

2024
HOLIDAYS



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Hello and Welcome to 2024

A warm welcome to the 2024 brochure. We hope you are well and have exciting things to look forward to.

As I write, I can reflect on our spring and summer holidays from 2023. In March, we spent time on our skis, speeding through the spectacular white landscapes of the French Alps. From the crisp mountains, we travelled straight to hot Morocco. Tropical smells, vivid colours, exotic sceneries, and electrifying music surrounded us during our exhilarating stay in the paradise of Morocco. From white tailed eagles to porpoise, we were spoiled with amazing wildlife and landscapes in Norway. Immersing ourselves into the Norwegian culture, we fished our own lunch, looked after huskies and even went for a swim in the freezing fjords under the midnight sun. Our summer was spent in the mediaeval pilgrimage sites of Santiago de Compostela. In the sleepy, yet lively fishing village of Corrubedo in Galicia, we spent 4 beautiful weeks on different holidays allowing our guests to explore the region. It was a joy returning to the Spanish coast, and we were delighted to reunite with the Spanish Go Beyond family.

We have been busy with Travel Buddy holidays too, Sweden, England, and Ireland, supporting guests to have a holiday of their choice, going crazy at a rock festival, spending a week on a tiny Irish island mainly populated by cows, and fulfilling a lifelong ambition by dancing at the Abba Museum. We have enjoyed supporting guests to achieve their travel ambitions.

Looking to 2024, we will be heading back to Spain for the summer for those of you who couldn't get there and for those of you who loved it so much you want to go back there. We have a trip to majestic Morocco to kickstart the year in March, followed by a skiing holiday in the alpine resort of Orcières in the French Alps. In May, we are heading to the principality of Monaco to see the Vintage Grand Prix.



If you love motor sport, or sport for that matter, then this is quite a spectacle to behold, not only are you transported back in time, but you have the world famous Monaco as a back drop. Change of scene as we pack our bags up for Iceland. This time a midnight sun tour in June, with hopes of seeing a humpback whale on one of the boat trips planned. After the summer we head up to Scotland to spend a week in Ballater in the Cairngorm Mountains. If you always fancied making a film with the Scottish mountains as a stunning backdrop, then this could be what you're after. Then it is up and away from Scotland to the beautiful island of Corsica for a sunny autumn holiday in and around Bastia. To finish off the Go Beyond year we will be going to Finland, continuing our exploration of Scandinavia. There is a lot there, we are really thrilled about our program. Where will you go?

With love, Ian and Neil xx

Who Are Go Beyond Holidays?

We have been providing supported holidays since 2009. Created by, Neil and Ian, Go Provence, as it was known then, began running supported holidays in Provence, South of France. Over the next decade, Go Provence grew to run holidays all over Europe, from Italy to Iceland, and from Bulgaria to Scotland. In 2020, because of this growth, we changed our name from Go Provence to Go Beyond Holidays. We feel the new name reflects our desire to go beyond your expectations in every way.

Go Beyond Philosophy

The main aspect that sets us apart from other supported holiday companies, is who Neil and Ian are, together with our team, our personalities and our life's journey. Our characters, and what we believe in are intrinsically threaded through Go Beyond Holidays. We believe 100% in what we have created and our approach with the philosophies we use. Our philosophies are simple.

Only support guests where needed, using guidance from a completed support questionnaire and our care plans.

Treat each guest as an equal as we should remember that we all need support in certain areas of our lives.

Give as much time as we can to our guests and listen a lot. We believe in valuing people, valuing dreams, stories, and futures.

Our holidays are pitched at a level that will be appealing to everyone.



Be flexible and adapt to changes that we may have to make that were not planned for.

Provide clear and regular communication through the care network of each guest to ascertain the best care plan and risk assessment for the holiday. This will help to create the best holiday possible that is fun, challenging and progressive, but safe.

Working with 360 Private Travel

Working with 360 Private Travel has not only helped us to access a wider range of destinations with complete financial protection, but has also allowed us to be connected with quality and approved destination management partners across the globe. This means that we can offer even greater support to ensure you enjoy happy, memorable experiences in the same spirit of adventure, friendship and fun for which Go Beyond has proudly become known.



