

Archaeological Tours & Cruises 2015

Prehistory & Ancient History guided by Gillian Hovell, Archaeologist & Author

Friday 27 – Sunday 29 March **The Might of Roman York**

3 Days £tbc

Aldborough – Roman Walls – Baths - York Minster Crypt – and more

York was the centre of Roman military might in the North of England and evidence for it is scattered through the city. Aldborough, meanwhile, became a Romanised civilian focus for what had been the Brigantes' tribal lands. Explore these sites where native Britain merged with Classical Rome.



Sunday 24 May-Tuesday 2 June **Prehistoric Orkney and Shetland**

9 Days c. £tbc

Tombs – settlements – brochs – standing stones – scenery, botany & birdlife

We return to the Orkneys and Shetland for another inspirational and comprehensive archaeological tour of these remote islands, home to some of the best preserved prehistoric sites in Northern Europe.



Tuesday 16 -24 June **Roman Pompeii & Herculaneum**

10/9? Days £tbc

Paestum – Stabiae – Cumae – Pozzuoli – San Lorenzo – Naples' Archaeological Museum – Mt. Vesuvius – Pompeii – Herculaneum Oplontis – Capri

A stunning tour around the Bay of Naples. Explore Roman history from its origins to the rise of the late Republic and the luxury of imperial Rome. Discover Roman art, architecture, religion and daily life ...



Friday 10 July – Monday 13 July **Prehistoric Southern Ireland**

4 Days £tbc

Flying into Dublin, we stay in Killarney to explore the prehistoric wedge tombs of this beautiful area, Dunbeg, Cahergal, Loher and Staigue forts and Kealkil and famous Drombeg stone circles and more, before flying back from Cork.



Friday 24-Sunday 26 July **Prehistoric Northern Ireland**

3 Days £tbc

Our journey via hotels in Donegal and Sligo leads us through stunning scenery and to the greatest prehistoric sites in Northern Ireland, from the Giant's Causeway to forts and stone circles, and tombs ranging from dolmen to court tombs and the famous Carrowmore cemetery.



Monday 3 -Friday 7 August **Hadrian's Wall: Edge of Empire**

5 Days c.£tbc

Stanwick - Piercebridge – Corbridge – Segedunum - Arbeia – Chesters – Housesteads - Roman Army Museum – Vindolanda – Mithraeum – Tullie House Museum – and more ...

A grand tour of Hadrian's Wall, the northern edge of the Roman Empire – a land where barbarian and Roman worlds collided. Discover how to interpret Roman sites for yourself ...



Friday 21 – Sunday 23 August **Prehistoric Central Ireland**

3 Days £tbc

Flying into Dublin, we get our bearings at the National Archaeology Museum before exploring the best tombs and forts around Galway. Returning via Dublin, Knowth, Fourknocks and Newgrange are a 'must'.



Friday - Sunday date tbc **Roman Britain: Sacred Springs and Spas**

3 Days c.£tbc

Chedworth Roman Villa – Roman Bath – Great Witcombe Villa - Cirencester Museum

How the Romans changed the lives of the Britons for ever as new pagan gods, ritual springs and lives of luxury spread throughout occupied Britain.



Bookings for all above tours: Omega Holidays Ltd Tel.01524 541 800 www.omega-holidays.com

It is essential to quote Code * when booking**



Gillian Hovell will also be the lecturer for the Smithsonian Journeys' cruise on the Aegean Odyssey

17 April – 2 May **Pearls to Antiquity Cruise**

around the archaeological sites of the Aegean islands and shores of Greece & Turkey

£tbc Bookings: www.smithsonianjourneys.org

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The British Museum – Ancient Greece and Rome

2 Days

Ancient Greece galleries – Elgin Marbles – Ancient Rome galleries – Museum of London

A comprehensive and inspiring tour of the dawn of Western civilisation. The stories of the glories of Ancient Greece and Rome, from prehistory through Athens' heydays and early Rome and on to the might of imperial Rome. And then apply what we've seen at the Museum of London.

