



## THE UMBRO INTERNATIONAL CUP ENGLAND JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> – JULY 27<sup>TH</sup> 2008

### Tour Overview:

After two days sightseeing in London, travel and play in the '**The Umbro Cup**' located in Manchester, England. One of the largest tournaments in the United Kingdom, it attracts teams from all over the world and hosts over 450 teams from 25 different nations.

During your time in Manchester enjoy training sessions with professional clubs, stadium tours of Manchester United FC and the chance to watch a live game.

### Tour Destination 1 - London

- After arrival in London spend two days sightseeing in the Capital City of England.
- Take a professional guided tour of London to see sights such as:
  - Buckingham Palace
  - Tower of London
  - London Bridge
  - Big Ben
  - London Eye
  - Trafalgar Square
  - Harrods etc.
- Ride on the British Airways 'London Eye'.
- Visit and tour 'Stamford Bridge' the home of **Chelsea FC**.



### Tour Destination 2 - Manchester / Liverpool / Chester

- Tournament play in '**The Umbro International Cup**' with over 450 teams represented from 25 nations represented in 2006.
- Visit Stratford upon Avon the birthplace of the famous playwright William Shakespeare.
- Visit and tour Old Trafford the home of **Manchester United Football Club**.
- Training session with the **Manchester City Football Club** coaching staff at their training facility.
- Training session with a professional club coach based in the Chester area.
- Visit the 2,000 year old Roman town of Chester. One of only two English cities that still has an original Roman wall surrounding the city (the other being York).
- Watch a live professional soccer match.



## **Umbro International Cup Soccer Tour England 2007**

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WORLD CLASS COACHING and CHALLENGER WORLD TOURS offer you the chance to participate in the Umbro International Cup where over 450 teams and 8000 players are represented from over 25 different nations each year. No other tournament offers such unique opportunities. This truly International tournament is aimed at top-level club or High School teams. It is located in the soccer hotbed of Manchester and takes place on 24 magnificent fields all in one location, with each team being guaranteed a minimum of 5 games. This is the same venue as used for the highly acclaimed 2002 Commonwealth Games.

The tour will also feature a truly fantastic day out with the professional football clubs of Manchester and includes a fully guided tour of Manchester United's 'Theatre of Dreams', followed by a coaching session performed by the professional coaching staff of Manchester City F.C.

**The UMBRO CUP is the most atmospheric Tournament we have been to. Looking across the fields at all the games in action is a fantastic colorful sight"**

**Dave Bell, Manchester United Ladies, Manchester, England.  
Official Quote – Umbro International Cup**

### **Day 1: United States ~ London, England Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup> 2008**

Depart the United States on a scheduled transatlantic flight to London, England.

### **Day 2: Arrival in London – Tour of Stamford Bridge (home of Chelsea F.C.) – Hotel Check In Friday July 18<sup>th</sup> 2008**

Arrive in London (over night flight) at either London Heathrow or London Gatwick airport, board your private bus and transfer to the home of Chelsea Football Club for a tour of Stamford Bridge and surrounding Chelsea Village.

The Chelsea Football Club Tour will give you an amazing behind the scenes look of one of the largest football stadia in London with a fun, exciting and interactive experience. The fully guided tour will take you into the refurbished home dressing rooms, allow a fascinating insight into how the squad prepares for home games and let you view your favorite player's kit for an unforgettable photo opportunity. Whether it's England heroes John Terry and Frank Lampard, flying Dutchman Arjen Robben or Goalkeeper Peter Cech, you'll be spoilt for choice!



Following the tour of the stadium spend time in the Chelsea Football Club museum. This museum was opened as 'The Centenary Museum', built to commemorate the centenary year of 'The Blues'. This fantastic, all new visitor attraction pays tribute to the past 100 years of the Stamford Bridge side, with a host of exhibits, sights and sounds for Chelsea fans, young and old to enjoy.

Following your day in London transfer to your 3-4 stars London based hotel. This hotel in the past has been the 'Britannia International hotel' located in Canary Wharf, which is famous as the financial district of London.

Dinner will be taken at the hotel followed by a tour meeting and then early to bed.

