

3 Night HF Folk Jam Weekend in the Shropshire Hills

Trip style:

Destination: 📍 Shropshire Hills

Trip code: CHS03-MFJ05



HOLIDAY OVERVIEW

Appealing to music lovers with some playing experience, this holiday offers a variety of workshops focusing on different music styles and techniques. Led by expert tutors who bring different specialisms, your mornings will be spent learning and performing new music pieces. There will also be ample opportunity to collaborate with your fellow players in the afternoons and evenings. Please note, you will need to bring your own instruments and music stand.

WHAT YOU'LL LOVE

- Enjoying guidance and some personal tuition from expert tutors
- Meeting and connecting with other music enthusiasts
- Joining morning sessions and learning a variety of new pieces
- Spending your evenings playing with other musicians
- Practising independently in your free time
- Exploring the local area at your leisure

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- All sheet music and other resources
- Comfortable en-suite accommodation in our 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.

Day 2-3: Your Jam Sessions

During your holiday, you'll have music sessions in the morning, covering a variety of different styles and techniques under the guidance of your HF Leader team. Free afternoons give you the chance to practice independently or collaborate with your fellow musicians. Alternatively, take to the great outdoors and explore the beautiful countryside surrounding the country house. In the evenings, we'll come back together for informal jam sessions – grab a drink, kick back and enjoy the music!

Day 4: Departure Day

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before making your way home.

Longmynd Hotel

For rural calm in the Shropshire Hills National Landscape, the location of this characterful country house is hard to top. Set in a wooded hillside just a short stroll from the market town of Church Stretton (nicknamed Little Switzerland for its picturesque landscape), you'll be within walking or driving distance of the Stiperstones, Caer Caradoc, Ironbridge Valley of Invention, and the historic towns of Ludlow and Shrewsbury. And then, of course, there's the Long Mynd itself – an area of registered common land that has been cared for by a group of farmers (the self-named commoners) who have grazed sheep and ponies here for generations.

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.