Adventurous Choice

Choose from 16 experiences
Locations for each Experience

AMG Experience at Mercedes-Benz World: 1 location: **Surrey** – Weybridge
Big Cat Encounter: 1 location: **Kent** – Ashford
Design your own Perfume Masterclass for Two: 1 location: **London**
Extended Flying Lesson: 40 locations throughout England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales
Hot Air Balloon Flight for One: Over 50 locations throughout England, Scotland and Wales
Introductory Helicopter Lesson: Over 20 locations throughout England, Scotland and Wales
Max Kat Blast for Two: 1 location: **Berkshire** – Reading
One Night Classic Short Break: 65 locations throughout England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Jersey
Powerboating: 9 locations throughout England, Scotland and Wales
Racing Driver Experience: 11 locations: throughout England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland
Shark Diving in Scotland: 1 location – **Scotland** – Fife
Steam Train Experience for Two Standard Class: Departs from London to 20 locations throughout England
Stock Car Racing: 1 location: **Northamptonshire** – Northampton
Tank Driving: 3 locations: **Avon** – Bristol, **Derbyshire** – Swadlincote, **Hampshire** – Winchester
Vintage Flying: 4 locations: **Cambridgeshire** – Duxford, **Devon** – Barnstaple, **Gloucestershire** – Cheltenham, **West Sussex** – Chichester
Zoo Keeper for a Day: 1 location: **Kent** – Sandwich
Experiences to choose from:

**AMG Experience at Mercedes-Benz World**

A driving experience at Mercedes-Benz World is like no other. Not only will you have the unique chance to drive purpose built Handling Circuits in a high performance AMG model, there is also a whole world to explore including the impressive Mercedes-Benz fleet on display, a 3D simulator and a chance to see a film telling the amazing story of Mercedes-Benz. All in all, a perfect day out for family and friends to join you and share in the experience. The driving experience itself comprises an initial safety briefing before taking one of the world’s most advanced performance cars on a range of Handling Circuits including the only Wet Skid Circle of its kind open to the public in the UK.

- Maximum age: 80
- Minimum height: 4’9”
- Maximum weight: 22 Stone
- You must hold a full, valid driving licence which must be presented on the day (photocopies will not be accepted)
- Actual model of car driven will depend on availability on the day.

**Big Cat Encounter**

This is a fantastic opportunity to join one of the professionals who look after big cats at the Wildlife Heritage Foundation Kent breeding centre. The centre is not open to the general public therefore this is a truly rare opportunity for all those that love big cats. The highlight of the experience will be an opportunity to feed some of the cats and be up and really close to the animals but they will remain safely in their enclosures throughout the experience whilst you are only millimeters away from some of the most efficient killing machines on the planet.

- Minimum age: 18
- Fitness/Health: You will be outside and required to do some physical activity. Can be tailored to most levels of mobility
Design your own Perfume Masterclass for Two
The Perfume Studio provides you with a unique opportunity – to create your very own perfume or cologne just like the celebrities do when designing their creations. Now you can do exactly the same as JLO, Britney Spears and Victoria Beckham; the only difference – the price! The chance to make your own, signature fragrance in this way is a wonderful experience and makes a fantastic gift. The blends can be used in fragrances for both sexes, so male, female and unisex perfumes are all achievable. First you'll enjoy the opportunity to take a behind-the-scenes look at the exclusive world of perfume, under the tuition of a perfume expert. Then you'll be able to put your new-found knowledge to good use in constructing your own bespoke fragrance from 18 exquisite blends. Finally, you'll leave with lots of goodies all scented with your own individual fragrance!

- Minimum Age: 12 (under 18’s must be accompanied by a parent guardian)
- Please note that the experience will take place as part of a small group.

Extended Flying Lesson
Feel the adrenalin rush as you take the controls of a light plane and soar across the sky! You get one-to-one training with a Civil Aviation Authority licensed instructor, and your flying time counts towards a Private Pilot's licence.

- Minimum age: 12 (under 18’s need parental/guardian consent)
- Minimum height: 4'10"
- Maximum height: 6'4"
- Maximum weight: 18 stone
- You should be in reasonable health and agile enough to climb into the aircraft

Hot Air Balloon Flight for One
Few experiences are as serene and at the same time thrilling - the sensation of time suspended as the world glides gently by. Your fun begins with the inflation of the balloon. Then away you go where the wind dictates. Once landed and the balloon packed away, you will be taken back to the launch site.

