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June/July 2026

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a magical backroads romp through the  
sweetest corners of the Cotswolds,  
Cornwall, Sussex, Devon, etc!

# midlife madness Up The Garden Path

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# The Big Idea ...

## Time for some midlife madness?

ARE YOU IN THE MOOD FOR SOME HASSLE-FREE TRAVEL, FINE LIVING, MOUTH-WATERING MEALS, CLASSY accommodation, and sightseeing that'll knock yer gumboots off? Well, why give it a second thought? Plan on joining us in June 2026 when we're gonna enjoy England's most charming villages, cottages and countryside!

Imagine wandering off the beaten track, down leafy woodland lanes, through rolling chequerboard hills, and along wild windswept coastlines. Imagine oohing-&-aahing at flower-smothered landscapes, thatch-roofed cottages, quaint village churches, pubs-with-weird-names, medieval castles, ornate cathedrals, and cobbled seaside towns. Imagine hearing tall-tales and legends ... sampling local wines, farmhouse cheeses, fresh-caught seafood and cream teas along the way ... then going to bed each night in intimate, elegant, boutique hotels. Well, imagine no more!



On Departure Day – 21 June 2026 – we'll rendezvous at Auckland Airport with other fun-loving, adventurous, slightly-mad Kiwis ... then fly off on a fabulous 20-day tour: **MIDLIFE MADNESS UP THE GARDEN PATH ... England like you've never seen it before!**

But wait: there's more: Do you enjoy the music and magic of ANDRÉ RIEU? Have you always dreamed of being in the audience at one of the fabulous outdoor concerts he and his orchestra perform in his hometown of Maastricht? Well, guess what? Once our GARDEN tour is over, WE'RE GOING TO HOLLAND – with tickets for that glittering sound-and-light spectacle: **ANDRÉ RIEU LIVE IN CONCERT ... And YOU'RE invited to join us!**

## In our humble opinion ...

TRAVEL IS WONDERFUL – AND **GROUP TRAVEL** IS DOUBLY-WONDERFUL! THAT'S BEEN OUR EXPERIENCE, EVER since **Midlife Madness Tours** first began. We're old hands when it comes to travelling – we know how to make good tours GREAT! And when you go adventuring with one of our groups, you end up doing stuff, going places, meeting people, grabbing opportunities, and trying things that you mightn't have the courage to try if you were travelling on your own. In short, there's no end to the fun that happens and the memories that are made when likeminded, young-at-heart Kiwis venture out together.

Is Ye Olde England calling **YOUR** name? Do **YOU** want a place on this Mad Midlife adventure? **Well, please DON'T DELAY!**

This tour is likely to fill up fast. And we must pay early deposits to secure accommodation for our **Garden Tour** – plus tickets for **André Rieu** (hotly sought-after ... first come, first served).

So decide that you're gonna come! Give us a heads-up: email [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours) – or phone **0800 323 333**. Then follow the easy steps: **How to Book** (p21) ...

Together we'll have the **TIME OF OUR LIVES!**



JOHN



ROBYN



JACQUI





# The Garden Tour

## L et us explain:

THIS IS ALMOST TOO EXCITING! ON SUNDAY 21 JUNE 2026 WE'RE GONNA FLY TO SINGAPORE, WHERE we'll stop for a welcome 24-hour break between flights. Then we'll continue to LONDON, where our grand adventure down England's favourite backroads will finally begin.

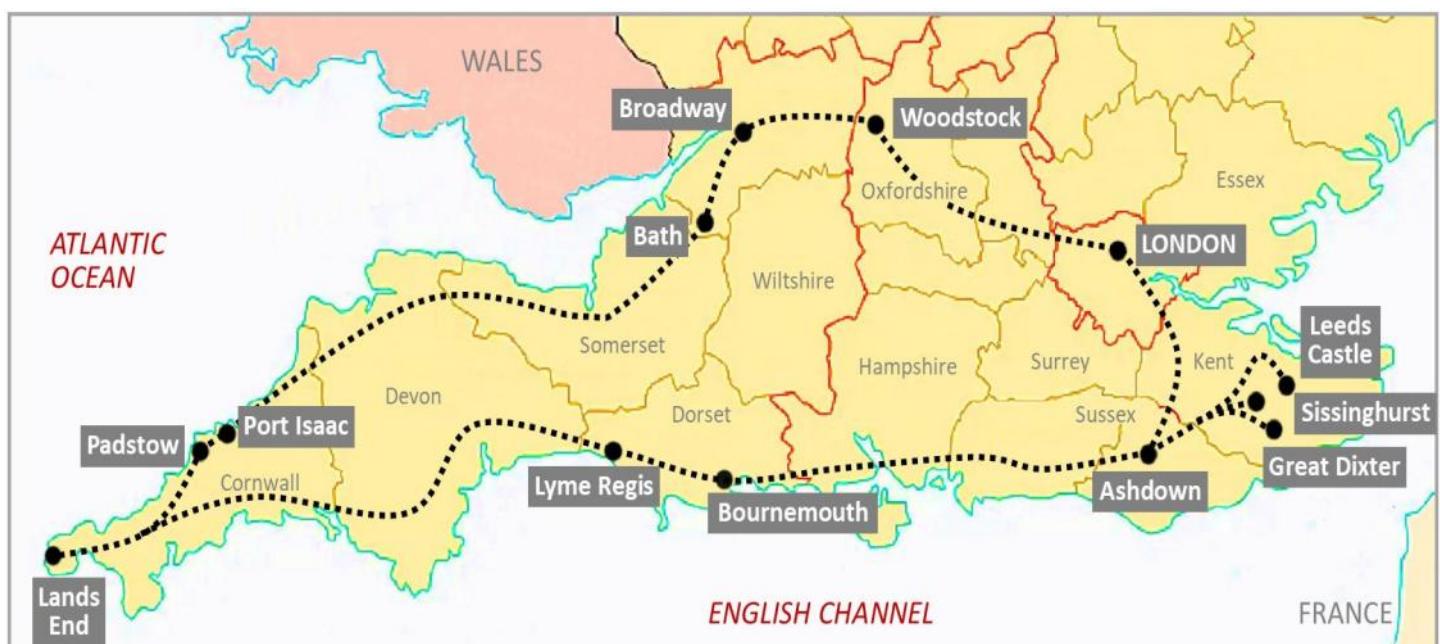
Escorted and entertained by our specialist UK Tour Manager, we'll spend day after day in some of the sweetest, loveliest corners of the Old Country: like the Cotswolds, Cornwall, Devon, Sussex! We'll ooh-&aah at quaint little villages, eye-popping gardens, castles, cathedrals and historic estates ... we'll travel from here-to-there-and-the-next-place in a luxury, air-conditioned coach ... we'll spend night-after-night in stylish, anything-but-ordinary accommodation ... and, throughout the entire 20 days of our main '**UP THE GARDEN PATH**' tour, we'll eat lots, laugh lots, make new friends, take far too many photos and generally have the time of our lives!

Plus – for all you **ANDRÉ RIEU** fans (and would-be-fans) who say "YES!" to our optional-extra offer – the icing on the cake will be the sensational summer-evening **concert** in André's hometown of **Maastricht, Holland!**

WOW – and DOUBLE-WOW!

Between now and then, this daily programme is **still subject to change** (at the discretion of your Tour Hosts and our London Specialists). But here (based on our totally delightful 2024 tour), is the **Interim Itinerary** for '**UP THE GARDEN PATH 2026**'.

Read on and enjoy ...





## UP THE GARDEN PATH – INTERIM ITINERARY

### JUNE 2026

Sunday 21

#### let the fun begin!

We depart Auckland International Airport early afternoon on our big **Singapore Airlines** jet – arriving in **Singapore** in the evening, where we transfer to our hotel on the banks of the **Singapore River** – an easy walk from countless attractions that this glittering Asian showcase-city offers visitors.

