



Dear Friends,

Anticipation was running high as we waited for the latest travel advisory from the UK government about arrivals from the USA.

Finally, the news we have all been waiting for was announced – travelers arriving directly from the USA who have been double vaccinated with an FDA approved jab are welcome with no arrival quarantine from 2nd August 2021. This positive step is such welcome news and I hope you, like me, celebrated another border opening and what this means for your clients, and the travel possibilities that are now on the horizon.

All the nations within the United Kingdom have adopted the same rules which is incredibly positive. England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales are now eagerly awaiting international travelers from across the pond.

The UK's cities, countryside towns and villages have so much to offer visitors; from the medieval passageways of York to the dreaming spires of Oxford, the myths, legends and 450 miles of coastline of Cornwall, the castles and gardens of Wales and the awe-inspiring scenery and stunning natural landscapes of Ireland and the Scottish Highlands.

There is no doubt that the UK provides a plethora of diversity with incredible landscapes, history and heritage, all within a relatively short travel distance.

[Read more about the latest entry requirements for the UK](#)

Our hotel partners look forward to welcoming your clients back to the UK and will work with you to provide the required testing for return travel to the USA.

With fondest wishes,

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## [The Goring – London, England](#)



This historic hotel's Belgravia location is just a quick walk from Buckingham Palace with parks, boutiques and theatre life on the doorstep. Their delightful array of individually designed bedrooms and suites charm even the most seasoned traveler. Footmen are on hand to assist suite guests with any whim, a lovely nod to a traditional past. The Goring garden has been manicured to perfection so guests can enjoy lighter fare, cocktails and champagne in a beautiful English country garden setting.

This year an extra special guest will be making an appearance at The Goring for his summer vacation – Teddy, the Shetland Pony will be the official “Pony in Residence” for two weeks in August. It goes without saying that he will be met with the most luxurious accommodation, a specially commissioned and beautifully constructed stable in the garden. There is a fabulous Teddy-themed stay during which guests will be able to cuddle him to their heart's desire while enjoying a limited-edition Teddy afternoon tea. [Watch the video of Teddy's arrival at The Goring.](#)

## [The Hari – London, England](#)



The Hari is not only designed for those seeking comfort, it is a sanctuary for modern travelers. Their 85 contemporary styled bedrooms have been designed to make any stay as relaxing and comfortable as possible. Just 10 minutes' walk from Harrods and surrounded by elegant cobbled streets that are lined with immaculate terraced townhouses, beautiful garden squares and quaint coffee shops and within easy reach of the superb array of museums and major attractions of London.

The Terrace at The Hari is an intimate spot for drinks and nibbles year-round, with a theme for each season. Il Pampero is a beloved destination restaurant with a menu that features a selection of delicious Italian favorites, and delightful mouth-watering surprises. For art lovers, the owner's own art collection is displayed throughout the property and their guest art installations supporting local artists, are a lovely surprise. For the travel advisor - [The Hari Program provides an array of amenities for your clients.](#)

