intricate wood carvings by Gibbons. You will be fascinated by Gibbons' carvings at Petworth, including the Carved Room which remains one of the most remarkable features of Petworth House. Enjoy a free evening on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton Hotel, London

Saturday, May 9 2020

Today you have a free day to explore London on your own. London has many free museums, experience the earthquake simulator at the Natural History Museum or explore the fascinating history of England's capital at the Museum of London.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton Hotel, London

Sunday, May 10 2020

Today you have a free day to explore London on your own. Be wowed by the Rosetta Stone and Egyptian mummies at the British Museum or be dazzled by the 400 exhibits – including a Spitfire jet – at the Imperial War Museum.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton Hotel, London

Monday, May 11 2020

After breakfast, meet your local guide in the hotel lobby for a full-day excursion to Oxford and Cotswolds area. Visit Blendheim Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with over 300 years of history. Continue to Ashmolean Museum followed by tour of Trinity College Oxford. After returning to London, enjoy a free evening and dinner on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton hotel, London

Tuesday, May 12 2020

Today we tour the famous Hampton Court Palace to admire some of the Gibbons masterpieces and maybe get lost in its famous maze. Enjoy a free afternoon and evening on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton Hotel, London

Wednesday, May 13 2020

Meet your local guide in the hotel lobby for a half-day tour. Visit the St. James Piccadilly Church, home of striking work by Gibbons light colored limewood carvings mounted on darker oak panels. Enjoy a free afternoon and evening on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Overnight: Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton hotel, London

Thursday, May 14 2020

After breakfast you will be transferred to the London Heathrow airport. For your flight back to Atlanta.

Meals: Breakfast

PRICING

Based on double occupancy land only

From \$3,496 per person for group of 15-19 guests

From \$3,167 per person for group of 20 –30 Guests

Air from \$1,100 per person (round-trip from Atlanta)

(Air is an estimate based on current pricing and can change. Call for quotes from other cities.)

For more information contact David at
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Registration Form For Travel
Grinling Gibbons Tour 2020
Send to David Gillespie, GillespieTravel
225 Dove Haven Dr, Pickens SC 29671

Departure City* (ATL preferred) _____

Passenger Names (Exactly as they appear on your passport)

Legal name: _____

Title (If listed on passport): _____

Date of Birth: _____ State of Birth: _____

Passport #: _____ Issue Date: _____

Place of Issue _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name you go by: _____ Sex: Male Female

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Legal Name for 2nd Passenger

Title (If listed on passport): _____

Date of Birth: _____ State of Birth: _____

Passport #: _____ Issue Date: _____

Place of Issue _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name you go by: _____ Sex: Male Female

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Roommate: _____

If you dont have a Roommate: Try to Arrange this for me
 Single Room (extra cost)

Emergency Contact: _____ Relationship _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Travel Protection Insurance: (We can quote you on this, and provide
Travel Protection, and strongly recommend it.)

Please Send me a Quote for Travel Protection

I Decline Travel Protection

* Atlanta will be the group departure airport. You may request
another departure airport, with different arrangements.

**Deposit of \$100 Per Person is required to register. This is
fully refundable until 100 days prior to trip. Call us at (864)
306-9929 to give your Credit Card information safely over the
phone.

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

PAYMENT POLICY

Deposit of \$100 is refundable but necessary to register.
Nov 26, 2019, or 160 days prior to U.S departure date - \$ 300 per person
non-refundable deposit.
Feb 14, 2020, or 80 days prior to U.S departure date - Full payment is
required

Airline group block require \$100 per seat deposit, refundable until 100-
days prior to departure if air is not needed or cancelled by guest.
Airline individual reservations if travelling from other than group US gate-
way (ATLANTA) require non-refundable deposits of \$400 pp for economy
& premium economy, \$1000 pp for business & first class.

For guests travelling from other US gateways than Atlanta flight quote
will be provided within 1 week of your registration and will require the air
deposit within 48 hours. We can also wait a bit to quote air after registra-
tion is made.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICING

U.S. and International arrival and departure taxes and other government
imposed fees and taxes; Passports; Visas and vaccinations; Tips or gra-
tuities; Excess baggage; meals others than specified; Personal expenses
and hotel stay incidentals; Transportation; sightseeing and admissions
other than those specified. This list is illustrative and should be used as an
example, it is not a complete list of every item not included.

