

WONDERS OF SCOTLAND

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DAY 1: ARRIVAL IN SCOTLAND

When you arrive in Scotland, make your way to your accommodation in the **Edinburgh** city centre. Many travellers opt to take a taxi or use public transport, but for a more direct and comfortable ride, we will be happy to organise a private airport transfer for you.

For those arriving early in the day, we recommend spending the afternoon walking through the city, strolling along the **Royal Mile** and exploring the **Old Town** and **New Town**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. There are also plenty of museums and landmarks to visit in the city centre, including the majestic **Edinburgh Castle**. For a spectacular view over the city we recommend going up **Calton Hill**.

Tonight you can enjoy dinner at one of Edinburgh's many gourmet restaurants and spend the evening at your leisure.

Spend the night at **Nira Caledonia** or similar.

Attractions: Calton Hill, Edinburgh, Edinburgh Castle, Edinburgh New Town, Edinburgh Old Town, The Grassmarket, The Royal Mile & St Giles Cathedral

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DAY 2: INTO THE SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS

Today, your guide will pick you up to set off on your epic trip around Scotland. The tour will start with a drive across the Firth of Forth, taking in the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage **Forth Rail Bridge**, before heading north to Inverness.

On the way, you'll have the opportunity to go for a forest walk at the picturesque **Hermitage**, followed by a visit of nearby **Dunkeld**. From there your guide continues through the **Cairngorms National Park** where you will stop at the **Highland Folk Museum**.

Arriving near Inverness, you will do 2 stops. First is the **Battlefield of Culloden Moor**, where the last battle on British soil occurred in 1746. Nearby you will also visit the mysterious **Clava Cairns**, a series of tombs and standing stones dating back roughly 4,000 years. Tonight, you will enjoy dinner at your accommodation together.

Spend the night at **Kings Mill Hotel & Spa** or similar.

Included:

- Breakfast at your accommodation
- Entrance to Highland Folk Museum
- Entrance to the Battlefield of Culloden
- Dinner at your accommodation

Average travel & exploration time: 8 hours

Attractions: Cairngorms National Park, Clava Cairns, Culloden Battlefield & Visitor Centre, Dunkeld, Forth Railway Bridge, Highland Folk Museum, The Hermitage

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DAY 3: LOCH NESS BOAT TOUR & THE ISLE OF SKYE

Experience some of Scotland's most famous attractions today. Your guide will take you to the mysterious **Loch Ness**, where you will hop aboard a boat tour. This is your chance to take photos of the dramatic surroundings and see if you can catch a glimpse of Nessie. Next up the guide will make a stop at the iconic **Eilean Donan Castle**, a sight you will surely recognise from films.

Then you will finally reach the Isle of Skye where dinner will be served at tonight's accommodation.

Spend the night at **Hame on Skye** or similar.

Included:

- Breakfast at your accommodation
- Loch Ness boat tour
- Dinner at your accommodation

Average travel & exploration time: 8 hours

Attractions: Cuillin Mountains, Eilean Donan Castle, Isle of Skye, Loch Coruisk, Loch Ness

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DAY 4: THE WONDERS OF THE ISLE OF SKYE

Today you will have a full day to take in the magic of Skye, a haven for nature lovers. The guide will take you to the northern part of the island, to the breathtaking **Trotternish Peninsula**. This is where so many of the island's mythical and spectacular landscapes lie.

Driving over the **Quiraing**, admire some of the jaw-dropping natural sights. You will see the waterfall plunging over the 90-metre (295-foot) **Kilt Rock** sea cliffs, pass by the iconic "**The Old Man of Storr**" rock pinnacle, and go for a walk to the gorge overlooking **Lealt Falls**. You might even get to see some dinosaur footprints at the **An Corran Beach** at Staffin. You'll return to your accommodation for the night and enjoy dinner as a group.

Spend another night at the **Hame on Skye** or similar.

Included:

- Breakfast at your accommodation
- Guided walk at Lealt Falls (20 minutes)
- Dinner at your accommodation

Average travel & exploration time: 8 hours

Attractions: Kilt Rock & Mealt Falls, Old Man of Storr, Quiraing, Staffin & An Corran Beach

DAY 5: SCOTTISH WILDLIFE & GLENFINNAN

Hop on the ferry from Armadale to Mallaig on mainland Scotland. On the drive down to **Loch Lomond**, you will stop by the stunning **Camusdarach Beach** where you will have some time to admire the white sand and crystal-clear water. You will then pass by **Glenfinnan** where you can visit the Glenfinnan Monument, overlooking the beautiful Loch Shiel, and admire the **Glenfinnan Viaduct** high above. You may recognise it from the *Harry Potter* film series.

Later, travel through **Glen Coe**, Scotland's most famous valley. Here, you will go on a guided 20-minute walk, a perfect chance to take photos. Finally, you'll arrive in **Inveraray** where you can explore at your leisure before enjoying a farewell dinner with your travel companions.

Spend the night at **The George Hotel** or similar.

Included:

- Breakfast at your accommodation
- Guided walk at Glen Coe (20mins)
- Ferry from Armadale to Mallaig
- Dinner at your accommodation

Average Travel & Exploring Duration: 8 hours (including 30-minute ferry crossing)

Attractions: Camusdarach Beach, Glen Coe, Glenfinnan, Glenfinnan Viaduct, Inveraray & Inveraray Castle

DAY 6: THE TROSSACHS, WHISKY AND STIRLING CASTLE

This morning, travel through the impressive Loch Lomond and **Trossachs National Park**. Your first stop is in **Luss**, a charming medieval village on the banks of Loch Lomond. Then you'll stop in Doune to enjoy a tour and tasting at **Deanston Whisky Distillery**.

Next, you will also pass by the beautiful city of **Stirling**, where you'll visit the impressive **Stirling Castle**. The last stop on this tour will be the **Kelpies**, 2 impressive horse-head statues that will capture your attention.

Your guide will then drop you off at your accommodation in **Glasgow**. You can enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure in Scotland's largest city.

Spend the night at **Grand Central Hotel** or similar.

Included:

- Breakfast at your accommodation
- Tour and tasting at Deanston Whisky Distillery
- Entrance to Stirling Castle

Average travel & exploration time: 8 hours

Attractions: Deanston Whisky Distillery, Glasgow, Luss, Stirling & Stirling Castle, The Kelpies, Trossachs National Park

DAY 7: DEPARTURE FROM SCOTLAND

On your final day in Scotland, make your way back to the airport for your departure flight. You can also arrange a private airport transfer or additional nights in Scotland while booking your tour. If your flight is in the afternoon, you may have time for some last-minute shopping on Buchanan Street, a visit to one of Glasgow's museums, or to take one last stroll through the charming West End.

Included:

- Breakfast at your accommodation

Whatever your needs, we are here to help. If you have any questions about our packages or services, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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