A Pilates Experience – at a famous landmark or outdoors









Source: Experiences Research 2019

EXPERIENCE DASHBOARDS

A guide to using these dashboards and the data they contain

DEF Experiences Research 2018/19

Online survey in UK & 10 leading inbound markets Fieldwork January/February 2019

- 1000 interviews in each country (Norway/Sweden 500 in each)
- All sample non-rejectors of holiday travel to England
- UK leisure breaks of 2+ nights in England
- Australia, China, US Long-haul leisure travellers
- Germany, Spain, France, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden – Short-haul leisure travellers

Learning from the exploratory qualitative research in Germany, Australia and US in Q4 2018 also included where applicable

Experience Dashboards

Individual dashboards for each of the 24 experiences tested Each dashboard provides

- insight into the appeal of the experience in England
- details of traveller behaviour with regard to the experience's influence on holiday decisions, the booking process, accommodation preferences and journey times
- An assessment of the opportunities and threats to the development of the experience in England for both the domestic and inbound markets

Learning from the individual experiences tested can be applied to other similar experiences that may be developed

Key Metrics Included



The ranks show on each page and in the summary table are based on the overall level of interest (done in the past, booked to do and interested in doing in future) compared to the other 23 experiences tested

The **'Share of Inbound Volume'** percentage is based on those interested in the experience in England as a percentage of the total volume of holiday visitors from each country visiting England in 2017 (source: IPS). The percentage shown is based on the total of the 10 inbound markets included within this research

EXPERIENCE SCORECARD

The **Experience Scorecard** shows how the experience performs on the key attributes that impact the potential for experience in England.

England Appeal – the level of interest in the experience in England

Experience Maturity – the extent to which the experience is established as a holiday leisure activity

Star rating – low to high

Image: Star

Authentic/Unique - elements of the experience that increase its appeal and value to tourism in England

History/Culture –.the extent to which the experience connects with England's heritage. The importance of this attribute will vary by experience type Influence on holiday decision – highlighting whether the experience will drive decisions or if it is seen primarily as an 'add-on' activity





PILATES EXPERIENCE: SUMMARY

AT A FAMOUS LANDMARK OR OUTDOORS



EXPERIENCE SCORECARD METRICS*



- DEMOGRAPHIC SKEWS
 - + Under 35s + Females
 - + BuzzSeekers, Cultural Buffs (Inbound)

Similar Niche Wellness Experiences

(included in the research)

- Tai chi experience
- Mindfulness / Meditation class
- Yoga experience
- Homeopathic experience



See next slide for metrics used to define scorecard metrics

Qualitative / Quantitative Combined Summary Source: Experiences Research 2019



- Whilst Pilates is not seen as an English activity, the **location** can provide that connection. **Scenic locations** are a good fit with England resonated with destinations outside of London such as the Lake District or Peak District
- Typically appeals alongside other **wellness** experiences and other relaxing, rural activities. It also tends to be linked with **luxury** accommodation

CHALLENGES

- No country owns it, but at least in part because it is not an established holiday activity
- The proposition tested implies an outdoor location, mitigating for the weather will be important, either through an indoor alternative and/or offering alternative wellness experiences
- **Differentiation as a holiday activity** is important as it is seen as a widely available activity that can be done close to home

OPPORTUNITIES

- Link to **unique English locations** adds to the appeal and potential to deliver on authenticity and provide an historical/cultural connection
- Can be offered as part of a **wellness package** including other similar wellness activities
- Clarity around access to the location is important, whether an easy drive or a strenuous walk





AT A FAMOUS LANDMARK OR OUTDOORS

ENGLAND APPEAL / MATURITY	% Interest in doing experience in England	Ranking out of 24 experiences	Share of inbound Volume*
UK (Domestic)	43%	22	
All Inbound Markets	37%	22	100%
Australia	41%	21	6%
China	67%	21	4%
Germany	29%	22	14%
Spain	38%	19	13%
France	31%	23	17%
Italy	34%	22	9%
Netherlands	17%	23	4%
Norway	28%	21	3%
Sweden	23%	23	3%
United States	49%	24	28%

* Based on IPS 2017 FY data

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ENGLAND APPEAL / MATURITY – PULL OF (COMPETITOR DESTINATIONS

	Inbound	UK
More likely to book in another country	22%	19%
Other countries have better experiences	16%	12%
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N.B. Lower figures for these measures are good better - i.e. you want less people likely to book in another country



CORE COMPONENTS OF EXPERIENTIAL

Components experiential providers should emulate or amplify to encourage travellers to participate in England

	Inbound	UK
UNIQUE to England	12%	15%
AUTHENTIC to England	13%	15%
Immerse in CULTURE / HISTORY	12% 🖊	11%
Create distinctive MEMORIES	17% 🖊	13%
CHALLENGE - Something they can't do at home	16%	13%

♦ A Significantly better than other experiences

Significantly worse than other experiences



22/24

Domestic Rank

Inbound

22/24

Inbound Rank



Main reason Significant influence Small influence No influence









PILATES EXPERIENCE: OPTIMISING THE POTENTIAL

22/24 22/24 **Domestic Rank Inbound** Rank

AT A FAMOUS LANDMARK OR OUTDOORS



BARRIERS TO ADDRESS

Expensive to do in England Not suitable for everyone in group Not something I associate with England Rather focus on other activities Worried about the quality Weather isn't good enough Difficult to get to / a long journey Might be too strenous / difficult



15%

14%

12%

12%

12%

9%

18% 14%

Inbound

UK







Domestic

Expected

Maximum

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Source: Experiences Research 2019

♠ Significantly higher than other experiences ♦ Significantly lower than other experiences

AT A FAMOUS LANDMARK OR OUTDOORS



	Inbound	UK
General internet search	21% 🛡	33%
Traveller review site	20%	27%

LOCATION TYPE



BOOKING METHOD

	Inbound	UK
Booked before leaving home	62%	71%
Booked in destination	27%	19%





♠ Significantly higher than other experiences

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Source: Experiences Research 2019

✤ Significantly lower than other experiences

AT A FAMOUS LANDMARK OR OUTDOORS



22/24 Domestic Rank

Experience Attributes	Experience Performance	Consideration for action
Positioning as authentic and unique to England	Potential	If offered in a uniquely English location with striking landscape
Current country ownership of the experience	None	Currently a widely available wellness activity not associated with holidays
Provide enrichment, fun, challenge or learning	Limited	For many it is not a new activity, so would need to be carefully positioned for beginners or experienced participants
Create distinctive memories to keep and share	Potential	The location can provide the visual memories and add to the luxury perception of the experience
Provide cultural or historical immersion	Limited	Outdoor location can provide some linkage, but may not be vital for this experience
Expert-led or self-guided option	Expert-led	Personalisation may offer additional value (e.g. individual tuition)
Need to mitigate for the weather	Yes	As an outdoor activity alternatives need to be considered , either an indoor option or alternative wellness activity
Established, known and understood experience	Yes	Well-understood, but not currently seen as a holiday activity
Accessing the target audience	Niche	Younger, females with interest in niche wellness activities
Bookable product	Yes	Advance bookings drive both inbound and domestic volume
Local promotion and in-destination bookings	Yes	Accommodation providers and local advocacy/promotion programmes
Acceptable journey times	Mixed	Experience as part of accommodation offer or short journey time. Those with specific interest would travel for longer.
Fixed duration or variable length activity	Short	Most expect it to be a 1-2 hour activity
Packaging with other activities	Yes	Niche audience who may choose one or more similar wellness activities in a rural location





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