PAYMENTS

Full payment of invoice is due 80 days prior to U.S. departure date, un-
less otherwise indicated. Avanti Destinations reserves the right to cancel
a booking if full payment is not received on time. Bookings made less
than 80 days prior to departure require full payment to activate the group
booking process. Payment constitutes acceptance of the itinerary and the
Avanti Destinations terms and conditions.

SPECIAL DEPOSIT / PAYMENT TERMS

Under certain circumstances, additional deposits or alternative payment
terms may be required to reserve group space in hotels or to reserve
specific services. In this case, Avanti Destinations will provide information
regarding the Terms and Conditions attached to these specific payments.
Air deposits and payment schedules will be communicated separately
depending on each airlines' individual requirements.

PAYMENT METHODS

Payments to Avanti Destinations must be made in U.S. dollars and can be
made by credit card.

GROUP LAND ARRANGEMENTS

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation listed in the quotation are examples of hotel standards
only. Avanti Destinations will secure hotel accommodation once the Group
Set-Up Fee is received and will attempt to secure space at the hotel listed
in the quotation. If space is not available at that time group space will then
be secured in a similar hotel of the same category and location. At certain
times of the year special events and city conventions may take place and
this may create a situation where Avanti Destinations is unable to secure
space in the quoted hotel or similar. In this case a supplement may apply
and Avanti Destinations will communicate this information if the requested
hotel space is not available

HOTEL STANDARDS

Check in and check out vary at each hotel and times cannot be guar-
anteed. Avanti Destinations is not responsible for hotel air conditioning
standards or availability, as these factors can vary greatly between proper-
ties and countries. Hotels in Europe typically do not offer the type of air
conditioning to which we in the U.S. are accustomed. Often, hotels have
a "climate control" system that keeps temperatures within a
comfortable range and may not be individually controlled. Therefore, the
indoor environment may not have been as cool as some guests might pre-
fer, especially during periods of high outdoor temperatures. European hos-
tels often have smaller rooms, bathrooms and beds sizes than in the U.S.
Elevators can also be a smaller size that in the US and may not serve all
floors in the hotel. In certain cities motor coach access to directly outside



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(864) 306-9929 Office

the hotel may be limited due to either driving restrictions or physical space.

MOTOR COACH

Avanti Destinations cannot guarantee that the motor coaches supplied will have air conditioning or toilets on board. If toilets are on board the motor coach, it may not always be possible to use the toilets for safety reasons. Motor coach drivers are required to conform to strict driving regulations, including driving hours and distances. The motor coach driver may be required to make certain unplanned rest stops to comply with these regulations. All motor coach drivers are required to have minimum rest hours before their next service, which can impact morning and evening driving schedules. Quoted rates are based on exact routes and any changes to the route may require a supplement payment.

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCES

Baggage allowance for all tours is limited to one standard sized suitcase / bag and one carry per person due to limited luggage space on board a motor coach. The dimension of a suitcase should not exceed 30"x 18"x 10 " and a carry-on bag should be able to fit in to the overhead compartments of a motor coach or under the seat in front of you. Maximum weight per suitcase cannot exceed 50lbs in order to comply with coaching weight restrictions. Each airline has their own baggage policy, which may be stricter than this baggage allowance. It is the responsibility of each traveler to check their airline's policy before departure. Avanti destinations is not responsible for any loss or damage to traveler's bags or personal belongings at any time. Should the group require more luggage space, this can be accommodated but an additional supplement payment may apply. At hotels portage can be requested (where available) for a supplement and must be requested ahead of time.

HOLIDAYS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Entrance to sightseeing activities may be limited or closed during local or national holidays or for other reasons without advance notice. Avanti Destinations is not responsible for notifying passengers in advance of closures and alternative activities may be substituted.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Requests for accommodations and services to meet specific physical requirements, such as wheelchair accessible rooms or transfer vehicles, must be advised either at time of booking or a minimum 180 days prior to departure date from the U.S. Avanti Destinations is not responsible for the standards of the provided facilities, as standards can vary between properties. Failure to correctly communicate the full information may result in a disruption of services, particularly sightseeing and museum etc. tours and may also result in increased costs to the traveler.

