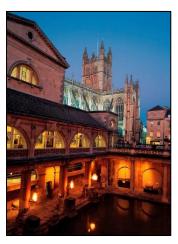


Spa and shopping weekend in Bath

The famous roman city of Bath has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1987. Thousands of years of history are hidden in the cobbled streets and there are plenty to explore. With only one and a half hour train journey from London Paddington Station, this is a perfect destination for those who are looking for a weekend filled with shopping, spa, history and literature.

The shopping in Bath is considered to be the best outside London. Stroll across Pulteney Bridge and peek

into the quaint shops along the bridge. On this very bridge, scenes for the movie "Vanity Fair" was filmed, and by the river Avon below, they filmed the final scene of "Les Miserables". More unique independent stores can be found in Milsom Place. There you also have a variety of nice restaurants to visit when hunger strikes.



The Roman Baths are not to be missed during your visit. Here you will learn about the city's history and the natural hot springs constructed by the Romans around 70 AD. You also get the chance to taste the spring water, rich in minerals and belived to have healing powers. The adjacent restaurant, The Pump Room, is perfect for Afternoon Tea. During the late 1700s and early 1800s, this ball room used to be a meeting place for the upper classes. Two of Jane Austen's novels, Northanger Abbey and Persuasion, takes place in this room. The famous writer lived in Bath for many years. Here you can find the Jane Austen Centre, and the city also hosts an annual Jane Austen festival. Next to The Roman Baths rises the Bath Abbey, a church with exciting history and beautiful decorations. Book their guided tour and climb the 212 steps up to the tower to admire the stunning views.

Many of the hotels in Bath offers spa facilities, but if you want to treat yourself to an extra special experience, then a visit to the Thermae Bath Spa is a must. Here you can relax in the rooftop pool while gazing out over the beautiful buildings in the city. The spa offers several steam rooms with different scents, and a wide range of treatments. The perfect ending to a relaxing weekend in Bath!



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