## [Great Fosters – Near Windsor, England](#)

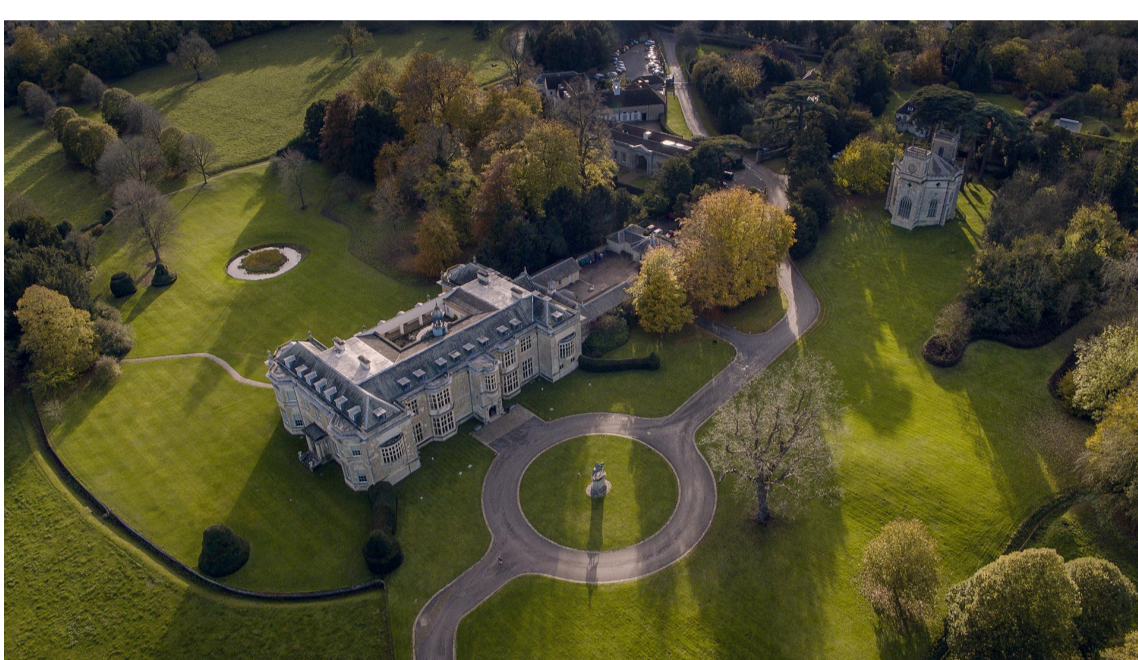


A stay at Great Fosters means you're not only convenient to London and Heathrow Airport, but you're well located for royal exploration and amusement parks for all ages. Just 20 minutes by car, visit the Queen's favorite castle, Windsor, the oldest inhabited castle in the world. Within 30 minutes' drive visitors can explore Hampton Court Palace, RHS Wisley and Kew Gardens.

Inside Great Fosters guests can marvel at the original details, rare mullioned windows, oakwell staircases and Jacobean fireplaces that bring to mind traditional England. Historic bedrooms feature ornate Italian furniture, 16th-century tapestries, and romantic four-poster beds.

The Michelin-starred Tudor Room is an intimate setting for fine dining, and the 50 acres of arts and crafts gardens are calling out to be explored. Afterwards enjoy afternoon tea on one of the many outdoor terraced areas or bask on a lounge by the 1930s art deco open-air heated pool with a cocktail and enjoy the picturesque surroundings.

### [Hartwell House & Spa – Vale of Aylesbury near Oxford, England](#)



This exceptional National Trust owned property can be found just an hour by train or by car from central London - sitting in acres of parkland on the edge of the Chilterns. The Relais & Châteaux Hartwell House and Spa in the Buckinghamshire countryside is a Grade 1 listed property that is part Jacobean mansion and part Georgian house.

After a restful night's sleep in the lovingly restored, impeccably designed bedrooms, guests can spend their morning strolling through 90 acres of parkland, past a church folly, bridges, a delightful lake and through beautiful gardens. The history of the hotel dates back almost a thousand years to Edward the Confessor and the house was once lived in by the exiled King of France, Louis XVIII and his court.

With attractions such as Silverstone, the Harry Potter Studios, Waddesdon Manor and Bicester Village nearby, Hartwell House is perfectly situated for your clients who wish to explore the heart of England.

### [Middlethorpe Hall & Spa – York, England](#)



Middlethorpe Hall & Spa is a lovely country house overlooking York racecourse and just 2 miles from some of the most impressive urban architecture in the British Isles – from York Minster, the largest Gothic cathedral North of the Alps, to the medieval streets of The Shambles in York city center.

Also owned by the National Trust, recharging, and renewing comes easy at Middlethorpe Hall - set in 20 acres of gardens and parkland including a fragrant rose garden and small tree-lined lake. Each bedroom is outfitted with modern technology yet gives a definitive nod to the past with individual period decoration. The rooms are situated both in the historic hall and in the restored 18th-century courtyard beside it.

### [The Nare Hotel – Cornwall, South West England](#)



It's a little-known fact that Cornwall is officially classified as having a subtropical climate and has the mildest and sunniest climate in England as a result of its oceanic setting and the influence of the Gulf Stream. Expect to find Palm Trees and exotic plants in many of the public gardens perfect for garden lovers. Cornwall is undoubtedly an area of myths and legends with stories of mermaids, smugglers, giants and pixies handed down over many generations. For literary lovers, visit the real Jamaica Inn, inspiration for the famous novel by Daphne du Maurier or follow in the footsteps of King Arthur and discover his legend.

The Nare, overlooking Carne Beach on the Roseland Peninsula, is a favorite for those who enjoy light outdoor activity in a stunning beachside setting, on the spectacular Cornish coast. Venture out for mackerel fishing on the hotel's private yacht, sink into the outdoor hot tub overlooking the bay, play tennis, swim in the indoor or outdoor pools and stroll leisurely along picturesque coastal paths.

