



Scottish Clans & Castles

Starting at **\$3,045***

Find your castle in the sky

Revisit the past on this leisurely Scottish tour filled with castle ruins, ancient battlefields, and colorful stories from the country's rich history.

Trip details

Tour start

Edinburgh

Tour end

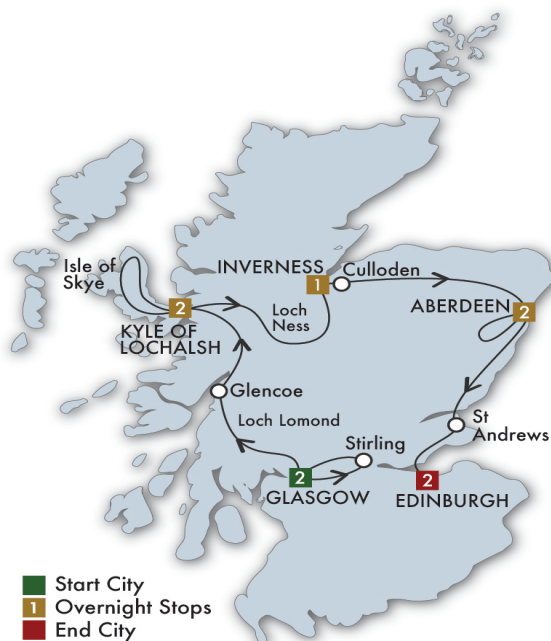
Edinburgh

10 ☀
Days

9 🌙
Nights

15 🍴
Meals

* Prices listed are in US dollars, and are per-person, double-occupancy. If you would prefer a single room, there is a single-room supplement of \$995



Trip Highlights:

- Palace of Holyroodhouse
- Culloden Battlefield
- Dunvegan Castle
- Stirling Castle
- Isle of Skye
- Eilean Donan Castle
- Scottish Sheepdog Demonstration
- Fyvie Castle
- Edinburgh Castle
- Highland Cows

Hotels:

- Sandman Signature Glasgow Hotel
- Balmacara Hotel
- Courtyard by Marriott Inverness Airport
- Ardoe House Hotel and Spa
- DoubleTree by Hilton Edinburgh - Queensferry Crossing

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Trip Itinerary

Day 1 Glasgow Panoramic Tour | Welcome Drink

Your tour departs from your hotel at 2:30 PM. Take a panoramic tour of Glasgow, seeing sights like George Square, Kelvingrove Park, the cathedral and the university, all featured in the popular TV series "Outlander". Enjoy a welcome drink with your group before dining at your hotel. (D)

Day 2 Stirling Castle | Whisky Distillery

Visit Stirling Castle, a magnificent stronghold that was the childhood home of many Scottish kings and queens, including Mary, Queen of Scots. Next, sample a dram at Glengoyne Distillery and learn about its two centuries of whisky-making. Return to Glasgow, where you will be free to explore and dine as you wish. (B)

Day 3 Glencoe | Eilean Donan Castle

Head into the majestic Highlands and journey by Loch Lomond, across Rannoch Moor and through Glencoe, often considered one of Scotland's most spectacular and beautiful places. Stop for photo opportunities along the route as you continue your journey to the romantic Eilean Donan Castle, before arriving at your hotel on the shore of Loch Alsh. (B, D)

Day 4 Isle of Skye | Dunvegan Castle | Portree, Kilt Rock | Kilmuir Graveyard

Explore the Isle of Skye and learn the history of Bonnie Prince Charlie. Travel to Dunvegan Castle, the oldest continuously inhabited castle in Scotland. Admire the Trotternish Peninsula as you travel to Kilt Rock, a 200-foot-high sea cliff with huge, vertical basalt columns. Visit Flora MacDonald's grave in Kilmuir Graveyard and stop in Portree for free time. (B, D)

Day 5 Loch Ness Cruise | Sheepdog Demonstration

Photo opportunities await as you embark on a cruise of Loch Ness. Next, see the spectacular mountainous scenery as you drive along the edge of the Cairngorms National Park to your next destination: a farm where you'll watch a demonstration of talented sheepdogs displaying their skills as they work with the farmer to herd their flock. Dine at your hotel this evening. (B, D)

Day 6 Culloden Battlefield | Fyvie Castle

Visit the Culloden Battlefield Visitor Centre to discover how British government forces defeated the army of Bonnie Prince Charlie to end the Jacobite Rising. Proceed to Aberdeenshire to visit Fyvie Castle, Garden and Estate. Discover 800 years of the castle's history and see the extraordinary collection of art, arms, and armor gathered by a local man who made his fortune in the American steel industry. Dine at your luxurious manor-house hotel in Aberdeen this evening. (B, D)

Day 7 Highland Cows | Drum Castle

Visit Aberdeenshire Highland Cattle to meet a farmer raising Highland cows. See and photograph these famously gentle, long-haired creatures up close. Next, tour Drum Castle, Garden and Estate and see its imposing medieval tower and impressive Victorian library. Return to your hotel to dine with your group. (B, D)

Day 9 Panoramic Tour | Holyroodhouse | Edinburgh Castle | Scottish Evening*

In Edinburgh, see how the medieval townhouses along the Royal Mile in the heart of the Old Town stand in stark contrast to the Georgian mansions of the 200-year-old New Town. Tour the impressive Palace of Holyroodhouse, the official Scottish residence of the King, and walk through the majestically furnished chambers. Next, visit Edinburgh Castle to see the Scottish Crown Jewels and great views of the city. Enjoy a Scottish evening with a farewell dinner and traditional entertainment. July 25 – August 15 departures attend the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. (B, D*)

Day 8 Dundee | St Andrews

Visit Dundee, once known as the city of “jute, jam, and journalism” for its local industries, and now a cultural hub and the UK’s first UNESCO City of Design. Take some free time to explore the transformed waterfront, with its impressive architecture, museums, and an urban beach. Travel on to St Andrews, known as the home of golf and rich in medieval heritage. Take a panoramic drive and explore the city independently before departing for your hotel near Edinburgh. Your evening is free to dine independently. (B)

Day 10 Tour ends in Edinburgh

Your tour ends after breakfast (B) B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner *Meal counts vary on Tattoo departures, as the Scottish Evening is replaced with the Tattoo and an independent dinner.>



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