- Minimum age: 12. Under 16’s must be accompanied by an adult. (Under 18’s need parental/guardian consent.)
- Minimum height: 4'6"
- Maximum weight: 18 stone
- Fitness/Medical: You should be in reasonable health and agile enough to climb in and out of the basket!
**Introductory Helicopter Lesson**
Hovering in a helicopter for the first time is a unique and thrilling sensation. You get hands-on experience of the only flying machine that goes backwards and sideways as well as forwards. Guided by a CAA qualified instructor, you will also be assessed for your potential to become a helicopter pilot. Your flying counts towards a helicopter Pilot’s licence.

- Minimum Age: 12 (under 18’s need parental/guardian consent)
- Minimum Height: 4’10’
- Maximum Height: 6’4”
- Maximum Weight: 17 stone
- Fitness/medical conditions: You should be in reasonable health and agile enough to climb into the aircraft.

**Max Kat Blast for Two**
Experience the ultimate 6-wheeled off-road vehicle! The Max Kat ATV (that’s ‘All Terrain Vehicle’ to you) is the latest craze to hit the off-road world: fresh from the United States, it might look like the Banana Splits but it can turn on a sixpence, do donuts for fun, and you’ll be amazed at the terrain it can tackle as you navigate round our challenging land and water-based course.

- Minimum age: 12 (under 18’s need parental/guardian consent)
- Minimum height: 4'8"
- Maximum height: 6'4"
- Maximum weight: 16 stone

**One Night Classic Short Break**
Get away from it all with our classic break for two. The package includes bed and breakfast for two and offer a wide choice of locations at some fabulous 3* and 4* hotels across the UK.

- Minimum age: 18
- Some hotels may only take bookings for weekends or weekdays. Availability will vary by location.
Powerboating
A fun packed introduction to the exciting sport of Powerboating. The experience varies slightly at each centre but will start with a briefing on land before learning low speed handling skills in sheltered water. In the afternoon, you’ll be picking up speed and taking on the thrill of handling these power machines in more open water. This is a group activity so you’ll be sharing this experience with others.

- Minimum age: 12 (Under 18’s need parental/guardian consent)
- Maximum weight: 18 stone

Racing Driver Experience
Get ready to hit the track for some serious fun in your mind-blowing single seater racing car. Strapped securely in your car, helmet and mirrors adjusted, you accelerate on to the track to put your new skills to the test. The sense of speed and sheer exhilaration challenges your concentration as you try to remember the advice of your instructor during training. Eventually the flag brings you back to the pits, but the grin stays with you much longer.

- Minimum age: 17-18 (depending on location)
- Minimum height: 5’ - 5’2” (depending on location)
- Maximum height: 6’2” - 6’4” (depending on location)
- Maximum weight: 16-18 stone (depending on location)
- Medical/fitness: You should be in reasonable health and agile enough to climb into the vehicle. It is not suitable for people who are pregnant or who have a heart condition, suffer from epilepsy or any major illness.
- You must hold a full UK driving licence (for a minimum of 1 year at some venues)

Shark Diving in Scotland
Deep Sea World is the only aquarium in Scotland to offer you this incredible experience. So, if diving in shark-infested waters is your idea of fun, now’s your chance to do it. After a full training session on how to use your Scuba gear, you will then take your first steps into shark infested waters for your 30 minute dive with a fully qualified PADI dive instructor. During your dive you will encounter a number of amazing sharks and also rays and crabs.

- Minimum age: 16
- Minimum height: 5’
- Maximum height: 6’4”
- Maximum weight: 18 stone
Steam Train Experience for Two – Standard Class
The ‘Cathedrals Express’ offers railway transport at its best, giving you the opportunity to revisit the golden age of travel and enjoy a nostalgic journey on a vintage steam locomotive in beautifully-restored historic green carriages. The sights, sounds and smells of a steam train as it thunders across the country at speeds of up to 75 mph are guaranteed to transport you back to a bygone age! You can choose your destination from a selection of England’s most beautiful towns and cities, and, once you arrive and disembark from the train, you will enjoy several hours sightseeing or shopping at your chosen destination before returning to the steam train for your homeward journey.

• Please note that this experience does not include Special events, Christmas Shopping trips or Carol Specials.
• A meal is not included with this experience, but there will be a buffet car on the train and you can purchase hot and cold drinks and snacks.

