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Pipes & Drums Plus 2



THE ROYAL
EDINBURGH
MILITARY
TATTOO

Travel partner

GLORYDAYS



Destination: Edinburgh – Loch Lomond – Inverness – Pitlochry | **Duration:** 9 nights / 10 days
Start-Finish: Edinburgh – Edinburgh | **Date:** 30th July – 8th August

Price: £5,698 double share / £7,598 single share per person

Discover the epic natural landscapes, the tradition, and the heritage alongside the awe inspiring dramatic natural beauty of Scotland. National Geographic has included Scotland in their Best of the World 2024 list which gives you an insight into what you will see on this tour. Every turn provides jaw dropping scenery and history seeps through the countryside waiting to be explored. Combined with 3 nights in historic Edinburgh to experience the Royal Military Edinburgh Tattoo in style, our Plus tour is a trip of a lifetime.

Join us on our Pipes and Drums Plus Tour for an unforgettable Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo and best of Scotland experience.



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Knowledgeable, experienced Tour Manager
- Coach transportation throughout
- 5* Hand Picked accommodation in great locations
- Entry to iconic Edinburgh attractions and must see Scottish landmarks
- Dine like a King or Queen in Edinburgh Castle with Tattoo hospitality, prior to the outstanding show, viewed from Premier seating
- Exclusive Q&A session with guest speaker from the Tattoo
- 75th Anniversary of the show
- Stunning natural scenery at every turn – lochs, mountain peaks, rolling glens and wooded braes. Scotland is calling.



DAY 1- EDINBURGH ARRIVAL

AFTERNOON

Arrive at the 5* Virgin Hotel in central Edinburgh. Check in is from 3pm, and you will have time to explore a little of your surroundings before meeting fellow guests.

6-7PM

Join your fellow Tour guests and meet your dedicated Tour Manager. Enjoy canapes and welcome drinks in a private area within the hotel and learn about the tour ahead. The rest of your evening is at leisure.



5* Virgin hotel, Edinburgh



Welcome drinks and canapes

HOTEL GALLERY



DAY 2- EDINBURGH DAY

DAY

After a full breakfast, we embark on an Edinburgh adventure. Today you will take in some iconic sights and attractions such as Holyrood Palace, a magnificent champagne afternoon tea on Fingal, a luxury floating hotel and the majestic Royal Yacht Britannia with transportation via private executive coach.

EVENING

Your evening tonight is at leisure.



5* Virgin hotel, Edinburgh



Breakfast, Champagne Afternoon Tea





DAY 3 – EDINBURGH CASTLE AND ROYAL EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO

DAY

After breakfast you take a guided walking tour of Edinburgh, learning about the rich history and architecture of the city and explore the iconic Edinburgh Castle with your guide. You will experience an exclusive Q&A session with a valued member of the Tattoo team. Enjoy the chance to learn more about what goes on behind the scenes of this impressive event.

EVENING

Your evening tonight is spent at the spectacular Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Experience Castle hospitality and dining before being escorted across the drawbridge of the entrance to the castle, onto the esplanade where you take your Premier seats and sit back for the show.



5* Virgin Hotel, Edinburgh



Breakfast, Hospitality Dinner

DAY 4 – KELPIES, GLASGOW AND LOCH LOMOND ARRIVAL

9AM

Today, we travel to the Kelpies, a stunning example of architecture and the largest equine sculptures in the world. Then head west across Scotland's central belt to Glasgow. You'll enjoy a short city orientation and learn about its fascinating industrial past as the 'second City' of the British Empire.

AFTERNOON

We continue west to the picturesque Loch Lomond National Park, where you'll stay for 2 nights at the stunning Cameron House Hotel, located right on the bonnie banks of Loch Lomond.

EVENING

Join your fellow Tour guests and your dedicated Tour Manager for a welcome evening meal at the hotel. Enjoy the easy ambience of the hotel and allow yourself to relax into the slower-paced way of Scottish life. The rest of your evening is at leisure.



5* Cameron House Hotel, Loch Lomond, Loch view room



Group Welcome dinner with drinks



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DAY 5 – STIRLING CASTLE

FULL DAY

After a full breakfast overlooking the stunning scenery, we travel to Stirling and explore Stirling Castle. This is one of Scotland's greatest stone castles – an icon integral to the nation's diverse history. Generations of Scottish monarchs have enlarged, adapted and embellished Stirling Castle. Afterwards you will visit the National Wallace monument, which commemorates Sir William Wallace, Scotland's National hero. It proudly stands above the fields where William Wallace led his troops to victory and offers impressive views of the surrounding countryside.

EVENING

Your evening tonight is at leisure.



5* Cameron House Hotel, Loch Lomond, Loch view room



Breakfast



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DAY 6 – LOCH LOMOND, GLENCOE AND LOCH NESS

DAY

Today we journey through the spectacular Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park with its wooded glens, braes, and lochs. The scenery then takes a dramatic turn as you approach the breathtaking mountains of Glencoe. Famous for the "Glencoe massacre", learn about the important Jacobite events here which shaped history. Finish the day with a cruise on mysterious Loch Ness, where you may catch a glimpse of the fabled "Nessie", one of Scotland's national treasures.

EVENING

Enjoy a group meal in the evening.



