



TRIP ON THE FLYING SCOTSMAN AND 2-COURSE MEAL - FRI 11 JULY 2025



£129.00 per person

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From the Blackmore Vale we take you directly to Bishops Lydeard. You will enjoy a two course meal en-route before boarding the Flying Scotsman.

This is a rare chance to travel on the Flying Scotsman between Bishops Lydeard and Minehead. The journey along the West Somerset Railway is like stepping into a bygone era. The 20-mile route takes you through some of the most breathtaking countryside in England, offering panoramic views of rolling hills, picturesque villages, and charming farmland. As you sit back and relax in the beautifully restored carriages, you can truly appreciate the slower pace of travel and the timeless beauty of the Somerset landscape. The West Somerset Railway operates a variety of steam and diesel locomotives, each with its own unique charm.

You will get an hour of free time in Minehead before return travel which will be on another heritage train (Note: this will not be on the Flying Scotsman).

The West Somerset Railway (WSR) is a 22.75-mile (36.6 km) heritage railway line in Somerset. The line originally opened in 1862 between Taunton and Watchet. In 1874 it was extended from Watchet to Minehead by the Minehead Railway. The line was closed by British Rail in 1971 and reopened in 1976 as a heritage line. It is the longest standard gauge independent heritage railway in the UK.

Flying Scotsman was originally built in Doncaster for the London and North Eastern Railway (LNER), emerging from the works on 24 Feb 1923 and initially numbered 1472. It was designed by Sir Nigel Gresley as part of the A1 class, the most powerful locomotives used by the railway. The legendary locomotive also performed the first non-stop London to Edinburgh trip in 1928, cutting the journey time to eight hours. In 1934, Flying Scotsman was clocked at 100mph on a test run, the first locomotive in the UK to reach that speed. The engine underwent a £4.2M restoration to put it back on the tracks as a working engine from 2015 to 2023, when it celebrated its centenary with a nationwide tour, and is visiting West Somerset Railway only in June and July 2025.

Included:

- Return tickets on The West Somerset Railway - One way on Flying Scotsman and return on another heritage train
 - Two Course Meal before train journey
 - Complimentary drinks on the coach when feasible
 - Return travel

Depart Stalbridge: TBC

Return Stalbridge: 19:00 approx

All itineraries are approximate and subject to change