CHEESE AND WINE CRUISE ON THE THAMES - SUN 13TH SEPTEMBER 2026

£116.00 per person

Join us on a trip to Walton - on - Thames, where we will join our vessel for a 3 hour Cheese & Wine Cruise along the Thames.

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TRIP ITINERARY

CHEESE & WINE CRUISE ON THE THAMES - WALTON-ON-THAMES - A three-hour cruise where history, scenery, and delicious cheese meet on England's most famous river. After a comfortable journey through Surrey with a stop en route, we arrive at Cowey Sale beside Walton Bridge – where Julius Caesar forded the Thames in 54 BC. **12:15 pm – Embarkation & Welcome** - Board your vessel (four easy steps with assistance available) and settle in. Choose your complimentary drink – red or white wine, soft drink, tea, or coffee. Your individual cheeseboard arrives with assorted crackers, French bread, and chutney. **1:00 pm – Cast Off!** - As the boat pulls away, the calm Thames unfolds before you.

What you'll discover:

- **D'Oyly Carte Island** – Built by Richard D'Oyly Carte, founder of the Savoy Hotel, this private island once served as a rehearsal retreat for Gilbert and Sullivan's legendary comic operas.
- **Shepperton Manor** – Admire this elegant Georgian manor house with its manicured grounds, perfectly capturing 18th-century grace.
- **Desborough Channel** – Cruise through this scenic waterway, looping around Desborough Island. Watch swans glide by and spot herons along the banks.
- **Taggs Island** – Spot the authentic Swiss chalet on this charming island – an unexpected Alpine touch!
- **Sunbury Lock & Hampton Reaches** – Experience passing through the lock, then cruise the beautiful reaches. Catch glimpses of Hampton Court Palace's distinctive Tudor chimneys in the distance.
- **Picturesque Riverside Properties** – Marvel at stunning waterfront homes, charming bungalows with gardens tumbling to the water's edge.
- **Walton Bridge** – Pass beneath this historic crossing point. Six bridges have spanned here since 1748; Canaletto immortalised the first in 1754 (now in Dulwich Picture Gallery).

Throughout your three-hour journey, relax, savour your cheese and wine, and soak up the tranquil beauty of the Royal Thames.

Includes:

- Return travel in comfort
- Three-hour Thames cruise from Cowey Sale
- Individual cheeseboard with crackers, French bread, and chutney and a glass of wine (soft drink/tea/coffee)
- Packed lunch and complimentary drinks on the coach

Depart Stalbridge: TBC - **Return Stalbridge:** TBC - *All itineraries are approximate and subject to change*

There are 4 steps to encounter once on the boat - it is classed as suitable for less mobile with assistance

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