5* Ness Walk, Inverness



Breakfast and Group Evening Meal

HOTEL GALLERY

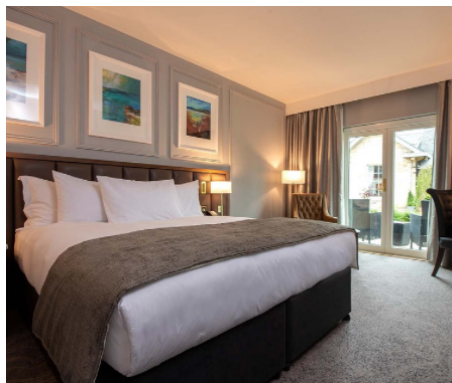




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DAY 7 – CULLODEN AND EILEAN DONAN CASTLE

MORNING

Visit the Culloden Battlefield, where the course of British, European and world history was changed at Culloden on 16 April 1746. A ferocious war had come to Scotland, dividing families and setting clan against clan.

AFTERNOON

Travel Westwards towards the iconic Eilean Donan Castle. Situated on an island at the point where three great sea lochs meet, and surrounded by some majestic scenery, it is little wonder that the castle is now one of the most visited and important attractions in Scotland.



5* Ness Walk, Inverness



Breakfast



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DAY 8 – STRATHSPEY RAILWAY AND WHISKY DISTILLERY

FULL DAY

This morning travel on the Strathspey Railway, a historic steam train that passes along the top of the beautiful Cairngorm mountain range. Continuing through the Perthshire country side, we stop in to have a look at the Highland coos. Finally, we will visit one of the many whisky distilleries in the region to see how the golden liquid is made.

EVENING

The evening is at leisure. You can take a short stroll into Pitlochry or dine in one of the hotels fantastic restaurants.



5* Fonab Castle, Pitlochry



Breakfast

HOTEL GALLERY





DAY 9 – BRAEMAR VILLAGE AND CASTLES

MORNING

Head Eastwards into the Cairngorm Mountain range through stunning scenery to the Royal town of Braemar. Perfect for some souvenir shopping and a bite to eat.

AFTERNOON

Heading back towards Pitlochry, we visit Balmoral Castle, the official home of the Royal Family when they are in Scotland. Whilst here you can wander the grounds of this beautiful castle, perhaps spotting one of the King's famous animals, the red squirrel.

EVENING

This evening, join your guests and Tour Manager for a farewell meal and drinks in the hotels 1892 on the Loch restaurant. Overlooking the beautiful loch, recount tales from the tour with newly made friends



5* Fonab Castle, Pitlochry



Breakfast and Group Evening Meal



DAY 10 – TOUR CONCLUDES

9.30AM

After a leisurely breakfast, head southwards towards the capital city of Edinburgh. Marvel at the architecture of the Forth Road and Rail bridges and spot the majestic castle high on its craggy peak as you enter the City. There will be one drop off at Edinburgh airport at 11.30am (if anyone needs dropped here) and then to the Virgin Hotel in central Edinburgh for 12.30.

INCLUDED IN EVERY TOUR

- Knowledgeable, experienced Tour Manager
- Hand-Selected and Inspected Luxury Accommodations
- Full Breakfast Daily and Lunches/Dinners as per the itinerary
- Internet Access
- Entrance Fees, Taxes and all Gratuities except the Tour Director
- 24/7 Glory Days On-Call Support from our Edinburgh base
- All tours guaranteed to run. No minimum numbers.

TOUR SUMMARY

INCLUSIONS

- 2 nights in 5* Cameron House, Loch Lomond
- 2 nights in 5* Ness Walk, Inverness
- 2 nights in 5* Fonab Castle, Pitlochry
- Coach Transportation throughout
- Dedicated Tour Manager
- 3 Group Meals
- Breakfast daily
- Glasgow City orientation
- Stirling Castle
- Strathspey railway
- Culloden Battlefield
- Loch Ness Cruise
- Eilean Donan Castle
- Highland Cow Experience
- Balmoral Castle
- Braemar Village
- Whisky Distillery
- Loch Lomond Touring
- Glencoe Touring
- Wallace monument
- "The Castle" Hospitality, which includes a 3-course meal with drinks in Edinburgh Castle, a bespoke recital from members of the Tattoo cast, a backstage glimpse of performers warming up before the show, and a souvenir copy of the 75th Anniversary Show Programme
- The Official Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Tickets – Premier Seats in Section 8, a prime seating area in the outdoor arena with exceptional views of the performance and comfortable, cushioned seating
- Three Nights at the 5* Virgin Hotel Edinburgh
- Breakfast Daily
- Queue jump to get fast-track access to the arena
- Welcome Drinks & Canapes
- Guided Tours of Edinburgh Castle and the Palace of Holyrood house (Audio)
- Tour of the Royal Yacht Britannia
- Champagne Afternoon Tea
- Private Open Top Bus (subject to minimum numbers, alternative transport will be provided otherwise)
- Private Q&A session with Guest Speaker from The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- Experienced Tour Manager
- Official Tour Merchandise

HOW TO BOOK

To book this tour, please either email us on **info@edintattootraveloffice.co.uk / 0131 510 4540** (0044 131 510 4540 for overseas customers) to speak with one of our dedicated, friendly staff members.

**CLICK TO
BOOK**

PAYMENT OPTIONS AND DEPOSIT SCHEDULE

To book this tour, we require a non-refundable deposit of 25% of the total cost. The balance is then due by 1st June 2025.

We accept the following means of payment:

- Visa debit/credit card
- Mastercard debit/credit card
- Bank transfer

Please note we do not accept American Express.

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