Monday 22

#### on our own in Singapore

(B)

After waking and downing a yummy breakfast, we head out together to enjoy a few of Singapore's many attractions: a **Bumboat Cruise** on the Singapore River ... an up-high ride on the **Singapore Flyer** ... a visit to the spectacular **Gardens by the Bay** ... and a legendary **Singapore Sling** (cocktail) in the historic Raffles Hotel.

We return to the hotel mid-afternoon (we've arranged a late-check-out) ... then transfer to the airport for our late-night flight (yawn) to **London**: capital city of 8.8 million and beloved by the world ...

Tuesday 23

#### hello Woodstock – “*in England's green and pleasant land*” ...

(D)

There's no place in all the world that's quite like England. And, YEEHAA – our long-awaited Garden Path Tour is actually happening! We meet our **Tour Manager** (who will be with us from start-to-finish). Then, leaving London's **Heathrow Airport** and its maddening crowds, we venture forth into the scenic green-and-pleasant backroads of England.

We drive through the wooded Chiltern Hills into historic Oxfordshire and the beautiful village of **Woodstock** – pausing to visit superbly landscaped **Blenheim Palace**, built in 1722, and birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill.

**'The Bear Hotel'** in Woodstock (a 13th century coaching inn) is our home for the next two nights – and we arrive in time for our **Mad Midlife Welcome Dinner**.

*Yeehah Grandma!*



The Bear Hotel, Woodstock





## Wednesday 24 The Cotswolds, Bampton & Buscot House

(B,D)

The day starts (as every day will) with a yummy English breakfast. Then we head out through the gold and green fields of **The Cotswolds** to the quaint village of **Bampton**. Fans of '**Downton Abbey**' will feel the vibes here in this gorgeous town: the location has featured in every episode of that period British drama – so welcome to the regal world of the Crawleys! Long before the TV series – in fact, way back during the Norman Conquest – a large thriving settlement occupied this spot. And Bampton has long been famous for its still-popular Morris Dancing. Bring your violin, bells and hankies – and join in!

Later, we explore **Buscot Park** and its 18<sup>th</sup> century manor-house, set in enchanting landscaped gardens and housing an impressive art collection.

Feeling hungry? Dinner tonight is at a local Woodstock pub ...

Thursday 25

## Hidcote Manor, Kiftsgate Court & Broadway

(B,D)

Brace yourselves, Kiwis, because you're about to fall in love! We're going walkabout today in the romantic **Cotswolds**, dropping in on two very famous gardens (their gates opposite each other above the town of Mickleton) ... plus another magical village: **Broadway**, 'Jewel of the Cotswolds' – its streets lined with horse-chestnut trees and picturesque stone cottages.

**Hidcote Manor** boasts a famous arts-&-crafts inspired garden, created by passionate plantsman, Major Lawrence Johnston. Using the area as a 'blank canvas', he furnished it with exotic rarities gathered during his plant-collecting expeditions around the world, adding colour, scent, shape and texture before eventually gifting Hidcote for future generations to enjoy.

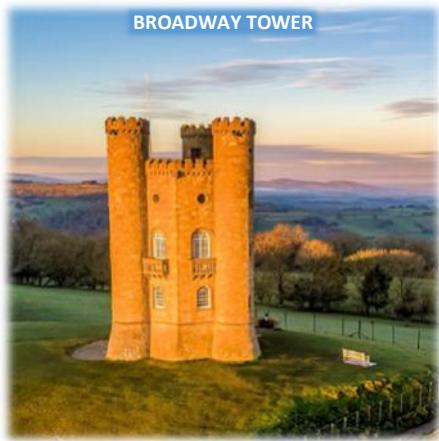
**Kiftsgate Court** was created by three generations of green-fingered women, and their gardens are famed for hundreds of fragrant old-fashioned roses. 100 years ago a young Heather Muir dreamed of what would become one of the most loved gardens in England. Her daughter Diany took a firm hand to the garden after some neglect during WW2. And Heather's granddaughter, Anne, runs Kiftsgate now – keeping to the spirit of Heather's early plans.

Kiftsgate has an exuberance that allows plants to spill over wavy borders and roses to romp up trees!

Dinner tonight? In the '**The Lygon Arms**' – our 650-year-old hotel for two nights.



The Lygon Arms Hotel, Broadway



Friday 26

## More postcard Cotswold Villages

(B)

**The Cotswolds** is a huge, vibrant, buzzing area, crammed with chocolate-box towns, lively markets, glorious castles, ancient mansions, gastro pubs, historic trails, festivals galore, and breathtaking landscapes of golden stone and rolling green hills.

On our to-do list this morning are more spectacular Cotswold villages: **Stow-on-the-Wold**, **Moreton-in-Marsh**, and **Bourton-on-the-Water** (*don't ya love these names?*) – plus a visit to **Bourton House Garden**, known for its imaginative topiaries and colourful plantings.

Finally, we head back to **Broadway** and our hotel. This picturesque village lies beneath Fish Hill (not sure why it's called that) in Worcestershire (the county, not the savoury sauce) – and has lured visitors for centuries. And, speaking of history, **'The Lygon Arms'** is steeped in the stuff. Oliver Cromwell stayed here during the Civil War, night before the bloody Battle of Worcester – while King Charles 1 had previously used this same hotel (or whatever it was back then) to rally his royalist supporters.

A leisurely evening in the village is now yours – along with whatever takes your fancy for dinner!

Saturday 27

## Wiltshire, Castle Coombe & Bath

(B,D)

We're on the move again, folks! And our route takes us first into Wiltshire for a visit to tiny **Castle Coombe Village**, a perfectly preserved slice of medieval history that's frequently used as a film location. The village got its name from an almost-gone castle built in the 12th century.

Next, we immerse ourselves in historic **Bath** – a small, genteel city and one of England's prettiest, famous for its **Roman** remains: like the natural thermal bathhouse (impeccably preserved from the first century AD) ... and its fine examples of **Georgian** architecture: like the hot-springs spa, (popularised in 1704 when Queen Anne and King George began travelling there regularly to 'take the waters' for their healing properties) ... the curved Royal Crescent (30 symmetrical houses) ... the Circus (three curved terraces) ... and the Great Pulteney Bridge's end-to-end shops.

Hungry? Another tasty three-course meal awaits us – plus rooms for two nights in the lovely **'Francis Hotel'**.



The Francis Hotel, Bath

Sunday 28

## Bath Abbey & Spa

(B)

Do you fancy a lazy morning off? Well, here it is: your chance to relax or go exploring in this flower-filled



town on the banks of the River Avon – with its antiques, curiosity shops and olde-worlde charm. An afternoon walking tour will allow you to enjoy more highlights – including the city's 2000-year-old Roman-built baths, plus medieval **Bath Abbey**, with a birds-eye view of the city from its tower.

While you're wandering, keep a lookout for Bath's oldest teahouse (dated 1482) down an alleyway near the Abbey, where the famous fluffy buns known as 'Sally Lunns' were first baked! (*Remember them, with that slab of pink icing?*)

Evening at leisure to enjoy one of Bath's many wonderful restaurants and pubs!

## Monday 29      Devon, Cornwall, Port Isaac & Padstow

(B,D)

This morning, once we've made our beds, buttered our toast, and cleaned our teeth, we venture out through **Devon** and **Cornwall** into England's Wild West. Shaped by the mighty Atlantic, this is the land of Arthurian myths, a haven for Celtic culture, and a paradise for nature-lovers and foodies. Expect to see stunning beaches, granite moorlands, cosy villages and ancient castles. And expect to hear tales of not-so-chivalric knights, canny smugglers and hell-hounds!

On the way, we visit the tiny harbour of **Port Isaac** (setting for the hit TV series '**Doc Martin**'). And **Tintagel Village** with the remains of a 13th century castle – all shrouded in myths and legends about King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table.

