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MAINLINE STEAM TOUR PROGRAMME 2018

June to November - local services

Welcome to the UK Steam Railtour pages. This is an unofficial list of scheduled steam-hauled excursions over Network Rail lines during 2018. The information is updated regularly, and is provided in good faith, but is not guaranteed accurate! No responsibility is accepted for any errors or omissions. Always check with the rail tour operator for current information, as tours are often cancelled or amended at short notice.

Comments, updates, corrections (or criticism) are very welcome. Please email to: webmaster at uksteam.info. A very special thanks to all those who have contributed information - especially details of planned tours, train times, and updates on main line locomotives. Please keep sending it!

Note The symbol § denotes steam leg is expected to have diesel assistance.

*This **'local'** extract also includes any trains which pass through or to Basingstoke, Salisbury, Oxford or Westbury without traveling through 'our area' as such, and any near misses which may be of particular interest. **Such entries have their date in blue**. Trains including Newbury in their itinerary must travel through Hungerford – some others may do so.*

Date	Route	Bookings
Sat 02-Jun	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - Portsmouth-Salisbury *(WCRC) [wcrc]* *61306* ***45212****: Portsmouth Harbour-Salisbury and return*	STDR
Sun 03-Jun	**THE TORBAY EXPRESS** - Bristol-Kingswear *(EH01) [dbc]* ***35028****: Bristol-Westbury-Kingswear and return*	TBEL
Tue 05-June	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London-Oxford *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60103****: Paddington-High Wycombe-Bicester-Oxford-Victoria*	STDR
Sun 10-Jun	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Paddington-Kingswear *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA****: Taunton-Kingswear and return*	STDR
Thu 14-Jun	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Paddington-Cardiff *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009****: Paddington-Maindee N Jn §, Cardiff-Paddington §* *[Rescheduled from 01-Mar-18]*	STDR
Sat 16-Jun	**THE COTSWOLD VENTURER** - London Paddington-Worcester *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009****: Paddington-Evesham-Worcester-Kemble-Paddington*	RYTC
Sun 24-Jun	**THE ENGLISH RIVIERA EXPRESS** - Bristol-Westbury-Kingswear *(LSL) [lsl]*	SPHS

	***34046/46100/70000**: Bristol-Exeter-Kingswear and return* *[Fully booked]*	
Thu 28-Jun	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Victoria-Worcester *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA**: Victoria-Redhill-Guildford-Oxford-Worcester and return*	STDR
Sun 01-Jul	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Paddington-Stratford on Avon *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***61306**: Paddington-Stratford and return* *[61306 First tour following overhaul ?]*	STDR
Sat 07-Jul	**THE BOURNEMOUTH BELLE** - Waterloo-Weymouth *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA**: Waterloo-Bournemouth, Southampton-Waterloo*	RYTC
Mon 09-Jul	**THE END OF SOUTHERN STEAM** - Waterloo-Weymouth *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA**: Waterloo-Salisbury-Yeovil Jn, Weymouth-Southampton-Waterloo*	RYTC
Thu 12-Jul	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Clapham Jn-Bath *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***61306**: Clapham Jn-Leatherhead-Guildford-Haslemere-Salisbury-Bath and return*	STDR
Sun 15-Jul	**THE TORBAY EXPRESS** - Bristol-Kingswear *(EH01) [dbc]* ***35028**: Bristol-Westbury-Kingswear and return*	TBEL
Sat 21-Jul	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - Southend Airport-Poole *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009**: Willesden-Poole §, Southampton-Willesden § (tbc)*	STDR
Thu 26-Jul	**THE DORSET COAST EXPRESS** - London-Weymouth *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***45305/60009**: Victoria-Staines-Southampton-Weymouth §,* *Southampton-Andover-Waterloo §*	RYTC
Sat 28-Jul	**THE WEST SOMERSET STEAM EXPRESS** - London Paddington-Minehead *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009**: Paddington-Newbury-Bishops Lydeard and return* ***TBA**: Bishops Lydeard-Minehead and return*	RYTC
Sun 29-Jul	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Paddington-Swanage *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA**: Paddington-Swanage, Southampton-Paddington*	STDR
Thu 09-Aug	**THE DORSET COAST EXPRESS** London-Weymouth *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***45305/60009**: Victoria-Staines-Southampton-Weymouth §,* *Southampton-Andover-Waterloo §*	RYTC
Tue 14-Aug	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Victoria-Weymouth *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA**: Victoria-Weymouth, Southampton-Victoria*	STDR
Sat 18-Aug	**THE WEST SOMERSET STEAM EXPRESS** - London Paddington-Minehead *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009**: Paddington-Newbury-Bishops Lydeard and return* ***TBA**: Bishops Lydeard-Minehead and return*	RYTC
Sun 19-Aug	**THE TORBAY EXPRESS** - Bristol-Kingswear *(EH01) [dbc]* ***TBA**: Bristol-Westbury-Kingswear and return*	TBEL

