

# Beyond the Expected

Journeys become truly remarkable when they are rooted in meaning. Whether tracing ancestral footsteps, uncovering forgotten stories, or bringing a childhood fascination to life, Dream Escape curates moments that resonate deeply. We open doors to places rarely seen, arrange encounters few ever experience, and design experiences that feel personal, profound and beautifully unique.

Enjoy a glimpse of just some of the extraordinary experiences our team has thoughtfully curated this year so far.



## Heritage Reimagined

### **Kentish Ancestry**

We arranged private access to a 19th-century village church, where the family's forebears once stood. Welcomed by the Reverend, they explored its history before taking part in a hands-on bell-ringing session with an expert ringer.

### **Welsh Castle Lineage**

In the heart of the Conwy Valley, our clients discovered their Welsh roots with a private tour of a 15th-century castle hosted by its Owner. Personal artefacts and family stories brought their ancestry vividly to life.

### **MacLaine Clan Legacy**

A private charter across the waters of Loch Buie delivered a dramatic sea-entrance approach to Moy Castle, offering a powerful perspective on their MacLaine heritage.

## Moments of Wildlife & Wonder



### **An Otter in the Wild**

Guided by a wildlife specialist deep into the quiet landscapes of the Isle of Mull, our guests watched an otter in its natural habitat—an unforgettable wish fulfilled. Their daughter's dream came true too, as she witnessed a charming colony of puffins up close.



### **Birdlife in the Loch Leven**

For a client with a passion for ornithology, we partnered with the RSPB to curate a private bird-watching experience led by an expert on the serene shores of Loch Leven.



## *Access Beyond the Ordinary*

### **A Nautical Voyage Through History**

Following private tours of the Cutty Sark and Maritime Museum, the family boarded a 100-foot spritsail Thames sailing barge—the tallest of its kind. In an extraordinary moment, Tower Bridge was raised exclusively for their passage back into Central London.

### **Peaceful Morning at Hamleys**

To ensure uninterrupted joy, Dream Escape arranged a private pre-opening of London's iconic Hamleys toy store, allowing the family to explore all seven floors in perfect tranquillity.

### **Backstage at the Ballet**

A client's ambition to meet a world-renowned ballet dancer was realised behind the scenes at the Royal Opera House—a privileged, intimate encounter.

### **A Prestigious Place to Cast a Line**

Fulfilling a long-held wish to fish the River Dee, we surprised our guest with access to one of its most exclusive, normally inaccessible locations.

### **History of Witches**

A bespoke journey through Scotland for clients with a deep interest in the country's historic witch-trials. Their programme included private access to atmospheric castles, poignant memorial sites and significant graves, each visit guided by expert storytelling. The experience culminated in an intimate, candlelit dinner in a private wine cellar, where a historian brought Scotland's witch-trial history to life through evocative narrative and thoughtful interpretation.

## *Magical Encounters for Young Explorers*

### **Celtic Legends & Fairy**

A bespoke Irish adventure, created for a young girl captivated by folklore. Guided by a master storyteller through the Burren and on to the fairy trees of Connemara, her journey felt touched by enchantment.

### **A Train Enthusiast's Dream**

A railway-loving boy was granted a rare behind-the-scenes tunnel walk—after the power was safely switched off—bringing his fascination thrillingly to life.

## *Adventure, Freedom & the Great Outdoors*

### **Galloping the Galway Coastline**

The family enjoyed a private horse-riding experience along vast, wind-swept beaches as the tide lapped at the horses' feet—a moment of pure exhilaration and beauty.

### **A Solo Journey North**

Designed for an intrepid female traveller, this personalised exploration through the North of Scotland and Orkney blended wildlife encounters with luxury, support and indulgence at every step.

## *Music, Magic & Togetherness*

### **Recording at Abbey Road**

For those seeking a truly memorable family moment, one music-loving family was immersed in the Studios' legendary history through refined storytelling, iconic music and intimate live performances within its world-renowned recording rooms. For another, preferring a more hands-on experience, they stepped into the spotlight to record their own song - a joyful and creative experience filled with laughter and set against a backdrop of iconic musical heritage.

