

Arts/Literary Itinerary – 3 nights

Wordsworth, Ruskin, Beatrix Potter

(with a bit of sightseeing in between)

Suggested visits

DAY OF ARRIVAL	<p>Check-in 3.30pm and relax</p> <p>Tim & Karen can book you a meal locally from 6pm onwards</p> <p>Stretch your legs in Silver Meadows</p>
DAY 2	<p>Depart for Cockermouth around 10am. Head to Cockermouth main street where you will find Wordsworth House located at the far end, just before the mini roundabout. (Please note that the house is not open on a Friday and the first visits start at 11am. Check opening times here)</p> <p>From Cockermouth, head to Lorton and then over Whinlatter Pass. This road descends into Braithwaite and then rejoins the A66. Head into Keswick and take the A591 to Grasmere.</p> <p>Dove Cottage & Wordsworth Museum is located on the A591 on the outskirts of Grasmere village. (The cottage is undergoing renovations currently so please check the website for details)</p> <p>Dinner back in Keswick. We suggest Morrells (booking advised) or if you prefer fish & chips, go to the Kingfisher located opposite the bookshop just before the mini roundabout.</p>
DAY 3	<p>After breakfast head to Coniston to visit Brantwood</p> <p>Head to Keswick then to the A591 to Ambleside. Pick up the signs for the A593.</p> <p>You can get to the house on the Coniston launch</p>

	<p>Head to Ambleside on the B5285 to Beatrix Potter's farm Hill Top at near Sawrey, Hawkshead. It is open until 5pm but be aware there is limited parking. You can then visit the Beatrix Potter Gallery in Hawkshead.</p> <p>Have dinner at the Drunken Duck (booking advised). Head to Barnsgate on the B5285. This well-known gastro-pub is about 5 miles from Hill Top.</p> <p>To get home, you will need to head into Ambleside and then back along the A591.</p>
DAY 4	<p>On the way home, call in at Thornthwaite Galleries. Head to Keswick on the A66, turning right at the signpost for Thornthwaite. Follow this road to village, turning right at the bus stop. The road to the gallery is very narrow but there is a carpark at the gallery.</p> <p>If you would like some lunch before heading to the M6, head into Portinscale and follow the road out of the village past the Marina and on to Lingholme. There is a signpost for Lingholm Kitchen on the left. You can see Peter Rabbit's garden from the huge panoramic window as you eat your lunch.</p>

