

# 3 Night Come and Craft Weekend in the Northern Lake District

**Trip style:**

**Destination:** 📍 Lake District

**Trip code:** DBK03-CTW05



## HOLIDAY OVERVIEW

Whether it's wreath making, model building, knitting, crochet or even just a jigsaw you're into, our Come and Craft breaks provide the perfect opportunity to kickstart a new project or complete a current one. Bring your own craft project to one of our characterful country houses and work on it in scenic and sociable surroundings. Not only do these holidays connect you with like-minded crafting folk who love making things with their hands, but they inspire you to swap ideas, share skills, and celebrate each other's creativity. There are no organised sessions, just free-flowing tea and coffee as well as somewhere to safely store your work overnight.

## WHAT YOU'LL LOVE

- Spending time expressing your creativity
- Bringing your own craft project to work on
- Sharing inspiration and ideas with fellow crafters
- Having a dedicated workspace for the duration of your stay
- Meeting like-minded guests

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- En-suite accommodation in our 4-star country house
- Cream tea on arrival day
- Cooked or continental breakfast every morning
- Daily packed lunches
- Three-course evening meals, plus tea & coffee
- Easy-to-follow routes, maps, and information available in our Discovery Point if you want to explore independently

## ITINERARY

### **Day 1:** Arrival Day

Check-in at the hotel is available from 16:00. If you are a member you can arrive at the house from 14:00. Enjoy a complimentary cream tea at 16:30 and meet other guests.

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### **Day 2-3:** Your Craft Sessions

There are no hard and fast rules to your day. You're free to craft from morning 'til night. Or if you'd prefer, you could start the day with one of our self-guided walks and return full of inspiration ready to continue with your project. This is a holiday where the itinerary is entirely up to you.

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### **Day 4:** Departure Day

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before making your way home.

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## Derwent Bank

Adored by poets, painters, and literary giants for centuries, the Lake District has always had an irresistible pull. It's no surprise, then, that this country house near the market town of Keswick holds such appeal, not least for its setting in lovely grounds that slope down to the shores of Derwentwater. The location couldn't be more perfect; to the west is Cat Bells, to the east is Keswick, Walla Crag, and Latrigg, and to the south is the entrance to the Borrowdale valley. There's a wealth of big-name attractions within easy travelling distance, including Blencathra, Helvellyn, and Ullswater. Also visit-worthy for walkers is Scafell Pike for its well-trodden routes and trails and the 73-mile-long Cumbria Way for its mist-shrouded peaks, glacial valleys, and many excuses for pit-stops and picnics.

### A warm welcome

We want you to feel comfortable from the moment you arrive. You'll find a welcome pack in your room with guest registration forms, menus, order forms for dinners and picnic lunches, the Wi-Fi password, and the front door code. Our houses are locked at night, so we recommend noting the Duty Manager's number on arrival in case of an emergency (or getting locked out).

### Evening entertainment

While evening entertainment varies from house to house, HF Holidays Inter-House Quiz night held after dinner on Wednesdays is a weekly staple. Your HF Holidays leader may be around for tips on guided and self-guided walking routes as well as visit-worthy local attractions.

### Walks talks

Our HF Holidays walk leaders host guided walking information briefings before dinner on guided walking holiday arrival days. This is followed by a group Walks Talk for information on the following day's guided walks (held before dinner every evening). Self-guided walking guests are, of course, welcome.

### The walking day

Prior to setting off on guided walks, your HF Holidays Leader will run you through a short safety briefing. There's also an up-to-date weather forecast on display at the house to ensure you have appropriate clothing and footwear. If you choose to do your own walks or are on a self-guided walking holiday, we ask that you please complete an Independent Walker Card each day. These can be found near the Discovery Point in the house.