GROUP AIR ARRANGEMENTS

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Group air ticket rules and regulations vary and will be specified at time of confirmation. Rates quoted are based on current availability and are subject to change until the Group Air deposit has been paid. Once deposit is paid, then the specific airline terms and conditions will be confirmed. Group Air allows for only limited deviations. Names for all travelers are required at 90 days prior to departure.

AIRLINE TICKETS

Booking agent and their clients are responsible for ensuring names and birthdates for air travel are correct prior to payment for ticketing. Tickets purchased from Avanti Destinations carry restrictions and penalties for any and all changes after ticketing. Not all fares allow mileage upgrades or mileage credit. Airline tickets are non-endorsable and non-transferable. Prior to payment and issuance, all airfares are subject to change without notification and any increases in cost are the responsibility of the traveler.

AIRLINE SCHEDULE/EQUIPMENT/SEAT ASSIGNMENT CHANGES

Airlines reserve the right to change schedules, equipment, or routings at any time. Advanced seat assignments may not be available on certain flights, can be changed or canceled by the airline at any time, and can never be guaranteed by Avanti. It is the travelers' responsibility to contact the airline 72 hours prior to departure and on the day of departure to reconfirm their flights. Any traveler that misses their flight due to a schedule change will not be reimbursed by Avanti Destinations for expenses

resulting from a missed flight. Schedule changes may result in lost seat assignments, including upgraded seats and cabins and all claims should be filed directly with the airlines.

AIRLINE BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE

The number of pieces and the weight of each piece of baggage, whether checked or personally carried onto the plane, varies depending on both the airline and the cabin booked. It is the traveler's responsibility to contact the airline directly to inquire about their specific baggage allowance.

TRAVELER

Traveler's full passport name, date of birth, and gender are required to ticket air. Failure to provide correct passport names can result in the loss of airline space, and any penalties associated with incorrect names are not the responsibility of Avanti Destinations or the airlines. Name corrections may not be possible on some carriers and, if possible, may require a fee or a complete cancellation and rebooking.

TRAVELER INFORMATION AND PASSPORT / VISA / HEALTH

Each traveler must assume complete and full responsibility for, and hereby releases Avanti Destinations from any duty of checking and verifying any and all passport, visa, vaccination, or other entry requirements of each destination. Travelers are responsible for obtaining a valid passport, and any necessary visa and health documentation required by the country/ countries they wish to enter or transfer through. At certain destinations passports must be valid for minimum six months from exit of destination country, and not from their U.S departure date. Avanti Destinations accepts no responsibility for cancellations due to lack of proper travel documentation, passport validity, or immunizations. Passport number, expiration date, gender, mobile phone number, and date of birth may be required to confirm services.

GROUP CHANGES AND CANCELLATIONS

CHANGE FEE

Any modification and / or substantial changes communicated after the final payment date will result in a revision fee of \$100.00 per change and may cause a delay in receiving your e-documents. Requests for any form of cancellation or change must be received in writing before action will be taken

CANCELLATIONS - INDIVIDUAL PENALTY

160 to 81 days prior to U.S departure date - \$ 300 per person + any applicable airline fees

80 to 46 days prior to U.S departure date - 80% of land package + 100% of air package

45 days less prior to departure - 100% of land package + 100% of air package

Should cancellations cause any change to the groups per person price, or change in room type, then further supplements may apply. Any non-refundable deposits or group costs that have already been paid are additional to the cancellation charges and cannot be transferred.

REFUND APPLICATION

No refund claim will be considered or pursued and no action will be taken by Avanti Destinations unless notice of claim is received with supporting documentation within 30 days of completion of travel. There will be no price reduction or refund given for any unused travel segments. Refund decisions are determined by Avanti Destinations in accordance with the existing contract between Avanti Destinations and our supplier(s). No refund determination can be made by anyone other than Avanti Destinations.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Travel documents will be sent approximately 4 weeks prior to departure, provided that full information has been submitted and full payment has been processed. All documents sent will be e-documents.