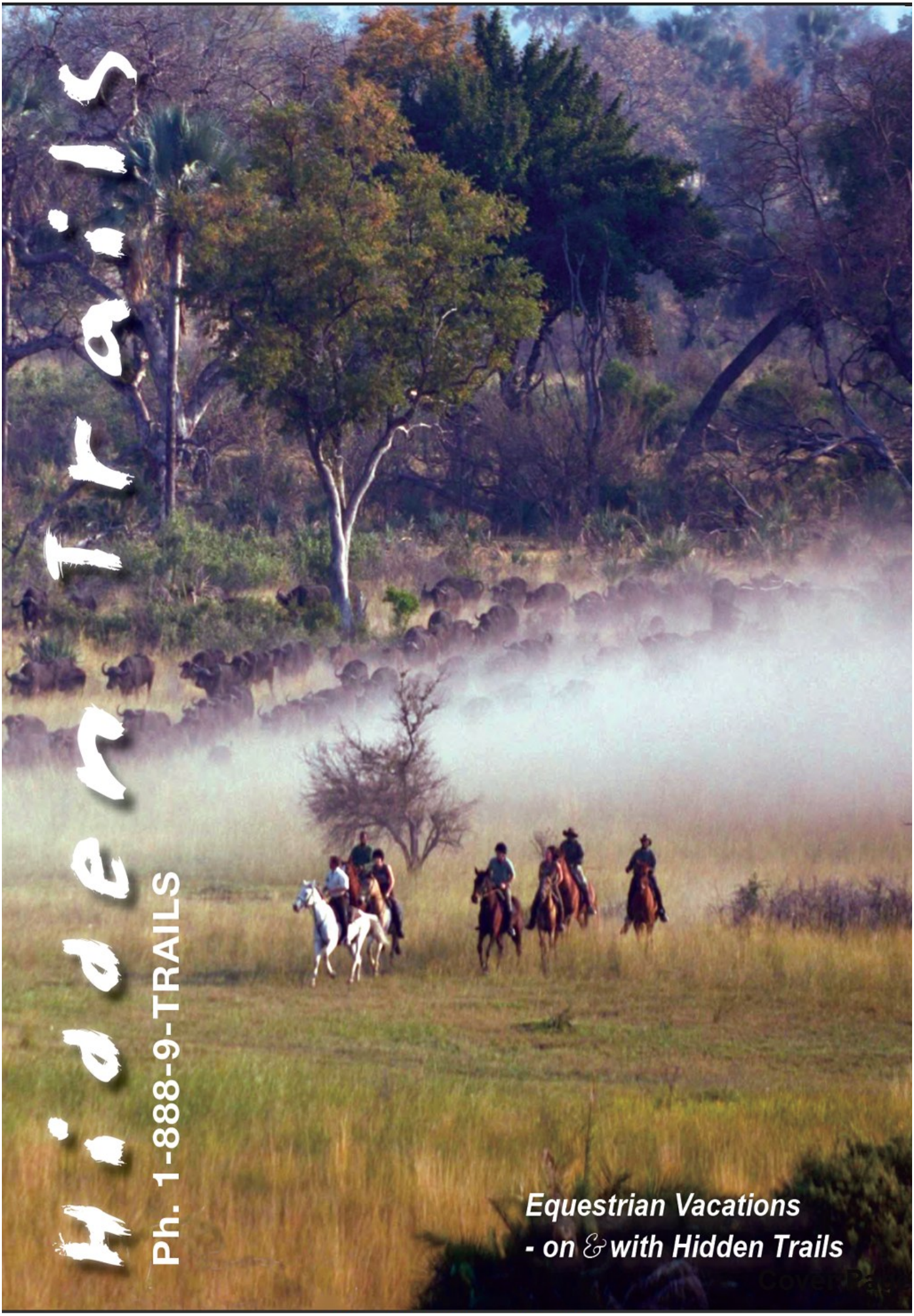

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About Hidden Trails



Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.
With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.
You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.
We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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The Dartmoor Cattle Drive - England, Europe

Tour Code: IT-ENG02
7 days / 6 nights ~$3,125.00
Dates: May to Oct

Trip Rating :
Difficulty :
Lodging:

Tack: Western
Horses: Quarter horses, quarter horse cross, h...
Pace: 4-5 hours riding per day

Airport: Exeter










Introduction

Dartmoor, England
Attend and be a part of the only cattle drive in the UK!

