Britain's Sacred Landscape: A Pilgrimage Journey through Avalon/ Glastonbury, British Isles (Brigit's Isles), and a Heart Chakra center on Earth - a landscape that has hosted many of the crop circle formations over the last 40 years.

Thursday, July 25th – Friday, August 2nd, 2019

We will follow a path to some of Britain's most sacred sites in the mystical lands of the Arthurian and Grail legends. (The timing is planned so that we will be in Devizes for the second part of our pilgrimage, for those who wish to attend the annual Crop Circle Conference in Devizes, August 2-4th, 2019 immediately afterwards.) The pilgrimage will convene in the afternoon of July 25th, and conclude with a closing circle on the morning of August 2nd.

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"At times I feel as if I am spread out over the landscape and inside things, and am myself living in every tree, in the splashing of the waves, in the clouds and the animals that come and go, in the procession of the seasons" C. G. Jung

"And did those feet in ancient time walk upon England's mountains green......" William Blake

Angel, Chalice Well and Gardens, Glastonbury

Pilgrimage is a sacred rite of passage that begins long before you arrive and lasts long after you return home. It helps connect you with the spirit of nature and the stars, and with what you knew as a child and can bring back into awareness as an adult - in other words, who you truly are and who you always were. Open yourself to above and below at the ancient initiation center at Glastonbury Tor, speak to the magnificent beech trees at Avebury, listen to the memories of the stones at Avebury and Stonehenge, be



inspired by the Divine Feminine and Mary Magdalene at Wells Cathedral, and let your own inner wisdom and knowing flourish....

The focus of this 9 day/8 night Pilgrimage will be connecting with the subtle and ancient landscape of the mystical land of Avalon, a site both related to early Christianity (the Avalon of St. Joseph and St. Bride, symbolized by the Abbey), and a much earlier Celtic landscape called Iniswitrin, "Isle of Glass" (the Avalon of Merlin and the Lady of the Lake, symbolized

by the Tor). Between these two, and connected to both, are the legends of King Arthur and Queen Guinevere, Excalibur and the Grail, stories that reach back in pre-history to the Great Bear (or Plough) constellation and Arcturus its brightest star (also the star of the Cathars), and the fabled land of Atlantis, calling to us again today. From a spiritual perspective this star system was 'written' on the landscape, linking stars and earth energies together to create a portal opening to a sacred in-between domain – Avalon, "Isle of Apples," in the county of Somerset, or Summerland as it was called. This area is also the landscape of many of the crop circle formations of the last almost 40 years. Seeking to connect to this ancient and ever present 'invisible Earth,' we ask for guidance for our planet and ourselves at this crucial time of change, and inquire how we can be of service beyond self-care, to care of others and our Earth.

The group size will be limited to 12 to preserve the intimacy of a contemplative journey.

## Proposed Schedule:

Day 1, Thursday July 25th. Pick up at London Heathrow at 10am, or meet at 4pm in Glastonbury (place tbd). Glastonbury has been a sacred

place for millenia, perhaps since 12,000 BC, and since the c4th BC was inhabited by Celtic Druids devoted to the Goddess. Blake's beautiful and moving poem *Jerusalem* records the ancient tradition that Joseph of Arimathaea (Jesus' uncle and a tin and lead merchant) brought Mary Magdalene and Jesus (possibly Jesus' son, Jesus Junior) here, and they established the first Christian community in



the British Isles on this sacred land. A Druid choir is said to have chanted 365 days a year to enchant the land. Introductions: dreams, images, intuitions, and callings that brought you here.

Overview of our Journey. Welcome dinner. <a href="http://www.glastonbury.co.uk">http://www.glastonbury.co.uk</a> ("Visitors Guide").

Day 2, Friday, July 26th. Walk to Glastonbury Tor, a main crown chakra point for visioning your soul path and future (where horizontal and vertical energy lines meet to create places of power) on the Mary/Michael dragon path Ley line ('light body' of Earth) from Cornwall through Glastonbury and Avebury to the eastern UK. The walk to the Tor includes Chalice Hill/Goddess' pregnant belly, St. Michael's Tower/Goddess breast and Crone's womb/Dragon's back and Labyrinth, and White Springs (approx. 3 hours). Begin and end at Market Cross.

Lunch in Glastonbury. Free afternoon. Early evening - sharing circle. Evening free. <a href="http://www.isleofavalon.co.uk">http://www.isleofavalon.co.uk</a> ("Places to See")

http://www.whitespring.org.uk http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/glastonburytor/history/

Day 3, Saturday, July 27th, Wells Cathedral and Bishop's Palace – Our guide will be Tom Bree, The Prince's School, London, an expert on the sacred geometry of Wells Cathedral, and its cosmological theme of the 'Ascent to the Rose of Divine Love,'



the journey of the soul eastward toward the bright morning star (Venus) and the rose-filled Lady Chapel, the Mary Magdalene Chapel and the Moon Chapter House, embodied in sacred geometry and stone in the cathedral. Choral evensong in the cathedral, 5:15pm - 6:15pm will enhance the talk. Performance of St. John Passion in the cathedral at 7pm (10-25 GBP) optional.

Lunch in Wells (on your own). Return to Glastonbury after Evensong and free evening, or remain for the concert, tbd. <a href="http://www.wellscathedral.org.uk">http://www.wellscathedral.org.uk</a>

Day 4, Sunday, July 28th, Dreamwork, Chalice Well & Gardens – a very special healing and contemplative place (the Holy Grail is hidden at Chalice Well according to legend), connected with the throat chakra. Red (iron rich) Springs (from under Chalice Hill), and adjacent White Springs



(from under the Tor), and the sacred 'Vesica Pisces' symbol on the lid of the Well. Magdalene chapel, sacral chakra (12th century St. Margaret Chapel), St. Mary's RC Church with statue of Our Lady Mary of Glastonbury, and St. John's Church, considered the heart chakra of Glastonbury, which is considered the Heart Chakra of the planet. Depending on how the time goes, and your personal inclination, revisit Tor (Tor sevenfold Labyrinth), &/or Wearyall Hill (root chakra), and Holy Grail meditation.

