

# THE 2019 CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL NORTHERN BELLE LUXURY TRAIN TO GOLD CUP DAY FRIDAY 15th MARCH 2019





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There is no better way to experience a day at the races than on board the Northern Belle. The glamour, thrill and excitement begins the second you see the train stationed at London Paddington where you will start your incredible journey to Cheltenham Racecourse. Liveried stewards await with a red carpet welcome and show you to your plush armchair seats. Intricate marquetry, hand sewn fabrics and mosaic floors make this beautiful train a moving piece of art. From the comfort of your exquisitely decorated Pullman carriage you will glide across country, enjoying the finest food, wines and Champagne. Enjoy a Bellini Brunch, study the form, get some racing advice from our onboard tipster and enjoy the views from your picture window as we journey to the market town of Evesham, located in the heart of the Cotswolds.

On arrival, coaches await for the short journey to Broadway Steam Railway Station where you will board a magnificent steam train which will embark on a 45 minute journey through the beautiful Cotswolds, Malverns and Vale of Evesham and transport you and your guests directly to the back of the main Grandstand at Cheltenham Racecourse. You will pull into Cheltenham Racecourse Steam Railway Station located just a furlong from the Paddock in unique and nostalgic fashion.

Your package includes a Club Enclosure admission ticket which is the premium entry ticket at Cheltenham giving you access to the prime viewing lawns located by the winning post, Parade Ring and various bar facilities. After an action packed day's racing and witnessing the 2019 Cheltenham Gold Cup, you will re-join the steam train which will take you on a stress free journey back to Broadway — you will miss all of the traffic and congestion in and around the racecourse. Once back at Broadway, our coach transfers will be on hand to return you to Evesham where you will re-join the majestic Northern Belle luxury vintage train for a very special journey home. A delicious five course meal paired with specially selected wine awaits. With Champagne in hand, sit back, relax and raise a glass to a very memorable day at the races.

### FULL PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Round trip travel aboard the Northern Belle luxury train to Gold Cup Day of the 2019 Cheltenham Festival (from London Paddington)
- Red carpet welcome at London Paddington and a sparkling Bellini cocktail welcome drink
- Delicious Bellini three course brunch on the outward journey followed by morning tea and coffee
- On board tipster on outward journey
- Coach transfers to/from Evesham Station to Broadway Steam Railway Station
- Return steam train transfer to/from Broadway to the back of the main Grandstand at Cheltenham Racecourse (cash bar on board)
- Club Enclosure admission badge to Cheltenham Racecourse
- Champagne reception on the Northern Belle in the evening
- Sumptuous five course dinner: British seasonal menu including Great British cheese board, biscuits and chutneys followed by coffee, tea and petit fours
- ◊ A bottle of wine per couple
- Ocash bar service throughout the journey
- ◊ Strolling musicians on the return journey

PRICE

Friday 15th March 19 (Gold Cup Day): £525.00 per person (VAT does not apply)



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### SEATING

The Northern Belle reflects the style of Britain's famous 'Belle' & Pullman trains of the 1920's & 30's. The individually designed carriages have been lovingly restored by some of the country's top crafts people, including marquetry experts, muralists and mosaic artists. Every carriage is named after a Great British stately home or Castle and the designs inside reflect the famous names. You will find specially commissioned upholstery, mosaic floors and fine furnishing that provide a country house atmosphere. We have seven dining carriages and seats are arranged in bays of six seats with tables of four down one side of the train and tables of two opposite with an aisle in between. Groups of two will be accommodated on either shared tables of four or for a surcharge of £72.00 (including VAT) you can have a private table of two. All other group sizes will be accommodated on private tables and together as a group. Private carriages are also available for groups of 42 and 24 guests. You will also be allocated seating on the steam train transfer leg of the journey.

