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Enjoy a relaxing holiday on a luxury self-drive cruiser. You don't have to go abroad to get away from the crowds...

A unique experience...

The only luxury cruiser of its kind in the UK.

Time to relax, be spontaneous, moor up on the nearest bank when you want and enjoy the beautiful countryside.

Safe in the knowledge that Hobbs of Henley are the oldest boat company on the Thames (est. 1870) and Tony Hobbs is a Royal Waterman, serving the Queen on the river. His son Jonathan is now the MD and would like to welcome you to enjoy the river on board this luxurious cruiser.

Look out or our new website <u>www.thamesboatingholidays.co.uk</u> for full information on our luxury self-drive cruising holidays, but in the meantime visit www.hobbsofhenley.com.

Cricklade

Cotswolds

Linssen 34.9 Grand Sturdy cruiser



Facilities

Oxford

- Persons 4+2(Two double cabins+double sofa bed)
- Two toilets and two showers
- Length 10.7m, Beam 3.4m, Draft 1m, Air draft 2.5m
- 1x Volvo Penta 4 Cylinder, 75hp
- External steering position, Bow Thruster
- Anchor winch, swimming platform, outside shower (hot and cold), Teak deck on aft cabin, calorifier, refrigerator, oven, heating.



Henley to Runnymede

Natural beauty and heritage

Marlow Henley Windsor Runnymede

Day 1

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Once onboard, slowly make your way eastwards, going through 3 locks. You will pass by several islands and the villages of Hurley, Bisham, Bourne End and the market town of Marlow. Moor up at Cookham Lock. The ancient village of Cookham is nearby and there are several walks to enjoy including a circular route to Bourne End. You will enjoy the lowland wetland sites with flora and breeding waders. Enjoy dinner at the Bel and The Dragon, one of the oldest coaching inns in England.





Day 2

Start the day by visiting the Stanley Spencer Gallery in Cookham. Stanley Spencer was one of the great British artists. Then, back on board, cruise through a further 4 locks to Windsor; Cookham, Boulters, Bray and Boveney. Enjoy afternoon tea at the Sir Christopher Wren Hotel on the river terrace and find a memento in the antique shops of Eton or visit Eton College, Princes William and Harry's old school.

Day 3

Moor up overnight and the next morning watch the changing of the (11am) and visit Windsor Castle, the oldest inhabited castle in the world and home to the Queen. After lunch, pass through Romney Lock and in about 2 hours you can be at Runnymede – discover the Magna Carta. Spend a relaxing evening at the runnymede-onthames and check out the Spa.



Return journey – so much to choose from:

Bray Lock – fine dining at Heston Blumenthal's Fat Duck or Alain Roux's Waterside. Or visit the Olympic rowing venue Eton Dorney. Boulters Lock - visit to Maidenhead or a bit further and moor at the edge of Cliveden woods and walk up to this National Trust house (now a hotel) a grand stately home rich in heritage and scandal. Reward yourself with a luxurious afternoon tea. Marlow Lock: Plenty to choose from here, the traditional market town of Marlow, Nearby Bisham Abbey and eat out at the Compleat Angler. Visit Bourne End on a Wednesday and check out the Auction Rooms.

Finally, return to Henley on Friday and wander around the wonderful mix of shops and make sure you visit the River & Rowing Museum .

Look out for our new website for full information for planning your trip, events along the river, other itineraries and <u>special offers</u> for places to stay and visit <u>www.thamesboatingholidays.co.uk</u> (NOT LIVE YET IN THE MEANTIME PLEASE USE <u>www.hobbsofhenley.com</u>.



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