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Majestic Morocco

Go Beyond Goes to Africa

28th February – 7th March 2024

Morocco sits at the northwestern tip of the mighty continent of Africa with coastlines that stretch along the Atlantic and Mediterranean coasts. Known for its welcoming people, delicious food, pungent, spicy smells that rise from the lively streets, an awakening for the senses. Morocco has a rich, cultural history and world-renowned architecture combined with its majestic landscapes of mountains, deserts and beaches. We hope you come and join us for a cup of mint tea from a Moroccan roof terrace and enjoy an African sunset.

We have partnered up with Moroccan based, local specialists, Jeremy Schmidt and his team at Morocco Accessible Travel, to guarantee that we get the best out of our nine-day trip.



Holiday name: Majestic Morocco

Date: 28th February - 7th March 2024

Nights: 8 nights

Accommodation: A mix of 4-star hotels and riads.

Food: Food: The food that is served will be a wide variety of Moroccan foods that may include tagines (which vary greatly depending on what you like), couscous and grilled meats. Often, many of the hotels and restaurants have a few options for those of you who would like more “Western” type meals including hamburgers, chicken, french fries, etc. There are also often vegetarian options for those who prefer not to eat meat.

Price: £4,290



Skiing Holiday in the French Alps

Go Beyond Ski School

9th – 16th March 2024

Whether you are a beginner or a beginner-to-intermediate (can do blues and maybe attempt a red), this Alpine adventure in the French Alps, is for you. The holiday will include 5 full days of skiing with ESI ski instructors, a Husky sledding ride, access to a swimming pool and ice rink and full support from our Go Beyond team (our support ratio will be 2 guests per 1 Go Beyond team member). The holiday will be based in the ski resort of Orcières, which is situated at the edge of the Ecrins National Park, in the Champsaur Valgaudemar valleys, in the south-eastern part of France. You will stay in the cosy, alpine, independent family-run hotel, Hotel Les Catrems, on the sunny southern slopes boasting spectacular mountain views. The perfect place to immerse yourself in nature's snowy peaks and enjoy your skiing holiday.

*If you are an experienced skier and do not fit into the beginner or intermediate category, than private lessons can be arranged during this holiday, please contact us for more details



Holiday name: Skiing Holiday in the French Alps

Date: 9th - 16th March 2024

Nights: 7

Accommodation: Hotel les Catrems

Food: All freshly prepared by the hotel's Chef

Price: £3,750



Vintage Monaco Grand Prix

Go Beyond Slipstreams Into Pole Position

9th - 14th May 2024

This is an opportunity to spend time on the world famous Monaco Grand Prix circuit, soaking up the atmosphere of the track and the roaring noise of the cars. This is a series of races that takes place over a long weekend, two weeks before the actual Formula 1 race. The cars that we will see are racing cars from the past, giving you a rare insight into motor racing history, but LIVE! There are 7 races in total with each race showcasing racing cars through the ages. From racing cars built before 1960 right up to more modern racing cars from the 1980's. Spend three days at the races in Monaco and when the racing is over we can relax on a boat cruise on the French Riviera. Classy!

Holiday name: Vintage Monaco Grand Prix

Date: 9th - 14th May 2024

Nights: 5

Accommodation: Parc de Monges

Food: Freshly prepared by the Go Beyond chef

Price: £2,480



The Wonder of Iceland

Go Beyond Tours Iceland in Glorious Light

19th – 29th June 2024

This holiday will take you to Iceland, the island in the middle of the Atlantic, famous for its sublime landscapes, waterfalls and other worldliness. This 10-night holiday will really give you the chance to experience this mythical island with the magical backdrop of the midnight sun. We start our holiday staying in the typically Icelandic home called Lambalækur, an old post office, in Borgarnes, not far from Iceland's capital Reykjavik. Here we will stay for 5 nights and take in the famous Golden Circle, (Thingvellir National park, Geysir hot springs, Gullfoss waterfalls) visit the capital and its iconic church, Hallsgrímskirkja and the whale museum as well as taking a pony ride around the lava fields. It is then off to the north of Iceland to Akureyri, where we will explore the longest fjord in Iceland, Eyjafjörður, by land and sea as we head out on a whale watching safari, hoping to see the humpback whale in its peak summer feeding grounds. We will spend time visiting Godafoss waterfall and relax in the milky blue waters of Lake Myvatn. Prepare yourself for some memorable moments.