Later, retreat to individually decorated bedrooms, most of which have a balcony or terrace and enjoy a meal at The Dining Room, where the ever-changing menu features a hors d'oeuvres trolley, flambés, seafood and homemade puddings.

Earlier this year, The Nare was honored to have Dame Judi Dench open their new Whittington Suites. The Nare's four suites are situated in a new extension at the western end of the main house. They are exceedingly comfortable and spacious and have a more secluded feel, benefiting from their own dedicated entrance and a delightful sea-view lobby.

## [Bodysgallen Hall & Spa – Llandudno, North Wales](#)



The Grade 1 listed Bodysgallen Hall and Spa is ideally situated in North Wales so you can enjoy the glorious Welsh countryside, national parks and castles of this fairy-tale destination. Within easy reach of the historic Roman walled walking city of Chester and the bustling city of Liverpool. Visitors can enjoy two contrasting cities and the fabulous Welsh countryside together with the charming Victorian seaside town of Llandudno just 2 miles away from Bodysgallen Hall.

Set within 200 acres of parkland with views across the stunning gardens to Conwy Castle and sitting on the edge of the Snowdonia National Park, the surrounding countryside is fabulous to explore. Bodysgallen Hall provides simply the best in country house hospitality. This 17th-century estate offers delicious dining, well-appointed public rooms including the Main Hall and upstairs Drawing Room with double fireplaces, original stone mullioned windows and precious antiques.

## [The Torridon – Western Highlands, Scotland](#)



The Torridon is situated in the area of Wester Ross in the North West Highlands which offers breath-taking landscapes, secretive hill lochs and mist shrouded mountains with a vibrant culture stretching back thousands of years to the Neolithic ages. We can't promise Braveheart but do prepare yourself for some surprises.

Outdoor pursuits are a myriad, from clay pigeon shooting and archery to mountain biking at the foot of Liathach and kayaking in a magnificent sea loch adjacent to this stunning former hunting lodge originally built in 1887.

The estate is remote enough for true respite yet offers contemporary creature comforts sophisticated travelers have come to expect, from 18 luxurious guest rooms with views of the ever-changing highland scenery (and even the estate's own cattle!) to an award-winning Whisky Bar, now including 100 Scottish gins and their own distilled Arcturus gin.

The Torridon recently featured in an internationally acclaimed TV program titled *Amazing Hotels: Life Beyond The Lobby*, so you can see everything this award winning Highland resort can offer on BBC Connect via Amazon Prime and Apple TV.

## [Adare Manor – Co. Limerick, Southern Ireland](#)



The Adare Manor estate is situated in the picturesque village of Adare and the gateway to Southwest Ireland. This is an ideal base from which to explore some of Ireland's most notable visitor attractions and the world's most beautiful sights such as the breath-taking Cliffs of Moher, the stunning Dingle Peninsula, the 15th century Bunratty Castle & Folk Park and the unmissable Killarney town.

Back at base, Adare Manor boasts a world-class staff who offer personalized service at every turn, a pampering spa and a magnificent and award-winning championship golf course designed by Tom Fazio (home to the Ryder Cup in 2027) are just a few of the many activities and amenities provided within their 840 acres of pristine parkland.

Guests can enjoy Falconry, Clay Pigeon Shooting, Padel Tennis, Archery, Cycling, Irish Gun Dog Training - they can choose to while away the afternoon at their private cinema with popcorn at the ready or enjoy a 111 Skin Therapy at the fabulously appointed spa.

Gracious fine-dining opportunities take place at The Oak Room which gained a Michelin Star in 2019. The seasonal menu highlights the best Irish artisan ingredients, paired with a thoughtfully curated wine selection.

## Other Destinations



The amazing destination service specialists that are part of the Rebecca Recommends portfolio, provide a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm about the countries they service. With a number of destinations already open and welcoming travelers from North America, please contact us for introductions to these incredible destination magic makers:

[Sea Song Tours for Turkey](#), [Découvertes for France](#), [Curated Greece for Greece](#), [Ventours International for Sri Lanka and The Maldives](#), [Southern Crossings for the South Pacific](#). Our fabulous DMC partners are on hand, ready to plan the perfect adventure with you and will be thrilled to share their knowledge of local treasures to enhance any visit.

We are adopting the adage of **#lookingforwardtotravel** and encourage you to do the same.

