

Music Making and Singing



Holidays We offer a range of practical Music Making and Singing holidays for a wide range of abilities. All UK music breaks are one-centre based, with full-board accommodation in our UK Country House hotels.

Group size varies according to the holiday type. An indoor-based singing holiday can be anything from 10 to 40 people. Music making holidays can range from 8 to 50 people depending on the type of holiday. We take venue size into account as well as information from the Leader on how numbers will affect the success of the holiday.

Holidays have various formats but the most common is for the daily session to begin at around 9.30am, breaking for lunch approx. 12 noon. Afternoons offer either free time or some of our music making and singing holidays also have optional guided walks. These are led by a walks leader. The second session is usually 5 – 6pm with a final session beginning approx. 8.30pm after dinner for about an hour.

Facilities Public room space is usually multi-functional e.g. lounges or ballrooms in which pianos/other instruments/hi-fis are set up. We do not have any properties with rooms purposely designed for music activity.

Clavinovas or pianos are available, as are music stands.

Leaders As well as being knowledgeable, excellent teachers able to tutor a residential break, Leaders should be prepared to take on the wider role of facilitating a friendly holiday atmosphere. This includes helping to meet and greet guests on arrival, taking a full part in the social programme and liaising with other holiday Leaders in residence.

Leaders should have an appropriate level of experience/training in order to work as a sole Leader, or – for some types of music holidays – main Leader with assistants/accompanist.

Leaders may lead one, two or perhaps as many as six holidays per year, according to guest feedback and HF Holidays' requirements.

Music Leaders read the brochure description, product guidelines and the Leader Manual, then plan the holiday timetable and content of sessions accordingly. Subject matter for talks, recorded music and written music are all provided by the Leader.