Holiday name: The Wonder of Iceland

Date: 19th – 29th June 2024

Nights: 10

Accommodation: Lambalækur Cottage, Borgarnes 5 nights and Gistiheimili House, Akureyria for 5 nights.

Food: Freshly prepared by the Go Beyond chef

Price: £3,850



Discover The Beauty of Spain

Go Beyond – Sketches of Spain

23rd – 30th July 2024

We will be exploring the local Galician region through many imaginative ways. Travelling to an island by boat, which according to The Guardian has the best beaches in the world. Visiting the town of Santiago de Compostela and, of course, the famous cathedral that is reputed to house the remains of James the Great Apostle. The cathedral is also the end of the famous pilgrim route Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James).

There is also some fabulous tours with tour guides, including a 7-stop trip to the north coast, taking in Finisterre and the Costa da Morte. We will spend time near the famous Dunas de Corrubedo, with a surfing lesson and a hike along the rugged coastline from the nearby lighthouse into the Corrubedo fishing harbour. This tiny corner of Spain will feel like home after your holiday.



Holiday name: Discover the Beauty of Spain

Date: 23rd – 30th July 2024

Nights: 7 nights

Accommodation: ‘The Beach House’, Corrubedo

Food: Freshly prepared by the Go Beyond chef

Price: £2,830



The Great Spanish Adventure

Go Beyond - Taste of Adventure

31st July – 7th August 2024

Galicia, tucked up in the northwest of Spain, just above Portugal, an Atlantic coastal commune, full of rounded hills and low mountains, rivers and firths.

This is Go Beyond's home for the summer, a place for you to invigorate your senses and reconnect to nature. Immerse yourself in this Spanish paradise with a kayaking and snorkelling activity around one of the many archipelago islands, spend time on the waters of the Rio Ulla by raft, get completely soaked in the shallows of the salty Atlantic with a surfing lesson, and hike the final few kilometres of the famous Camino de Santiago like a famous pilgrim. This adventure holiday gives you the chance to see, hear, feel and breathe the real Spain.



Holiday name: The Great Spanish Adventure

Date: 31st July – 7th August 2024

Nights: 7 nights

Accommodation: 'The Beach House', Corrubedo

Food: Freshly prepared by the Go Beyond chef

Price: £2,800



The Best of Spain

Go Beyond Mixes it Up

8th – 15th August 2024

We have mixed up some of the activities from the Great Adventure and Discover the Beauty of Spain holidays to create a holiday for those of you who wish to partake in a few adventurous activities combined with visiting various site of interest around Galicia. Your holiday will include visiting the town of Santiago de Compostela and, of course, the famous cathedral that is reputed to house the remains of James the Great Apostle. The cathedral also marks the end of the famous pilgrim route, Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James), along which you will walk the last few kilometres to get a sense of how the pilgrims feel, a trip to the north coast taking in Finisterre and the Costa da Morte and spending time near the famous Dunas de Corrubedo with a surfing lesson and a hike along the rugged coastline from the nearby lighthouse into the town’s fishing harbour. By the end of your holiday, this tiny corner of Spain will feel like home. To top off this great mix of adventure and tourism, you will embark on a kayaking trip around the small island of Arousa with a chance to go snorkelling if you wish. The Best of Spain is a chance to rest and play, the Spanish Way!

Holiday name: The Best of Spain

Date: 8th – 15th August 2024

Nights: 7 nights

Accommodation: ‘The Beach House’, Corrubedo

Food: Freshly prepared by the Go Beyond chef

Price: £2,890



Scotland - The Magic of Film

Go Beyond Gets Creative on Film

26th September – 3rd October 2024

Are you someone who loves to act? Perhaps you enjoy writing stories? Have you always wanted to make a documentary? This holiday will give you the opportunity to make a short film which we plan to get shown on the big screen. The setting is Royal Deeside, in Aberdeenshire, Scotland. Ballater, in the heart of The Cairngorms National Park, in the eastern Highlands of Scotland, is where we will be based. Surrounded by the mountains, rivers, lochs, gothic buildings and castles, emblazoned in rich autumn colours, the perfect backdrop for any film. We are also minutes from Balmoral Castle, an official royal residence. We are asking you to come up with an idea for a film, which, as a group, we will write, plan and film, with the help from a professional. Will we film a short documentary? A subject of your choosing, like the Royal family or local history? Or will we film a story? A romance action film or a science fiction comedy? The choice is yours.