Tue 21-Aug	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Victoria-Minehead *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***61306**: Victoria-Staines-Bishops Lydeard and return*	STDR
Thu 23-Aug	**THE DORSET COAST EXPRESS** London-Weymouth *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***45305/60009**: Victoria-Staines-Southampton-Weymouth §, Southampton-Andover-Waterloo §*	RYTC
Sat 25-Aug	**THE COTSWOLD VENTURER** - London Paddington-Worcester *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009**: Paddington-Evesham-Worcester-Kemble-Paddington*	RYTC
Thu 30-Aug	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Victoria-Salisbury *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA**: Victoria-Leatherhead-Chichester-Salisbury and return*	STDR
Wed 05-Sep	**BELMOND BRITISH PULLMAN** - London Victoria-Bristoi *(BLMD) [dbc]* ***35028**: Victoria-Bristol-Victoria*	BLMD
Thu 06-Sep	**THE DORSET COAST EXPRESS** London-Weymouth *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***45305/60009**: Victoria-Staines-Southampton-Weymouth §, Southampton-Andover-Waterloo §*	RYTC
Thu 13-Sep	**THE SWANAGE BELLE** - London Victoria-Swanage *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009**: Victoria-Swanage §, Southampton-Victoria §*	RYTC
Sun 16-Sep	**THE TORBAY EXPRESS** - Bristol-Kingswear *(EH01) [dbc]* ***60009**: Bristol-Westbury-Kingswear and return*	TBEL
Sat 22-Sep	**THE OXFORD EXPLORER** - Three Bridges-Oxford *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009**: Three Bridges-Eastleigh-Basingstoke-Oxford and return*	RYTC
Sat 27-Oct	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - Sheffield Park BBR-Worcester *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***61306**: Sheffield Park-Worcester*	STDR
Tue 20-Nov	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - West Brompton-Gloucester *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***TBA**: West Brompton-Redhill-Guildford-Gloucester and return (tbc)*	STDR
Thu 22-Nov	**THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS** - London Paddington-ri *(WCRC) [wcrc]* ***60009**: Paddington-Swindon-Cardiff-Swindon-Paddington (tbc)*	STDR

Tour promoters

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A1ST	**The A1 Steam Locomotive Trust** Bookings via **UK Railtours** PO Box 50, Welwyn AL6 0WG Tel: 01438 715050
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BLMD	**Belmond** (formerly Orient-Express Hotels) Tel: 0845 077 2222

	Info line: 020 7805 5099 Email: reservations.uk@belmond.com
CARN	**Carnforth Station Heritage Centre** Carnforth Station, Warton Rd, Carnforth, LA5 9TR Tel: 01524 735165 Email: sdo@carnforth-station.co.uk
CHRT	**Charity Railtours** 1 Hunter Road, Ipswich, IP3 8TN Tel: 07518 045077
CMPS	**Compass by West Coast Railways** Jesson Way, Carnforth, Lancs LA5 9UR Tel: 0844 950 3137 Email: ---
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ICOS	**Icons of Steam** Locomotive Services Ltd
LTPT	**London Transport** Bookings Tel: 0207 565 7298
NLPG	**North Eastern Locomotive Preservation Group (NELPG) Enterprises** 57 Millview Drive, Tynemouth NE30 2QD Tel: 0191 257 0980 (Mon-Fri 09:30-20:30 only)
NRM	**National Railway Museum** Leeman Road, York, YO26 4XJ Tel: 08707 010208 (0830-2030)
NYMR	**North Yorkshire Moors Railway** Pickering Station, Pickering, North Yorkshire YO18 7AJ Tel: 01751-472508
PATH	**Pathfinder Tours (2006) Ltd** (A Riviera Trains Company) Stag House, Gydynap Lane, Inchbrook, Woodchester, Glos GL5 5EZ Tel: 01453-835414, 01453-834477 Fax: 01453-836538 Email: office@pathfindertours.co.uk
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PPRS	**Papyrus Rail UK** Tel: 01908 410450 Email: kt@papyrus-rail.com
RLTR	**Railtourer** 42 Kingston Road, Willerby, HU10 6UB. Tel: 01482-659082
RYTC	**The Railway Touring Company** 14a Tuesday Market Place, Kings Lynn, PE30 1JN Tel: 01553-661500 Fax: 01553 661800 Email: enquiries@railwaytouring.co.uk
SCTR	**Scotrail**
SPFR	**Spitfire Railtours** PO Box 824, Taunton TA1 9ET Tel: 08708 793675 Email: info@spitfirerailtours.co.uk

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STMN	**Statesman Rail** PO Box 83, St Erth, Hayle, TR27 6JH Tel: 0845 310 2458 Email: reservations@statesmanrail.com
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