



Scotland: a country wreathed in the proud traditions of its strong people. Whisky, beer, and food play an integral role in those traditions – let us connect you to the best Scotland has to offer!"

From the rocky highlands, windswept islands, and lonely glens, to the blackened stone of old city walls, and weather that can show all four seasons in a single day, this is a country that breathes a challenge for people to rise above whatever stands in their way. At times, Scotland only seems once removed from the mystical fingers of its ancient past, while at others it beams the warm light of faith, goodwill and the tender hearts of its people. There is truly no place like Scotland.

Our 9-day beer and whisky tour begins in Edinburgh, and touches the most beloved parts of Scotland as we visit castles, distilleries, breweries and battlefields. From Edinburgh we travel west to the metropolitan city of Glasgow, the largest and liveliest city in Scotland. The Highlands call as we travel along the whisky trail, enjoying the old cities of Aberdeen and Inverness. Finally, we head south through the rugged Cairngorms National Park to the lovely town of Pitlochry, and on to our final night in Edinburgh. It's a beautiful country, and a beautiful trip; it's a wonderful way to Eat and Drink Like a European.

### HopScotch Tour Includes:

The full-time services of a professional tour director who is passionate about the history, culture, and beer of Europe All admissions and local tours – no hidden extra charges for any excursions – covering these experiences (and more!):

- ✓ The Royal Mile
- ✓ Edinburgh Castle
- ✓ Palace of Holyroodhouse
- ✓ National Wallace Monument
- ✓ Doune Castle
- ✓ Footdee Village
- ✓ Cairngorms National Park
- ✓ Dunnotar Castle
- ✓ Scottish Highlands
- ✓ Stonehaven Village
- ✓ Culloden Battlefield
- ✓ Blair Castle
- ✓ Scone Palace
- ✓ Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- ✓ Edinburgh Scotch Whisky Experience
- ✓ Traditional Scottish Haggis Dinner
- ✓ Edinburgh Microbrewery
- ✓ Glengoyne Distillery
- ✓ Drygate Brewing
- ✓ Glenturret Distillery (The Famous Grouse)
- ✓ Gourmet Scottish Seafood Dinner
- ✓ Brewdog Brewery
- ✓ 6 Degrees North Brewery
- ✓ Glenfiddich Distillery
- ✓ Macallan Distillery
- ✓ Edradour Craft Distillery
- ✓ Moulin Brewery
- ✓ Pitlochry Steakhouse

• A small group (average group size 12) • All group transportation from Edingburgh to Edinburgh • 8 nights accommodation in comfortable, centrally located hotels • All breakfasts, 3 lunches and 4 dinners • All tips for driver and guides • Guaranteed pricing on your tour – locked in the moment you make your deposit

## HOPSCOTCH Whisky and Beer Tour of Scotland

### What past travellers have said about Scotland Tour Director James Johnson:

““You made my first trip oversea so nice and unforgettable. You have a nice sense of humour, and you are so generous in your explanations. I love Scotland thanks to you.” – Johanne, St. George de Champlain, Quebec, Canada

“Thank you so much for offering this wonderful opportunity. I truly enjoyed this wonderful trip. Your good planning, your easygoing ways, your sense of humour, and your interest in our well-being made this long time dream a success. Thank you!” – Cindy, Trois-Rivieres, Quebec, Canada

“This was the best trip I have ever taken. It was better than I dreamed it would be. A Great Adventure of a Lifetime. Thank you, James.” – Kenneth, Denver, Colorado, USA

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# HOPSCOTCH

## Whisky and Beer

### Tour of Scotland

### Partial Daily Itinerary

#### Day 1: On the Royal Mile

The tour begins in the historic city of Edinburgh, capital of Scotland. We meet at our Edinburgh hotel in the early afternoon. After all introductions have been made, our group will stroll up the Royal Mile to the majestic Edinburgh Castle, which keeps a watchful eye over the old city. Here we have a guided tour, taking in the Regimental museums, the Crown Jewels of Scotland, and the dark dungeons of the castle. After our visit, the group will walk to the nearby Scotch Whisky Experience where we will experience an informative overview of the story, culture, and most importantly, the tastes of Scotland's proud distilling history. We look forward to having a "Welcome to Scotland" group dinner at one of Edinburgh's highly acclaimed restaurants, where our guests have the opportunity to enjoy the traditional haggis, neeps, and tatties, and spend time getting to know each other.

