

WEST EUROPE - SCOTLAND - 6N/7D



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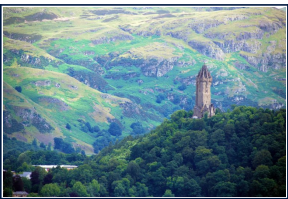
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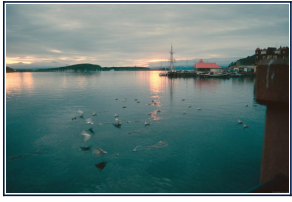
Day 1&2 : Edinburgh, sightseeing and attractions

Edinburgh is a city of seven hills, just like Rome. Take time to explore some of the city's incredible history, from the beautiful Edinburgh Castle to the impressive Royal Museum of Scotland. Walk the Royal Mile, home to the Old Town's most impressive buildings, and hit the shops of George Street to explore New Town. Stop at the National Gallery of Scotland with its old-master paintings and great Scottish art. Go underground for ghosts - the Royal Exchange in 1753 was built over the Real Mary King's Close, a medieval community and victims of the 1645 plague, who lived there, apparently haunt it.



Day 3&4 : Loch Lomond - Oban - Fort William - Isle of Skye -
Portree





Head today to the mighty Stirling Castle and the amazing Wallace Monument and in to the bonnie banks of Loch Lomond and stopping in the pretty village of Luss. Then take the stunning road through the hills, known as the 'rest and be thankful' to the handsome town of Inveraray on Loch Fyne where you can visit the amazing Inveraray Castle. Arrive in the bustling seaport of Oban, gateway to the Isles and spend an overnight stay in a traditional Scottish B&B.; Next day take the ferry to Oban and drive north along Loch Linnhe and arrive in Fort William that sits on the slopes of Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain. Take the stunning Glenfinnan Road to see the amazing Glenfinnan monument and viaduct - used in the Harry Potter films. Arrive in the small port of Mallaig and take a spectacular ferry journey through the Sound of Sleat to the Isle of Skye. Head north to see the wild mountains that dominate the island and head back to the capital of Skye, Portree, to see the Old Mann of Storr and Kilt Rock - a spectacular rock formation. Overnight in Portree.



Day 5&6 : Fort William - Inverness - Loch Ness - Highlands



More time to see the stunning Isle of Skye and its rugged scenery and a visit to Dunvegan Castle, the oldest inhabited castle in Britain. Back to Fort William and heading through the Highlands before reaching Loch Ness for a chance perhaps to sight its famous monster! Castle Urquhart is a popular viewing point. Head to the capital of the Highlands, Inverness and take time to visit Inverness Castle that nestles above the river off Castle Road, and Fort George - the best-preserved 18th century military fortification in Europe. Before leaving Inverness, head west to visit Culloden Moor, Britain's last battlefield where Bonnie Prince Charlie finally lost the Jacobite cause in the battle. Nearby are the mystical Clava Cairns, which date back to 2000 BC. Drive the stunningly beautiful route that passes through two national parks from Inverness to Glasgow and passes through some of the most exhilarating scenery in the country.



Day 7 : Glasgow - Depart





Time to take a City Sightseeing tour of Glasgow and take in some of the city's history and culture. There are 28 stops and you can hop on and off to visit a site or stay on for the full two-hour tour. Or why not try a tour with a difference with a Ghostly Glasgow tour which describes the city's grim, gory and ghoulish past. Visit the Well park Brewery for a free pint of Scotland's favourite lager, and learn about the brewing process from mashing to canning, along the way. Have afternoon tea at traditional Tea Rooms in Sauciehall Street, and take a river tour down the Clyde River that runs through the heart of the city.