

Sun, Sea and . . . Slams!

Friendly bridge holiday for friendly people

**A super-fabulous 5-star hotel a short boat ride away from Fethiye
3-11 October 2024, Turkey**

What?

The perfect break for anyone hankering after a relaxed holiday in the sun with fun people and plenty of good social bridge. As bridge teacher to the great and the good and the editor of the English Bridge Union's magazine, Lou Hobhouse is an incorrigible bridge enthusiast. She will be giving lessons most mornings from 9.30-11am and organising some gently competitive play in the evenings. There will always be spare partners for those that come on their own, or those who want to mix, which we encourage, so nobody ever feels left out.

A boat trip to beautiful islands with swimming stops, a trip to see temples built into rock and an afternoon of café bridge in Fethiye, once the ancient Lycian city of Telmessos, are all included in the price.

Where?

We'll be based at the Letoonia Hotel, a 4km boat ride across the bay to Fethiye. The 5* hotel is situated on a small peninsula and has three private beaches along a 2km stretch of the Aegean coast. It offers just about every amenity you can think of – from free yoga and pottery/craft classes, to canoeing, sea bikes, tennis and a hammam – all included in the price. The highly-rated food in the hotel's restaurants and cafés as well as unlimited local wine are all included.

When?

Thursday 3rd October to Friday 11th October 2024 (8 nights). We added a night on as flights generally arrive late, but if you'd rather come for a shorter time, or extend your stay, please email us.

How much?

- ◆ Eight nights: £2,185 for people travelling on their own, or £3,540 for a couple sharing a standard Bungalow Room.
- ◆ Rooms within the main hotel cost a bit extra (£320), but they are recommended for anyone wanting to avoid walking too far or up too many steps. People booking together as a group of four or more will each receive a £50 discount.

PRICES ARE VALID UNTIL 15th February 2024. If there is still availability after that prices are likely to rise.

Price includes

- ♠ Accommodation at the 5* Hotel Letoonia
- ♥ All meals - including an evening at each of the hotel's highly-rated a la carte restaurants
- ♣ Local wines, beers, cocktails, and soft drinks including water
- ♦ Bridge lessons most days with Lou Hobhouse
- ♠ Gently competitive duplicate or Chicago bridge either before or after supper
- ♥ A huge array of sports and other amenities from tennis and canoeing to a hammam and yoga
- ♣ Our trademark afternoon of fabulous café bridge, during which you'll enjoy free coffee, drinks and ice creams as you play a few hands of bridge, before making your way along the bustling streets of Fethiye's Old Town to the next café...
- ♦ Transfers from/to Dalaman airport for two or more people travelling together (we'll marry up those arriving on the same flights)
- ♠ A boat trip through beautiful islands with swimming stops and another day trip to an impressive ancient town, both including a simple lunch

Getting there

Flights are not included in the price of the holiday but free transfers will be arranged to and from the hotel for the following flights:

Bristol

Jet 2 LS1817 leaving Bristol (BRS) 3rd October at 14.10 arriving at Dalaman DLM at 20.15

Jet 2 LS1850 leaving Dalaman (DLM) 11th October at 21.00 arriving at Bristol (BRS) at 23.25

Gatwick

EasyJet EZY8565 leaving Gatwick (LGW) 3rd October at 15.20 arriving at Dalaman (DLM) at 21.30

EasyJet EZY8564 leaving Dalman (DLM) 11th October at 13.30 arriving at Gatwick (LGW) at 15.55

There are several other flights to Dalaman from the UK's regional airports, but they are not always at the best times. We will do our best to put passengers travelling on the same flight in touch in order to keep the number of transfers to a minimum. Transfers for two or more passengers will be included in the price of a holiday. For anyone else, car hire and taxis are both available at Dalaman Airport.

Booking

To book: Complete the Booking Form, email it to hobhousebridge@gmail.com as soon as possible and pay your deposit. Payment details are on the Booking Form. We will only confirm your booking on receipt of both your booking form and payment of a non-refundable £400 deposit per person. We reserve the right to refuse a booking with no explanation.

Check the website: <https://www.hobhousebridge.com/turkey-2024>

Questions?

Please email the team at hobhousebridge@gmail.com



The Peninsula – home to Hotel Letonia



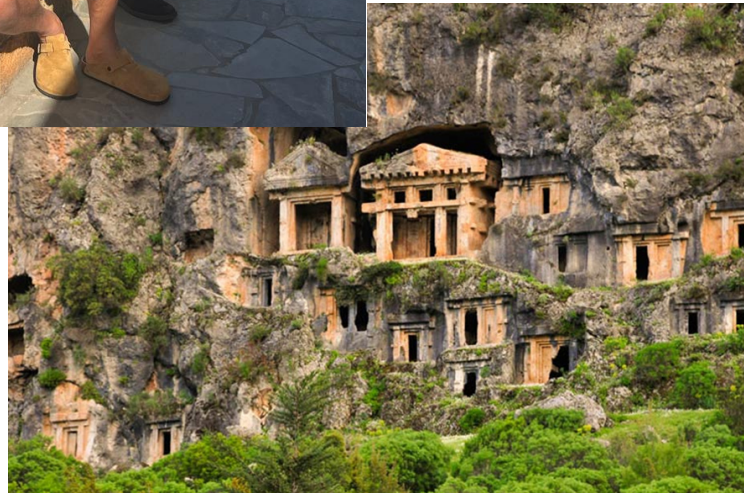
Fethiye Old Town



Team Hobhouse



Boat trip to hidden coves



Some of the ruins at Pinara



Hobhouse Bridge Holidays

Terms & Conditions

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All bookings should be made directly with Hobhouse Bridge and all room allocations will be made through or via Hobhouse Bridge. Hobhouse Bridge reserve the right to refuse any booking without explanation.