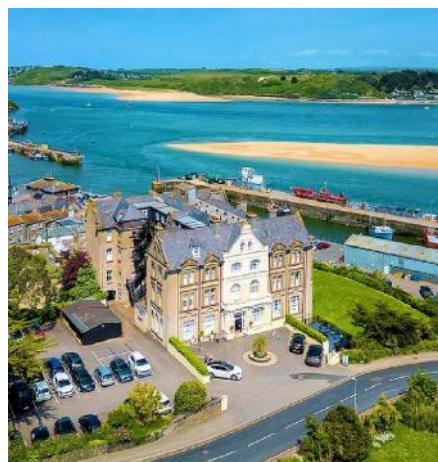
Late afternoon, we arrive in the seaside resort of **Padstow** – on the beautiful Carmel Estuary, 450 kms from London. This ancient port (fishing and boat-building are still a big part of the economy) has seen its popularity boosted by celebrity chef, **Rick Stein**, who owns four different eateries in Padstow. His waterfront Seafood Restaurant has been here for 40 years, promising fish and shellfish that's fresher than fresh!

You'll love this place, folks – and you'll love '**The Metropole Hotel**', where we'll be for the next four nights. We dine together tonight in one of Padstow's classic eateries.

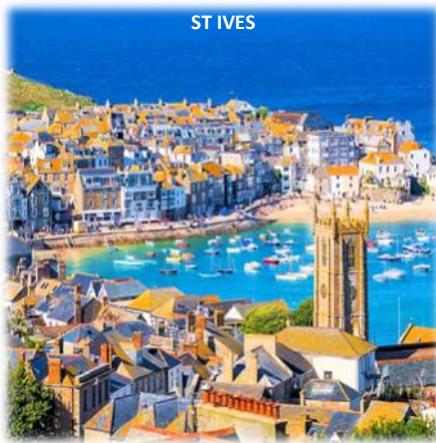
## Tuesday 30      Padstow at leisure

(B,D)

**Padstow**'s too nice to go rushing through like exhausted tourists, so we've got the day off: to enjoy this unique seaside location to the full ... wander the waterfront with its colourful fishing boats and pleasure craft ... do some souvenir



The Metropole Hotel, Padstow



shop-shop-shopping ... book a wildlife trip to spot seals, dolphins and puffins ... go bird-watching at low-tide ... or find a seat and eat an icecream, or lie in the grass and watch clouds go by!

Just don't lose track of time: another slap-up dinner awaits us tonight in our hotel restaurant or down in the village.

## JULY 2026

### Wednesday 1 St Ives by the Sea – at Lands' End

(B)

**St Ives** – “*the diamond in Cornwall’s crown*” – is voted one of England’s most beautiful seaside villages, with its picture-perfect waterfront and boat-harbour, its maze of narrow cobbled streets, renowned art scene, stunning coastal walks, and quartet of golden surf beaches. Our visit includes the Barbara Hepworth Museum and Sculpture Garden. Then we continue to **Lands’ End** for stunning views of the rugged, wave-battered cliffs that protect England’s most south westerly tip – and the wild Atlantic Ocean that stretches to the horizon. A touristy complex records exploits-of-old in the wild seas, and insights into the modern air-sea rescue service.

We return to Padstow for an evening of food and leisure at a local pub or restaurant (your call).

### Thursday 2 Cornwall’s lost gardens & tropical jungles

(B,D)

If you enjoy mysteries, you’re gonna love today! The **Lost Gardens of Heligan** is one of the most mysterious estates in the UK. Buried under the brambles of time since the outbreak of WW1, this Sleeping Beauty was re-awakened in 1990 to become Europe’s largest garden restoration project.

Today Heligan’s 200 acres are a dreamy paradise for plant-lovers and romantics.

Later, we explore a sub-tropical jungle in yet another Cornwall creation: the stunning **Trebah Gardens** – canopies bursting with exotic blooms and tunnels of colour cascading down to a private beach.

We dine together again tonight – maybe time to try the local tradition: fresh-caught fish’n’chips?

### Friday 3 Dorset & Lyme Regis

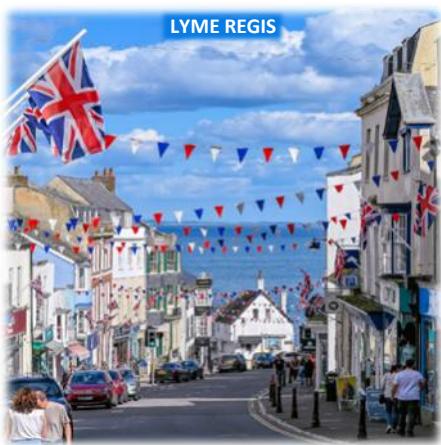
(B,D)

We’re on the move today – this time to **Bournemouth** and the ‘**Highcliff Marriott**’, (our hotel for the next two nights).

But first, a question: Are you into fossils and really old rocks? Well, stay alert –



Highcliff Marriott Hotel, Bournemouth



because we're heading through **Dartmoor National Park** to **Dorset** (featuring gorgeous countrysides, thatched-roof cottages, winding flower-filled lanes) and the storm-battered **Jurassic Coast**!

We make a stop on the way at **Lyme Regis**: the pretty coastal town where *The French Lieutenant's Woman* was filmed – and the birthplace of famous palaeontologist and dinosaur-hunter, Mary Anning, who discovered prehistoric skeletons embedded in the ancient cliffs.

Then we make another stop: at beautiful secluded **Lulworth Cove** with its clear blue water and picture-postcard village.

## Saturday 4 Bournemouth at leisure

(B) When you first set eyes on **Bournemouth**'s beautiful beaches, you can easily be forgiven for forgetting you're on England's south coast. Because this nearly 15 km-long stretch of sugar-white sand wouldn't look out of place on the Mediterranean – or in Florida – or in New Zealand!

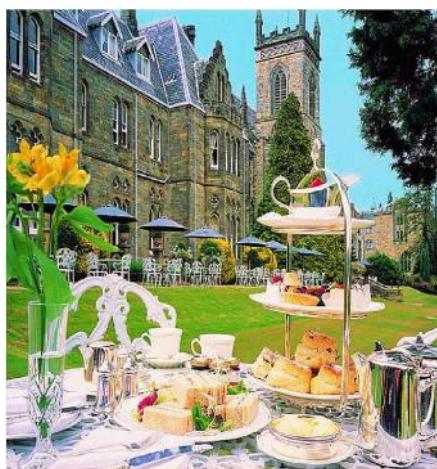
Bournemouth regularly clocks up seaside awards, with its long, long promenade backed by 3000 deckchairs ... 200 multi-hued beach huts ... two famous piers ... a museum ... an art gallery ... an oceanarium ... ornamental gardens ... and more.

We have the day off today – *whoopee-doo!* A chance to stroll the shoreline, lie in the sun, soak in the sea, and enjoy Bournemouth's offerings at our leisure – with dinner on our own this evening: a choice of local café food or fine-dining, or a posh meal in our hotel.

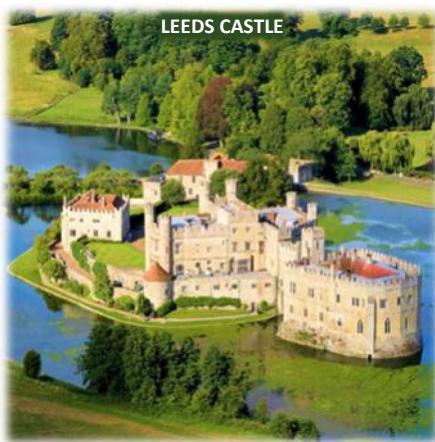
## Sunday 5 New Forest & Petworth

(B,D) Leaving Bournemouth, we motor through the 140,000-acre **New Forest** – established in 1079 as a royal hunting ground by William the Conqueror, now home for thousands of free-roaming ponies. And our first stop is **The Weald and Down Museum** – where 1000 years of Sussex rural history is on display in over 50 historic buildings spread over 40 acres. That warm-hearted DIY TV show – *'The Repair Shop'* – is filmed here in a barn, so who knows what we might see today?