Holiday name: Scotland - The Magic of Film

Date: 26th September – 3rd October 2024

Nights: 7 nights

Accommodation: Ballater Hostel

Food: Freshly prepared by the Go Beyond chef

Price: £2,950



Corsica – The Island of Beauty

Go Beyond on a Mediterranean island

5th – 12th October 2024

Corsica, the French island in the Mediterranean Sea, is known as the Island of Beauty, and for very good reasons too. Corsica is made up of green forests and mountains mixed with rugged coastlines, inlets and bays with long sandy beaches, aqua sea and clear blue skies. From the Hotel Castellu Rossu in Bastia, with its beautiful pool surrounded by palm trees and its delicious Corsican menu, we will set out to explore this beautiful island using various modes of transport. First, we will take the little tourist train to explore its famous Cittadelle. We will then take the boat along the Cap Corse coastline, sea kayak out from Bastia, board the train to take us through the mountains to Napoleon Bonaparte's birth town, Ajaccio, and finally, embark on a minibus tour of the entire Cap Corse to visit all of its old, picturesque villages and Genoese towers. This holiday offers the ultimate Mediterranean experience.



Holiday name: Corsica – The Island of Beauty

Date: 5th – 12th October 2024

Nights: 7 nights

Accommodation: Hotel Castellu Rossu 3-star hotel with pool

Food: Breakfast, packed lunch and dinner all prepared by the hotel restaurant

Price: £3,280



Finland – The Land of a Thousand Lakes

Go Beyond Delves Deeper Into Scandinavia

14th – 21st October 2024

The Scandinavian country of Finland, next to Sweden, is a land famous for its lakes, clean air and for being the happiest country in the world. As the autumn takes its grip, why don't you join us on what will be a cosy and fresh new experience. We will be based in Inkoo, deep in the forests and lakes, on the coast, half an hour away from Helsinki in a Finnish country villa by the sea. Our Scandinavian visit will include a boat trip from Helsinki to see the islands and a guided tour of the fortress of Suomenlinna. We will also enjoy a guided tour of the capital, Helsinki; a Baltic Sea kayaking experience; spending time in the city of Turku visiting its castle and a day trip by ferry across to Tallin, the capital of Estonia. This will be something different to add to your catalogue of countries visited and will probably leave you wanting a return trip.



Holiday name: Finland – Land of a Thousand Lakes

Date: 14th – 21st October 2024

Nights: 7 nights

Accommodation: Country Villa by the sea in Inkoo, near Helsinki.

Food: All meals prepared by our Go Beyond Chef.

Price: £3,250



Travel Buddies

Go Beyond Holidays... Created by You

Have you had a hard time finding a supported holiday to the destination you want to visit, at the time you want to go? With our Travel Buddies holiday option, you choose any destination worldwide and one of our qualified travel guides will take you there. You can go where you like, when you like, and with whom you like. We want to make all holiday dreams possible and put choice and flexibility back in the hands of travellers with learning disabilities or difficulties, autism, or just those people who may need help getting to where they want to go. So get in touch with us and we'll help you plan the trip of a lifetime, made just for YOU!



Congratulations!

Front cover competition winner Emily White from Arkvard with her beautiful picture of "Bruges", along with the runners up,

- 1) Abigail Copper
- 2) Simon Matthews
- 3) Emily White
- 4) Bryony Parsons

I think you will all agree, they look amazing.

Go Beyond Team



Neil Manser

Director and co-founder, Neil is the life and soul of the party, bringing the fun to Go Beyond. Aside from supporting guests at Go Beyond, Neil loves swimming in the sea, cooking and lives near St Tropez.

Ilan Callen

Director, co-founder and a qualified teacher, Ian organises all the activities and planning, as well as supporting guests. Ian is a keen photographer, loves hiking and presents two radio shows on his local radio station. He lives in Provence with his wife and three children.

Karen Galway

Karen has been working as a support worker for Go Beyond since 2013. She loves kayaking and supporting guests. Karen lives in Cornwall.

Su Porter

Su (Holborn) is a professional outdoor instructor and qualified teacher with many years experience. She is very sociable and enjoys supporting guests on their holidays. Su loves everything to do with the outdoors, has a passion for hiking, swimming and caring for the environment. Su lives in sunny Devon putting cream first, then jam on her scones.

