

Sports Travel Experience Designed Especially for Seacoast United















Soccer in Manchester August 10 - August 18, 2020

ITINERARY OVERVIEW

- DAY 1 DEPARTURE FROM NORTH AMERICA
- DAY 2 ARRIVE MANCHESTER AREA (7 NIGHTS)
- DAY 3 PROFESSIONAL COACHING CLINIC & ATTEND PROFESSIONAL MATCH
- DAY 4 MANCHESTER & FIRST INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY
- DAY 5 LIVERPOOL
- DAY 6 MANCHESTER & SECOND INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY
- DAY 7 PROFESSIONAL COACHING CLINIC & ATTEND PROFESSIONAL MATCH
- DAY 8 CONWY & THIRD INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY
- DAY 9 DEPARTURE FROM MANCHESTER



ITINERARY

England is home to soccer where "association rules football" was first drawn up amongst public school teams. The sport has become the passion of England where the national team, The Three Lions, won the World Cup in 1966. England also boasts the most famous soccer league in the world, The Premier League, including world renowned clubs such as Manchester United, Arsenal FC, Chelsea FC, Tottenham, Liverpool FC and Manchester City.

 Educational Tour/Visit	 Cultural Experience	 Festival/Performance/Workshop	 Tour Services
 Recreational Activity	 LEAP Enrichment	 Match/Training Session	    








DAY 1 Monday, 10 August 2020



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DAY 2 Tuesday, 11 August 2020



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DAY 3 Wednesday, 12 August 2020

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DAY 3 Wednesday, 12 August 2020



ATTEND PROFESSIONAL MATCH

Attend a professional soccer match in the greater Manchester area featuring teams from the top leagues. Seeing the top talent in the world in person would itself be an unforgettable experience, but add the passionate crowds signing, cheering and chanting and you will enter an atmosphere that can only be understood through personal experience. (Excel Programs will secure tickets for the group after time of booking and upon release of the official schedule. Due to scheduling your final itinerary may need to be adjusted to accommodate attending a match.)



This evening we will have dinner in the hotel restaurant.

DAY 4 Thursday, 13 August 2020



This morning we will enjoy breakfast at the hotel.



OLD TRAFFORD STADIUM TOUR

Take a guided tour and go behind the scenes at Old Trafford, home of the world's largest soccer club, Manchester United. During our tour we will see the stadium (The Theatre of Dreams) through the eyes of Manchester United legends and the millions of passionate fans from around the globe. We will also have the opportunity to view historical memorabilia at the Manchester United Museum.



MANCHESTER UNITED MEGA STORE

Spend time exploring and shopping in the world-renowned Manchester United Megastore. From shirts to scarves, mugs to mouse pads, everything you could possibly want from Manchester United can be found here. In fact, there are more than 800 product lines available on the shelves, which are spread over 17,000 square feet. The Megastore is one of the biggest shops devoted to football in the world and more than 1 million people file through its doors annually.



FIRST FRIENDLY MATCH

Play an International Friendly Match against a local club or academy team in the greater Manchester area. The team will meet and compete against athletes of similar ages and skill levels, and have the opportunity to make friends for life. (The teams you will play will be selected after time of booking and will be based on the specific skill level and requirements of your team. We have contacts at every level and take great pride in finding the perfect fit for each friendly match.)



This evening we will have dinner in the hotel restaurant.



DAY 5 Friday, 14 August 2020



This morning we will enjoy breakfast at the hotel.



Today we will take an excursion to Liverpool.

The Merseyside Derby is the longest standing rivalry in top flight English football. Standing just one mile apart, Goodison Park and Anfield are home to English Clubs Everton and Liverpool FC respectively. The success of Liverpool FC in the 1970s and 80s has established the club as one of the 'Top Six' Premier League sides. 'The Reds' boast 18 First Division titles and a Champions League trophy from the memorable 2005 Istanbul Final. That's not to say Everton haven't managed their share of success. 'The Toffees' have won the FA Cup 5 times in their club' history and routinely contended for Europe over the past decade.



LIVERPOOL CITY TOUR

Explore and learn about this iconic city during your Hop On Hop Off Bus Tour. See the sights throughout Liverpool by taking the bus to all the "must see" locations. Some of the tour highlights may be: Albert Dock, Pier Head, Liverpool One, The Cavern Quarter, Liverpool Cathedral and St. Luke's - Bombed Out Church.



ALBERT DOCK

Explore Albert Dock. Built of brick stone and cast iron, this showpiece development on Liverpool's waterfront opened in 1846, saw a long period of decline and has now been extensively renovated and refurbished. In addition to countless shops and restaurants, the area is home to the Merseyside Maritime Museum, the Museum of Liverpool Life, the Beatles Story and the Tate Gallery.