The award-winning hotel **'Ashdown Park'** (where we'll spend the next two nights) started life in the early 1800s as a private estate ... then a hospital for Belgian army officers in WW1 ... then a



Ashdown Park Hotel, Sussex



school for novice nuns in 1920 ... then an American university ... then a training centre for bank managers ... then finally a hotel! And nearby Ashdown Forest is the woodland that inspired A. A. Milne's *Winnie The Pooh* stories ...

*Tell that to your grandkids!*

Before we get there we'll visit the lovely market-town of **Petworth** ... nestled in a 700-acre deer park, and crammed with charming nooks and crannies, historic buildings and art/antique shops.

Anyway, smarten up tonight, folks, because we're dining in elegance and style – a world away from the everyday – in the Forest Brasserie at '**Ashdown Park**'.

Yes, bring it on!

Monday 6

(B,D)

## Sussex, Leeds Castle & Chapel Downs Winery

Are you in the mood for a castle? A fine-looking castle (not a tired old ruin)? A real, eye-popper of a castle, oozing with turrets and battlements and drawbridges and ghosts? Well, hurry up and finish your breakfast, because this morning that's what we're gonna see ...

Visitors never forget their first breath-taking view of **Leeds Castle**, rising majestically from the moat. And wait till you hear this castle's riveting story: the first stones laid down in 857AD ... its early centuries sprinkled with royal murders and sieges ... then home to six of England's medieval queens ... its most famous owner **King Henry VIII** ... its wartime housing of French & Dutch POWs ... then, finally, its transformation into an elegant 20th-century retreat for heiress, Lady Baillie.

By the time we're finished you'll realise why Leeds Castle is one of the most visited historic attractions in Britain. We'll enjoy the castle-gardens – we might have time for a proper English morning tea – and, if we keep looking up, we might even watch a fly-past by birds-of-prey!

*But wait: there's more ...*

This afternoon, we have a guided tour of the famous **Chapel Down Winery** – “*with tutored wine-tasting paired with local cheese and artisanal crackers.*” Sounds nice, eh?

When we're done, we return to the '**Ashdown Park Hotel**' to relax and fine-dine together again ...

Tuesday 7

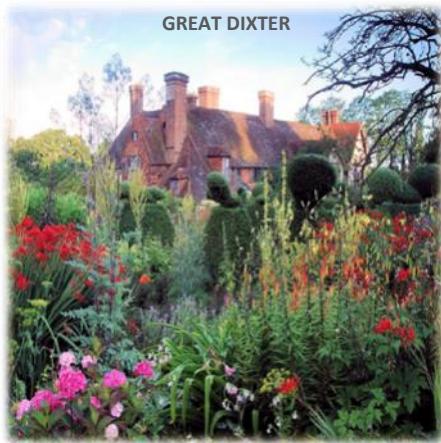
(B,D)

## Sissinghurst, Great Dixter & London

Today is our final day on tour in England. But our '**Up The Garden Path**' adventure would be incomplete if we didn't go wandering in two more of this country's “most famous” gardens.

**Sissinghurst** is an English country-garden dream. Once a space to grow vegetables for farm workers, it was transformed (during the 1930s) into “*one of the finest plant and flower collections in the world.*” From the White Garden, with small white blooms tumbling everywhere ... to the bold, bright Cottage Garden with its hot, hot colours ... to the Southern Cottage Garden with riot of reds and golds ... to prolific roses, blooming irises, and carpets of bluebells in spring and summer. Sissinghurst has beautiful





corners and secret nooks to burn!

**Great Dixter** is a high-energy garden with an arts-&-crafts appeal, where formal structure contrasts with wild creativity: “*a very special sanctuary where guests can take a deep breath and just be ...*” There’s everything here: from yew topiary to carpets of meadow flowers, from dazzlingly colourful mixed borders to natural ponds and waterways: “*a place of pilgrimage for garden-lovers from across the world ...*”

Later, we pack our bags and drive back into **London** for our final night together (hotel yet to be named) and our **Midlife Madness Farewell Dinner!**

#### Wednesday 8 **All good things come to an end ...**

(B)

These very special weeks have been a BLAST – don’t you agree? We’ve gone off the beaten track in some of the most ‘pinch-me-please’ parts of Ye Olde England ... we’ve got photos and memories, stories and legends to tell folks back home ... and we’ve made a bunch of new friends in the process! But the time has come (*the walrus said*) to say goodbye:

1. **If you’re coming with us to Maastricht & André Rieu**, your itinerary continues over the page (aboard a speeding *Eurostar* train to Brussels) ...
1. **If you’re going straight back to New Zealand**, you’ll be collected from our hotel (time to be announced) and transferred to London Heathrow Airport for your homebound flight (via Singapore) to Auckland/Christchurch ...
3. **If you’re continuing your travels elsewhere**, we’ll help you catch your flight, book your taxi, rent your bike or begin your hike – on time and with a smile on your face!





# André Rieu ...

## Magic in Maastricht ... with King of the Waltz!

DUTCH VIOLINIST AND CONDUCTOR, **ANDRÉ RIEU**, HAS RE-IGNITED INTEREST IN CLASSICAL MUSIC ... done battle in the pop charts with his million-selling albums ... and toured everywhere with his huge arena concerts. Together with his multi-talented **Johann Strauss Orchestra** he has become one of the world's most popular live acts. And, in July 2026, for the 21st year in a row, he is presenting a series of sensational summer-evening concerts in his hometown of **Maastricht, Holland**.

We plan to be there – along with 10,000 other music-lovers – for a unique evening of romantic favourites, elegant waltzes, timeless musicals, and world-class guest appearances. And we'd love to share this once-in-a-lifetime experience with you!

Concert tickets are not yet available, but as soon as they go on sale we aim to secure the best-possible seats for everyone in our Kiwi group.

**Don't umm-&ahh and put it off!**

**Book your place on this fabulous André Rieu optional-extra tour NOW!**

**Available places are strictly limited. We'd hate you to miss out ...**



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## ANDRÉ RIEU (optional-extra): INTERIM ITINERARY

JULY 2026

Wednesday 8 **fast train to Brussels**

(B)

We leave our London hotel and transfer to **St Pancras Station**, where a sleek **Eurostar** train waits to rush us to **Brussels**, capital of **Belgium** – headquarters of the European Economic Community (since 1958), and a city of many contrasts. Once we're through the UK border control and security, we settle into our comfy Business Premier seats, then speed out of London along the 'Chunnel' (the undersea channel-tunnel linking southern England with northern France).

En route we can relax in the *Eurostar*'s lounge, enjoy a complimentary meal with champagne, and watch scenery as it flashes past our windows at a blurry 300kph! In just 1 hour 53 minutes we're in Brussels – where we switch to our coach for a 90-minute drive to **Maastricht** in southern Holland.

Our accommodation for the next two nights is in one of the city's beautiful hotels (*yet to be announced*). So sleep well, Kiwis – tomorrow's gonna be a TREAT!

MAASTRICHT – THE NETHERLANDS



Thursday 9 **charming Maastricht**

(B)

Wakey-wakey, Kiwis! (Or "Wakker worden," as they say in Dutch!) We've got a big day ahead of us, and you won't want to miss it – right?

**Maastricht** is a fashionable Dutch city – one of the oldest and most beautiful in the Netherlands – with a rich history and culture that dates back to Roman times. It's also a highly walkable city – which suits us just fine, because we're free today to "ronddwalen" as they say in Holland ... or "pootle around" as the Brits say ... or "go for a stroll" as we say in NZ. This lively, youthful city is littered with cafes, museums, cathedrals, 'stadspleinen' (town squares), a 13th century bookstore, a castle, and pubs/cafes



galore. (Maastricht boasts more than 500 pubs/cafes: we dare you to try them all!)

We can't yet confirm exactly what our day's programme might include. But this evening (*drum-roll, please ...*) is

### ... THE CONCERT!

Chances are, you've been enjoying **André Rieu** and his talented musicians and singers for years – like a zillion other fans from all over the world. Or maybe you're a newcomer to this musical magic. Either way, brace yourselves, Kiwis ...!

