



A TRIP AROUND ENGLAND

Andy and Aby lived in London. They rarely got out of the city to explore partly because there was so much to do in London but partly because they were always so busy with work.

They had booked two weeks off work and decided to spend some of that time exploring England rather than jetting off abroad. They sat down together and went through a plan of what they wanted to see they had a tight budget, but they were going to use their friends campervan to travel around and stay in cheap camping spots they just hoped the weather would be on their side.

They packed some food basic clothes card games, torches, water bottles and plenty of layers in case they got cold.

They filled up the van with petrol and they were off.

Their first stop out of London was the Norfolk Broads. It took them a couple of hours to drive there from the city but it was worth it. The Norfolk Broads are man-made waterways in the county of Norfolk and cover an area of 117 square miles. They had lots to see in only two days.

They found a cheap campsite and headed to a local farm shop to buy some supplies. After they'd eaten they went for a walk around the nearby village. They couldn't believe how peaceful and calm everything was. It was like a world away from the noisy streets of London.

The next day they went on a barge trip along one of the broads and in the afternoon they headed into the city of Norwich. It was incredibly quaint they enjoyed an afternoon tea and meandered through the streets. The city is 100 miles north east of London and has a stunning cathedral. The city is in the top 10 places to shop in the UK.

They bought a few souvenirs from the shops and made their way back to the campsite. They decided to have their dinner at a traditional pub before having an early night.

The next morning they woke early had a shower and packed away their belongings before driving north west to the city of Lincoln. The drive took two and a half hours.

They stayed at a campsite just outside of the small, medieval city and then took a “park and ride” bus into the city centre. Once there, they decided to do the famous walk up the Steep Hill. (**medieval** / **mɛdi** 'i:vəl/)

They spent hours looking in all the little shops galleries and boutiques. By the time they got to the top they were incredibly hungry and thirsty they found a little cafe and sat outside and ate sandwiches and drank tea. Once they felt refreshed, they went for a walk around the cathedral and the gardens they, then, made their way back down into the city and enjoyed a glass of wine by the river before heading back to the campsite where they played cards and then went to sleep.

The next morning they packed up their van again and headed further north this time to the north east coast of Yorkshire.

They had chosen a campsite on the clifftops close to the small seaside town of Filey. By the time they got there they felt exhausted as there had been a crash on the motorway so their route was diverted for quite some time. They decided to set up the van and walk into Filey to have fish and chips on the beach. They then popped to a local pub and played the pub quiz before walking back to the camper and having an early night.

The next morning they decided to walk along the famous Filey Brigg which is a long narrow peninsula about a mile away from Filey. They checked the tidal times and set off. The walk was stunning even if it was a little slippery at times ! At the edge of the Brigg they sat and drank their flask of coffee as they looked out to sea and watched the anglers catch fish. It was incredibly relaxing.

For the rest of the day, they explored Filey and the surrounding area. They then made their own food at the camper and visited the pub on the campsite before going to bed.

The next day, they drove to the seaside town of Scarborough. The first thing that caught their attention was the castle on the clifftop. The castle was originally constructed in the 12th century and can be seen for miles around; They parked just outside of the town and walked in via the seafront. They ate a hot dog each and treated themselves to an ice cream milkshake. They then walked the pleasant path around the headland from the south bay to the north bay where they explored the pretty Peasolm Park. From there they walked into the town centre and explored the shops before driving a little further north to the tiny village of Robin Hood's bay this beautiful fishing village has stunning shops and cafes and was the perfect place for Andy to take some stunning photographs for his company website. The sea air started to make them tired so they headed back to the campsite for a good night's sleep.

The next day, they packed up and headed north to the gothic town of Whitby. They chose to stay in the town for the night. After they'd set up the van they walked to the famous Whitby Abbey. The abbey was built in the seventh century to get to the abbey on the clifftop, Abi and Andy had to walk up the famous 199 steps. They didn't turn around so the view from the top would be even more special. Once they got to the top and looked down on the town they couldn't believe how pretty it was ! They sat on a bench to take in the stunning views of the cliffs, the town and the fishing boats bobbing about in the water. They certainly didn't see sights like this in London !

Afterwards, they went on a tour of the abbey before exploring Whitby and its wonderful shops. That night, they treated themselves to a posh dinner in a restaurant overlooking the harbour.

The next morning, they woke up and decided to walk along the clifftops and breathe in the fresh, salty sea air. In the afternoon they headed back to the campervan and drove down south stopping off for a night in a nice but cheap hotel in the city of Nottingham; They were so glad to have a proper bed for the night. Nottingham has a population of over 300 000 people and has two large universities; It is vibrant and has many individual shops, boutiques, cafes and bars. Abi and Andy loved the city. It was a good transition for them before heading back into the busy streets of London.

The next day, they had breakfast at an independent coffee shop in the city centre before driving back to London after the morning rush hour.

As they made their way back to their suburban flat in Wimbledon, they felt happy that they'd explored parts of eastern and northern England. There was certainly more to England than London !

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VOCABULARY

Partly = en partie, partiellement

To jet off = (to go somewhere by plane) = s'envoler

Tight = serré

Campervan = camping-car

Belongings are things that a person owns

Layers a level of material that is different from the material above or below it or a thin sheet of something is a layer when it is cold we wear lots of layers of clothes to keep warm

Quaint = /'kweɪnt/ Synonyms: old-fashioned, picturesque, fanciful, cute, pleasing, charming, vintage, old-timey (informal), old-school, old-world, retro, antique

to rush is to do something very quickly

Something is stunning when it is very beautiful

Supplies are food drink or other things needed by people every day

To pop (familiar) = faire un saut

Anglers = pêcheurs à la ligne

A bay is the part of the coast where the land curves in

A cliff is a high area of rock with a very steep side

Steep is on a very sharp angle or a slope like a cliff

If something is surrounding then it is all around a place

To bob = flotter, se balancer,

Posh = chic, luxurious, luxury, lavish, classy, high-class, fancy, stylish, elegant, deluxe, rich, ostentatious, upmarket, gentrified, high-end, smart = BCBG, snob, chic, distingué, huppé, cosu

To head = se diriger, mettre le cap sur

To head towards (to go in direction of) = se diriger vers

To head back (to go back, return) = rentrer

To head out (to leave, start a journey) = Partir



