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Scotland: Land of Lore & Legend

May 26 – June 6, 2025



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Small Group Travel rewards travelers with new perspectives. With just 12-24 passengers, these are the personal adventures that today's cultural explorers dream of.

12 Days • 17 Meals: 10 Breakfasts, 7 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Glasgow, Sheepdog Demonstration, Auchindrain, Scottish Highlands, Loch Melfort, Oban, Choice on Tour: Kelvingrove Art Gallery or Riverside Museum, Isle of Mull, Isle of Iona, Urquhart Castle, Moray Firth Cruise, Culloden, Blair Castle, Impact Moments, Dundee, Choice on Tour: Royal Research Ship Discovery or V & A Museum, Whisky Tasting, Edinburgh Castle

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Maldron Hotel Glasgow, Glasgow
Days 4 – 6	Loch Melfort Hotel, Loch Melfort
Days 7, 8	Best Western Palace Hotel Inverness, Inverness
Day 9	Apex City Quay Hotel and Spa, Dundee
Days 10, 11	Apex Grassmarket Hotel, Edinburgh

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Monday, May 26, 2025 Overnight Flight Rolling landscapes of green hills and rocky coastlines. Lively cities of friendly locals and the renowned “water of life.” This is Scotland - where legends live long, and storybook pages come to life.

Day 2: Tuesday, May 27, 2025 Glasgow, Scotland - Tour Begins Welcome to Glasgow, a cultural trove of art, music, and history. Get ready to experience the eclectic architecture, friendly locals (Glaswegians), and rich traditions that make this city such a fascinating place. Settle into your hotel before joining your fellow travelers this evening for dinner. (D)

Day 3: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 Glasgow Soak in the rich culture of Glasgow. Join a local guide on a walking and coach tour that leads you through historic George Square and the beautiful Beaux-Arts style architecture that surrounds it; to Provands Lordship—the oldest surviving house in the city; the medieval Glasgow Cathedral; prestigious Blythswood Square; and the futuristic-looking Science Centre. After lunch on your own in central Glasgow, **it's your choice!** View one of Europe's great art collections at the Kelvingrove Art Gallery **-OR-** see the city's fabulous technology and transport collections at the Riverside Museum, situated on the banks of the River Clyde. (B)

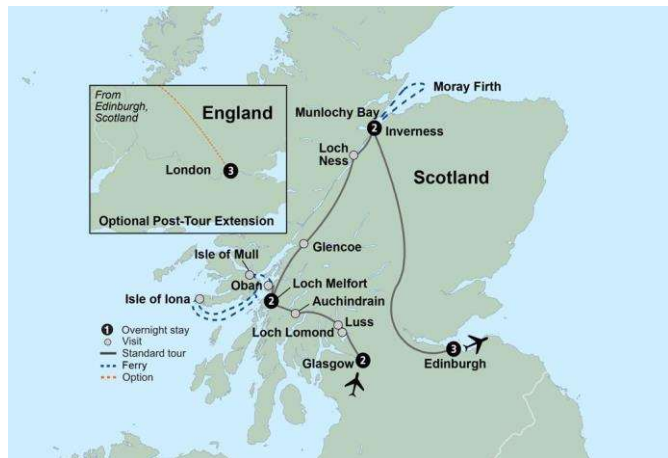
Day 4: Thursday, May 29, 2025 Glasgow - Loch Lomond - Auchindrain - Loch Melfort Leave the city behind, traveling along sloping fields towards Loch Lomond. Visit a family-run farm with spectacular views of the lake and surrounding hills, see border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration, and enjoy Scottish snacks. Next, arrive in Luss and explore this quaint lakeside village of stone cottages and bright flowers. After enjoying lunch on your own, it's off to Auchindrain. Learn about Scotland's rural history during a self-guided tour of this well-preserved farm township dating back to the 16th century. Continue to Loch Melfort and settle into your hotel for the next three nights. Take in a stunning view of the ocean from the hotel before wandering the grounds, home to friendly Highland cows and neighboring the National Trust's Arduaine Gardens. (B, D)

Day 5: Friday, May 30, 2025 Loch Melfort - Oban - Loch Melfort This morning, put on your comfy shoes and embark on a guided walking tour of historic Oban, the “Gateway to the Isles.” Uncover the history of the iconic McCaig's Tower and find out what's buried under the North Pier as you traverse the scenic harborside town with a local expert. Afterwards, enjoy some free time, perhaps exploring Oban's food stalls and seeing for yourself why it's considered the seafood capital of Scotland. Return to your hotel in Loch Melfort to relax and spend the remainder of the day as you please. Perhaps you'll opt to join your Tour Manager in the bar before dinner for a friendly discussion about Scottish Independence. (B, D)