### **Day 3: Professional sightseeing tour of the Capital – Free afternoon in London – London Eye** Saturday July 19<sup>th</sup> 2008

Breakfast will be served at the hotel,

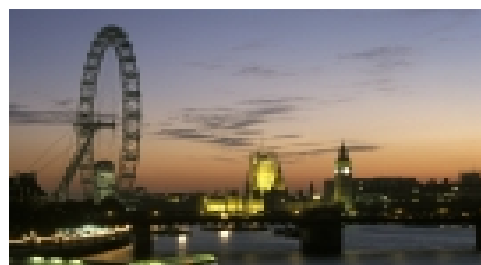


We will then take in a guided tour of London. A professional 'Blue Badge guide' leads this tour starting at St. Paul's Cathedral and the Tower Of London (and Tower Bridge) and then to the embankment of the River Thames and the 'London Eye'. The route will cover Big Ben, The Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, Downing Street, Horse Guard Parade, The Royal Mall, Buckingham Palace and Trafalgar Square.

Following lunch in the area spend a free afternoon shopping at Harrods and the famous Knightsbridge District in London, sightseeing back in the Embankment area of London or head off to Lilywhites, which is a six story mega shopping store and is one of the largest sports/soccer retailers in Great Britain.

In the early evening we will take in the London Eye. The British Airways London Eye is the world's largest observation wheel. Take in over 55 of London's most famous landmarks in just 30 minutes!

Dinner will be served back at the hotel.



### **Day 4: London – Stratford upon Avon – The 'Umbro International Cup', Manchester** Sunday July 20<sup>th</sup> 2008

Breakfast at the hotel and then check out and head north out of London via Stratford upon Avon. Stratford-upon-Avon was the birthplace of William Shakespeare and is steeped in culture and history. Set in the beautiful rural Warwickshire countryside, on the banks of the River Avon, it is one of the most popular tourist destinations in the UK. Nearby Warwick and the Cotswold's make this an ideal location, from which to enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and traditional warm English hospitality. Discover William Shakespeare, the greatest playwright of all time and gain an insight into his family, houses, work and ties with Stratford.



We will then continue north to the Manchester University Sports Village our accommodation for the remainder of the tour. This is the same accommodation as used by the World's top Athletes at Manchester University's highly acclaimed 2003 Commonwealth Games Village. On campus are superb sports facilities including 6 training fields. All accommodation is at the Manchester University Sports Village and supplied by the Umbro International Cup committee with Player's accommodation being single rooms with shared bathroom facilities (breakfast and evening

meal supplied) and Parent's accommodation being single rooms with en-suite facilities (breakfast and evening meal supplied).

Once checked into their room's players can then take part in a light training session on the nearby fields, relax at the University or take a short bus ride into Manchester town center. Dinner will be served at the University cafeteria.

### **Day 5: Tour of 'The Theatre of Dreams', home of Manchester United FC – Professional Training Session** Monday July 21<sup>st</sup> 2008

Breakfast at the University Cafeteria then experience a truly fantastic day that the players and parents will never forget, with the professional clubs in Manchester: Manchester United FC and Manchester City FC.

Spend the morning at one of the world's greatest football stadiums - Manchester United's 'Theatre of Dreams'.



- Tour the player's dressing rooms, press center and walk the player's tunnel.
- View the Manchester United Museum and discover the history of one of the world's most famous football clubs.
- Visit the fabulous 'Megastore'. The world's largest soccer superstore.
- Enjoy lunch at the famous 'Red Café, United's very own theme restaurant.

Following lunch transfer to the 'blue' side of the city for a training session at the Manchester City F.C. Astrodome Training Complex. Professional Manchester City F.C. coaching staff will conduct all coaching sessions. **Players need to have shoes suitable for an Astroturf field.**

Dinner will be served at the University Cafeteria.

### **Day 6: Day of sightseeing in Chester – Professional Training Session** Tuesday July 22<sup>nd</sup> 2008

Following breakfast at the University, travel to Chester for a day of sightseeing, and shopping. Chester is a 2,000 year old Roman City and one of only two cities in England (the other being York) that is still surrounded by its original Roman walls.

Players and parents can walk the entire length of the city walls, (a 2 mile jaunt), spend time on the banks of the River Dee, or spend time shopping in the unique two-tier Rows galleries.

In the late afternoon we will take in a coaching session with a professional coach based in the area. (The specific coach will be subject to availability). In the past this has been Richard Donnelly who is employed by Manchester United Football Club as one of their Academy coaches.



## **Days 7-10: Umbro Cup International Tournament, Manchester (Tournament Games)**

Wednesday – Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> 2008

**Umbro International Cup - Tournament Play.** Over 450 teams from 25 different nations represented in 2006 play on 24 immaculate grass pitches, all on the same site. Each team is guaranteed 5-6 games and will most likely play 2 games per day. This ensures that all players have the opportunity of playing at least 1 game per day which will assist coaches with full squads. NOTE: The tournament structure is different in each division, depending on the amount of teams entered. The first round games do dictate whether the team will play in the Cup (upper division) or the Plate (lower division). Some divisions go into quarterfinals after pool play while others go into a second round of pool play before the knockout stage. The exact format of your age division will not be determined until a couple of weeks before the event.