Whether it is your first time on a drive, or you've done it before, ever rider will play their part in helping out move, muster, and checking cattle. Each day you'll mount up and tend to the cattle depending on their needs and the season. Cattle respond well to being moved by horses as horses are quiet and the and the cattle have a natural respect for them. The horse walks at much the same speed as the cattle and often anticipate the cattle movements. Riders work as a team with most flanking at the sides of the herd with just a couple at the rear, and one or two at the head. There is always a lead cow who the others follow. Ours is called 'Dunny' and is a lighter colour than the rest. She is a young cow, the job used to be her mothers', (same colour) when she was with the herd. Each rider will have a position and a job to do, depending on their ability. Driving cattle is immensely satisfying, doing something that has barely changed for hundreds of years. The type of country we ride over has some breathtaking scenery and varies, through woodland, along valley bottoms, up steep inclines, down steep declines, across rivers, through rock clitter (rock strewn areas) and over hill tops, where you can look down on everything around. Get ready to head 'em up and move 'em out!

Accomodation

Accommodations
This is a stationary ride, so all nights are spent at the same location.

Description
The Castle Inn is a traditional 16th century inn of great character resting on the fringes of Dartmoor National Park. They have a total of 8 bedrooms, all ensuite and privately decorated. All the rooms offer tea and coffee making facilities, hair dryers, flat screen television, bath sheets, hand towels and complimentary toiletries. WIFI is available onsite. The Inn has its own restaurant/pub, where you can order dinner. Laundry is available at the farm for an additional fee.

It is also possible to be accommodated a the farm in one of 2 'shepherd hut'. One has a double bed and the other has two singles, (linen provided). Each are very cozy and come with a wood-burning stove (wood provided), table and chairs. Guests staying 'on farm' also have use of our lodge's kitchen and bathroom etc.
When staying on the far, we provide the ingredients for your breakfast, bread, cereals, milk.

**Camp-outs are possible upon request for an additional fee. Please inquire

Room Occupancy
Single supplement is mandatory if we are unable to find another rider to share.

Meals
Breakfasts, picnic lunches, and a snack after rides (tea and cakes) are included. Dinners are not included, but guests are free to make use of the Castle's excellent restaurant or eat out elsewhere in the evening. Breakfast will either be at the Inn or the farm while lunch will either be at the farm, a packed lunch, or en-route at one of many fabulous local pubs.

Dietary Restrictions
We can cater to dietary restrictions given prior notice.

Riding

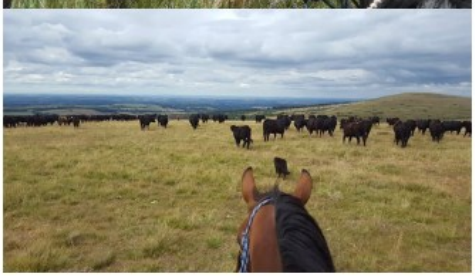


Riding Level & Terrain
Riders need to be reasonably fit and at least a strong intermediate standard or better. Riders are expected to have ridden several different types of horses and can independently manage a horse's care. Their seat is secure, they are able to control a horse at walk, trot and canter and do not apply unintentional aids to the horse when they









lose balance or become unseated. They know how to rise or post to the trot and ask for and obtain a specific lead or change in lead. They are capable of riding a less experienced horse.
The terrain involves crossing streams, shallow rivers, undulating ground, up and down steep inclines, and would not be suitable for novice or inexperienced riders.

