



AUGUST 19-28, 2023

with optional

DUBLIN PRE-TOUR &  
ST. ANDREWS POST-TOUR

# STUNNING SCOTTLAND



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**RESERVE  
RISK FREE**

See reservation  
panel for details.

Highlands & Islands





Urquhart Castle, Loch Ness





Dear Friends,

Please join fellow NC State alumni and friends as we explore the inspiring history, exuberant culture, and fascinating sites of Scotland—from the bustling cities of Glasgow and Edinburgh, to the natural scenic beauty of the Highlands.

While many travel destinations rightfully claim unique charm, how many share the unicorn as their national animal? Experience the pure magic that is Scotland by cruising the infamous Loch Ness to Inverness, sampling heavenly spirits refined over centuries, and taking in the iconic music that illustrates the tales of this extraordinary land. Wander cobblestoned streets on panoramic city tours, explore fascinating castles, visit delightful shops to browse works crafted by skilled masters, and perhaps even try on a traditional tartan or two.

This journey provides access to Culloden Battlefield and behind-the-scenes access to Glamis Castle. An additional special inclusion features the electric atmosphere of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo—a thrilling, international performance of music, dance, and military artistry. Witness the spellbinding sights and sounds of global talent accompanied by special effects that bring Edinburgh Castle to life in a unique way.

Accommodations for this grand adventure offer welcoming properties dotting the countryside, each providing splendid Scottish hospitality and the comforts of home.

Availability is limited. With significant savings of more than \$1,000 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly. Be certain to reserve your spot today.

Reserve today online at [ncsu.orbridge.com](https://ncsu.orbridge.com), by calling (919) 515-0508, or by emailing [hart@ncsu.edu](mailto:hart@ncsu.edu).

Sincerely,

Kathy Hart  
WolfTreks Travel Director  
NC State Alumni Association

As we embark on this new world of group travel, the health and well-being of our guests, our team, and the communities we visit remain our top priority. For a detailed listing of the enhanced safety measures and hygiene protocols specific to our tours, please visit [orbridge.com/wellness](https://orbridge.com/wellness).

*Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an ongoing initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at [orbridge.com/going-green](https://orbridge.com/going-green).*



Stirling Castle

## Your 10-Day Itinerary

(subject to change)

- Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
- Day 2:** Arrive in Glasgow, Scotland (D)  
Self-guided hop-on / hop-off city tour to see attractions and welcome dinner tonight  
Overnight: Clayton Hotel Glasgow
- Day 3:** Glasgow / Isle of Arran / Glasgow (B,L)  
Delicious lunch followed by time at leisure to explore town and go shopping  
Overnight: Clayton Hotel Glasgow
- Day 4:** Glasgow / Stirling / Glencoe (B,D)  
Guided Stirling Castle tour, smoke house and whisky tasting  
Overnight: Kingshouse Hotel
- Day 5:** Glencoe / The Scottish Highlands (B,D)  
Inverary Castle and its gardens, short walk thru Luss, Loch Lomand cruise  
Overnight: Kingshouse Hotel
- Day 6:** Loch Ness / Inverness (B,D)  
Urquhart Castle visit, Loch Ness cruise  
Overnight: River Ness Hotel
- Day 7:** Inverness / Aberdeen (B,L,D)  
Culloden Battlefield, distillery tour and tasting  
Overnight: Macdonald Norwood Hall Hotel
- Day 8:** Aberdeen / Edinburgh (B)  
Panoramic city tour, Palace of Holyroodhouse, Edinburgh Military Tattoo performance  
Overnight: Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel
- Day 9:** Edinburgh / St. Andrews / Edinburgh (B,D)  
Glamis Castle, St. Andrews exploration and leisure time, farewell dinner  
Overnight: Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel
- Day 10:** Depart for U.S. (B)  
(B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

**Activity Level:** The majority of the program's activities will take place outdoors and a fair amount of walking on varying terrain is to be expected. It is our expectation that guests on this program are able to walk a mile at a moderate pace, get in and out of a motor coach, and walk up a flight of stairs without assistance.



