

Durgan Travel *presents...*
10 Days/8 Nights
GRAND TOUR OF
SCOTLAND

Your Choice Departures:
March & Nov. at \$TBA*
April & October at \$TBA*
Early May at \$TBA*

*Rates are for payment by cash/check. See back for credit card rates. Rates are per person, twin occupancy, and include \$TBA in air taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges (*subject to change*).

**VALID
PASSPORT
REQUIRED**

Must be valid for 6 mos.
beyond return date

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OUR 10-DAY/8-NIGHT GRAND TOUR OF SCOTLAND ITINERARY:

DAY 1 – BOSTON~INTERMEDIATE CITY~GLASGOW: Depart Boston's Logan International Airport aboard our transatlantic flight to Glasgow, Scotland (*via Intermediate city*) with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight.

DAY 2 – GLASGOW: Arrival at Glasgow airport where we will meet our Tour Escort, who will assist with our transfer to *Jury's Inn Glasgow Hotel* or similar. We will begin our day with a Glasgow City Tour. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (D)

DAY 3 – GLASGOW~AYRSHIRE~CULZEAN CASTLE: Breakfast at hotel. This morning we will visit the Burrell Collection, a collection of over 9,000 works of art, including important collections of medieval art, tapestries, stained glass, and English oak furniture as well as European paintings and modern sculpture. We will then travel further south to Ayrshire and Robert Burns country for a visit to the Robert Burns Birthplace Museum. We will continue to the lovely Ayrshire Coast and visit Culzean Castle, one of Scotland's best-loved castles. Return to Glasgow for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 3– EDINBURGH: Breakfast at hotel and hotel check-out. Travel to Edinburgh, where we will enjoy a panoramic tour of the inspiring capital of Scotland. The city is perched on a series of extinct volcanoes and rocky crags, with the sheltered shoreline of the Firth of Forth to the north. We will see a modern, dynamic city where international festivals attract the world's leading performers, galleries display cutting-edge art, and bars, restaurants and clubs create a lively, cosmopolitan atmosphere with a distinctly Scottish twist. We will visit Edinburgh Castle, which dominates the city center skyline, and from its ramparts we can look down on medieval lanes and elegant, sweeping terraces that hold over a thousand years of history, mystery, and tradition. The castle played a pivotal role in Scottish history, both as royal residence and as a military stronghold. The balance of our day will be at leisure for some personal sightseeing or shopping. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 4 – ST. ANDREWS: Breakfast at hotel. Known as the home of golf, and home of Scotland's oldest university, St. Andrews is a small town with a sizeable reputation that attracts visitors from all over the world. We will visit St. Andrew's Castle, which dates back to the 13th century, and St. Andrew's Cathedral, the largest in Scotland. Return to Edinburgh for dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 6 – EDINBURGH TO INVERNESS: Breakfast at hotel. This morning we will travel via historic Glencoe and Fort William to the shores of Loch Ness for a little "Nessie spotting." We will visit the Loch Ness Monster Exhibition Centre, a world-famous exhibition that has been recently refurbished to incorporate a dynamic automated tour, telling the whole story of Loch Ness. Continue to Inverness for check in at the *Royal Highland Hotel* or similar. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 7 – INVERNESS TO DRYMEN: Breakfast at hotel and hotel check-out. This morning we will depart for Drymen via Royal Deeside and Stirling. We will visit Balmoral Castle (April - July). Purchased by Queen Victoria in 1848, the estate has been the Scottish home of the British Royal Family ever since. We will have the opportunity to wander through the large kitchen garden, visit the conservatory which displays flowering pot plants throughout the year and enjoy the views from the fountain area before viewing Garden Cottage, which lies in a secluded

spot in the grounds only a short distance from the Castle. Next, we will tour the Royal Lochnagar distillery, where we can see distillers tending the traditional mashtun and gleaming copper stills which produce one of Scotland's most exclusive whiskies. At the tour end, our complimentary dram will confirm that Royal Lochnagar is a malt whisky worthy of the "royal" prefix. We will continue on to Stirling, where we will see the Wallace Monument, built for Sir William Wallace who was hung, drawn, and quartered by the English in 1305. Then we will visit Stirling Castle, one of Scotland's most magnificent castles that commands a view for many miles around. Built as an almost impregnable fortification, we can explore many aspects of its long military history, particularly during the Wars of Independence in the 1300s. Arriving in Drymen, we will check into the *Buchanan Arms Hotel* or similar. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 8 – DRYMEN AREA AND LOCH LOMOND: Breakfast at hotel. Today our journey takes us through the Argyll Forest. We will stop for a short visit of the famous Inveraray Jail, the seat of the Duke of Argyll. Inveraray Jail is a living museum and top Scottish visitor attraction where costumed interpreters portray life in a 19th-century prison. Next we will enjoy a cruise on Loch Lomond, the largest surface area of fresh water in the UK. There are approximately 38 islands, some of them inhabited, and there is even a hotel on one. The area, renowned for its beauty and tranquility, offers postcard views around every corner. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 9 – TROSSACHS: Breakfast at the hotel. This morning, we will tour the nearby Trossachs area, with its beautiful lochs and mountains. We will visit the town of Callander, which has excellent craft and woolen shops. In the afternoon, we will have time at leisure to relax and reminisce about our wonderful trip. Dinner and overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 10 – GLASGOW~INTERMEDIATE CITY~BOSTON: After a final hearty Scottish breakfast and hotel check-out, transfer to Glasgow Airport to board our return flight to Boston (*via intermediate city*) with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight. (B)

OUR 10-DAY/8-NIGHT GRAND TOUR OF SCOTLAND TOUR INCLUDES:

- ✦ Round-trip motorcoach to and from Boston's Logan International Airport. FREE with a minimum of 35 passengers. Additional charge with fewer than 35.
- ✦ Special meet-and greet service and assistance at Boston's Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Representative.
- ✦ Round-trip transatlantic flights Boston-Intermediate City-Glasgow (Edinburgh may be substituted on either end), with meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight.
- ✦ 8-nights' first-class accommodations at the hotels mentioned in the itinerary, based on twin occupancy. The single supplement is an additional \$TBA per single. *Limited availability - may be unavailable or subject to surcharge.* Triples available at the twin rate.
- ✦ Portage of luggage at the hotels.
- ✦ All transfers and daily sightseeing aboard a private, deluxe, temperature-controlled motorcoach, with expert driver.
- ✦ Full Scottish breakfast (B) each morning and 8 dinners (D).
- ✦ Comprehensive sightseeing package as described in the itinerary, including entrance fees, where applicable.
- ✦ Full-time professional Tour Escort who will accompany our group throughout the tour.
- ✦ Expert step-on guides, where required.
- ✦ All room and meal taxes, and gratuities to bellmen.
- ✦ Complimentary Durgan Travel Service travel bag and complete packet of required travel documents.

A \$TBA DEPOSIT IS DUE UPON RECEIPT. THE BALANCE IS DUE 75 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE.

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