Lunch in Glastonbury (on your own). Early evening - sharing circle.

http://www.chalicewell.org.uk http://www.friendsofbridesmound.com

Day 5, Monday, July 29th, Glastonbury Abbey (solar plexus chakra), where the Wattle Church was built c. 38AD by Joseph of Arimathaea and MM's and Jesus' family - the first Christian community outside Palestine. Here lie the legendary tombs of Arthur and Guinevere, Abbots Kitchen and omphalos stone, and the important Mary chapel with it's sacred geometrical design. After lunch in Glastonbury, visit and walk on Nyland Hill, thought to be one of the entryways to the mystical landscape of Avalon. Evening discussion and conversation. Evening free.

http://www.glastonburyabbey.com

Day 6, Tuesday, July 30th. Check out of accommodation. Today we

visit Avebury Stone Circle, Swallowhead Spring,

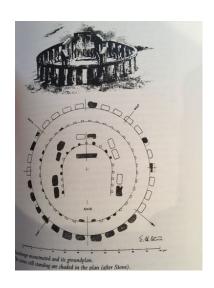


West Kennett Long Barrow, Silbury Hill. Our guide will be Peter Knight, sacred sites specialist, shamanic perspective, and author of numerous books. He will drum at West Kennett Long Barrow, a 'womb/tomb' prehistoric site sacred to the goddess. This whole landscape is held within the Michael and Mary dragon lines. Lunch in Avebury. Check into The Bear, our Devizes hotel. Free evening in Devizes.

http://www.avebury-web.co.uk/avebury\_now.html http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/daysout/properties/

## west-kennet-long-barrow

Day 7, Wednesday, July 31st. Stonehenge - one of the most famous stone circles in the world - with its Star of David contained within a squared circle, the 'holy of holies,' in the ground plan. Visit the Visitor Centre. There is no predicting when Crop Circle formations occur, but just in case there is an opportunity to visit a crop circle, we might do that in the afternoon - no promises! Crop circles and stone circles are linked by the language of mathematics and geometries, the mysterious underlying structure of the universe. Sharing Circle. Free evening in Devizes.





Day 8, Thursday, August 1st. Market day in Devizes. Visit Old Sarem and then Salisbury Cathedral, home of the 1215 *Magna Carta*, and the tallest spire in England, and attend choral evensong at 5:30pm. Salisbury Cathedral is on a Ley line that runs through Old Sarem (site of the first cathedral) nearby and up to Stonehenge. Return to Devizes. Farewell dinner together.

http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/daysout/properties/stonehenge/

http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/daysout/properties/woodhenge/. https://www.salisburycathedral.org.uk

Day 9, Friday, August 2nd. Closing circle in the morning to conclude our Pilgrimage. Check out of our Devizes hotel, or stay on in Devizes for those of you attending the Crop Circle Conference that begins at 1:30pm and is held in the Ballroom of the Bear Hotel.

Fee for the Pilgrimage is \$3,650. This includes all accommodation and breakfasts (shared accommodation in Glastonbury in private vacation homes, single occupancy rooms in our Devizes hotel), 2 dinners, pick-up at London Heathrow Airport (not Gatwick) on Day 1 at 10am (otherwise meet in Glastonbury at 4pm), teachings on the tour, excursion bus, additional guide specialists, preparation materials, meditations, gatherings where we reflect and share dreams, visions, images, feelings and thoughts.

There is a \$700 non-refundable deposit by March 1st, and the balance of \$2,950 by May 1st, payable by check or via PayPal on my website: <a href="https://www.veronicagoodchild.com">www.veronicagoodchild.com</a> (If you pay on the Friends/Family button in PayPal you will avoid the fee that PayPal charges which is approx. 3%).

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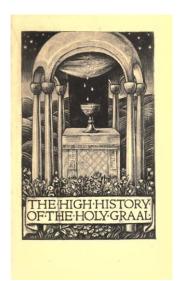
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The Pilgrimage fee does not include round trip travel expense from your home country, entrance fees to museums and other places, all lunches and other meals, except those mentioned as part of the tour, and personal expenditures.

Many of you might be coming to England before the Pilgrimage starts so travel option suggestions to Glastonbury will be provided if you wish. It is always a good idea to come in a day or two early to rest before the Journey begins, or visit other parts of England not on the tour.

UK weather is very unpredictable and can be cold and variable at all times of year. Hopefully it will be pleasantly warm in July! So bring some summer clothes, but prepare to dress warmly, dress in layers, and bring a raincoat, and waterproof shoes or Wellington (rubber) boots. All clothing is casual. Bring a small daypack for your journal, a small voice recorder if you wish, water and snacks. We will be outside and walking so you need to be fit enough to walk. Walking is at most moderately challenging in Glastonbury up to the Tor, and through the field up to West Kennett Long Barrow near Avebury. It will be about a 10 minute walk from our residences in Glastonbury to the town center, or other venues. Elsewhere it's mostly flat or sloping. Please do not overpack. You can bring a medium suitcase, and a small backpack. If in doubt, check with me.

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Mary Magdalene with blue jar, Glastonbury

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NB. Every effort is made to complete the schedule as planned, but we reserve the right to change places visited, speakers, the order of each day, or any other practical event, if necessary, for any reason.