Day 6: Saturday, May 31, 2025 Loch Melfort - Isle of Mull - Isle of Iona - Loch Melfort It's time to island hop. Take the ferry from Oban to the Isle of Mull, a picturesque island that is the largest of the Inner Hebridean Islands. Continue to the Isle of Iona, one of Western Europe's oldest Christian religious centers. Journey to Iona Abbey on foot and enjoy free time to explore the tranquility of the grounds on your own before returning to Oban and back to your hotel in Loch Melfort. (B, D)

Day 7: Sunday, June 1, 2025 Loch Melfort - Glencoe - Loch Ness - Inverness Geological wonders await you in the Highlands. Head to the National Nature Reserve in Glencoe and stop at the visitor center to learn about the spectacular Glencoe mountain range, then walk the trails and experience this unique landscape for yourself. After lunch, continue on to Loch Ness. Wander the ruins of the legendary Urquhart Castle and imagine all that transpired inside the walls of this 13th-century medieval fortress. Afterwards, travel to Inverness, capital of the Highlands, to settle into your hotel for the night. After dinner, you may wish to take a stroll with your Tour Manager to neighboring Eden Court along the River Ness. (B, D)

Day 8: Monday, June 2, 2025 Inverness Head out on the water and cruise Moray Firth, traveling up the Beauly Firth to the Caledonian Canal and then back out as far as Munlochy Bay. Keep



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- † Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

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your eyes peeled for otters, porpoises, seals, and numerous shore birds along the way. Continue to Culloden Battlefield, where in 1746, a half-hour battle changed the course of Scotland's history. Experience the 360-degree battle immersion theater at the visitor center and see artifacts from the conflict. Later this afternoon, return to Inverness, and have some time at leisure to explore. (B)

Day 9: Tuesday, June 3, 2025 Inverness - Blair Atholl - Dundee Immerse yourself in history today at Blair Castle & Gardens, the ancestral home of Clan Murray. Explore the ornate 18th century interiors and wander the nine acres of walled gardens where you may spot a peacock roaming free. After lunch, continue to Bamff Ecotourism for an **Impact Moment**. Meet the owners of this tranquil estate and learn why they're helping to reintroduce the wild beaver population to Scotland. Continue on to Dundee, an up-and-coming city on the banks of the River Tay. (B, D)

Day 10: Wednesday, June 4, 2025 Dundee - Edinburgh This morning, **it's your choice!** Visit Discovery Point, home to the RRS

Discovery, the ship that took Scott and Shackleton to Antarctica in 1901 **-OR-** get inspired at the V&A Dundee, Scotland's highly acclaimed design museum. Your day ends in Scotland's capital city, Edinburgh. Tonight, you may wish to join an optional Scottish cultural show for a night of food, song, and dance. (B)

Day 11: Thursday, June 5, 2025 Edinburgh Start with an **Impact Moment** getting a local's perspective from a guide with *Invisible Cities*, a social enterprise that trains people affected by homelessness to become tour guides of their own city. After your tour, visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. The rest of the day is yours to explore as you wish. Perhaps you'll take a stroll among the Georgian architecture of the New Town or journey to Leith for a visit to the Royal Yacht *Britannia*. Gather in the evening for a whisky-inspired farewell dinner highlighting the flavors of Scotland and toast to your Scottish explorations. (B, D)

Day 12: Friday, June 6, 2025 Edinburgh - Tour Ends Wish Scotland a fond farewell as you depart for home. (B)

Experience It! Isle of Iona

Step off the ferry and onto one of Scotland's most sacred sites – the Isle of Iona – home to one of the oldest Christian religious centers in Western Europe. Walk its grounds and visit Iona Abbey, a 13th-century church built on the site where the world-famous *Book of Kells* is said to have been created. Admire the church's medieval architecture and the museum's collection of stone crosses and carvings, then wander through the graveyard where ancient Scottish kings are said to have been laid to rest. The peace and tranquility you find here will stay with you long after you've left.

For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1282281>

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Oct 27, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only.

Days and features are interchangeable.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

Travel with just 16-24 guests on this tour where a smaller group setting means a more personal travel experience.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

In order to fully experience the destination, some of our hotels on these programs are located in smaller towns or on country roads where access is limited to large coaches. In these cases, you will be dropped off as close as possible and there will be a short walk to access the hotel from the drop-off area.

Guests arriving in Edinburgh on certain dates in August will receive tickets to Edinburgh's famous Military Tattoo show.