Inverness





Inverary Castle

## Program Highlights

- Discover Glasgow at leisure during a hop-on/hop-off bus excursion, including points of interest such as the Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow Cathedral, and Barras Market.
- Visit a local distillery to learn about whisky making from professionally trained guides followed by a tasting of their creations.
- Explore impressive Stirling Castle, situated on a volcanic outcrop on the River Forth, and hear of the castle's turbulent history, featuring great figures from Scotland's past, such as William Wallace, Robert the Bruce, and Mary, Queen of Scots.
- Behold Behold Inveraray Castle, home of the Duke and Duchess of Argyll and their young family.
- See Culloden Battlefield, which was the site of the last battle of the Jacobite Rising.
- Visit the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the late Queen Elizabeth II's official residence in Scotland. Founded as a monastery in 1128, this property was once the home of Mary, Queen of Scots from 1561 to 1567.
- Visit the breathtaking Glamis Castle—the legendary setting for Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, the childhood home of Queen Elizabeth's mother, and the birthplace of Princess Margaret.
- Embrace the charming town of St. Andrews—home to Scotland's oldest and most prestigious university and the birthplace of golf, first played 600 years ago.
- Witness the impressive showcase of military pipes and drums, Highland dancers, and marching formations of the celebrated Edinburgh Tattoo.

## What's Included

- 8 nights hotel accommodations
- 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 6 dinners, including a special welcome and farewell dinner
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Admission to all locations listed on the 10-day itinerary, including the performance of the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- All ferry fees
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, drivers, porters, and wait staff for included meals
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times



Culloden Battlefield



## Accommodations (subject to change)

### CLAYTON HOTEL GLASGOW

At the Clayton Hotel, guests find bright, spacious, and comfortable rooms furnished with luxurious King Koil mattresses for relaxation. Alongside the beautiful waterfront of Glasgow City, the hotel overlooks the River Clyde.



### KINGHOUSE HOTEL GLENCOE

With panoramic views of the Highlands of Scotland, the iconic Kingshouse Hotel is surrounded by peaks, pools, and rivers. Guests of the property rave not only of the unrivalled views, but also about the rooms and staff.



### RIVER NESS HOTEL

A member of the Radisson Hotels, the River Ness features 76 modern guest rooms and an onsite fitness center, bar, and restaurant. It is conveniently located in the city center, minutes away from attractions.



### NORWOOD HALL HOTEL

This magnificent Victorian mansion exudes character and charm, with roaring log fires, sweeping staircases, classic décor, and seven acres of secluded gardens and expansive woods.



### KIMPTON CHARLOTTE SQUARE HOTEL

Ideally located beside New Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, this property—which features seven interconnected Georgian townhouses—overlooks one of Edinburgh's prettiest private garden squares.





## Optional Pre-Tour



## Decidedly Dublin: Tours, Toasts, and Tales

Famous for its craic (“crack”)—a mixture of repartee, humor, and intelligence—Dublin has attracted visitors for centuries. Embrace the Emerald Isle’s time-honored traditions and discover present-day modernizations.

### Pre-Tour Itinerary *(subject to change)*

**Day +1:** En Route from U.S.

**Day +2:** Arrive in Dublin, Ireland (D)

Hop-on / hop-off Dublin tour, dinner with live Irish music

Overnight: The Davenport

**Day +3:** Dublin (B)

Early morning and evening leisure time, visit to the EPIC Irish Museum, Guinness Storehouse Connoisseur Experience

Overnight: The Davenport

**Day +4:** Dublin / Flight to Glasgow / Main Program Begins (B)

### What’s Included

- 2 nights hotel accommodations at The Davenport with full Irish breakfast each morning
- Hop-on / hop-off city tour of Dublin
- Excursion to EPIC, The Irish Emigration Museum, including admission
- Admission to the Guinness Storehouse, including the Connoisseur Experience
- Dinner and live Irish music
- Private transportation
- Gratuities to local guides, drivers, and porters
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times (airfare to Glasgow not included)



## Optional Post-Tour



## St. Andrews

Famous for its golf links, stunning coastline, and architecture, St. Andrews is a beautiful university town worth considering to cap off your travel adventure in Scotland.