- The competition is officially sanctioned by the Football Association, UEFA and FIFA.
- All referees will be registered with the Football Association.
- Games will be 25/30 minutes each way according to player's age category.

All games are played at Manchester University's magnificent football park located adjacent to the M60 motorway. The fields will have received a ten-week maintenance program prior to the event.

## **Day 10: Manchester (Tournament Finals) – Professional Soccer Match – Farewell Barbeque**

Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup> 2008



Breakfast at the University Cafeteria followed by the tournament finals and award presentations.

In the afternoon we will go and watch a live professional preseason match involving one of the North West giant clubs. (Actual teams will be dependant upon availability).

Evening meal will be the Umbro Cup 'Farewell Barbeque' taken back at the cafeteria, followed by the final meeting of the tour.

## **Day 11: Manchester, England ~ United States**

Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup> 2008

Breakfast at the University Cafeteria, followed by check out and transfer to Manchester airport for return flight back to the United States.

### **Please note:**

This is a sample itinerary and actual events may vary or can tailored dependent upon certain requests from your group, please be aware that this alteration to the itinerary may in some way alter the final cost for the tour.

World Class Coaching and Challenger World Tours may in its absolute discretion make changes to, or cancel any section of the above mentioned soccer tour should circumstances beyond the company's control make such actions necessary. These include: inappropriate weather conditions, schedule changes, advertised facilities not available, transportation problems and failure of other suppliers of services or goods to the company. If the above occurs then Challenger World Tours will attempt to substitute the changed section of the tour to an equal or better standard.

### **Challenger Flight Option:**

All groups have the option to book their own flights or to book their travel arrangements through World Class Coaching and Challenger World Tours. We will work with our travel agent to get you the lowest group airline rate we can. These prices will obviously be subject to availability as well as city of departure and date of travel etc.

Please be aware that if booking your own flights then you will be responsible for all ground transportation until meeting up with the group in the UK.



## **WORLD CLASS COACHING 2008 UMBRO INTERNATIONAL CUP SOCCER TOUR**

- 11-day tour: July 17<sup>th</sup> through July 27<sup>th</sup> 2008.
- London & Manchester.
- Price based on a minimum of 20 paying travelers:

**TOUR COST = \$1,895 USD per Traveler.**

### **WHAT IS INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PACKAGE?**

- FREE place for the Coach, Team Manager or Team Administrator, as selected by team (This includes land package and transatlantic flight). A 2<sup>nd</sup> FREE place (land package only) will be awarded for reaching 35+ paying travelers.
- 2 night's at a 3-4 star London hotel (half board - breakfast and dinner).
- 7 nights half board (breakfast and dinner) accommodation at the Manchester University Sports Village.
- Private chartered bus for the length of the trip.
- Full sight seeing (blue badge) tour of London by professional tour guide.
- Entrance onto the British Airways London Eye.
- Umbro Cup Tournament Entry Fees with a minimum 5 games.
- Coaching session from the Manchester City F.C. coaching staff.
- Coaching session with a professional club coach based in the Chester area.
- Entrance into a professional football match (actual teams will be dependant upon availability).
- Entrance and tour of 'The Theatre of Dreams' – The home of Manchester United Football Club.
- Entrance and tour of 'Stamford Bridge' – The home of Chelsea Football Club.
- Opportunities to visit London, Manchester, Liverpool, Chester and Stratford upon Avon.
- Travel Insurance included for all travelers with Trip Cancellation and Trip Interruption included up to \$500 per traveler value with option to upgrade.  
~ Travel Insurance includes Emergency Evacuation up to \$100,000 and Travel Accident and Sickness Medical Expense up to \$10,000 per traveler.
- Challenger Travel Package (tour t-shirt, sack pack and travel binder).
- Challenger Travel Director to accompany the group throughout the tour.

### **WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR PACKAGE?**

- Transatlantic Airfares and additional departure taxes.
- Lunches outside of tournament play (suggest \$15 per day).
- Optional activities/excursions not listed in above itinerary.

All UK costs are calculated in British sterling at a present exchange rate of \$1.90 per British pound. Please be aware that certain costs may alter due to a change in this rate and thus again affect the final cost of the tour.

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