

# Country Lane Tours

*Classic car and corporate events arranged throughout Europe*  
*This is not a tour - it's a house party on wheels! - M.C. 1938 Rover 20*

## 2026 TOURS SCHEDULE

2025 events proved to be a great success, with the 16<sup>th</sup> Credit Crunch Special, Herriot & Heartbeat, South Coast & Isle of Wight, Welsh Wander, and Christmas Party all exceeding initial entry guesstimates.

**April 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> (16<sup>th</sup>). 17<sup>th</sup> Credit Crunch Special**, based this time at Ettington Park Hotel & Spa on the edge of the Cotswolds.

Taking in some of the picturesque villages the tour visits Bourton-on-the-Water Car Museum, Crocodile World (yes really!), and Prescott Hill Climb.

Lunches are at The Farmer's Dog (Clarkson's pub) and the clubhouse Prescott.



At Prescott we'll be able to walk around the Bugatti collection and have a talk on the Bugatti family who not only built cars but also designed furniture and fabrics.

You'll also be able to have a go on the simulators to see how good you are!

*Country Lane Tours* has taken over the entire hotel and at the time of printing forty rooms filled so just six left.

**June 11<sup>th</sup> - '9<sup>th</sup>. Devon & Cornwall Tour.** This starts at the 5-star Bovey Castle



Hotel in Dartmoor National Park before progressing to spend three nights in Bodmin Jail (now a luxury hotel!), three in the Polurrian Hotel overlooking Mullion Cove, before a final night in art deco Saunton Sands hotel.

There are too many venues to list here but they include a seal sanctuary, the Eden Project, Minack theatre (**see left**), Land's

End, Geevor Tin Mine Museum, and Tate St. Ives.

One of the lunch halts is Jamaica Inn on Bodmin Moor (**see right**), made famous by Daphne Du Maurier.

**August 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> (11<sup>th</sup>).** Welsh Wander. It was oversubscribed last year so running again to cater for people unable to attend. As usual this is based at the Metropole in Victorian Spa town of Llandrindod Wells. Many regulars will have been there, especially as there have been three Christmas Parties as well as a Credit Crunch Special, but it's in August and the weather will hopefully be good. This event is mainly aimed at car clubs and people not currently on the mailing list, but perhaps some of 'the usual suspects' might be tempted to just chill out for a summer weekend in convivial surroundings and company? The Elan Valley, with its magnificent dams and stunning scenery, is quite spectacular, and a visit to the second-hand book Mecca of Hay-on-Wye a must. The kite feeding last time was a huge hit with everyone!

**December, Christmas Party, date and venue to be decided.** This is gaining in popularity each year and a chance for everyone to meet up with friends. I have a potential location but more information when available.

Detailed schedules for each event available on request by emailing postal address to [countrylanetours@gmail.com](mailto:countrylanetours@gmail.com) or calling Ian on 01824 790280.

***Plans already being considered for 2027!***