You are responsible for your own holiday insurance, and taking out insurance is one of the conditions of booking. Hobhouse Bridge will not accept bookings from those that do not have insurance for the holiday. It is always sensible to choose insurance which includes 'supplier failure' as standard and covers cancellation due to industrial action either in the UK or abroad. You will be provided with a booking form to complete and sign to say you have valid insurance and that you have read, and agreed to, these Terms & Conditions.

Deposits are non-refundable, and acknowledgement of a deposit is confirmation of your intent to come on holiday. This must be accompanied by a completed booking form. Hobhouse Bridge will not guarantee a place on the holiday until the requested deposit has been paid, confirmation sent and a booking form received.

Once a final balance has been paid, the balance is non-refundable and if cancelled, you will have to claim on your insurance policy. If you have not paid the balance 10 days after the balance due date then Hobhouse Bridge reserves the right to cancel your booking and retain your non-refundable deposit and you will be liable for any costs incurred by Hobhouse Bridge.

Hobhouse Bridge reserves the right to cancel any holiday if the minimum number is not reached, and will repay all monies received.

Hobhouse Bridge reserves the right to levy a surcharge on a foreign holiday (or excursion) if the pound sterling has declined by 5% or more against the destination currency since the holiday was first promoted. The surcharge would be requested when the balance is due, normally about two months before the event.

If you have mobility issues you must bring a carer or friend, as neither Hobhouse Bridge representatives (nor hotel staff) are able to push wheelchairs or provide regular assistance.

Covid 19 and travel requirements

Hobhouse Bridge is not responsible for guests providing the necessary documentation to travel abroad. It is the guest's own responsibility to get to the hotel and Hobhouse Bridge is not liable for any refunds if a guest is prohibited from travel for health, visa or other reasons. Any travel advice given by Hobhouse Bridge is only a guideline as travel rules can change very quickly and the rules can be difficult to interpret. If you catch Covid or any other serious contagious illness while on a bridge holiday you will be prohibited from joining the bridge group and will need to meet local conditions. You will also have to meet any extra costs for staying extra nights etc. You will not be due any refunds from Hobhouse Bridge for non-completion of the holiday.

Accommodation:

All rooms are given out on a 'first come first served' basis but ultimately room allocation is at the discretion of the hotel. In some hotels, rooms will vary in size and style within a category and although allocation is up to the hotel, we will do our utmost to meet any special requirements, but they cannot be guaranteed. If a room falls into the category agreed in the booking then no negotiation will be entered into and no refunds or discounts will be awarded. Hobhouse Bridge and the hotel reserve the right to upgrade a room to a higher category at no extra cost, and the upgraded alternative will be deemed to be acceptable.

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Flights:

Hobhouse Bridge is not responsible or liable for your flights. If you cancel a holiday then you would need to try to claim a refund or voucher from your airline. If the holiday is cancelled by Hobhouse Bridge for any reason, Hobhouse Bridge is not responsible nor liable for guests' flights.

Bridge:

Hobhouse Bridge Holidays are for players who enjoy the game when it is played in a friendly, social manner that typifies the ethos of Hobhouse Bridge – [Friendly Bridge for Friendly People](#). Master points are not offered. The holidays are not suitable for total beginners.

Hobhouse Bridge will always do its best to find a suitable bridge partner. Please be polite and mindful of your manners. If Hobhouse Bridge staff feel that your behaviour has been rude or inappropriate this could result in expulsion from bridge sessions with no refund due.

If you need a bridge partner then it is preferable if you play ACOL (weak no trump and four card majors).

The teaching material is at the discretion of Hobhouse Bridge. Topics are usually decided prior to the holiday, so a change in focus is not usually possible.

Numbers at bridge sessions vary and although we will always try to make up a table of four, an odd number may well result in a temporary sit out or a table of three, with a Hobhouse Bridge staff member bidding the fourth hand and then bringing dummy in to defend.

No bridge session is compulsory and Hobhouse Bridge will endeavour to provide a varied programme of bridge according to the 'mood' of players. Once play is underway, players are requested to finish the session.

We reserve the right to:

- ◆ Have only one bridge host if numbers are insufficient or if a bridge host falls ill, or substitute the host for a proxy, for any reason.
- ◆ Refuse entry if your behaviour at a previous bridge sessions has been unpleasant or caused complaints from other players.
- ◆ Immediately stop you from continuing to play bridge if your behaviour has been deemed inappropriate by the staff (and without any refund).
- ◆ Adjust the bridge programme, without giving prior notice.

Hobhouse Bridge Holiday's staff decisions are final and not open to appeal.

General:

Hobhouse Bridge partners and any employees are not liable for any accident, theft, mishap, injury, illness or death incurred on a Hobhouse Bridge Holiday, nor are they liable for any outside influence affecting the duration/cancellation of a bridge holiday (or excursion) including but not limited to: war, threat of war, riots, civil disturbances, terrorist activity and its consequences, industrial disputes, natural and nuclear disasters, fire, epidemics, health risks and pandemics, unavoidable and unforeseeable technical problems with transport for reasons beyond our control (such as flight cancellations or diversions or coach breaking down) or that of our suppliers; closed or congested airports or ports or roads, hurricanes and other actual or potential severe weather conditions, (ash cloud, extreme snow, avalanche, earthquake etc), closure (or damage) of hotel, force majeure, and any other similar events.