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TALKS LIST – 2009

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1) James Herriot's Yorkshire

A tribute to the world's most famous vet accompanied by evocative photographs of the Yorkshire Dales and North Yorkshire Moors so lovingly portrayed in his many books and films.

2) England's Glory

Focuses on England's diverse regional landscapes, sumptuous medieval buildings and important sites closely linked to the nation's maritime and industrial heritage. England's very essence woven into a stunning tapestry of colour

3) Pilgrimage to Santiago

Following the medieval pilgrim routes from France and across northern Spain to the shrine of St James at Santiago de Compostella. A journey encompassing dramatic landscapes, delightful towns and villages, ancient churches, gothic cathedrals and Crusader castles.

4) Bonnie Prince Charlie's Scotland

The dramatic and hauntingly beautiful Highlands and Islands of Scotland will be forever associated with the myths and legends surrounding the Young Pretender's failed attempt to unite the ancient Scottish Clans and seize the English throne in the 1745 Rebellion.

5) Spain beyond the Costas

Away from coastal concrete and congestion, the heart of Spain is a visual treasure trove. The ever changing panoramas are perfectly complemented by ancient walled cities, dramatically sited medieval castles and Don Quixote's enchanting windmills.

6) Hadrian's Wall & Roman Britain

Hadrian's Wall was built across the width of England in AD122 to secure the Roman Empire's northern frontier. Designated a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1987, Hadrian's Wall traverses some of the region's most dramatic and unspoilt countryside.

7) Cape Town Voyage

An illustrated maritime adventure tracing the original route of the Cape Town Line. Vivid South African landscapes, the remote Atlantic islands of Ascension & St Helena, the hidden delights of Tenerife and a brief sojourn on the verdant, floral paradise of Madeira.

8) Mediterranean Odyssey

A fascinating glimpse into the different countries and cultures that border the Mediterranean Sea. Crusader strongholds in the Holy Land, North African souks, classical Athens and the hypnotic beauty of Venice of Venice and its canals.

9) From Moats to Mansions

A lavishly illustrated talk on the fascinating history and development of English castles, moated manors and 18thC country houses, (featuring the work of Thomas Chippendale, Robert Adam & 'Capability' Brown).

10) Historic English Cities

Superbly photographed architectural and historical portraits of some of England's oldest towns and cities. The talk includes visits to Durham, Lincoln, the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, Bath and Canterbury.

11) Middle Eastern Magic

A wonderfully atmospheric illustrated journey that encompasses the mystical Gulf State of Oman, the contrasting ancient and modern man made wonders of the Suez canal and Pyramids of Memphis and Giza. The finale is a trip to the awesome remains of Petra, Jordan's legendary rose coloured city.

12) One Leg Short of a Tripod (can be non illustrated)

A talk without slides for which Derry has distilled his life in photography into an anecdotal masterpiece. It traces a career which has encompassed TVTimes, advertising studios and a war of attrition with the fickle British climate in pursuit of the perfect landscape photograph.