## DRESS CODE

This is your time to look fabulous! Come dressed in smart casual attire and remember, you can never be overdressed when travelling on the Northern Belle Luxury Train. There is no formal dress code for Cheltenham Racecourse although we advise to make note of the weather on the day as sometimes in March it can be quite cold, therefore, warm coats are advisable. We politely request that you do not wear jeans or trainers

#### PLEASE NOTE: ALL TICKETS WILL BE DISPATCHED 7 DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT





### SAMPLE ITINERARY

<b>8.30am</b> (Subject to change)	Northern Belle departs London Paddington
11.00am (Subject to change)	Northern Belle arrives Evesham Mainline Station
11.10am	Coach transfer departs Evesham to Broadway Steam Railway Station where guests will board steam train transfer
11.45am	Steam train departs Broadway to Cheltenham Racecourse
12.30pm	Steam Train arrives at Cheltenham Racecourse Steam Railway Station
1.30pm	First race
5.30pm	Last race
6.05pm	Steam train departs Cheltenham Racecourse
6.50pm	Steam Train arrives at Broadway for coach transfer back to Evesham
7.40pm (Subject to change)	Northern Belle departs Evesham
10.40pm (Subject to change)	Northern Belle arrives London Paddington

Please note: All timings are provisional and are subject to change. Final timings will be confirmed closer to the event date.



### SAMPLE MENU

#### BRUNCH (SERVED ON OUTWARD JOURNEY TO EVESHAM)

Welcome sparkling Bellini

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Morning tea & coffee

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Fresh fruit salad

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Smoked salmon parcel filled with scrambled eggs on a warm English crumpet, dressed with hollandaise sauce and Caviar

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Pastries, croissants, fruit toast and Danish from the bakery

#### CASH BAR AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL DRINKS THROUGHOUT BOTH NORTHERN BELLE JOURNEYS. IN ADDITION, THERE IS A LIMITED CASH BAR SERVICE AVAILABLE ON THE STEAM TRAIN LEG OF THE JOURNEY.

PLEASE NOTE: THE MENU IS A SAMPLE/PROVISIONAL AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. DIETARY REQUIREMENTS CAN BE CATERED FOR WITH ADVANCE NOTICE. PLEASE CONTACT US FOR DETAILS.

#### DINNER (SERVED ON RETURN JOURNEY TO PADDINGTON)

Welcome Champagne reception - Laurent Perrier Cuvée

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Selection of table canapés

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Spiced parsnip, pumpkin and apple soup

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Roast fillet of Aberdeen Angus beef

Seasonal vegetables, colcannon and cranberry sauce

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Bottle of house wine per couple (half per person). Sommeliers selection of red & white.

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Great British cheese board with selection of biscuits and homemade chutneys.

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Chocolate piemontaise and vanilla sauce

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Coffee & tea with petit fours







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### GOLD CUP DAY AT CHELTENHAM RACECOURSE

The Cheltenham Festival is probably the greatest race meeting of the year in the UK. It attracts genuine enthusiasts as well as corporate clients to see the greatest steeplechase racing of the calendar. One of the reasons for its great success is that it is for the champions at all National Hunt distances of between 2m and  $3^{1}/_{4m}$ , culminating in arguably the best day's racing of the year - Gold Cup Day on Friday. Cheltenham is renowned for its amazing atmosphere and Gold Cup Day always delivers as owners, trainers, jockeys and their counterpart equines compete for one of the most sought after titles in racing. Visitors show their appreciation for every winner, whether they have backed it or not – they admire the bravery and stamina of these wonderful horses. In addition to the Gold Cup race itself, you will also witness 6 other incredible races including the Triumph Hurdle & Foxhunters Steeplechase.

Your Northern Belle package includes a Club Badge admission ticket to Cheltenham Racecourse which is the premium entrance ticket to the course. Your Club badge will give you access to all areas of the racecourse including the main viewing lawns by the winning post, the main Grandstand Champagne bars and viewing steps, Parade Ring, shopping village and the many on course betting facilities.





