



CELTIC SCOTLAND

EDINBURGH | LOCH NESS | INVERNESS | SKYE | GLASGOW | LOCH LOMOND

8 DAYS
from
\$ 1,899

CAD\$, PP, DBL, OCC.

Beginning in Edinburgh, the capital city resting on seven hills, this program is packed full of Scottish culture and awe-inspiring architecture. Enjoy a city tour of Edinburgh, overnight in quaint Inverness and discover the beautiful Isle of Skye and its capital city of Portree. End your journey in Glasgow, known for its friendly people and beautiful parks and gardens.

Day 1

EDINBURGH Arrive in **Edinburgh**, a city with dramatic skylines and spectacular buildings set among seven hills. Private transfer to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. We suggest the world-famous *Taste of Scotland* show this evening, not included. *Hotel Indigo Edinburgh, Standard Room* ★★★+

Day 2

EDINBURGH After breakfast, make your way to Waterloo Place to hop aboard an open-top mini-coach (maximum 16 passengers); travel along **Princes Street** and past the famous Scott's Monument; learn about **Edinburgh Castle**. Head to **Grassmarket** with its variety of boutiques, traditional Scottish pubs and restaurants. See the city's university area and the 'birthplace' of Harry Potter. Work your way up the **Royal Mile** with a short introduction to the Old Town. Next, head across the Dean Bridge and into quaint Dean Village. Pass **St Mary's Cathedral**, one of three cathedrals in Edinburgh. Head down towards the foot of Arthur's Seat, past the Burns monument to Holyrood Park where the regal **Holyrood Palace** is located. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure. *Hotel Indigo Edinburgh*

Day 3

LOCH NESS, GLENCOE & HIGHLANDS After breakfast, make your way to your meeting point to join your small-group tour. Pass through magnificent **Glencoe**, scene of the clan massacre of the MacDonalds by the Campbells in 1692. Then on through **Fort William**, the beginning of the **Great Glen** and the Caledonian Canal, which you follow up to Fort Augustus, nestling on the banks of **Loch Ness**. Here, you can enjoy lunch on your own, a boat trip (subject to availability) or walk along the lochside with spectacular views of the loch. Return south to Edinburgh via *Monarch of the Glen* country, and Highland Perthshire. *Hotel Indigo Edinburgh*

Day 4

EDINBURGH - INVERNESS After breakfast, private transfer to the train station to board your train to **Inverness**, whose name comes from the Scottish Gaelic *Inbhir Nis*, meaning the mouth of the River Ness. Upon arrival, take a taxi on your own to your hotel, just a short 5 minute ride away. Settle in and explore Inverness on your own. We suggest a stop at **St. Andrews Cathedral**, considered to be one of Dr. Alexander Ross's finest buildings. *Jurys Inn Inverness, Standard Room* ★★★

Day 5

SKYE & EILEAN DONAN CASTLE After an early breakfast, travel through the spectacular mountains of Wester Ross towards the iconic **Eilean Donan Castle**, where you can stop to visit before travelling over the bridge to the **Isle of Skye**. Head through the mountainous heart of the island, home to the mighty Cullin mountain range, before arriving in the bustling harbour town of **Portree** for lunch (not included). In the afternoon, visit the world-famous natural beauty of the **Trotternish Peninsula**. In the early evening, travel along the shores of **Loch Clunzie** towards the **Great Glen** before returning to Inverness. *Jurys Inn Inverness*

Day 6

INVERNESS - GLASGOW After breakfast at your hotel, take a taxi on your own to the train station to take you into **Glasgow**, Scotland's largest city, renowned for its culture, style and the friendliness of its people. Check into your hotel and enjoy the rest of your afternoon at leisure to explore. *Jurys Inn Glasgow, Standard Room* ★★★

Day 7

STIRLING CASTLE, LOCH LOMOND & WHISKY Enjoy your morning at leisure. Make your way to your meeting point to begin your full-day small-group tour. Head north to **Stirling Castle** along a route that has been used for thousands of years by invading armies. Stop at the magnificent castle set high volcanic rock to discover the history and heritage of this great site. Travel north into the **Loch Lomond** and **Trossachs National Park**. Stroll along the shores of Loch Lomond in Balloch Country Park or soak up the atmosphere in the bars and restaurants at Loch Lomond Shores. Travel to the foot of the former volcanic plug at Dumgoyne Hill to visit **Glengoyne Whisky Distillery** and learn how their single malt is produced from water that runs out of the volcanic rock behind the distillery. Return to Glasgow. *Jurys Inn Glasgow*

Day 8

GLASGOW - HOME After breakfast this morning, check out of your hotel. Private transfer to the airport to board your flight home.

TOUR OVERVIEW

- ▶ Total 7 nights accommodation; 3 & 4-Star hotels
 - 3 nights in Edinburgh
 - 2 nights in Inverness
 - 2 nights in Glasgow
- ▶ Comfort-Class train tickets: Edinburgh – Inverness – Glasgow
- ▶ Private transfers; touring and entrance fees as per itinerary
- ▶ Scottish Breakfast daily
- ▶ Hotel taxes and service charges**

HIGHLIGHTS

- City tours of Edinburgh & Inverness
- Free time at Loch Ness
- Isle of Skye and Eilean Donan Castle
- Stirling Castle, Loch Lomond & Whisky experience

OPTIONAL ADD-ON TOURS

- Traditional Taste of Scotland show
- Excursion to St. Andrew's Links, the *Home of Golf*

International airfare not included.
Minimum 2 passengers travelling.

Touring schedules may vary based on seasonality.

Price as indicated valid April 11, 2020, subject to availability at time of booking. For alternative dates, inquire for pricing. Itineraries are fully customizable. Not valid during trade shows, bank holidays and other special events. Blackout periods may apply. Suitcase limitations may apply.

**European city/tourist taxes collected locally unless otherwise indicated.

For full terms and conditions, refer to page 43.

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