Group Itineraries





Portsmouth Victoriana

Full Day Tour

Step back in time to the Victorian era on this tour to Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight – discover the origins of great literature, Victorian naval fire power and the holiday home of Queen Victoria – Osborne House.

Charles Dickens' Birthplace Museum © *60 mins*

Visit the home where Charles Dickens was born in 1812, furnished to recreate the style of the time, and glimpse a fascinating insight into the humble beginnings of this literary great. www.charlesdickensbirthplace.co.uk



Portsmouth Museum and Art Gallery © *60 mins*

The literary theme continues with a visit to Portsmouth Museum and Art Gallery, home to an exhibition about Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and the creation – in Portsmouth – of his great detective Sherlock Holmes.

On site catering can be arranged including welcome drinks or full lunch. www.portsmouthmuseum.co.uk

HMS Warrior © 90 mins

HMS Warrior in Portsmouth Historic Dockyard is the next stop on this Victorian voyage of discovery. The fastest, largest and most powerful warship in the world when she was launched, join Warrior's Captain and crew on board and explore this almighty Victorian battleship for yourself. www.historicdockyard.co.uk



Osborne House © 120 mins

The tour finishes with an exhilarating hovercraft ride across the Solent to the Isle of Wight and Osborne House aboard Hovertravel – the world's only year round passenger hovercraft service. Visit Osborne House, awash with Victorian opulence and extravagant interiors plus the Swiss Cottage – a chalet built for the royal children. www.english-heritage.org.uk



Portsmouth Museum and Art Gallery

More things to do

Spinnaker Tower



Take in 23-mile vistas of city, coast and country from the iconic Spinnaker Tower. From its 100 metre viewing platforms you can enjoy the views, have a very high tea or even try a VR experience.

www.spinnakertower.co.uk

Gunwharf Quays



Gunwharf Quays is the south coast's leading designer shopping outlet – home to over 90 famous brands with savings of up to 60% off RRP. Relax at one of the many bars, restaurants and coffee shops, taking in the waterfront views.

www.gunwharf-quays.com

Henry VIII's Southsea Castle



Visit Henry VIII's Castle and view the Castle Keep and Ramparts. Learn about the fortification's history through to present day, then take in the views from the ramparts. On site shop and restaurant available.

www.southseacastle.co.uk

Fort Nelson



Discover the national collection of artillery at this historic fort, where live firings take place daily. Explore the ramparts, outer fortifications and tunnels, before enjoying a bite to eat at the on-site café.

www.royalarmouries.org

National Museum of the Royal Navy



Discover the Royal Navy's rich and fascinating history: with thousands of stories spanning generations. Learn all about Admiral Lord Nelson, his beloved HMS Victory, the more modern M33 and a whole load more.

www.historicdockyard.co.uk