Helen Johnstone

Helen, our chef, will take your taste buds beyond! From Ballater, living next door to Balmoral Castle, Helen has always loved being a chef. The mother of two sons, she has now become a grandma. Helen loves dogs, as well as walking, jogging, swimming and of course, chatting!

Joseph Callen

Joseph is a student at Exeter University studying geography, and works for Go Beyond in the summer. Our returning guests will remember Joseph as a 7 year-old from when we began and have watched him grow up. Joseph likes to keep fit and is bilingual in French and English.

John Ryde

John was a chemistry teacher for 20 years before moving to Thailand and working on school projects with his wife. He now supports people with autism and learning disabilities near Yeovil.

Jasmine Callen

Jasmine has grown up with Go Beyond. The daughter of directors Ian and Anna, she was there at the beginning, as a cheerful 4 year-old, with lots of smiles for our guests. Jasmine is currently studying wildlife photography at Falmouth University. Jasmine also enjoys climbing and music. She is an avid reader and is bilingual in French and English.



Customer Feedback

“Chris had a really really good time. I said what was good? And he just said the level of support you gave was exactly what he needed, it wasn't too much, it wasn't over bearing, but you were just there when he needed it, and that's exactly the support that he needs. [...] And also for us it's been a huge thing, for him to go away on his own, have his experience [...] Thank you so much for this kind of offer, these brilliant experiences people can have with you, really good quality holidays and support. So I just wanted to say a huge huge thank you. [...]. Love seeing all the pictures, it was really emotional seeing him swim on the summer solstice”.
Sister of a guest.

Thank you both so much for ensuring Siobhain had an enjoyable holiday in the Cotswolds. We really haven't had any negative feedback from her. She has nothing but happy memories and has returned home tired but content. Allowing the young people in the group to adapt the original holiday plan to reflect their personal needs made the experience a real holiday, we all like our views to be recognised and acted upon. **Mother of guest**

Just to say on behalf of Sophie thank you so much for last week, I think she had a great time. The photos of where you went were mazing and I was glad to see Sophie's walking boots in evidence!. You and Neil have a wonderful set-up and you bring a lot of joy and interest into people's lives!. **Parent of a guest.**

Have had the best holiday ever with Go Provence Supported Holidays (now Go Beyond). It was my first holiday ever with you Go Provence (so helpful and supportive in every way and completely safe), can't wait to go again with you team!!!!

Robert – Holiday Guest

Incredible people, incredible holidays! My brother's year is made on these holidays, wish I could rate it more than 5*! Couldn't recommend higher, anyone who is considering it just get it touch you won't regret it!. **Leah – Sister of a Guest.**

Just wanted to say thanks ever so much for organising Charlotte's Barcelona holiday. She had a wonderful time and anyone and everyone is still being told about it ... for the umpteenth time, Su was the ideal buddy and made the trip so much more special. I'm sure you would also be pleased to hear – Charlotte has organised to see some friends that she has met on previous Go Beyond Holidays. Go Beyond has really gone beyond our wildest dreams about what we expected – for Charlotte to have got such a wide circle of new friends from just two holidays is just amazing! Thank you **Mother of guest**



What is included when you book?

- **Quality and comfortable accommodation.**
- **All meals by our resident chef, Helen.**
- **All activities on your holiday.**
- **Support from our Go Beyond team during your holiday.**
- **Transport and transfers.**
- **Quality communication with your support network at home through WhatsApp groups created for your holiday, and a feedback sheet.**
- **Financial protection from ATOL and IATA.**
- **Return flight from designated airports, accompanied and supported by our Go Beyond team.**



How to Book

If you have any questions or wish to book a holiday, you can make contact with us in a number of ways:

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Covid-19

Experience with Covid-19 regulations

During the pandemic, we have followed Covid-19 regulations whilst running supported holidays in England and Scotland, as laid out on the UK government website.

We have used 'bubbles of six', encouraged social distancing wherever possible, and provided everyone with hand-washing stations in the accommodation. Temperatures have been monitored each morning and recorded. Risk assessments were put in place to reduce the risk of transmission, to keep everyone safe and how to act if anyone should display Covid-19 symptoms.

All the policies we have in place are shared in detail with our guests and their support network. We take Covid-19 seriously and we work to keep our guests and team safe.

We recommend that you take out travel insurance to cover any disruptive cost resulting from Covid.





 **Go Beyond** Holidays
...with you all the way!