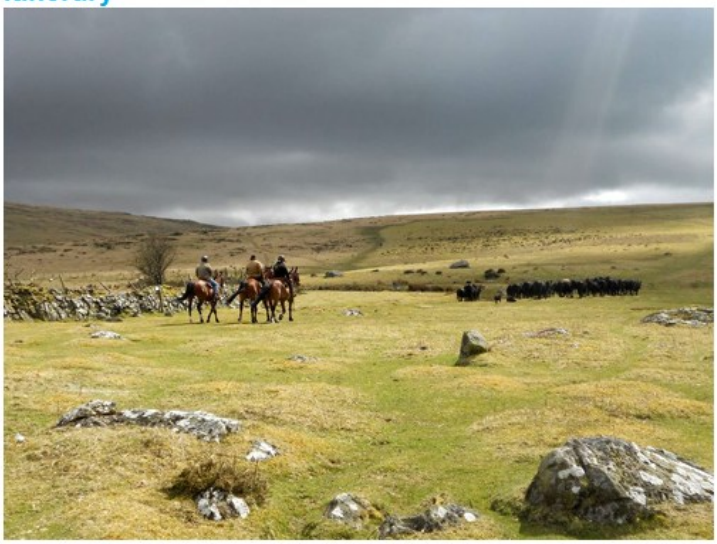
Tack and Riding Style
We normally ride Western, however we can provide English saddles if the guests requests. Our style of riding is very much akin to 'Natural Horsemanship'. We like riders to be relaxed and ride with soft hands.

Horses
We have a selection of fantastic Quarter Horses with calm attitude and appetite for work. All are western trained, very sure-footed and a pleasure to ride. We also have a selection of Irish hunters (some western trained some English style), all a pleasure to ride and cross the terrain with ease. Heights range from 14:3 to 16:2hh.

Guides
The guides are all local moor men or women, who know the moor well. They know where the best crossings are, and where to avoid, as there are areas where it is unsuitable for horses. Some of the guides are members the Dartmoor Rescue Group; some are range clearers for the army on the moor. All are excellent equestrians, and are first-aid trained.



Itinerary



Sample Itinerary- *subject to changes*

Day 1: Arrival
We will meet all the clients at the welcoming Castle Inn Lydford in the evening for a briefing about what to expect from their stay.
Meals included: Dinner
Overnight at Castle Inn Lydford

Day 2: Introductory Ride
Clients are collected from the Castle Inn after breakfast and taken to the Farm where they meet their assigned horse.
Today's ride is all about making sure the rider and horse are compatible. We will start riding in the morning and stop for lunch. Lunches each day will be carried in saddle bags. Return to the Castle Inn in the evening.
Riding: 4-5 hours
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight at Castle Inn Lydford

Day 3 to 6: Cattle Drives
We will be doing various cattle moving tasks, 4 - 5 hours riding with a stop for lunch.
Riding: 4-5 hours each day
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight at Castle Inn Lydford

***for the 4-day trip, your ride finishes in the evening of Day 4 at 5:00pm*

Day 7: Departure
Departure in the morning.

Meals included: Breakfast

Sample Itinerary for the September Special - *subject to changes*

Day 1: Arrival
We will meet all the clients at the welcoming Castle Inn Lydford in the evening for a briefing about what to expect from their stay.
Meals included: Dinner
Overnight at Castle Inn Lydford

Day 2: Introductory Ride
Clients are collected from the Castle Inn after breakfast and taken to the Farm where they meet their assigned horse.
Today's ride is all about making sure the rider and horse are compatible. We will start riding in the morning and stop for lunch. Lunches each day will be carried in saddle bags. Return to the Castle Inn in the evening.
Riding: 4-5 hours
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight at Castle Inn Lydford

Day 3: Moving Cattle
We will be doing various cattle moving tasks.
Riding: 4-5 hours each day
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight at Castle Inn Lydford

Day 4: Moving Cattle
We will be doing various cattle moving tasks.
Riding: 4-5 hours each day
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight at Two Bridges Hotel

Day 3: Moving Cattle
We will be start moving cattle 20 miles back to the farm.
Riding: 4-5 hours each day
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight Camping

Day 6: Moving Cattle
We will be doing various cattle moving tasks and arrive at the farm in the evening.
Riding: 4-5 hours each day
Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner
Overnight at Castle Inn Lydford

Day 7: Departure
Departure in the morning.
Meals included: Breakfast



The work that will be done varies depending on the time of the year:

'Spring cattle turn-out' in May: The cows and autumn born calves are moved from their winter quarters up on to the moor for the summer, a distance of about 8km.

'Bulling cow muster' in June: Some spring calving cows need to be brought down to the farm to run with the bulls for the summer.

'Calf weaning muster' in July: The cows and calves need to be brought back to the farm for weaning

'Calving cow gather' in August: The cows are due to calve so are brought nearer the farm.

'Cow and calf muster' September: The freshly calved cows need to come down to better grazing near the Farm as winter approaches.