Stock Car Racing
This event will give you the chance to take part in a real Stockcar Championship! Compete in a series of race heats in real BriSCA Stockcars and then battle in further driving challenges including the ‘Professionals Challenge’, the ‘Del Boy Challenge’ and the ‘Nag Drag’! Race prepared F2 Stockcars give you the real experience and excitement of racing like the professionals, with trophies, commentators, race marshals and pace cars all adding to the atmosphere.

• Minimum age: 17 (Under 18’s must have parental consent)
• Minimum height: 4’11”
• Maximum height: 6’5”
• Maximum weight: 20 stone
• The ability to drive a car is vital, although a driving licence is not essential.
• This experience is available on selected Fridays and weekends throughout the year.
**Tank Driving**
If you have always dreamed of whizzing around in some mean military machinery, then it’s time to pinch yourself because this is your chance. You will be pounding around in all sorts of different vehicles during the experience, depending on which location you choose. These could include an Armoured Personnel Carrier designed to carry troops into battle, the Ferret Scout Car used as a light reconnaissance vehicle and still in use today, a 17-ton Self Propelled Abbot Gun, the Snowcat which can operate on snow, marshes or on soft desert sand or even a 55-ton Chieftain Main Battle Tank.

- Minimum age: 14 -18 (under 18’s need parental/guardian consent).
- Minimum height: 4'8" - 5'
- Maximum height: 6'4"
- Maximum weight: 18 stone
- A full UK or European driving licence may be required at some of the venues.
- Seasonal winter closures may apply

**Vintage Flying**
Give your fantasies free rein as you go back in time and experience the thrill of open cockpit flying in a vintage biplane! During your visit, a briefing will be followed by your dramatic flight. Take the controls in a trial lesson under the guidance of an expert instructor and put the plane through its paces.

- Minimum age: 12 (participants under 18 need parent/guardian consent)
- Maximum height: 6'4"
- Maximum weight: 18 stone

**Zoo Keeper for a Day**
Here is your chance to become a Keeper for the Day. This is a unique opportunity to get close to some very rare and special animals. The animals you might be working with include Clouded Leopards, Brazilian Ocelots, Jaguarundi, Lemurs, Alligators, Malayan Tapirs, Sun Bears, Snow Leopards, Cuban Flamingos as well as a variety of other fascinating creatures!

- Minimum age: 12
- Fitness/Health: Participants should be in reasonable health as some walking around the zoo will be required.
We recommend you book at least six weeks in advance to ensure that
dates are available before the expiry date listed on the voucher that you
will receive. This is only a guideline and we advise you book as early as
possible to avoid disappointment. All bookings are subject to availability.

Height, weight and age restrictions may vary by location.

Experience options, content and locations may be subject to change.

For more information on any of the experiences above please look at
our website www.virginexperiencedays.co.uk/choicebox or call our
customer service team on 0845 330 5115.
Once Acome Plc have received payment for your experience the contract for the experience is between you and Acome Plc. The actual fulfillment of the experience will be by a third party operator. Acome gift packs contain a voucher which is evidence of payment for, and entitlement to, a given experience or gift. Each voucher carries a unique serial number, which must be quoted when dealing with Acome and its experience operators. Vouchers and the associated references must be kept safely and securely. Acome cannot guarantee that losses due to theft, loss, misplacement, defacement, alteration, forgery, impersonation or identity fraud. The voucher should be taken on the day of the experience and surrendered to the operator or alternatively sent to the operator if requested to secure the experience. (We would recommend sending vouchers by secure mail as they are not replaceable if lost).

**Availability**

The recipient is free to book their preferred date within the validity period. Experiences are not available outside of this period and, in some cases, may be subject to an additional charge (if your weather is weather dependant we advise telephoning the centre before you set out to confirm that the event will take place). To avoid disappointment we recommend that customers check availability in advance, at least 3-4 weeks for the majority of experiences. During peak periods it may be necessary to allow a longer notice period although some operators may occasionally be able to fit in a booking at short notice. We recommend booking as early as possible (at least 90 days in advance) to ensure the experience you require is available. The voucher must be shown on the front of your voucher. We strongly advise that you do not make any travel, accommodation or other arrangements until you have received confirmation of your booking from the experience operator.

