



SCOTTISH HIGHLAND FLING

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Special Group Pricing: \$3199 per person, double occupancy

Don't be shy—you're not the only daydreamer with a major crush on Scotland. With its lush rolling hills, dramatic coastlines, tiny villages, and towering fairytale castles, what's not to love? On this Undiscovered Tour of Scotland, you'll feel your heart skip a beat as you journey through the breathtaking Highlands, ferry to its most beautiful islands, and immerse yourself in a world of haunting bagpipes, hallowed battlefields, and hoppy brews — the perfect choice for washing down traditional fish and chips at a Scottish chippy. With visits to the Neolithic village of Skara Brae, the legendary golf town of St. Andrews, and a famous whisky distillery for a tour and a wee dram, this Scotland vacation offers countless opportunities to raise a glass to your many passions. Making a spectacular scenic loop from Edinburgh to Glasgow, this Scottish Highland Fling tour is indeed an affair to remember.

DAY 1 ARRIVE IN EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

Welcome to Edinburgh! Free time this afternoon. At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and travel companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel. Dinner

DAY 2 EDINBURGH

Drummers, Pipes & Precious Jewels EDINBURGH Morning city sightseeing with a Local Guide includes the New Town and the Old Town and a visit to Edinburgh Castle to see Scotland's Crown Jewels. Free time this afternoon. EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO Attend the world-renowned Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo performance. (Departures August 3 through August 24 only).

MUSIC & MASTERPIECES: Ascend to Castle Rock to explore Edinburgh Castle, one of the most important historical strongholds in the Kingdom of Scotland, with an 11,000-year history as "the most besieged place in Great Britain." Here, you'll find the royal regalia and Scotland's Crown Jewels. The Castle forms the background of the spectacular Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, an extravaganza of bagpipes and drums performed en masse in August each year. Breakfast

DAY 3 EDINBURGH-ST. ANDREWS-PITLOCHRY-CULLODEN MOOR-INVERNESS

Mulligans, Mountains & Moors ST. ANDREWS See the home of golf and famous university town. PITLOCHRY Walk through the Victorian mountain resort then drive through the scenic Grampian Mountains and Cairngorms National Park. CULLODEN MOOR Visit the Culloden battlefield site and visitor center. 201 mi / 323 km ICONIC FOOTSTEPS: See the fairways and greens at the birthplace of golf, where legendary players of the Scottish game made history in the university town of St. Andrews. Breakfast

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DAY 4 INVERNESS–HIGHLANDS–DUNROBIN–THURSO

Ancestral Digs & Drams HIGHLANDS Guided tour of a whisky distillery. DUNROBIN Visit the castle and walled gardens. THURSO Free time before dinner. 110 mi / 177 km LOCAL TASTES: For those who appreciate a fine Scotch whisky, where better to learn about the distillery process with a sample of authentic and historic malt whisky in the Highlands. Lift a dram of Scotland's proud heritage. Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 5 THURSO. EXCURSION TO THE ORKNEY ISLANDS

An Ancient Archipelago THURSO Drive to John O'Groats to board a ferry for a scenic crossing to the Orkney Islands. ORKNEY ISLANDS Sightseeing includes the four Churchill Barriers, Scapa Flow, Skara Brae, the Ring of Brodgar, and Kirkwall. Join a guided tour of The Orkney Brewery, have a light lunch at the Tasting Hall café and then visit Skaill House. Return to the mainland by ferry in the late afternoon. 90 mi / 145 km HISTORY & TRADITION: Orcadian water, the best malt, hops, and yeast are the only four ingredients of hand-crafted ales such as Orkney Dark Island, Northern Light and the world-famous Skull Splitter named after a vicious Orkney Earl. Enjoy a guided tour of the brewery and learn the traditions of beer making and a long, long history of brewing quality ales. Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 6 THURSO–DURNESS–ULLAPOOL–GAIRLOCH

Spectacular Sights & A Scottish Chippy THURSO Take a scenic drive along the spectacular North Coast 500 route via Durness and Scourie. ULLAPOOL Visit to the fishing port includes a traditional fish & chips lunch at a local restaurant. 194 mi / 312 km LOCAL TASTES: Walk along the whitewashed cottages with views of lovely Loch Broom in the charming seaport town of Ullapool. Feast on traditional fish and chips, a Scottish favorite that never fails to satisfy. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 7 GAIRLOCH–ISLE OF SKYE–FORT WILLIAM–GLEN COE–OBAN

Sea & Skye ISLE OF SKYE Drive across the Inner Hebridean island. Return to the mainland by ferry across the Sound of Sleat to Mallaig. GLENFINNAN See the monument to fallen Jacobite clansmen and the famous viaduct. FORT WILLIAM See the gateway to Ben Nevis, the UK's highest peak. GLEN COE Scenic drive en route to Oban. 234 mi / 376 km NATURAL WONDERS: Magic abounds on the Isle of Skye, home to some of Scotland's most iconic landscapes which enchant the senses. With magnificent mountain ranges, miles of captivating coastline, and heroic history, Skye casts a spell with its breathtaking beauty and sense of highland adventure. Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 8 OBAN. EXCURSION TO THE ISLES OF MULL AND IONA

Island Dreams & Scottish Kings OBAN Ferry crossing to the Isle of Mull. ISLE OF MULL Take a scenic drive across the island. ISLE OF IONA See the burial place of many Scottish kings and chiefs. Visit one of the first Christian monasteries in the British Isles. 94 mi / 151 km PICTURE PERFECT: Called "Eagle Island" by wildlife watchers, the Isle of Mull is a paradise for birds of prey keeping a watchful eye on the wonderful wild landscapes below. Watch for Scottish red deer, iconic Highland cattle, and rolling hills that paint a picture of quintessential Scotland. The medieval abbey on the Isle of Iona is the resting place of many Scottish monarchs and chiefs. Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 9 OBAN–LOCH LOMOND–GLASGOW

Glasgow Gems & Gorgeous Glens OBAN Depart for a scenic drive through Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park.

LOCH LOMOND Visit the lake. GLASGOW: Enjoy an orientation drive to see the 12th-century cathedral, university buildings, and Georgian squares. Free time this afternoon before a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. 91 mi / 147 km ART & ARCHITECTURE: Spanning both banks of the River Clyde in Scotland's western Lowlands, Glasgow gives art and architecture lovers a grand time. From its Victorian and art nouveau architecture, beautiful Georgian-style squares and the medieval grandeur of its cathedral, Glasgow is brimming with historic and artistic sights to savor during an orientation drive through this national cultural hub, home to the Scottish Opera, Scottish Ballet, and National Theatre of Scotland. Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 10 GLASGOW Safe travels until we meet again! Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. Breakfast

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