Tonight the **Vrijthof** (the Netherlands' most romantic square) will be turned into a glittering, colourful, summer-evening spectacle. And **YOU** will be in the audience for a two-hour **MUSICAL FEAST** – each heart-warming performance lovingly chosen by André!

Come prepared to clap your hands, tap your toes, get outta your seat, and dance the night away with a sell-out crowd of cheering fans!

UNFORGETTABLE? You bet! YEEHAA!

Friday 10

### Brussels ... Singapore ... and home!

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Wow! Wasn't last night a grand finale? For the next few days (or weeks) we'll all be humming along and trying some dance-moves in keeping with the music that still plays in our heads!

But FAREWELL TIME has now arrived.

1. **If you're going straight back to New Zealand**, you'll be collected from our hotel (time to be announced) and transferred to Brussels (90 minutes away) for your homebound flight via Singapore to Auckland/Christchurch ...
2. **If you're continuing your travels elsewhere**, we'll send you off with a Mad Midlife hug and the warmest of warm wishes!

*See you later, folks!*

*Auf wiedersehen ... (as they say in Germany)*

*Zaijiān ... (as they say in Singapore)*

*Tot ziens ... (as they say in Holland)*

*Cheerio ... (as they say in England)*

*Haere rā ... (as they say in Te Reo)*





# The Nitty Gritty

Confirmed all-up prices: from \$24,520

THESE PRICES INCLUDE PRETTY-MUCH EVERYTHING (SEE OVER), BUT MAY BE INFLUENCED BY UNEXPECTED cost increases and/or fluctuations in the currency exchange-rates.

<b>GARDEN PATH TOUR ONLY</b>	
Price includes all airfares (economy), transfers, sightseeing, hotels, meals (as in our final itinerary), tips – plus Singapore stopover	
Share-Twin	from \$24,520 pp
Deposit (required when booking)	\$5,000 pp

<b>ANDRÉ RIEU OPTIONAL EXTRA</b>	
Price includes Eurostar, transfers, hotel, sightseeing, meals (as in our final itinerary), tips, etc – plus the André Rieu concert	
Share-Twin	from \$4,793 pp
Deposit (required when booking)	\$2,500 pp

- These prices are **estimates** – **confirmed prices** won't be known until later this year.
  - Your total price depends on whether you'll join just the main 20-day **GARDEN PATH** tour – or both the **GARDEN PATH** tour plus the 3-day **ANDRE RIEU** optional tour (which is not available on its own).
  - These prices are '**share-twin**' – which means you'll **share hotel rooms** with your spouse/partner/friend.
  - If you're **travelling alone**, please ask if you'd like us to match you up with a suitable '**share-twin**' companion.
  - If you **prefer a hotel room all to yourself**, please ask about the increased price ('**single supplement**') you would need to pay for accommodation meant for two.
  - **Deposits** are due when you book.
  - **Final payments** are due **Friday March 6, 2026** (subject to confirmation).

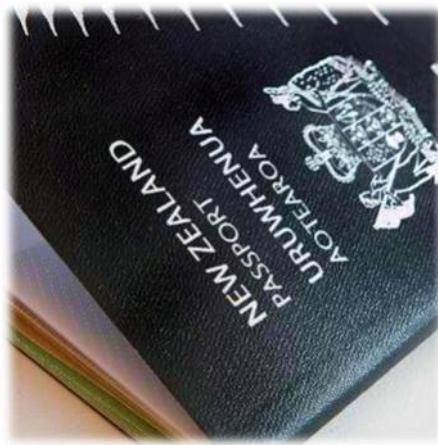
# **S** peaking of costs ...

IN RECENT YEARS THE TRAVEL WORLD HAS CHANGED, AND EYE-POPPING PRICES ARE NOW THE NORM (OUCH). **International airfares** are currently at levels we've never seen before – it's hard to get a return flight to the UK or Europe for under \$4,000 (with taxes & levies): not that long ago it cost around \$2,000! **Hotel rates** have also gone crazy, as the hospitality-industry seeks to make up for lost earnings. Plus **currency exchange** rates (GBP to NZD) are VERY unfavourable – and getting worse!

Amazingly, people all over the world (including Kiwis) are still RUSHING TO TRAVEL! Our 2024 **Garden Path Tour** was a total success – and we expect our 2026 repeat tour will be the same. But costing a trip like this isn't easy ...

THIS IS NOT A 'BUDGET' TOUR! Created exclusively for ***Midlife Madness*** (by our long-time colleagues at ***Sovereign Tourism***, London), the itinerary is crammed with superb highlights ... the accommodation we've chosen is anything-but-ordinary ... and our André Rieu tickets will secure us excellent seats at this amazing concert.

Trust us, folks: we'll work hard (with our London friends) to give you value for money: a joyful romp through England's backroads that you'll never forget ... plus a sound-&-light spectacular that's truly world-class!



## What's included in the prices?

LIKE WE SAY, PRETTY MUCH **EVERYTHING**. WHY? WELL, EXPERIENCE HAS TAUGHT US THAT KIWI travellers prefer to know up-front – *and pay in advance* – rather than having to find endless extra dollars during the tour – for things like excursions and highlights they weren't prepared for.

So here's what's covered:

- ✓ AIRFARES: economy class from Auckland to London (via Singapore) ... and return
- ✓ TAXES: airport and airline taxes & levies
- ✓ TRANSFERS: between airports, hotels and stations
- ✓ STOPOVER: in Singapore, 24-hours, with accommodation and city tour
- ✓ HOTELS: as detailed in our Final Itinerary
- ✓ MEALS: all breakfasts and most dinners as detailed in our Final Itinerary
- ✓ SIGHTSEEING: all Garden Tour excursions and entrance fees as detailed in our Final Itinerary
- ✓ ANDRÉ RIEU: the optional-extra Maastricht Concert as detailed in our Final Itinerary
- ✓ TIPPING: all group gratuities
- ✓ TOUR MANAGER: services of an experienced guide from start to finish
- ✓ TOUR HOSTS: all the help that we (John & Robyn Cooney) can offer

## What's not included?

- ✗ Passport fees: (**Important: All tour members need a current Passport, valid for at least 6 months after return to NZ. And holders of other than NZ Passports need a Returning Resident's Visa.**)
- ✗ Fees for the *UK Electronic Travel Authorisation* (ETA) – and the *European Travel Authorisation* (ETIAS) – both of which are now required instead of a visa, and must be completed online.
- ✗ Travel insurance (p20)
- ✗ Any optional sightseeing not in our Final Itinerary (e.g. when you're on your own)
- ✗ Extra meals and drinks (apart from those included)
- ✗ Items of a personal nature (e.g. medical expenses, laundry, phonecalls, souvenirs, etc)

## Singapore Airlines stuff

1. **PREMIUM ECONOMY or BUSINESS CLASS?** If you wish to upgrade, please tick the box on your Booking Form – and ask Jacqui for an upgrade price: [jacqui@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:jacqui@midlifemadness.tours).
2. **AIRPOINTS? 'KrisFlyer'** is Singapore Airlines' rewards programme, and you can earn 'miles' on this tour. Join free online at [www.singaporeair.com.sg](http://www.singaporeair.com.sg) – and don't forget to send your membership number to [jacqui@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:jacqui@midlifemadness.tours).





# Feedback ...

## What people have said about our previous tours:

THE FIRST REQUIREMENT FOR EACH MAD MIDLIFE TOUR IS: **WE'VE GOTTA HAVE A GOOD TIME!** FUN, hassle-free travel: that's our promise – and the **FEEDBACK** we've had from each tour speaks for itself ...

