

Introduction to Dance in the Shropshire Hills

Trip style:

Destination: 📍 Shropshire Hills

Trip code: CHS03-DAC05

Carbon Footprint: 🌳 73kg CO2



HOLIDAY OVERVIEW

Always wanted to learn to dance but never taken your first steps? Our Introduction to Dance weekends are the perfect place to start. Designed for complete beginners, these fun and relaxed breaks are led by experienced teachers who will guide you through the basics of popular modern and Latin dances. You'll enjoy friendly, supportive morning sessions, with plenty of time in the afternoons to explore the stunning surroundings of our country house. In the evenings, put your new moves into practice at our social dances – no experience required.

WHAT YOU'LL LOVE

- Morning dance lessons tailored to beginners
- Testing your newfound skills with social dances in the evenings
- Tuition from our expert dance leaders
- Relaxing at our comfortable country house
- Exploring the local area in the afternoons
- Maximum group size of 20

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Comfortable en-suite accommodation in our country house
- Tuition from our dance experts
- 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.

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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 2-3: Dance Sessions

Enjoy tutored dance sessions in the mornings and after dinner each evening. Afternoons are free to explore the local area. Please use our Discovery Point for inspiration and ideas on walking routes.

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.