Hotel check-in on your day of arrival is 3:00 p.m. Rooms may not be available prior to that time.

When reserving single accommodations, be advised that single rooms in Scotland are often smaller in size.

Some historic buildings may not have elevators.

Please be aware that not all hotels in Scotland have air conditioning, especially in older properties.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability. Triple accommodations are not available.

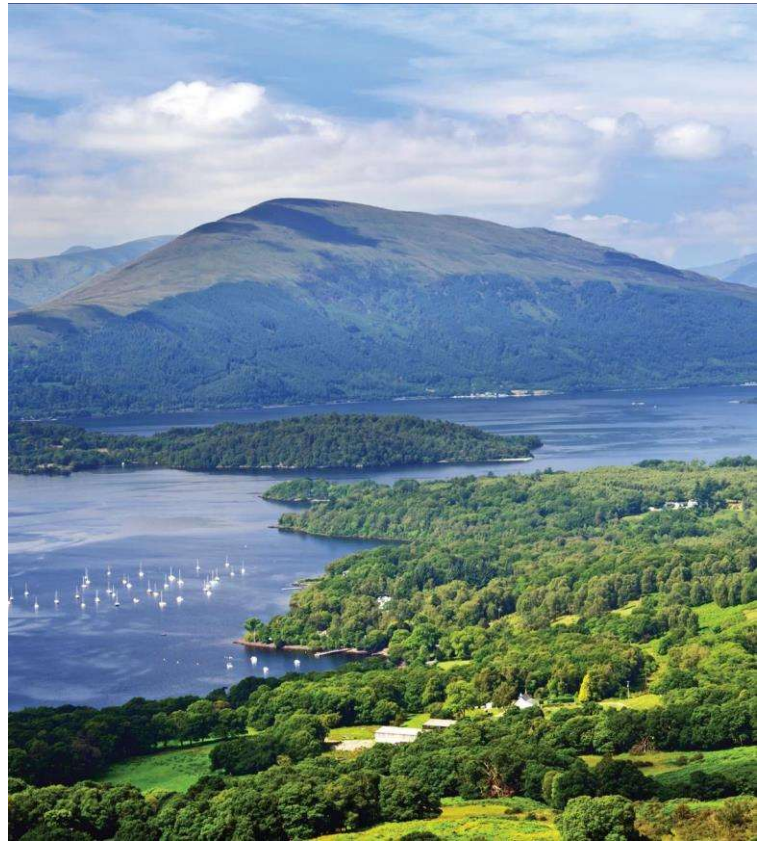
Smaller buses, which may not be lavatory equipped, may be used on this program. In this case, frequent stops are made during travel periods.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Our air travelers will arrive into Glasgow airport and depart from Edinburgh airport. All departure transfers will depart from your Edinburgh hotel to the Edinburgh airport. If you choose to arrange your own air, please note you must arrive into Glasgow airport no later than 4:00 p.m. If



your flight arrives into Edinburgh airport, you must arrive no later than 2:00 p.m.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of October 20, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by February 25, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until October 27, 2024.

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BOOKING NUMBER: 1282281
DEPARTURE DATE: May 26, 2025

TOUR: Scotland: Land of Lore & Legend
GROUP NAME: Ropakele Travel

Name of Passenger:

Salutation: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____ Suffix: _____
(Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print as it appears on Passport) (Jr., Sr.)

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Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Edinburgh



Scottish Cultural Show: A Night of Food, Song & Dance

\$135 USD

Join us for an entertaining evening of tastes, sights and sounds that are classically Scottish. Feast on a banquet prepared from a selection of local recipes. Your taste buds will savor the true flavor and goodness of this distinctive country. Tonight will be filled with entertainment including Highland pipers and dancers who deliver the very best in Scottish music, song and dance. Be prepared for a Scottish night of food, fun and many fond memories! This option will not be offered on departures that include the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

PASSENGERS NAME: (Please submit a separate form for each passenger)

Salutation: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____ Nickname: _____
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✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
	Scottish Cultural Show: A Night of Food, Song & Dance	135.00
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YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel <passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes <Jr, Sr>.

First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____

Nickname: _____ Gender: () Male () Female Date of Birth: month _____ day _____ year _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: () _____ Cell: () _____ Email Address: _____

Passport Number: _____ Expiration Date: (month/day/year) _____ Date of Issuance: (month/day/year) _____

City, State, Country of Issuance: _____ Citizenship: _____

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ROOMING WITH: ☐ Check if address is the same as Passenger #1

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Are you willing to separate from the group air schedule to accommodate your upgrade request? () Yes () No

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