

Edinburgh Highlights

Staying in Scotland's wonderful capital city, firstly we look at some of the World famous attractions in Edinburgh such as the Castle and the Palace of Holyrood. We mix this with a delightful walk down the Royal Mile to discover the hidden places in Edinburgh.

In the following days, we take day trips into the beautiful countryside to see some of the highlights of Southern Scotland such as the golfing town of St Andrews, the glorious Victorian architecture of Glasgow and south to the World Heritage Site at Hadrian's Wall.

Why Not? Create your own tour. As with all our tours the attractions you see will take account of your interests and can be adapted to what you want to see. You will however, see a cross-section of the great history, countryside and heritage of Scotland.

Trip Details

DAY ONE ▶ CASTLE • HOLYROOD HOUSE • MUSEUM OF SCOTLAND • GLADSTONE LAND

- ▶ **Edinburgh Castle** – Scotland's number one attraction dating from Norman times.
- ▶ **Palace of Holyrood House** – The Queen's official residence in Scotland.
- ▶ **Museum of Scotland** – Presenting the story of Scotland, located in the Old Town.
- ▶ **Gladstone's Land** – C17th merchant's house depicting life over 300 years ago.

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DAY TWO ▶ PERTH • SCONE PALACE • ST ANDREWS • CRAIL HARBOUR

- ▶ **Perth** – Historic riverside town – private walking tour.
- ▶ **Scone Palace** – Capital of the ancient Pictish kingdom – crowning place of kings.
- ▶ **St Andrews** – Famous as the home of Golf – the cathedral and castle are important.
- ▶ **Crail Harbour** – Classic harbour – billed as the most beautiful in the country.

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St Andrews

DAY THREE ▶ LINLITHGOW PALACE • STIRLING CASTLE • OLD TOWN • ARGYLL'S LODGING

- ▶ **Linlithgow Palace** – Birthplace of Mary Queen of Scots – sumptuous palace.
- ▶ **Stirling Castle** – Set on a commanding rock outcrop, one of the best castles.
- ▶ **Old Town** – Short tour of the older parts of this ancient city.
- ▶ **Argyll's Lodging** – Best surviving example of a town residence.

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Stirling Castle

DAY FOUR ▶ LINDISFARNE • ALNWICK CASTLE • HADRIAN'S WALL

- ▶ **Lindisfarne Island** – Remote island – home of St Cuthbert.
- ▶ **Alnwick Castle** – The Percy's home. Known as the Windsor of the north. In Harry Potter.
- ▶ **Hadrian's Wall** – This incredible monument to the Romans has museums en route.

Borders Hotel: **Eshott Hall**

www.eshott.com



Hadrian's Wall

DAY FIVE ▶ JEDBURGH ABBEY • FLOORS CASTLE • ROSSLYN CHAPEL

- ▶ **Jedburgh Abbey** – Founded by David I. Home of the Jedburgh Comb.
- ▶ **Floors Castle** – Home of the Duke of Roxburgh – largest inhabited castle in Scotland.
- ▶ **Rosslyn Chapel** – Ancient chapel made famous as the burial place of the Holy Grail.

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Rosslyn Chapel

DAY SIX ▶ GLASGOW CITY • GLASGOW CATHEDRAL • BURNS HERITAGE

- ▶ **Glasgow City** – Dazzling architecture won Glasgow the accolade "UK City of Architecture and Design".
- ▶ **Glasgow Cathedral** – A rare and magnificent medieval building.
- ▶ **Burns Heritage Park** – Insight into the life and works of Robert Burns.



Robert Burns' Home

(6 Days, all accommodation with breakfast, **Blue Badge Driver / Guide**, based on the number in your group)

Price per person – please contact us – Toll Free: 1866 464 7389

Accommodation and Tour Details

Accommodation and Meals

Accommodation is based on first class accommodation. Lunch and evening meals are not included unless specifically stated in the tour notes. We are able to offer several grades of accommodations from beautiful bed and breakfasts to wonderful country houses and castles.

Guides and Entrance Fees

Each tour is lead by a fully qualified [Scottish Blue Badge Driver / Guide](#). In most instances, entrances to historic attractions are included in the price we will quote you.

Prices

We aim to offer the best and most competitive price for each of our tours. We use our partners to get the best price at the time of booking. The cost will also depend on the services you require. Please [contact us](#) for the best price.

Airport Transfers

Return transfers from London airports to the start and finish of the tour will be included in the tour costs. We can provide transfers from any location, from other airports and cruise ports, prices tbc.

Practical Information

Climate

As some of attractions on this tour are out of doors it is advisable to take the correct clothing. With the unpredictability of the climate and forecast, wet weather clothing is essential. Sturdy footwear and waterproof clothing are advised.

Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June
6	7	10	13	17	20
July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
22	21	19	14	10	7

Health

This tour involves a walking on some terrain that can be fairly rough. We ask all our travellers to carefully consider the physical demands of our tours and discuss any concerns that may arise. There is much scope for flexibility within each tour to accommodate a range of limitations and needs, but we do have to be clear what they may be before accepting any booking.

Additionally, if you find walking difficult or any other health requirement, please let us know as soon as possible. There may be motorised wheelchairs available at some attractions. These may be booked if sufficient notice is given.

Taxes

Value Added Tax is applied to most goods. Most travellers can get a VAT refund, but you must ask and the paperwork and procedures can be long and complicated.

Tipping

Some restaurants and hotels will automatically add a 10-15% service charge. Check your bill before tipping further. Taxis, Restaurants, Bell Boys, Porter expect a tip, bar staff in pubs, do not.

Important information

The information in this tour profile is given in good faith and covers the planned excursions, attractions and conditions which should be available on this tour. In some instances, due to unforeseen circumstances, changes in the above itinerary might be necessary. To appreciate this tour to its best, you should be prepared to be flexible where necessary.

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