

Discover new countries and making new friends -the B14/B9 trip to Plymouth 2018-

On the 22nd of April, we started to our 8 days trip from Nuremberg Railway Station . On the long bus trip to Dunkirk in Belgium we had a good atmosphere. After our arrival in Belgium, we had the evening for our own and watched the fantastic sunset at the sea. Next morning, we started early to reach the ferry at Calais to cross over to Great Britain. After another several hours in the bus, we reached Plymouth and checked in our beautiful B&Bs, where our landladies were already waiting for us.

On Tuesday morning, we had an awesome full English breakfast with sausages, beaked beans, bacon and scrambled eggs. Afterwards, we met at our bus to drive to a discovery-tour of the local university. We were warmly welcomed by some students, who showed us around the campus and told us some interesting facts about it's history and offers. After some shopping and taking lunch, we met them again in the evening, when we started to our party-boat-trip to the Edgecumb Arms. After some drinks and snacks, we sailed back with some drinking and dancing on the boat to end at a local bar and finished our first day in England.

After the full English breakfast on Wednesday morning, which was pretty delicious every morning, we drove to Buckland Abbey, the castle of Sir Francis Drake, a very famous seaman, which was originally built as a monastery for monks. In the afternoon, we were visiting the National Marine Aquarium, known as the biggest aquarium in GB. In the evening, nearly the full group was discovering the nightlife (again).

At Thursday morning, we headed to Tintagle Castle, an old ruin built directly at the coast. With for GB very beautiful and warm weather, we could take some very nice photos. Afterwards, we drove to the small fishing village Padstow, where we had the typical British food, fish and chips and a beautiful walk at the harbour. After heading back to Plymouth, most of the group were celebrating the last night at the south coast with a visit of a local karaoke bar. One of us was actually singing in front of all the guests. On Friday, we had to say goodbye to this very smart city to start to the capital city, London. En route, we were visiting the iconic site Stonehenge to watch the famous stones. Before checking in our hotel in London, we had a 3 hours ride with our bus through the city to watch all the famous sights like the Big Ben, the Buckingham Palace or the London Eye. After checking in the Lords Hotel, some were looking for some food, some for drinks.

On Saturday morning, we had another 4 hours of spare time. Some of the groups made some sightseeing at the Buckingham Palace or at the London Eye, others went shopping at Oxford Circus. In the afternoon we left the capital and headed to Dover to go back to the mainland by ferry. At night we arrived in Brügge in Belgium at our youth-hostel. On Sunday morning, we drove back to Germany and arrived back home in the late afternoon.

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Some pictures of the trip:

