



# TRAVEL GROUP

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The History, Culture and Music of the vibrant City of

## Liverpool and Port Sunlight

A 5-day tour commencing Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2026

Dear Travel Group Members,

Following our sell-out tour to Exmouth, we have decided to do a city-based tour and would like to offer you the opportunity to join us. We are, again, using the services of Alfa Travel, an employee-owned business. Staying in the Aloft Hotel, housed in the Grade II-listed Royal Insurance Building, we have put together an exciting itinerary, starting with a city guide on board the coach to highlight some of the best places to visit. We only have a small allocation of rooms for single occupancy for this tour and would recommend that you consider sharing a twin room with a friend or relative. Please take into account that there is a considerable amount of walking involved at Port Sunlight and the Shugborough Estate on this tour.

Bookings are now being taken.

Kind Regards Ann



Royal Liver Building & Mersey Ferry



Beatles Statues

### YOUR 5 DAY ITINERARY

**Monday:** After our pick-ups in Bushey and Watford we shall head north to Liverpool. En route, we will make comfort breaks for coffee and lunch, before continuing on to the Aloft Hotel in Central Liverpool.

**Tuesday:** This morning, we will be joined on the coach by our City Guide to take us around the sights in and around the city and give us inspiration as to what to plan for our free day tomorrow. A treat later in the day will be a trip on a Mersey Ferry.

**Wednesday:** Today is a free day for us to explore the city at leisure,

**Thursday:** We will visit Port Sunlight, arguably the finest surviving example of early urban planning in the UK that has remained largely intact since its foundation by William Hesketh Lever in 1888. The village is home to more than 900 Grade II Listed buildings set in 130 acres of parkland and gardens. A 90 minute walking tour has been booked for us followed by entry to the museum. There will be time to take lunch at leisure.

**Friday:** As we head home, we will visit the Shugborough Estate, a National Trust property and gardens that house the apartment of Patrick Lichfield, 5<sup>th</sup> Earl and fashion photographer. National Trust members should bring their membership cards to gain entry and non-members must pay an entry fee that will be confirmed in due course. We will later continue our journey to Bushey and Watford.



Royal Albert Dock



Port Sunlight Village

## PRICE and GENERAL INFORMATION

**PRICE per person:** Minimum 40 persons—£459 Minimum 30 persons—£489

Room for SINGLE occupancy — £120 supplement

Alfa Peace of Mind Guarantee – [alfatravel.co.uk/peace-of-mind-guarantee](http://alfatravel.co.uk/peace-of-mind-guarantee) £28

**Price includes:** Return Coach Travel; 4 nights half board accommodation in a 3 star hotel; guided tour of Liverpool; trip on the Mersey Ferry, visit to Port Sunlight including 1.5 hour Walking Tour and entrance to the Museum; coach to Shugborough.

**Your Hotel:** The Aloft Hotel, part of the Marriott Hotel Group, is situated in Central Liverpool, a short walk from The Pier Head and The Royal Albert Dock. All bedrooms have en-suite facilities, are equipped with flat screen TV, tea/coffee making facilities and free wi-fi and hairdryer.

**BOOKING CONDITIONS:** *The tour must have a minimum of 30 persons to operate. Balance payment will be due by 17<sup>th</sup> August 2026. A deposit cheque of £50 per person, made out to Alfa Travel Limited, should be sent to Ann Hodge as soon as possible to secure your place(s). This will not be banked until we have the minimum number of bookings to operate the tour. Once your deposit has been banked, it is non-refundable. This tour is being organised by Alfa Travel, a well-established, award winning UK tour operator. Your money is safe; Alfa Travel is fully bonded through ABTOT (a government approved consumer protection scheme, offering a regulated financial protection scheme to comply with UK Travel Regulations recognised and respected by the UK Travel Industry). Their ABTOT number is 7089. Passengers are expected to take out the Alfa Peace of Mind Guarantee or have their own travel insurance. Late cancellations of less than 7 weeks will incur charges according to the length of notice given prior to departure.*

*Bushey U3A cannot entertain financial claims should a member suffer any losses through the tour operator defaulting on their obligations.*



## Bushey U3A Travel Group Booking Form

Please reserve ..... place(s) on the Liverpool Tour October 2026.

Rooms: ..... Single(s) (subject to £120 supplement) ..... Double(s) .....Twin(s)

PASSENGER NAMES (with titles and full names) .....

Special Requests (disability, dietary, etc) (cannot be guaranteed) .....

Enclosed find cheque for £..... payable to Alfa Travel Ltd covering £50 deposit for ..... person(s) and

Alfa Peace of Mind Guarantee for ..... person(s) at £28 per person..

Address: ..... Postcode: .....

Telephone: ..... Email: .....

Signed: .....Name: ..... Date: .....