- ✓ "Thoroughly enjoyed the **England tour**! I loved the country lanes, quaint villages, gorgeous gardens, etc. Thanks for making this happen. The group size was great – a good bunch to travel with. Will definitely travel with *Midlife Madness* again."  
(Annette)
- ✓ "Yet another wonderful tour – lot of laughs, such fun! I couldn't say which garden was my favourite as all of them were amazing."  
(Patty)
- ✓ "A great trip! Had an amazing time. Hard to pinpoint one highlight as there were so many, but the **André Rieu concert** is right up there. Doesn't get any better!"  
(Tricia & Bob)
- ✓ "The trip was **absolutely unreal** – loved every bit of it – a new adventure each day!"  
(Sherrol)
- ✓ "We visited places we'd only dreamed about. The whole thing was the **best 'away' experience** we've ever had! Thank you."  
(Ray)
- ✓ "We have wonderful memories of another **amazing adventure** with you lovely people!"  
(Nola & John)
- ✓ "It was a **totally magical experience**! Thanks to you both for taking such good care of us."  
(Soon Ja)
- ✓ "A wonderful trip! I was hesitant at first about going on a group tour, but I'm **so pleased** I

*joined you. It all went so smoothly, without a hitch. I'd recommend your tours to anyone!"*  
(June)

- ✓ *"An amazing trip! Thanks for **all the fun and laughter** you instigated along the way. You're amazing!"*  
(Shirley)
- ✓ *"Thanks for always **going the second mile**! We appreciate your enthusiasm."*  
(Marie & Warwick)
- ✓ *"Particular thanks for your many kindnesses. We will be happy to join you on another occasion."*  
(Les & Marion)
- ✓ *"It was all **so much more than we had envisaged**, and you really did make it fun."*  
(Brian)
- ✓ *"I thoroughly enjoyed every minute of our tour. Have bored everyone to tears since, **raving on and on** about the things we did and the wonderful friends we made."*  
(Diane)
- ✓ *"Thanks for all the advance planning you did to create this amazing tour. Thanks for being delightful tour hosts, and such thoughtful friends. **You take the stress out of travel**. We can certainly understand why people choose to go with you again and again."*  
(Maureen & Kevin)
- ✓ *"My absolute **best travel experience ever!**"*  
(Anne)



# Who's Who?

## Tour Promoters & Hosts: John & Robyn Cooney

TRAVEL HAS FEATURED HIGH ON OUR AGENDA FOR SEVERAL DECADES NOW. IN BETWEEN KIDS/GRANDKIDS and publishing the family magazine **Grapevine** (which we established back in 1981), we've been privileged to visit many stunning destinations: Europe, the UK, Singapore, Vanuatu, the USA, Israel, Egypt, Africa (Kenya & Tanzania), China, Laos-Cambodia-Vietnam, the Mediterranean, the Baltic, India, China, South America, Canada, Alaska. And somehow, amongst all this rushing-around, we launched **Midlife Madness Tours**.

Our June 2026 'UP THE GARDEN PATH' TOUR (a repeat of the wonderful tour we enjoyed last year) can't come quick enough – a marvellous itinerary, great company, lots of laughs, and memories that will last forever.

Here's hoping YOU will join us!

- ◆ John & Robyn Cooney  
Midlife Madness Tours  
PO Box 212  
Whangamata 3643, NZ
- ◆ Phone: 0800 323 333 (tollfree) – or 021 643 078 (mobile)
- ◆ Email: [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours)



## Bookings Manager: Jacqui Williamson at The Travel Brokers Ltd (a division of Hello World)

**JACQUI'S A SPECIALIST WITH THE TRAVEL BROKERS LTD: A FULLY TAANZ-BONDED DIVISION OF HELLO WORLD.** A passionate traveller herself, Jacqui's been helping adventure-lovers realise their dreams for more than 25 years. And her motto? *"Life is short! You've got to grab the moment!"*

She brings to **Midlife Madness Tours** her extensive experience in travel, plus a desire to help the Cooneys host fantastic fun-filled, hassle-free tours!

Jacqui looks forward to talking with you about your booking arrangements ... deposits and final payments ... flight arrangements ... travel insurance ... extra travel (in the UK or Europe) when this tour ends ... plus any other touring queries or requirements.

- ◆ Phone: 021 678 519
- ◆ Email: [jacqui@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:jacqui@midlifemadness.tours)





# About You?

## A ge, health & mobility

THIS MAD MIDLIFE TOUR IS DESIGNED FOR FUN-LOVING, YOUNG-AT-HEART KIWIS IN **MIDLIFE** – GIVE OR take a decade or two! Our groups always include a good mix of singles and couples, plus a good mix of ages! Let's face it, your date-of-birth isn't as relevant as your health, mobility, outlook-on-life and sense-of-humour.

This tour will involve some lengthy flights, busy days and plenty of leisurely walking. So long as you're healthy, mobile, able to keep up with the group, and keen to join in the fun, **you'll fit in just fine!**

## M edical certificate please

IF YOU HAVE ANY HEALTH OR MOBILITY PROBLEMS – OR ARE 75 YEARS OLD (OR OLDER) we ask you to complete this Midlife Madness **Medical Certificate** – which requires input from your regular doctor.

If we believe this tour is unsuitable for you:

- we may **decline your booking**, with regret ... or
- we may **request that you travel with someone else** (if you aren't already) – a spouse/partner/family member/friend) who can accompany you and provide any special assistance you may need.



## T ravel insurance – compulsory

TRAVELLING WITH NO INSURANCE (OR INADEQUATE INSURANCE) IS HIGHLY RISKY – AND, SHOULD AN accident or illness occur while you're overseas, it can prove very costly! Which is why **we require everyone joining this tour to have adequate insurance** (with provision for emergency evacuation). Regrettably, failure to attend to this could result in your booking being declined.

**#1. Jacqui** (our Bookings Manager) can offer a **TRAVEL INSURANCE POLICY** – with a **discount** (up-to-10%) you might like to take advantage of:

- please email **jacqui@midlifemadness.tours** and ask for a quote.
- please also tick the 'Travel Insurance' box on your Booking Form (down the right-hand side of the form).

**#2. Alternatively, you can arrange YOUR OWN INSURANCE**, if you wish. However, to avoid an unpleasant shock:

- please **check your policy** carefully to be sure what you're covered for: e.g. **you should be covered** for 'emergency evacuation' (in the event of serious injury or illness) and 'civil commotion' (in the event of riots).
- please **send a copy of your policy document to** **jacqui@midlifemadness.tours**, showing the policy number, emergency contact numbers, etc – so we have this information on hand, in the unlikely event of an accident or illness.

Thanks for your co-operation ...





# The Fine Print ...

## H ow to book:

1. Read the Booking Conditions, below, and complete the Booking Form – one form per person – carefully filling in your Passport details. Please make sure your Passport is current – and valid for at least 6 months after your return to New Zealand.
2. Scan your completed Booking Form, and scan the main page in your Passport – then email both scanned documents to [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours).
4. When paying your Deposit online, please use direct credit or a credit card (banks no longer accept cheques). Ask for our secure link and bank account: [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours) – or **0800 323 333**.
5. If you want the Travel Insurance that Jacqui can arrange, please tick that box on your Booking Form.
6. Jacqui (our Bookings Manager) will confirm your booking in writing and send a receipt for your deposit.
7. If the tour's already full, you'll be advised (with regret) and your deposit will be returned immediately.

## B ooking conditions:

**PRICE: GARDEN PATH TOUR** (confirmed)  
– share-twin, per person – from **\$24,520**

**PRICE: ANDRÉ RIEU CONCERT** – optional extra  
– share-twin, per person – from **\$4,793**

### TOUR PRICES INCLUDE:

1. Airfares: economy class Auckland to London (via Singapore) ... and return
2. Taxes: airport and airline taxes & levies
3. Transfers: between airports, hotels and stations
4. Stopover: in Singapore
5. Hotels: as detailed in Final Itinerary
6. Meals: all breakfasts and most dinners as detailed in Final Itinerary
7. Sightseeing: all excursions and entrance fees as detailed in Final Itinerary
8. André Rieu: the optional Maastricht Concert as detailed in Final Itinerary
9. Tipping: all group gratuities
10. Tour Manager: services of experienced guide from start to finish
11. Tour Hosts: services of John and Robyn Cooney

### NOT INCLUDED:

1. Passport fees
2. UK and Europe Travel Authorisation: ETA and ETIAS
3. travel insurance
4. optional excursions and sightseeing not in the final itinerary
5. meals, other than those stated in the final itinerary
6. drinks with meals or otherwise
7. personal items (e.g. medical expenses, laundry, phonecalls, souvenirs)

### PAYMENTS

**DEPOSIT: GARDEN TOUR** – \$5,000 pp, due when booking  
**DEPOSIT: ANDRÉ RIEU CONCERT** – \$2,500 pp, due when booking  
**FINAL PAYMENTS DUE** – Friday March 6, 2026 (to be confirmed)

1. Your booking will be confirmed on receipt of your deposit and booking form.
2. Travel documents and instructions for joining your tour will be sent to you prior to departure day (providing full payment has been received).