This evening we will have dinner in the hotel restaurant.












DAY 6 Saturday, 15 August 2020

-  This morning we will enjoy breakfast at the hotel.
-  **TRAINING SESSION**
Participate in a Training Session at a local field in the greater Manchester area. The training session will be led by your own coaching staff and is designed to prepare the team for upcoming friendly matches. (Training sessions may be in the morning, afternoon or evening and will be determined by the final hotel location, field availability, and the schedule of activities for the day.)
-  **NATIONAL FOOTBALL MUSEUM**
Drama, history, skill, art, style, faith, passion. Football! Experience the world's greatest sport at the National Football Museum. Whether you're a football fanatic or just enjoying the great city of Manchester, you are certain to enjoy your visit to the world's biggest and best football museum. In addition to being a museum, this is also the Hall of Fame for English Football. Meet the greatest players, managers and teams in the English game. This is where new Hall of Fame members are inducted every year.
-  **MANCHESTER FREE TIME**
Enjoy some free time to explore the sights of Manchester or do some shopping.
-  **SECOND FRIENDLY MATCH**
Play an International Friendly Match against a local club or academy team in the greater Manchester area. The team will meet and compete against athletes of similar ages and skill levels, and have the opportunity to make friends for life. (The teams you will play will be selected after time of booking and will be based on the specific skill level and requirements of your team. We have contacts at every level and take great pride in finding the perfect fit for each friendly match.)
-  This evening we will have dinner in the hotel restaurant.

DAY 7 Sunday, 16 August 2020

-  This morning we will enjoy breakfast at the hotel.
-  **PROFESSIONAL COACHING CLINIC**
Participate in a special Professional Coaching Clinic in the greater Manchester area. The clinic will be led by a guest coach, player or instructor. The clinic will be designed exclusively for the team and to enhance skills in areas identified by the coaching staff. (Excel Sports has contacts at every level and can provide your team with some of the finest instructors in the industry. Specific clinics and coaches will be selected after time of booking.)
-  **ATTEND PROFESSIONAL MATCH**
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-  This evening we will have dinner in the hotel restaurant.

DAY 8 Monday, 17 August 2020

-  This morning we will enjoy breakfast at the hotel.
-  Conwy is an ancient, walled market town located on the north coast of Wales. With its mighty medieval castle and complete town walls, this is a richly historic place. Conwy Castle and the town walls were built between 1283 and 1289 by the order of Edward I of England and is a popular destination for travelers to marvel over this small town.
-  **CONWAY CASTLE**
Visit Conwy Castle built in the late 13th century by Edward I. It is an imposing structure that was built on a rock outcrop overlooking the entrance of the River Conwy
-  **CONWY FREE TIME**
You will have time to explore and shop within the walled city of Conwy.



DAY 8 Monday, 17 August 2020



THIRD FRIENDLY MATCH

Play an International Friendly Match against a local club or academy team in the greater Manchester area. The team will meet and compete against athletes of similar ages and skill levels, and have the opportunity to make friends for life. (The teams you will play will be selected after time of booking and will be based on the specific skill level and requirements of your team. We have contacts at every level and take great pride in finding the perfect fit for each friendly match.)



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DAY 9 Tuesday, 18 August 2020



This morning we will enjoy breakfast at the hotel.



Our rewarding and enjoyable tour comes to an end as our Tour Director accompanies us to the airport on our final day.



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30 - 35 Participants	\$3,169
25 - 29 Participants	\$3,279
20 - 24 Participants	\$3,459

Tour Prices Guaranteed at Time of Enrollment!

Our Price Guarantee - Once you have enrolled to join the group, the prices shown for the relevant group size levels will not change, regardless of any subsequent rate fluctuations (for example, on visits to attractions, airline fuel/taxes or currency movements on overseas programs).

****Final tour price will be determined by the total number of participants registered at 75 days prior to departure.**

What is Included:

