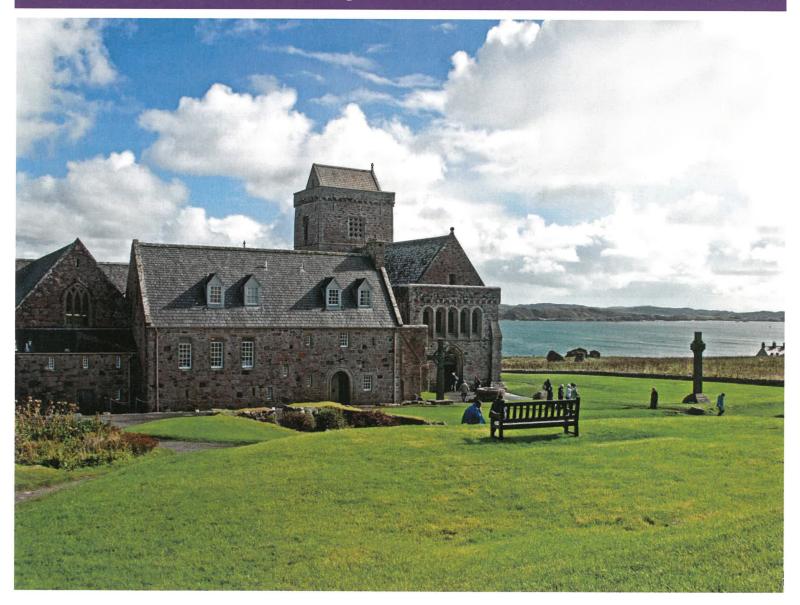
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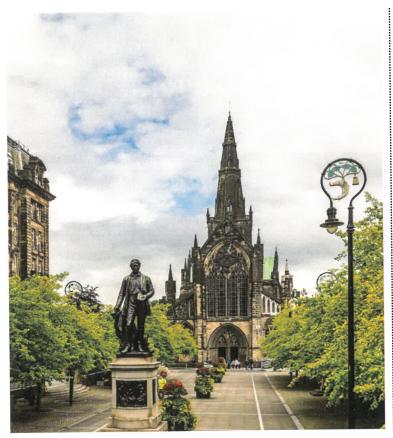
# Scotland: Land of Lore & Legend

August 1 – 11, 2025



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11 Days • 14 Meals: 9 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Glasgow, Sheepdog Demonstration, Scottish Highlands, Loch Melfort, Oban, Isle of Mull, Isle of Iona, Urquhart Castle, Moray Firth Cruise, Culloden, Blair Castle, Impact Moment, Whisky Tasting, Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, Edinburgh Castle

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Hilton Glasgow, Glasgow

Days 4, 5 Loch Melfort Hotel, Loch Melfort

Days 6, 7 Best Western Palace Hotel Inverness, Inverness

Days 8 – 10 VOCO Edinburgh, Edinburgh

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Friday, August 1, 2025 Overnight Flight Rolling landscapes of green hills and rocky coastlines. Lively towns of friendly locals and the renowned "water of life." This is Scotland, where legends live long and storybook pages come to life.

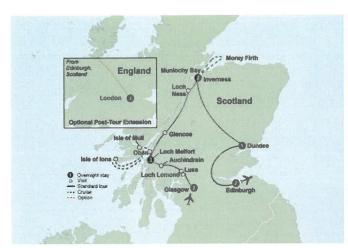
Day 2: Saturday, August 2, 2025 Glasgow, Scotland Welcome to Glasgow, a cultural trove of art, music, and history. Get ready to experience the eclectic architecture, friendly locals (Glaswegians), and rich traditions that make this city such a fascinating place. Settle into your hotel before joining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

Day 3: Sunday, August 3, 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, enjoy some free time to discover the city how you like it. (B)

Day 4: Monday, August 4, 2025 Glasgow - 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 open-air farm township dating back to the 16th century. Continue to Loch Melfort and settle into your hotel for the next two 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: Tuesday, August 5, 2025 Loch Melfort - Isle of Mull-Isle of Iona - Loch Melfort It's time to island hop! Setting off from Loch Melfort, 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 6: Wednesday, August 6, 2025 Loch Melfort - Invernes 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 undulating ruins of 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*)







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- † Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option
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IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. (See registration form for consent.)

Day 7: Thursday, August 7, 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 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 an afternoon at leisure to explore. (B)

Day 8: Friday, August 8, 2025 Inverness - Edinburgh 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. Your day ends in Scotland's capital city, Edinburgh. (B)

Day 9: Saturday, August 9, 2025 Edinburgh This morning, join a local expert for a two-hour walking tour of Edinburgh's Old Town and discover more about the lore and legends of this capital city. After your tour, visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels. This evening, take your seat at the world-famous Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, one of Scotland's greatest events. (B)

**Day 10:** Sunday, August 10, 2025 Edinburgh 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*. Or you might take advantage of the optional excursion to Stirling Castle, an iconic landmark in Scotland's history, followed by a brief stop at the Kelpies, the world's largest equine sculptures. Gather in the evening for a whisky-inspired farewell dinner highlighting the flavors of Scotland and toast to your Scottish explorations. (*B*, *D*)

Day 11: Monday, August 11, 2025 Edinburgh - Tour Ends Wish Scotland a fond farewell as you depart for home. (B)

#### **Experience It! The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo**

Since 1950, the epochal Edinburgh Military Tattoo has dazzled millions of spectators with performances from musicians, pipers, drummers, singers and dancers. This epic show, unique every year, takes place at the Edinburgh Castle, hauntingly illuminated under the open sky. In the past, the show's themes have paid tribute to nature, Queen Elizabeth II's 90th birthday, and Scotland's homecoming, to name a few. This international festival comes alive with performers from a multitude of countries and audience members from around the world. Military pageantry and cultural celebrations, culminating with a spectacular fireworks display, set the stage for an amazing evening.

For more information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1241721

#### PLEASE NOTE:

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.

Hotel rooms in Scotland may be smaller than those in your home country.

The Loch Melfort Hotel is a 3-star property chosen for its scenic location and authentic experience.

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 on this tour.

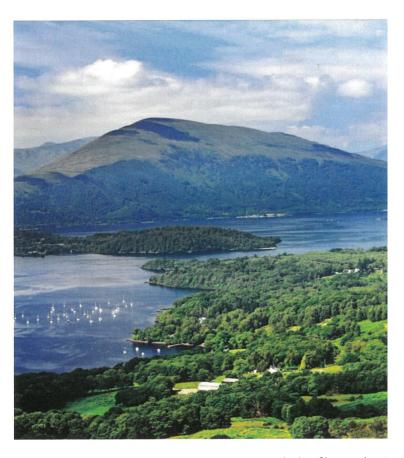
Smaller buses, which may not be lavatory equipped, may be used on this program. In this case, frequent stops are made during travel periods.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, 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 negatives

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 is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of December 26, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by May 03, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until January 02, 2025.

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