### MINIMUM NUMBERS

Tour costs are based on a minimum of 20 tour members. Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers reserve the right to cancel the tour if this number is not reached. If this happens, you may claim cancellation charges against your loss-of-deposit travel insurance. This action will relieve Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers of any further liability to the client. All indications are that this tour will be well supported.

### CANCELLATION & REFUNDS

#### TOUR ARRANGEMENTS:

If you find it necessary to cancel your Midlife Madness tour, monies will be refunded less a cancellation fee per person as follows:

- If you cancel up to 180 days prior to departure – deposit less a cancellation fee of \$500.
- If you cancel between 180 to 100 days prior to departure – deposit less a cancellation fee of 50% (or as advised, due to commitments made to suppliers).
- If you cancel after full payment has been made (generally 90 to 100 days prior to departure) – no refund, sorry.

**NOTE:** We commit to offering you as much of a refund as possible whenever possible.

1. We will retain an additional \$500 (min), plus any cancellation fees levied by suppliers, where your cancellation affects the cost to the group, or affects the size or viability of the group.
2. All refunds at any time are subject to supplier charges if and where we have paid monies on your behalf to a supplier.
3. A cancellation involving a twin-share arrangement (where we are cancelling your place but not cancelling the hotel) will require a recalculation of costs incurred.
4. Cancellation conditions may vary from supplier to supplier – and may sometimes differ from our standard cancellation options.

**NO REFUND IS AVAILABLE** for cancellation after commencement of tour arrangements or on any services not used. Should you encounter any problems on your tour it is always better to try and solve it on the spot with the tour operator. If this is not possible and you wish to lodge a complaint, this

should be done in writing within 30 days of completing your tour.

**SIGHTSEEING:** No refunds will be made to passengers who elect not to partake in activities or sightseeing included in the itinerary.

**AIR ARRANGEMENTS:** Cancellation fees will apply as required by Airline Tariff Regulations and will vary dependent upon the type of airfare utilised.

**NAME CHANGES** may require the cancellation and rebooking of your airfare at your expense. Amendment fees and fare differences may be incurred.

#### **TRAVEL INSURANCE**

Travel insurance is compulsory for everyone on this tour. You agree that we will have no liability for any loss or damage of any kind (direct, indirect, consequential or otherwise) you may suffer resulting from cancellation, loss of luggage and personal property, medical expenses, and the effects of accident, however it is caused. It is your responsibility to insure yourself fully with a comprehensive policy that includes provision for emergency evacuation.

#### **HEALTH AND FITNESS**

**PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS:** We strongly recommend a visit to your doctor and dentist before your tour. You must ask your doctor about current inoculation requirements. Full details of pre-existing medical conditions must be forwarded to Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers when you book. Failure to do so is a breach of these conditions and may result in your being excluded from the tour and all funds paid being forfeited. Clients 75 years old (or more) and/or with pre-existing medical conditions require a medical certificate from their doctor clearing them for this tour. Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers reserve the right, at their discretion, to cancel your booking and refund the money paid by you. During your tour you are under the control of your Tour Hosts, who have the authority to determine your suitability to continue.

**ILLNESS OR ABSENTEEISM:** In case you have to withdraw from the tour after it has begun for reasons such as illness, be sure to obtain a medical certificate to support any insurance claim. Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers regret that they cannot make refunds for absences from the tour, including but not limited to missed meals or sightseeing. If a promotional airfare is broken or extended for any reason, an additional fare may be payable.

**PHYSICAL DISABILITIES:** If you need any form of assistance or are physically disabled, you must be accompanied by a passenger who will take full responsibility for any assistance needed during the tour and in the event of an emergency. You must notify us in writing prior to booking of any disabilities, medical apparatus, or special medical assistance you may need. We reserve the right to decline anyone for any reason who, in the opinion of Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers, is unsuitable for travel or whose condition may affect the health, safety or enjoyment of other passengers.

#### **TOUR EXCLUSIONS**

Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers and your Tour Hosts reserve the right to withdraw tour membership from anyone whose behaviour is deemed likely to affect the smooth operation of the tour or adversely affect the enjoyment or safety of other passengers, and Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers shall be under no liability to any such person.

#### **INFORMATION PACK VALIDITY**

Considerable care has been taken to compile this information pack but circumstances may necessitate changes in itinerary and costs, in which case you will be informed as soon as possible. Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers cannot be held responsible for any changes which may occur and reserve the right to increase the price of any travel arrangements up to the date of departure. This includes adjustment for devaluation, fuel surcharges, airfare increases as well as international exchange rate fluctuations. Singapore Airlines does not, by virtue of their endorsement to this information pack, represent themselves as either contracting with any purchaser of a tour from Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers or as having any other legal relationship with such purchaser.

#### **CHECKING YOUR TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS**

It is important that you check all documentation sent to you in relation to your proposed travel and accommodation to ensure that it fully meets with your requirements and that there have been no misunderstandings.

#### **BOOKING CONDITIONS**

##### **1. THE GUARANTEES UNDER THE CONSUMER GUARANTEES ACT 1993 WILL APPLY**

#### **TO SERVICES SUPPLIED BY US EXCEPT WHERE THEY ARE ACQUIRED, OR ARE HELD OUT AS BEING ACQUIRED, FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.**

1.1 The services that Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers supply consist of arranging and coordinating travel, entertainment and accommodation facilities and services, and making bookings, issuing tickets and vouchers to be redeemed by Suppliers. We will not be liable for any loss or damage of any kind (direct, indirect, consequential or otherwise) which you may suffer resulting from selection of those suppliers, or your use or consumption of, or inability to use or consume those facilities or services. 1.2 We undertake to perform these services with reasonable care and skill. We will not be liable for any loss or damage which results from the act, default or omission of any person other than ourselves, our employees or agents, or any cause independent of human control. This includes (but is not limited to), loss or damage which arises directly or indirectly from any act of God, weather disruptions, dangers incidental to the sea, fire, breakdown in machinery or equipment, acts of Governments or other authorities de jure or de facto, wars whether declared, or not, hostilities, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, deaths, pilferage, epidemics, quarantines or medical or customs regulations.

1.3 We are not able to exercise control over services we do not supply directly, therefore we will not be responsible for any loss or damage arising from:

- any booking made with a service Supplier by another travel agent; or
- any services which are not provided by us and which are additional to those described in this information pack.

#### **2. SUPPLY OF TRAVEL, ENTERTAINMENT, ACCOMMODATION & FACILITIES**

2.1 When we make your bookings with the Suppliers of travel, entertainment and accommodation facilities or services, we are acting as a booking agent for the Suppliers.

2.2 All travel, entertainment and accommodation facilities or services are supplied directly to you by the Suppliers. We have no control over the facilities or services themselves, or the manner in which they are provided by the Suppliers. Therefore you should be aware of these conditions:

- We will not be liable for any loss or damage of any kind which may arise from your use of, consumption of, or inability to use or consume those facilities or services.
- The provision of those facilities or services is subject to the terms and conditions of your contract with each Supplier.
- Where, for any reason, a Supplier is unable to provide particular facilities or services, then that Supplier may be entitled, under its contract with you, to substitute those services or facilities with comparable or equivalent facilities, or services without incurring any liability to you. You should check your contract with each Supplier.
- All facilities or services described by us are subject to availability from the Supplier.
- We will not be liable or responsible for any loss or damage relating to your luggage, possessions, health or welfare, delays or travel disruptions unless these arise directly from the service we provide to you.

