## ISLE OF MAN, UNITED KINGDOM

Isle of Man, Cregnaesh & Castle Rushen

**ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE** 

Depart your yacht this morning and travel via the "Plains of Heaven," the magnificently scenic elevated highway that bisects the island running east to west, and the Southern Hills which offer panoramic views of the south of the island down to Cregnaesh where you will pause for photographs. Cregneash is the oldest settlement on the Isle of Man, a hamlet of white-washed, stone-walled thatched cottages, just as they were in 1900. You will continue along the southeast road to Castletown, which takes its name from the magnificent Castle Rushen standing alongside the harbor. Castle Rushen is the best example of a medieval castle in the British Isles, and served as the residence of the last Norse King of Mann, who died here in 1266. The exact date it was built is unknown, though it is believed to be around 1200. Enjoy a visit here today with your guide. Afterwards return to your yacht via the legendary "Fairy Bridge." Don't forget to say Laa Mie (good day) to the fairies!

<u>Please note</u>: This tour is not recommended for wheelchair users as the ground at Cregneash is uneven and sometimes muddy. There is limited access for wheelchairs at Castle Rushen – the inside rooms can only be accessed by staircase and there are lots of steps with some narrow spiral staircases. We request that any wheelchair guests are accompanied as the guide cannot undertake responsibility for them during the tour.

PRICE<sup>\$</sup>145

Isle of Man, Half Day Private CAR w/ Guide

**ACTIVITY LEVEL: EASY** 

Explore at your own pace with a **private vehicle**, **driver and English-speaking guide** at your service. You will have the **flexibility and independence** to design your itinerary according to your own interests. On this half day option you can choose an itinerary around Isle of Man.

<u>Please note</u>: Capacity: 1-2 guests. Private cars are ordered per vehicle (not per person). This tour includes transport in a private car, driver and English Speaking Guide. Itinerary can be adjusted with tour guide as long as it's in the Isle of Man area and does not exceed the duration of 4 hours. Recommended for physically challenged guests.

PRICE\$1549

Isle of Man, Off the Beaten Track - The IOM TT Course by Motor Bike

**ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE** 

The Isle of Man is the home of motorcycle racing and as such draws fans of the sport from all over the world. If you have been nervous about riding motorbikes but have always wanted to just have a go, at least once, this tour will let you fulfill this dream as **passengers on a specially designed 3-seater Trike**. The emphasis of this tour is on enjoyment rather than high speed; though when you are traveling at 30 mph it will feel more like 60 mph on the Trike when the wind is blowing through your hair! You will experience the course that the world's most daring riders have experienced, though you will not reach the 200 mph+ that they do. You will travel through some very **pretty towns and villages**, around tight twisty roads, over the renowned **Ballaugh Bridge** before riding over the spectacular Mountain area. You will have a short stop at the **Creg-ny-Baa**, before returning to Douglas.

<u>Please note</u>: The route may be altered due to traffic or weather conditions. This tour cannot operate in heavy rain/high winds. Helmets, jackets, and gloves will be provided

## PRICE\$199

Isle of Man, Southern Cliffs Walking Tour

**ACTIVITY LEVEL: STRENUOUS** 

This is one of the most beautiful walks on the island, renowned for its **stunning coastal scenery**, bird life, and seal viewing. A 45-minute drive by coach will take you to **Port St Mary**. You will walk from the harbor area round the local golf course past a small hamlet onto the coastal footpath. There are a couple of short hills which will give you a **beautiful view** of Port St Mary. Next you will stroll through local farmland and up to the local landmark called **The Chasms**. This is an area of outstanding natural beauty with **excellent views of nesting sea birds** plus the interesting rock formations giving the area its name. You then take an easy coastal path around **Spanish Head** to the Sound where you will see and hear the unmistakable calls of the **local grey seal population** and also have the opportunity to take tea or coffee in the café here (not included). You can also gaze over at the **Calf of Man**, which is a renowned bird sanctuary for many migrating birds. Inside the café you can observe the running film depicting life as it was through history on the Calf of Man and also an undersea view of marine life in the area. Rejoin your coach for the return journey to Douglas and your ship.

<u>Please note</u>: Very rarely there can be low lying mist/fog that makes walking along the cliff difficult. When this happens an alternative walking route will be taken. Refreshments are not

included so it is recommended that walkers bring along water and a snack and wear comfortable walking shoes. This tour is not suitable for guests with mobility issues.

## PRICE\$139

Isle of Man, Vintage Steam Train & Magnificent Castle Rushen

**ACTIVITY LEVEL: MODERATE** 

Departing from the pier, a short transfer will take you to the impressive Victorian train station where you will board the vintage steam train for a delightful and traditional journey to Castletown, the original capital of Mann until 1869. Dating from 1874, the Isle of Man Steam Railway is the Island'soldest Victorian rail system and this narrow gauge railway still runs with its original locomotives and carriages. Arriving at Castletown Station, enjoy a visit to the magnificent Castle Rushen which stands alongside the harbor and is one of the best medieval castles in Europe. It was the former seat of the Kings and Lords of Mann, with the Castle's oldest part dating back to the time of Magnus, the last Norse King of Mann, who died here in 1266. The exact date the castle was built is unknown, though it is believed to be around 1200. Today, spectacular displays illustrate the castle at various times in history, with figures in period costume, historical furnishings, and wall hangings bringing the castle to life. Following your guided visit, you will have free time before rejoining your coach to return to the pier and your ship.

<u>Please note</u>: This tour is not recommended for wheelchair users as the rooms of the castle can only be accessed by stairs, some of which are narrow and spiral.

PRICE\$139