Our routine is very much governed by the weather, which can be changeable, occasionally preventing us from going on the moor. During any stay guests are free to take a day out of the saddle, if they wish, and explore the area, the granite way cycle route is 200m from the farm, you can cycle or walk to Okehampton (5km), or just relax and put your feet up. We have 2 acre coarse fishing lake, or crystal clear rivers to bathe in.

Other Info

Meeting: Castle Inn Lydford
Airport: Exeter
Train station: Okehampton
Transfer: Exeter or Okehampton
Distance: 40 miles

Tack:	Western
Horses:	Quarter horses, quarter horse cross, hunters
Pace:	4-5 hours riding per day
Level:	 (3.5 to 5 out of 5) Strong Intermediate
Age:	Min 14 Max 65
Weight:	210 lbs / 95 kg
Riders:	Min 2 riders Max 8 riders
	Riding helmets are mandatory for this ride.

Rates and Dates 2027 - IT-ENG02

Rates include: Accommodations, All Breakfasts and Lunches, Luggage transfer each day & 5 or 3 riding days
Limited supply of hats available, but guests are recommended to bring their own.

Packages and Options

Season	Description	GBP	~US$
A 2027	7-day trip	£2350	$3195
	Single supplement	£350	$475
	Discount if choosing to be accommodated on the farm	(£250)	($340)
B 2027	4-day trip	£1800	$2450
	Single supplement	£100	$135
	Discount if choosing to be accommodated on the farm	(£300)	($410)

The US Dollar Rate is based on a GBP Exchange Rate of 1.36 and subject to currency fluctuation

Rates Note: Camping out possible, please inquire

Transfer Option

Description

2027	Transfer from Okehampton, roundtrip, per car	£20	$30

Tour Dates

Season		Tour Dates		
B	2027	04/27/2027 - 04/30/2027	4d / 3n	4-day trip
A	2027	05/02/2027 - 05/08/2027	7d / 6n	7-day trip
A	2027	06/13/2027 - 06/19/2027	7d / 6n	7-day trip
B	2027	06/20/2027 - 06/23/2027	4d / 3n	4-day trip
B	2027	07/11/2027 - 07/14/2027	4d / 3n	4-day trip
A	2027	08/01/2027 - 08/07/2027	7d / 6n	7-day trip
A	2027	09/12/2027 - 09/18/2027	7d / 6n	7-day trip
B	2027	09/26/2027 - 09/29/2027	4d / 3n	4-day trip

Min/Max: 2/8

Rates do not include:Dinners, Transfers & Gratuities

Rates and Dates 2026 - IT-ENG02

Rates include: Accommodations, All Breakfasts and Lunches, Luggage transfer each day & 5 or 3 riding days
Limited supply of hats available, but guests are recommended to bring their own.

Packages and Options

Season	Description	GBP	~US$
A 2026	7-day trip	£2350	$3125
	Single supplement	£350	$465
	Discount if choosing to be accommodated on the farm	(£250)	($330)
B 2026	4-day trip	£1600	$2130
	Single supplement	£140	$185
	Discount if choosing to be accommodated on the farm	(£250)	($330)

The US Dollar Rate is based on a GBP Exchange Rate of 1.33 and subject to currency fluctuation

Rates Note: Camping out possible, please inquire

Transfer Option

Description

2026	Transfer from Okehampton, roundtrip, per car	£20	$25

Tour Dates

Season		Tour Dates		
A	2026	09/13/2026 - 09/19/2026	7d / 6n	7-day trip
B	2026	09/27/2026 - 09/30/2026	4d / 3n	4-day trip

Min/Max: 2/8

Rates do not include:Dinners, Transfers & Gratuities

Reservation Form

Tour : _____ **Code #:** _____ **from:** _____ **to :** _____

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate	Strong Interm.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking
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Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent ☐ Moderate ☐ Poor ☐ How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No ☐ Yes ☐ last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES ◯ NO ◯

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails *Booking Conditions* and the Hidden Trails *Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement* in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.
I (we) will sign and forward the *Recreational Activity Release and* Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ ***e-mail*** _____

City _____ ***State*** _____ ***Postal/Zip Code*** _____

Phone (wk) _____ ***(hm)*** _____ ***Cell*** _____ ***Fax*** _____

Date _____ ***Signature (mandatory)*** 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum $ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA ◯ ***or Mastercard*** ◯ (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp.Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than maling address):

