

SCOTLAND TOURS - GROUP PACKAGES: MILITARY TATTOO TOUR



special event in scotland!

Group travel

Edinburgh Military Tattoo

Luxury 4 day package

day 1 (Thu) Welcome to luxury!

We assume an early afternoon arrival at Edinburgh Airport. Meet and Greet by qualified guide and direct transfer with private executive coach to the Roxburghe Hotel for check in.

Situated in historic Charlotte Square, just two minutes from Princes Street, the elegant Macdonald Roxburghe Hotel is home to some of the world's finest Georgian architecture. The hotel features 197 en suite bedrooms, including superior and executive feature rooms, an AA Rosette dining room, comfortable lounge/bar, cocktail bar and central 'piazza style' courtyard where guests can relax and enjoy the outdoors right in the heart of the city. Guests can also make use of their extensive leisure club with swimming pool, sauna, steam room, gym and health and beauty treatment rooms.

During a welcome drinks reception at the hotel just after arrival, the guide will give the guests some more information on the immediate surrounds of the hotel and answer any questions there might be. The rest of the day will be free for the guests to spend at leisure. As an option, we can arrange tonight for the whole group a rustic dinner in an atmospheric pub in the centre of the Old Town, just minutes walk from the hotel. Overnight at the Roxburghe Hotel.

day 2 (Fri) Trossachs, Loch Lomond and Glengoyne Distillery...

For today, we suggest to make a full day excursion into the Trossachs, to Loch Lomond and Glengoyne Distillery. Leaving Edinburgh we drive westwards, passing the Palace of Linlithgow, birthplace of Mary, Queen of Scots and the historic Royal Burgh town of Stirling, which is known as the 'Gateway to the Highlands'. Stirling Castle stands above the town on a high rock and nearby is the site of the 1314 Battle of Bannockburn.

Continuing through one of Scotland's most beautifully scenic areas, also called 'The Highlands in Miniature'. The Trossachs region, only 5 miles wide, with a romantic grandeur; ragged peaks, tumbling streams, lochs and glens, which inspired Sir Walter Scott in his novel 'The Lady of the Lake'.

Later, we follow the banks of Loch Lomond - known as the 'Queen of Scottish Lakes' and the largest in Great Britain at 23 miles long. Soft green hills roll away from its banks in the south and farther north, wooded mountains climb dramatically from its shores and Ben Lomond rises to 3,192 feet in the east. The islands in the Loch greatly add to its beauty and attracted Irish missionaries in the 5th century and St Mirren is believed to have founded a monastery in the 6th century on the largest island, Inchmurrin, on which lie the ruins of Lennox Castle.

Depending on the time available we can stop here for an optional boat trip, able to enjoy the wonderful scenery from the water. Lunch will be taken in a traditional country pub.

On route back to Edinburgh we will visit Glengoyne Distillery for a private VIP tour and tasting. History records the distillery as 'Burnfoot of Glenguin' in 1836. Guests will be able to see how the Scottish national drink is made and of course have a taste as well of the famous malt. Returning to Edinburgh later in the afternoon. Overnight at the Roxburghe Hotel.

day 3 (Sat) Military Tattoo Show

This morning the group will be taken on a private sightseeing tour of Edinburgh with guide and executive coach.

Edinburgh really is two cities. We have the Old Town, which is built around the Castle and down along the Royal Mile to Holyrood Palace. The style here is very traditional and rather medieval with high tenement houses and very narrow lanes, so called 'closes'. In contrast there is the New Town, which was built in the classic Gregorian Style, at the end of the 18th century, thus to handle the constant stream of increasing population and business activities.

Later that morning we will also pay a visit to Edinburgh Castle for a guided tour, before returning back to the hotel. The rest of the afternoon will again be free for the guests to spend at leisure. In the evening, dinner is held at the hotel's restaurant, followed by a leisurely walk up to Edinburgh Castle for the Military Tattoo late show (10.30hr start) with fireworks. The guests will be accompanied this evening by the guide. After the show walk back to the hotel. Overnight at the Roxburghe Hotel.

day 4 (Sun) Say goodbye...

Free morning for the guests, to enjoy some last minute shopping and follow their own individual interest. Later transfer by private coach, accompanied by the guide to Edinburgh Airport for check in and departure.

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