#### **3. BUSINESS PURPOSES**

You agree that where our services are acquired for business purposes, or where you hold yourself out for acquiring our services for business purposes, the Consumer Guarantee Act 1993 will not apply to any supply of goods or services made under these conditions and we will not be liable or responsible for any loss or damage of any kind to you, including any consequential loss or damage however it may be caused.

#### **4. PRICES**

4.1 Unless otherwise specified, all prices shown in this information pack are on a per person/twin share basis and are expressed in NZ dollars.

4.2 Events beyond our control, such as currency fluctuations, taxes, changes to the price of fuel or changes to the cost of services or facilities may result in the prices charged to you being different from those shown in this information pack. You should check all prices with Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers before making reservations and before making final payment

4.3 Prices may also be liable to variation between the time of booking and departure. We reserve the right to vary the price up until the time of your final payment being received by us due to exchange rates, group numbers and other events that may affect our initial quoted price.

4.4 Receipt of a deposit will be taken as an understanding by Midlife Madness Tours & Jacqui Williamson/The Travel Brokers that you have read and agree to abide by these terms and conditions.

#### **5. LEGAL CLAIMS**

Any claims or legal action in connection with the provision of our services to you will be governed by the laws of New Zealand. Any claim or legal action against the Suppliers is likely to be subject to the terms of your contract with them, and may be governed by the laws of other countries.



# TOUR BOOKING FORM

ANOTHER MAD MIDLIFE ADVENTURE – 20 MAGICAL DAYS – DEPARTING JUNE 2026

ENGLAND

Up The  
Garden Path



Please book my place on your June 2026 tour:  
**MIDLIFE MADNESS UP THE GARDEN PATH**

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms .....  
(please circle)

Age ..... Date of Birth ...../...../..... Nationality ..... (e.g. New Zealand, British)

Passport No ..... Expiry Date .....

Name you prefer to be called by .....

Address .....

Phone ..... hm / wk      Mobile .....

Email address ..... Krisflyer No .....

Have you been on a **previous** Midlife Madness tour or cruise? (please circle) YES–NO

**ANDRÉ RIEU:** I wish to attend the live concert in **Maastricht**, Holland YES–NO  
– please book my place on the optional-extra tour (please circle)

**FLIGHTS:** I wish to upgrade to  **Premium Economy** or  **Business Class** YES–NO  
on Singapore Airlines – please give me a quote (please circle)

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Please arrange (tick one) {  single room (I will pay the extra SINGLE price)  
 share double (room with double bed – available on request)  
 share twin (room with twin beds)

I am (tick one) {  travelling with ..... (name)  
 travelling alone

#### AGE, HEALTH & FITNESS:

*Important: Please read the **ABOUT You** section – page 20 of this InfoPack. If you have any health or mobility issues, or you're 75 years old (or over), you and your doctor will need to complete a **Medical Certificate**. To request a copy, please email [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours) – or phone 0800 323 333.*

Do you have any health/fitness/mobility problems that we should be aware of?  
(If necessary, please explain on a separate page)

Is there any illness or disability for which you are on permanent medication?  
(If necessary, please explain on a separate page)

Do you require special inflight meals (e.g. gluten-free or vegetarian)?

**FAMILY CONTACTS IN NZ:** NAME #1 .....

Relationship ..... Ph ..... Email .....

NAME #2 .....

Relationship ..... Ph ..... Email .....

#### HOW TO BOOK:

1. Complete **ONE FORM PER PERSON**.
2. Give the **SAME NAME** as in your Passport.
3. **SCAN** your Booking Form plus the Main Page from your Passport.
4. Then **EMAIL** both scanned forms to: [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours).
5. To **PAY YOUR DEPOSIT** ask for our secure online link & bank account details – phone 0800 323 333 or email [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours).
6. Then pay your deposit **ONLINE** – using direct credit or credit card.
7. For all enquiries phone toll-free: **0800 323 333**

#### PLEASE SIGN & DATE:

Yes, I accept the Booking Conditions for this **2026 MIDLIFE MADNESS TOUR**, and will now pay my **Deposit** of  
 **\$5,000** pp – Garden Path Tour only  
 **\$7,500** pp – Garden Path Tour plus the André Rieu Concert

Please acknowledge my booking, and send me my receipt.

Signed .....

Date .....

#### PAYMENT METHOD:

I'm paying **ONLINE** using (please tick one)

- DIRECT CREDIT** or  
 **CREDIT CARD**

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#### INSURANCE: (please tick one)

- I would like a quote for the **TRAVEL INSURANCE POLICY** that Jacqui can arrange. Please provide details.
- I'm arranging **MY OWN** insurance.  
*Important: please send us a copy of your policy document (showing Insurance Co, details & emergency phone numbers).*



# TOUR BOOKING FORM

ANOTHER MAD MIDLIFE ADVENTURE – 20 MAGICAL DAYS – DEPARTING JUNE 2026

ENGLAND

Up The  
Garden Path



Please book my place on your June 2026 tour:  
**MIDLIFE MADNESS UP THE GARDEN PATH**

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms .....  
(please circle)

Age ..... Date of Birth ..... Nationality ..... (e.g. New Zealand, British)

Passport No ..... Expiry Date .....

Name you prefer to be called by .....

Address .....

Phone ..... hm / wk      Mobile .....

Email address ..... Krisflyer No .....

Have you been on a **previous** Midlife Madness tour or cruise? (please circle) YES–NO

**ANDRÉ RIEU:** I wish to attend the live concert in **Maastricht**, Holland YES–NO  
– please book my place on the optional-extra tour (please circle)

**FLIGHTS:** I wish to upgrade to  **Premium Economy** or  **Business Class** YES–NO  
on Singapore Airlines – please give me a quote (please circle)

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Please arrange (tick one) {  single room (I will pay the extra SINGLE price)  
 share double (room with double bed – available on request)  
 share twin (room with twin beds)

I am (tick one) {  travelling with ..... (name)  
 travelling alone

#### AGE, HEALTH & FITNESS:

*Important: Please read the **ABOUT You** section – page 20 of this InfoPack. If you have any health or mobility issues, or you're 75 years old (or over), you and your doctor will need to complete a **Medical Certificate**. To request a copy, please email [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours) – or phone 0800 323 333.*

Do you have any health/fitness/mobility problems that we should be aware of?  
(If necessary, please explain on a separate page)

Is there any illness or disability for which you are on permanent medication?  
(If necessary, please explain on a separate page)

Do you require special inflight meals (e.g. gluten-free or vegetarian)?

**FAMILY CONTACTS IN NZ:** NAME #1 .....

Relationship ..... Ph ..... Email .....

NAME #2 .....

Relationship ..... Ph ..... Email .....

#### HOW TO BOOK:

1. Complete **ONE FORM PER PERSON**.
2. Give the **SAME NAME** as in your Passport.
3. **SCAN** your Booking Form plus the Main Page from your Passport.
4. Then **EMAIL** both scanned forms to: [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours).
5. To **PAY YOUR DEPOSIT** ask for our secure online link & bank account details – phone 0800 323 333 or email [info@midlifemadness.tours](mailto:info@midlifemadness.tours).
6. Then **pay your deposit ONLINE** – using direct credit or credit card.
7. For all enquiries phone toll-free: **0800 323 333**

#### PLEASE SIGN & DATE:

Yes, I accept the Booking Conditions for this **2026 MIDLIFE MADNESS TOUR**, and will now pay my **Deposit** of  
 **\$5,000** pp – Garden Path Tour only  
 **\$7,500** pp – Garden Tour plus the André Rieu Concert

Please acknowledge my booking, and send me my receipt.

Signed .....

Date .....

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