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I have enclosed a check for the deposit ◯

Additional Signatures:

2. _____

3. _____

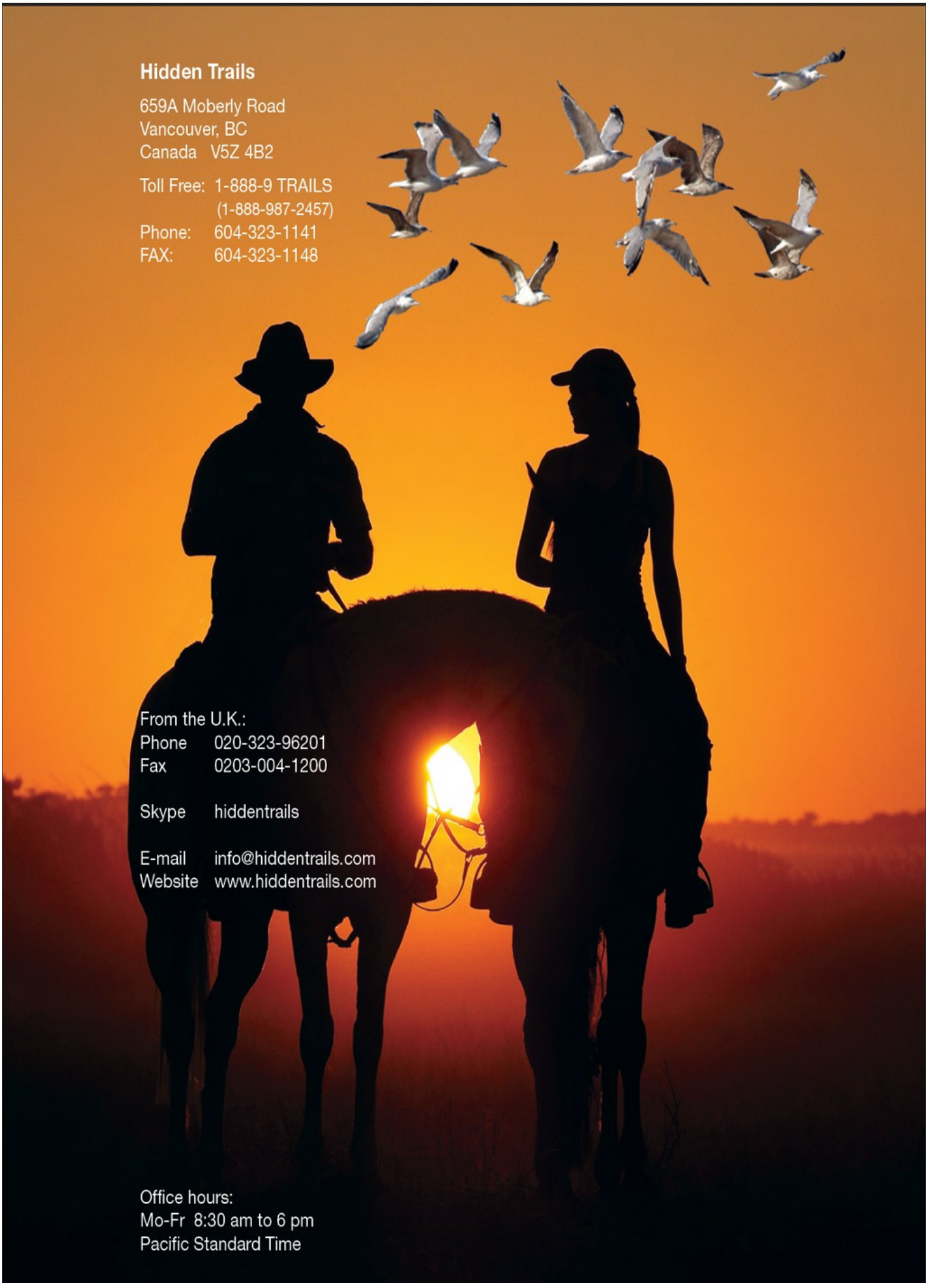
4. _____

Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up ◯ initial _____

No, we will provide our own ◯ initial _____

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