**Restrictions**

Most vouchers are subject to restrictions, which are not imposed by Acome but are set by the individual operator. The conditions will state that the maximum number of participants, minimum age, height, weight, physical and medical restrictions, and may vary from centre to centre so please check before making your booking. Details of these restrictions are available on our website and in the voucher pack. It is your responsibility to ensure that you purchase a gift voucher appropriate for the intended recipient and it is the responsibility of the recipient to double check that the restrictions are not prohibitive. If you are unsure of the suitability please telephone our Experience Helplines and we will be happy to advise you.

**Prices & Locations**

All locations and prices are correct at the time of going to press but may change or be withdrawn for reasons beyond our control. For overseas experiences prices may fluctuate with exchange rates.

**Orders**

The placing of an order does not constitute the creation of a contract and Acome reserves the right to decline to process an order for any reason whatsoever. If an order cannot be fulfilled for any reason, including lack of availability, Acome will refund the full amount. Acorne offers a wide number of venues, details such as session lengths, itineraries, equipment used and numbers of participants may vary from location to location. Most experiences will be ‘open’ days meaning that other members of the public will be taking part at the same time as you and other participants may vary from location to location.

**VAT**

Prices shown include VAT at rates applicable on the date of purchase.

**Experience Descriptions, Formats and Durations**

Details of experience description, format and timings given on any Acome’s websites and in any other literature are intended only to present a general idea of the experience and shall not be considered binding. In particular, photographs are for illustrative purposes only and do not form part of any contract between you and Acome. As Acome deal in a wide range of a wide number of venues, details such as session lengths, itineraries, equipment used and numbers of participants may vary from location to location. Most experiences will be ‘open’ days meaning that other members of the public will be taking part at the same time as you and other participants may vary from location to location. The recipient is free to book their preferred date within the validity period. Experiences will be by a third party operator. Acorne has contracted agreements with its experience operators to indemnify participating voucher holders against damage to equipment they use, and against liabilities to third parties, subject to limits and exclusions which are as set out in the terms and conditions of these terms and conditions. Acorne’s Indemnity policy may provide a replacement voucher in the event of the cancellation by the operator, and Acorne’s total liability for any claim in connection with an Acome experience voucher shall be limited to the price paid for the experience voucher.

**Cancellation by participants**

Once you make a booking with an experience operator you are bound by their terms and conditions. Make sure you understand their rules regarding changing or cancelling a booking (please check the website for further details). If an experience is not undertaken due to circumstances beyond your control, the operator will arrange to re-book the participant at a mutually agreed time. Acome cannot be held liable for any costs including (but not limited to) travel expenses or personal costs incurred by the participant in the event of a cancellation by the operator, and Acome’s total liability for any claim in connection with an Acome experience voucher shall be limited to the price paid for the experience voucher.

**Problems on the Day**

When you arrive at your activity centre, you may have an initial assessment to establish your suitability. An initial assessment is essentially a health and safety form which can be completed in a few minutes. It is not a test of ability or a medical examination. If you are not comfortable about undertaking the activity, you are free to decline to do it. However, if you choose to undertake the activity and later in the day, please immediately bring it to the attention of the host or experience operator at the venue so that we can attempt to rectify the problem for you. If you have attempted resolution by speaking to the team on the day, and the problem was not resolved on the day, please write to us within 1 week of your experience (providing your voucher reference, participant and venue details, including who you spoke to on the day) and we will be happy to take the matter up with the operator on your behalf. The address to write to is; Customer Services, Acome Plc, Acome House, Lane End Business Park, Lane End, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP14 3BY. Please note that the operator will have the opportunity to investigate and respond.

**Discount Codes & Entitlements**

Acorne reserves the right to exclude any product from discount schemes. Only one discount code may be used for any one booking. Direct debit: to join either of the above schemes (or any other means) without our prior consent will be considered invalid and neither Acome nor any of its experience operators will be under any obligation to provide any service.

**Payments**

Payments cannot be held responsible for any goods damaged in the post or any postal delays.

**Terms & Conditions**

These terms and conditions do not affect your statutory rights as a consumer, and are governed by English law in the following circumstances. If you have any questions or complaints about any aspect of your experience that you feel are not being resolved to your satisfaction, you may agree that any problems fall under the jurisdiction of the English courts. All the clauses and sub clauses in these terms and conditions are independent of each other. If one clause or sub clause is invalid, this will not affect any other clause or sub clause. These terms & conditions are subject to change.

The details listed above are the terms and conditions applied to Acome vouchers. Your statutory rights are not affected. ‘Acome’ means Acome Plc.

Dated: 1st April 2009 These supersede all previous terms and conditions.