### Post-Tour Itinerary *(subject to change)*

**Day 10:** Edinburgh / St. Andrews (L)  
Falkirk Wheel, pub lunch, Old Course walking tour, leisure time  
Overnight: Old Course Hotel

**Day 11:** St. Andrews (B)  
Day at leisure, including a choice of a golfing or afternoon tea activity (additional fee)  
Overnight: Old Course Hotel

**Day 12:** St. Andrews / Edinburgh /  
Depart for U.S. (B)

### What's Included

- 2 nights accommodations at the Old Course Hotel
- 2 breakfasts and 1 lunch
- Admission and fees for included activities
- Gratuities to local guides, drivers, porters, and wait staff for included meals
- Private transportation
- Airport transfers for guests departing during the suggested times

### Optional Activities

**Golf Tee Time (\$350/person):** Golf enthusiasts may choose to play a round on St. Andrews' Duke's course—highly regarded as one of the finest championship courses in the British Isles and a must-play course for any golfer. (Includes greens fee, golf cart, rental clubs, and roundtrip transfers between the hotel and course.)

**Afternoon Tea Time (\$95/person):** Non-golfers may instead choose to experience an award-winning afternoon tea and desserts at the Old Course Hotel, featuring a delicious selection of delicate pastries and cakes, including homemade scones and strawberry and pink champagne preserves.





# Stunning Scotland

**AUGUST 19-28, 2023**

Dublin Pre-Tour: August 17-20, 2023

St. Andrews Post-Tour: August 28-30, 2023

## Reserve by Credit Card:

Online: [ncsu.orbridge.com](https://ncsu.orbridge.com)

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## Reserve by Check:

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Box 7503, NC State University

Raleigh, NC 27695-7503

## GUEST INFORMATION:

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## DEPOSIT PAYMENT:

Check     ACH (Automated Clearing House)     MasterCard/Visa     American Express     Discover

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## CATEGORY SELECTION & DEPOSIT:

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining pre-tour (\$500/person) +

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining program (\$850/person) +

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining post-tour (\$500/person) = **TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

## POST-TOUR EXCURSIONS (added to your final invoice):

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining optional Golf Tee Time (\$350/person)

# \_\_\_\_\_ guests joining optional Afternoon Tea Time (\$95/person)

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reservations, Deposits and Final Payment.** To secure your reservation, deposits are due upon placing a reservation as follows: \$850 per person per program and \$500 per person for any pre/post-tour. Orbridge accepts payment by check, ACH, wire or major credit card. Final payment is due 90 days prior to the departure date. Reservations made after the final payment due date are due at the time of registration. If final payment is not received by Orbridge by the final payment due date, Orbridge may cancel your reservation in its sole discretion with no right of refund. CST#2098750-40 WST#602828994

**Reservation Grace Period.** Reservations made 121+ days prior to the departure date may be cancelled within 30 days from the reservation date ("Grace Period") for a full refund. Notice of cancellation must be received in writing during the Grace Period. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date.

**Reservation Cancellations and Refunds.** Notice of cancellation must be submitted to Orbridge in writing. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date. If the cancellation notice is received after the Grace Period (if applicable): (a) 91+ days prior to the departure date, all monies paid will be refunded less an administrative fee of \$350 per person for the main program and \$200 per person for a pre/post-tour; (b) 90-76 days prior to the departure date, a 25% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (c) 75-61 days prior to the departure date, a 50% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (d) 60-46 days prior to the departure date, a 75% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (e) within 45 days prior to the departure date, a 100% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program. A 100% cancellation fee applies to all non-refundable airfare. Refunds, if any, will be processed within 30 days of our receipt of your written notice.

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Category	Standard Rate	Special Rate*
Double	<del>\$6,492</del>	\$5,995
Single	<del>\$8,892</del>	\$8,395
<b>Dublin Pre-Tour*</b>		
Double: \$1,395   Single: \$1,695		
<i>Airfare to main program not included.</i>		
<b>St. Andrews Post-Tour*</b>		
Double: \$1,495   Single: \$1,995		

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Special Alumni Rate: **Save more than \$1,000**  
per couple

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Reserve your space by  
**January 13, 2023**

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Library we've assembled for this program.\*\*

## What Guests Are Saying...

*I had never visited Scotland and it was on my wish list. I had taken another trip with Orbridge, so I knew this would be a first-class experience. The entire tour was a highlight--all the sites visited, the beautiful scenery in each region, the history shared by our Travel Director, the wildflowers and pastures... I can't choose a favorite place or experience.  
~Valerie N., Boulder, CO*



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