FRIENDS OF READING ABBEY

SUMMER OUTING – WEDNESDAY 17 JULY 2024

Time	Activity	
09.20	Assemble for Coach - Reading Station North Side (Caversham side)	
09.30	Coach departs	
11.15	Arrive Gloucester Westgate Street – Dick Whittington pub	
11.30	TEA/COFFEE The Parliament Room, Gloucester Cathedral	
12.15	GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL	
	 C11th Abbey church of St Peter – made cathedral in 1540s 	
	 Burial place of Edward II and Robert Curthose (Henry I's elder brother) 	
	 Henry III crowned there; Domesday Book commissioned there. 	
	 East end and Lady Chapel re-built in C14th – Crecy Window 	
	C14th Monastery Cloister with fan vaulting and Reservoir	
13.00	LUNCH	
	Own arrangements	
14.10	Assemble at Blackfriars, Ladybellegate Street	
14.15	BLACKFRIARS GUIDED TOUR	
	Historic Dominican Friary – now owned by Historic England, restored 1960s	
	 Former church converted into house – Grade 1 listed 	
	Other monastic buildings remain, including Scriptorium	
	Now run by Gloucester City Council – wedding venue	
15.15	TEA and cakes – Blackfriars	
15.55	Walk to Westgate Street to rejoin coach	
16.10	Coach collect – Westgate Street	
17.50	Arrive Reading Station	

TOTAL - £49.00 per person with coach £20 per person if travelling separately

Costs: (for coach party of 30)

Coach hire - £890 -£30 each Blackfriars guided tour -£5.50 Blackfriars coffee & cake -£3.90 Parliament Room hire - £40 £1.35 Cathedral coffee & cookie £2.75 £5.00 Cathedral group entry Other (miscellaneous) £0.50 **TOTAL** £49.00