


Christmas Craft Weekend in the Peak District

Trip style: Festive breaks

Destination:  Peak District

Trip code: POP03-CCW05

Carbon Footprint:  44kg CO2



HOLIDAY OVERVIEW

Get into the festive spirit with a Christmas Craft Weekend in the beautiful Peak District. This break offers the perfect opportunity to unwind in a serene countryside setting while indulging in a variety of Christmas-themed craft activities. Enjoy morning or afternoon craft sessions led by an experienced tutor, plus free time to continue with your craft project, or to explore the beautiful surroundings on self-guided walks.

WHAT YOU'LL LOVE

- Immersing yourself in the joy of crafting your own Christmas decorations
- Benefiting from the knowledge and skills of local artisans who will guide you through each craft activity
- Sharing inspiration and ideas with fellow crafters
- Having a dedicated workspace for the duration of your stay
- Getting into the festive spirit with like-minded guests

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 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
- Expert tuition
- Easy-to-follow routes, maps, and information available in our Discovery Point if you want to explore independently

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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: Christmas Candle Making

You will be allocated a morning or afternoon session with our festive craft tutor. The rest of your time is free for your to do as you please. You're free to craft from morning 'til night if you wish to bring your own craft project to work on. Or, if you prefer, you could explore the surrounding area with one of our self-guided walks. Spend time making your very own Christmas candle. All the materials and tuition will be provided for you to make festive scented candles and wax melts.

Day 3: Christmas Wreath Making

You will be allocated a morning or afternoon session with our festive craft tutor. The rest of your time is free for your to do as you please. You're free to craft from morning 'til night if you wish to bring your own craft project to work on. Or if you prefer you could explore the surrounding area with one of our self-guided walks. Create your own Christmas wreath with Maxi from Bakewell-based florists, Thornbridge Blooms. All materials and tuition will be provided for you to make a festive decoration using foliage, dried flowers, and seed heads, all gathered and grown by Maxi himself. No experience is necessary as there will be step-by-step demonstration of each stage.

Day 4: Departure Day

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before making your way home.

The Peveril of the Peak

Named after Sir Walter Scott's Peak District-set novel, this characterful country house is less than a mile from the famous Dovedale Stepping Stones and on the doorstep of Thorpe Cloud - a cone-shaped limestone hill that offers impressive views over the rolling green landscape that forms the Staffordshire/Derbyshire border. Both are easily accessible from the rear of the property. There are plenty of big-name walking destinations nearby including the Roaches, the impressive Stanage Edge, and the Twelve Apostles - a group of rock spires best viewed from the limestone promontory known as Lover's Leap.

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.