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# Pipes & Drums Plus 3



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**Destination:** Edinburgh – Inverness – Glenfinnan – Glasgow | **Duration:** 9 nights / 10 days  
**Start-Finish:** Edinburgh – Glasgow | **Date:** 9th – 18th August

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

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.

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## 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 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**



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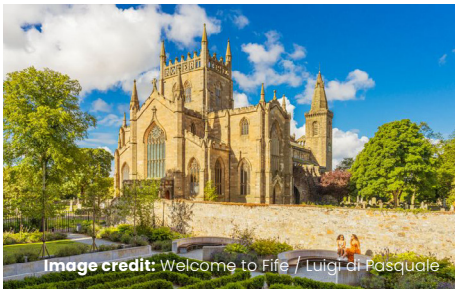


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## DAY4 – DUNFERMLINE ABBEY, PITLOCHRY AND STRATHSPEY RAILWAY

### 9.30AM

Our tour pick-up point is the 5\* Virgin hotel, Edinburgh. From here we set off north, over the Forth Road bridge, taking in views of the spectacular red hexagonal rail bridge. We stop at Dunfermline to discover the history of Dunfermline Abbey. The Abbey Church is the centrepiece of Dunfermline, one of the oldest settlements in Scotland and once its proud capital. The history of The Abbey is entwined with that of Scotland itself, as Dunfermline was the burial site of the Scottish monarchs after the island of Iona. Afterwards we travel to Pitlochry where we have a lunch stop.

### AFTERNOON

We continue further north towards Aviemore and take a journey on the Strathspey Railway, a historic steam train that passes along the top of the beautiful Cairngorm Mountain range. Then it is onwards to the hotel.

### EVENING

Tonight you will meet your dedicated Tour Manager and fellow guests for a welcome dinner. Enjoy a warm welcome from our famous Scottish hospitality and perhaps try a wee dram!



**5\* Ness Walk, Inverness**



**Group welcome dinner with drinks**

## HOTEL GALLERY

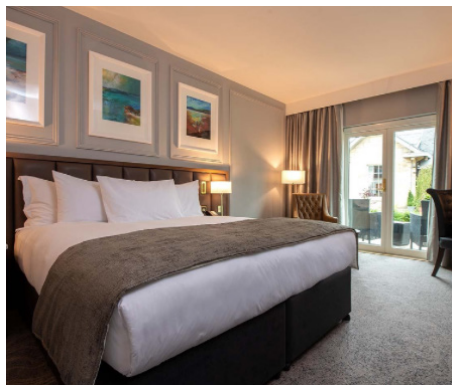






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## DAY 5 – CULLODEN AND EILEAN DONAN CASTLE

### 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**



Image credit: The Loch Ness Centre

## DAY 6 – LOCH NESS, SPEAN BRIDGE AND GLENFINNAN

### MORNING

This morning we take a cruise on mysterious Loch Ness, where you may catch a glimpse of the fabled "Nessie", one of Scotland's national treasures. Travelling southwards we traverse the Great Glen fault, a major geological fault line spanning 64 miles. Alongside the shores of Loch Ness and Loch Lochy, surround yourself with the beauty of the land, carved by glaciers more than 10,000 years ago.

### AFTERNOON

Arrive at the idyllic luxury Glenfinnan House Hotel, set on the shores of Loch Sheil. Relax in the quiet surroundings and unwind.

### EVENING

Enjoy a group evening meal in the hotel.



**Luxury Glenfinnan House Hotel**



**Breakfast and Group Evening Meal**

## HOTEL GALLERY





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## DAY 7 – MALLAIG AND WILDLIFE CRUISE

### FULL DAY

Today we head Westwards towards the beautiful fishing village of Mallaig. Here there is time to have a wander round the shops and a bite to eat in the peaceful surroundings. Enjoy a wildlife cruise on the Atlantic Ocean coast, where the waters are frequently visited by a variety of birds, seals, porpoises, dolphins, whales and basking sharks.

### EVENING

This evening, enjoy a group evening meal with your fellow tourers.



**Luxury Glenfinnan House Hotel**



**Breakfast, Group Evening meal**



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## DAY 8 – GLENCOE, LOCH LOMOND AND WHISKY DISTILLERY

### MORNING

Today we journey through the breathtaking mountains of Glencoe. Famous for the “Glencoe massacre”, learn about the important Jacobite events here which shaped history. The scenery then takes a dramatic turn as we enter the spectacular Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park with its wooded glens, braes, and lochs. Finish the day with a visit to a whisky distillery to learn how the golden liquid is made and to have a wee dram.

### EVENING

The evening is at leisure.

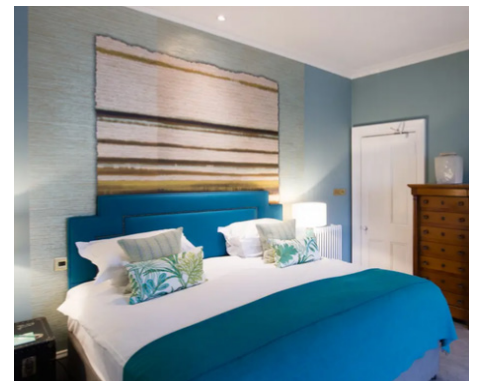


**5\* Hotel Du Vin, Glasgow**



**Breakfast**

## HOTEL GALLERY







## DAY 9 – STIRLING CASTLE

### FULL DAY

After a full breakfast 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

Enjoy a group farewell meal in the hotel and recount tales from the tour with new found friends.



**5\* Hotel Du Vin, Glasgow**



**Breakfast, group evening meal**



## DAY 10 – TOUR CONCLUDES

### MORNING

After a leisurely breakfast, your tour concludes. We can arrange transfers to various places at an additional cost, please advise if this is something that would be required.

## 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

- 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
- "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
- 2 nights in 5\* Ness Walk, Inverness
- 2 nights in Luxury Glenfinnan House Hotel, Glenfinnan
- 2 nights in 5\* Hotel Du Vin, Glasgow
- Coach Transportation throughout
- Dedicated Tour Manager
- 4 Group Meals
- Breakfast daily
- Glasgow City orientation
- Stirling Castle
- Wallace Monument
- Strathspey railway
- Culloden Battlefield
- Loch Ness Cruise
- Eilean Donan Castle
- Highland Cow Experience
- Whisky Distillery
- Loch Lomond Touring
- Glencoe Touring
- Mallaig Cruise
- Dunfermline Abbey
- Pitlochry
- Spean Bridge



## HOW TO BOOK

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## 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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