- Round trip airfare, including all airport taxes and fuel surcharges
- Accommodation in three star hotels in twin and triple rooms with private facilities guaranteed throughout
- Breakfast and dinner (or lunch) at the hotel daily (determined by the final sporting arrangements)
- WorldStrides Excel Sports Tour Director to accompany your group 24 hours a day from arrival to departure
- Transportation by private coach for transfers and touring, as required based on your itinerary
- Excursions, cultural activities, stadium tours and admissions as per your itinerary
- International Friendly Matches per your itinerary (Excel Sports is a FIFA approved match agent, holding the rights to arrange soccer matches between teams from different confederations and will provide full documentation of the sanctioned games)
- U.S. Soccer Federation sanctioning of all games, which includes full documentation
- Training Sessions and/or Professional Coaching Clinics per your itinerary
- Two professional soccer ticket (subject to travel dates and match schedule)
- Three free college credits for all high school students (earning credit is optional for each participant and post trip course work is required)
- Free Professional Development Points/Credits (35 points or equivalent) for any educators traveling with the group
- Manchester United Raffle Fundraiser - all proceeds earned go directly to the cost of the tour
- Financial assistance program through the Future Leaders of American Government (FLAG) Foundation (for qualifying participants)
- WorldStrides Excel Sports App - featuring itinerary, flight and hotel details, as well as instant messaging capabilities
- Payment plans to meet the needs of all participants - EZPay and our Advantage Payment Plan (APP), where participants can make equal installment payments up to six months after the trip
- USTOA Extensive Consumer Protection up to \$1,000,000 in coverage for advance deposits through our USTOA membership
- Basic health insurance while on tour (including medical treatment on tour up to \$7,500) and \$50,000 of coverage for emergency evacuation and repatriation
- Industry leading Professional Liability Insurance of \$50,000,000 in coverage, which extends to certain individuals acting on behalf of Excel Sports as Coaches and Chaperones
- Exclusive 24-hour Doctors On-Call partnership with George Washington University Hospital

This Does Not Include:

- Any items not mentioned above or in the detailed itinerary
- Single rooms for adults - available at a supplement of \$75 per night
- Third daily meal or personal beverages with meals
- Laundry services on tour
- Visas (if required)
- Tips for Tour Director and driver
- Any fees that might be imposed by the airlines at the airport for checked baggage, or any costs for the hire of, or transport of, equipment or gear
- Travel Insurance - we offer and encourage you to consider our comprehensive policy which includes health, property and cancellation coverage at a cost of \$149 (available upon registration)
- U.S. Soccer Permission to Travel \$50 Application Fee, which is to be paid by the club/team for each team that is traveling. This is not an individual



Manchester United Grand Prize Raffle Drawing

Win a four-day trip for two and attend the final Manchester United home game at Old Trafford Stadium

The winner will receive:

- Two round trip flights to Manchester
- Two nights accommodation
- Two tickets to see Manchester United's final season home game at Old Trafford

The Ultimate Fundraiser

WorldStrides Excel Sports Programs is pleased to offer your individual participants or your team with the ultimate fundraiser. Your participants will be able to sell raffle tickets to people in their community or to other friends and family members. The money they raise will be theirs to apply towards the cost of their sports tour.

We will provide a PDF of the raffle tickets. The participants will print the tickets at home, and then they will proceed to sell the tickets for \$10 each. WorldStrides Excel Sports Programs will provide the grand prize and hold a drawing on the 1st of March each year in order to choose a winner.

"This raffle fundraiser is sending me to Spain to play soccer. When my parents told me I had to pay for the trip myself I was determined I could do it and with the help of this raffle I was able to pay for the entire trip. Thank you so much!"

Sydney Larkin, St. Mary's College Women's Soccer (MD)



"The Manchester trip was an awesome experience that I will never forget. It's been a dream of mine to see a Premier League game so this trip helped that wish come true for me. The atmosphere at the game was awesome and I got to see some great goals from Manchester United. I was also impressed with how accommodating Excel International Sports was while arranging extra days and flights for the trip. Overall, I am so grateful that I got this opportunity to go to Manchester and fulfill one of my dreams!"

Mike Smith, Grand Prize Raffle Winner

Don't Just Take Our Word for it. Here is What Our Participants Had to Say:



"I would highly recommend WorldStrides Excel to anyone thinking about doing an international tour. The professionalism was outstanding but what set this trip apart from others was the personal attention paid to our group. WorldStrides Excel made every participant feel like they were important. WorldStrides Excel made a really good trip become really great."

Terri Spurgeon, Liverpool FC America, England



"The trip was fantastic. The boys really had a ball; all smiles the entire time. Our tour manager was AWESOME and took care of everything. He was really on top of it all. Once against you and your staff are great and I thank you for a great experience. I'll be planning the next one soon!"

Ben Ossei, England



"The team and parents had a great time on our England and Scotland tour. The friendlies with local clubs, trainings and tours of stadiums and castles went off without a hitch. Our tour guide, Jack, was incredibly informative and entertaining. We hope to tour again with WorldStrides Excel in the future!"

Jeanne Salas, Carolina Railhawks, England/Scotland



"It was an absolutely amazing experience. We had an outstanding time and got to play some of our best soccer. Thank you so much for all of your work in organizing this trip for us. I highly recommend a tour to England and WorldStrides Excel. Our tour manager was an asset in London and was extremely knowledgeable and personable. I can speak for all the parents and say that we all thoroughly enjoyed every part of this tour."

Debra Stranaghan, England