Sleep in Edinburgh/Bus: none/Walking: Moderate

Meals provided: Dinner

#### Day 2: Royals in Auld Reekie

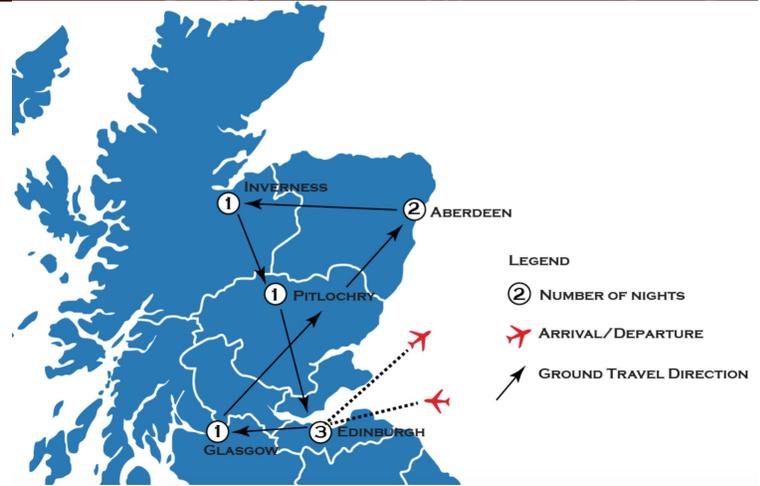
We wake up to enjoy our first full-Scottish breakfast at the hotel. After this, we embark upon a morning walking tour of the Old Town, and drop in for a visit to the Queen's official residence when she is in Scotland, The Palace of Holyroodhouse. In the Palace we walk the hallways, study the historical artifacts, and pause in the private chambers of Mary, Queen of Scots, as we consider the often-violent history of power and politics in Scotland. After our visit to the Palace and gardens, our group will enjoy lunch and fine Scottish craft beer at one of the local microbreweries. The afternoon and evening are free for the guests to enjoy the sights and sounds of this beautiful city at their leisure.

Sleep in Edinburgh/Bus: none/Walking: Moderate

Meals provided: Breakfast, Lunch

#### Day 3: Freedom!

Today we meet our coach driver who will accompany us the rest of the trip. In the morning we say goodbye to Edinburgh and drive west to the historic city of Stirling. As the strategic crossroads of Scotland, Stirling was the center of several of the most memorable battles in Scotland's Wars of Independence with England. Our first visit of the day is to the National Wallace Monument, which along with its fantastic panoramic views, also houses the great sword of The Guardian of Scotland himself, William Wallace. After our brisk walk up the tower, we will certainly be feeling thirsty, so we continue on to Glengoyne Distillery, considered to have one of the loveliest settings in all of Scotland. After a tour, some well-deserved tastings, and lunch, we drive to Glasgow, a modern city known for its wide, pedestrian-only shopping areas, and the lively humour of the locals. As we enter the city we will stop for a tasting flight at one of the cutting edge breweries of Glasgow's active beer scene, Drygate



Brewing. The afternoon and evening are free for the guests to enjoy Glasgow's friendly streets and lively nightlife.

Sleep in Glasgow/Bus: 2.5 hours/Walking: Moderate

Meals provided: Breakfast

#### Day 8: I like your Tattoo!

Today we visit Scone Palace, the Perthshire location where the ancient Kings of Scotland were crowned. After a tour and lunch at the beautiful palace we will once again cross the Forth Bridge and enter Edinburgh. The afternoon is a perfect opportunity to complete shopping for souvenirs and to enjoy the sights of Edinburgh during the Fringe Festival. In the evening we will gather at our hotel, and together will attend our final event, the world famous Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

Sleep in Edinburgh/Bus: 2 hours /Walking: Moderate

Meals provided: Breakfast



Full Itinerary, dates, and prices available on our website:

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